Dear Parents/Caregiver,

Safe School Travel Meeting

Yesterday fourteen parents attended the meeting to form a Safe School Travel committee at Helensvale SS. In attendance was Mr Michael Crandon, MLA for Coomera and GCCC Councillor, William Owen-Jones who answered questions regarding a wide range of issues which are of concern to parents. The issues included:

- Parking on yellow lines in all areas around the school
- Parking around the turnaround area at rear car park, blocking through traffic. This area is marked by yellow lines
- Parking on grass / footpaths
Parking across driveways of local residences

Double parking

Cars parking in bus stop area

Parent/students not using the pedestrian crossings –walking across the road from the Prep gate

Children being called across the road by parents on opposite side (Lindfield Road)

Parking in school boom gate driveway

Children dropped off in boom gate driveway

Area opposite Prep gate has no footpath to ensure wet weather access and prevent parking

Vehicles making u turns at various points along Lindfield Road after turning left from rear car park

Parking in the adjacent cul-de-sac preventing buses making a safe turn.

The plan from here, is to form an official SafeST Committee to address the issues above with the assistance of the GCCC, Qld Police and Michael Crandon's Office. I thank Michael Crandon and William Owen-Jones for giving freely of their time to assist the school prevent injury or death to one or more of our students.

I again highly recommend that parents do not ignore the road rules and observe all the road markings and signage to provide a safe environment for our children. Both the Police Traffic Branch and GCCC parking enforcement staff will be having a greater presence around the school from today. The fines are substantial and if common courtesy, respect for the law continue to be ignored the financial hit in the pocket may change these practices.

Discipline Audit

As you receive this edition of Homelines our Discipline Audit will have been completed by a Discipline Auditor from Education Qld. The audit report will be shared with our community when the final report is confirmed.

NZ Principal’s Visit

This week our school hosted a visit by four NZ school Leadership teams who are visiting the Gold Coast as part of a professional development study program. During the visit the staff meet with the leadership team and visited classes to compare and contrast the between NZ and Qld schools.

Our visitors were impressed with the behaviour of students and the friendly culture in the school.
Student Behaviour Complemented

Below I reproduce an email I received this week from Kathleen Penman QLD School Travel Administration for Surfside Bus, complementing our students' behavior on bus route 3042. I congratulate the students who travel on this bus on receiving such a wonderful accolade.

Subject: Commendation on Bus Behaviour

Good Afternoon,

We have had a drivers report regarding the wonderful behaviour on AM School Service 3042, servicing Parkwood, Arundel and Helensvale.

The driver states that the students from Helensvale Primary who are travelling on AM School Service 3042 are a credit to their school. “All 100% paying, polite students and a pleasure to drive to school each morning. I will miss the run.”

Thank you for your ongoing support, it is greatly appreciated.

Kind Regards

Kathleen Penman

QLD School Travel Administration

Surfside Buslines

Quote of the Week

Accidents, and particularly street and highway accidents, do not happen - they are caused. Ernest Greenwood

Michael Shambrook

Principal

News from the Deputies

From Ms Welch’s Desk

The Music program at Helensvale continues to dance along. We were trying to get the Twilight Tunes get together in this term but unfortunately due to some ill health (of both staff and students) we will be postponing that until next term.

Instrumental Music dates to remember

Term 2
• Week 7 Wed June 4–Payment and Notes returned for all students accepted to attend the Regional Instrumental Music Camp
• Week 9 Thursday June 19 – Senior Band to Perform at the Sports Carnival March Past
• Week 10 June 23-26 – Regional Instrumental Music Camp (Band)

**Term 3**

• Week 2, Thursday July 24 – Twilight Tunes 3.45-5pm in the PAC (Instrumental and choir)
• Week 3 Date TBC – Junior Band Workshop…maybe….have to confirm with other schools/teachers
• Week 6 and 7 – Gold Coast Eisteddfod
• Week 9 – Saturday Sept 13 School Fete

**Term 4**

• Week 2 – Thursday Oct 16 – SHOWCASE CONCERT
• Week 4 – Thursday Oct 30 – Excursion to Queensland Symphony Orchestra-All Band and String Students

Some dates still need to be confirmed.

**From Mrs Donovan’s Desk**

**Attention Parents of Students Suffering with Asthma**

As the cooler months approach we have been assisting numerous students with asthma in our health room. It is essential that all students with asthma have a current asthma action plan which details symptoms and management and is signed by a medical professional. The National Asthma Foundation has numerous examples of action plans which parents can use with their medical practitioner. [http://www.nationalasthma.org.au/asthma-tools/asthma-action-plans/asthma-action-plan-library](http://www.nationalasthma.org.au/asthma-tools/asthma-action-plans/asthma-action-plan-library)

It is essential that these are reviewed every 12 months to ensure currency. We currently have numerous students with no or out of date action plans. Please discuss this requirement with your child’s medical practitioner and provide a copy to Administration as soon as possible. This ensures we can provide the best possible care for your child whilst at school.

**From Mrs Ona’s Desk**

*Laugh Out Loud Club (LOL)*

Club will have a variety of activities and will change after every 2 weeks.

Activity will be posted on the PAC window

**Colouring for Year 1 Tuesday 3rd June**
Colouring for Year 2 Thursday 5th

Starting: Tuesday 3rd June 2014 (every Tuesday after this)
Thursday 5th June 2014 (every Thursday after this)

Time: Big Lunch (after eating time)

Location: Outside the PAC

Leaders: Tayla Muller 7B & Jordana Tane 7B

Activity: Colouring

Number of Students Required: 12 students

(No Student List Recorded. Students Just Turn UP. First 12 Will Be Taken)

Laugh Out Loud Club (LOL)

Activity Timetable

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From Prep, Years 1, 2 and 3

Look at what Prep E and Prep F have been up to!

This term Prep E and Prep F have been VERY busy! In English we have been learning about retelling stories and recounting events. In Maths we have been investigating the different properties of 2D and 3D shapes,
comparing quantities, learning about direction and positional language and making patterns. In science we have been learning about materials and their different properties and we are very excited to make our wind ornaments. In geography we have been learning about and creating maps. We have also been learning how to be “Oscar Organised” at school and revising how to be a “Gabby Get Along”.

Teach our children to be safe on the road –

cross at the crossings
Dear Parents/Carers,

Due to the increase in our community accessing online banking to pay school activities our Finance Window will open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8am to 9.30am. If Parents/Carers would like any information on how to access online banking please email Tracey Smith on tsmit517@eq.edu.au or phone on 55561333.

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**Student Absence Line**

- **55561370**

Don't forget we have a convenient absence line for parents/carers to access 24/7. Parents can leave a message in relation to student absence for the class teacher on this line. Please phone and leave the following information:

- Child/Childrens Name
- Child/childrens class
- Date of absence
- Reason for absence

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**School News Calendar**

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**Behaviour Focus - Week 6**

"Appropriate Play At Breaktimes"
Helensvale State School

Focus Skill

“Appropriate play at break time”

School rule: Be respectful, Be safe
You can do it key: Getting Along, Resilience

At Helensvale we always try to play safely and be respectful to others.

On the oval this looks like..........,

Playing soccer

Playing touch football

Throwing and catching the ball

Running races

Sitting quietly in the shade house
On the multi-purpose courts this looks like........

Basketball

Netball

Cricket

Handball

On the adventure playground this looks like........

Waiting my turn

Not pushing other people

Using the equipment in the right way

In the library this looks like..............

Sitting and reading a book quietly

Waiting my turn

Using a bookmark
In the undercover areas this looks like ...............

Handball
Skipping
Hopscotch

We need to remember that......

We do not play tackle football
We do not put our hands and feet on anyone else
We do not use put downs
We do not take someone else's equipment
We do not cheat in the game
We do not make up our own rules after the game has started

We always try to play fair and play safe and include all our friends

We can use our resilience skills if we do not win or if our friends want to play with someone else

We should always make sure we take time to get a drink of water and are wearing our hats.

Break time should be fun

Naplan Thankyou
Naplan breakfast was provided to the year 3 & 5 students each morning before they sat for their Naplan tests. The students were provided with toast, fruit toast and lots of fresh fruit. I would like to thank the Manager of Woolworths Helensvale, Mr Eduoard Savy for his wonderful donation to the students of our school. The students really enjoyed having breakfast at school. I would also like to thank Mrs Melrose and her mother Margaret, Vicky and Andy our cleaners, Norm and the teachers who assisted in the preparation and supervision of the students at the PAC.

Ros Skerman
LIFT Facilitator/Literacy Support

PE News

Student Success - Cross Country

Last week at the District Cross Country, the following students placed in the Top 10 of their age group. This result means they will now compete at the South Coast Regional Trials in a fortnight. We wish them all the best:

Samuel T  1st  12 yrs Boys AWD

Jazzy M  9th  13yrs Girls

Congratulations to our 11 Year Girls Team ( Tehaavi M, Layne F and Khobi G ) who collectively as a team achieved 2nd place for Helensvale State School in that age group.

Well done to all other runners who competed on the day.

Michael Cacciola HPE Teacher

Senior Sports Day: Championship events
At the Senior Sports Day all students get to compete in all events. However we also cater for the more gifted athletics students and over the "Championship events". This means that if your child is in the top 3 in their house colour in their age group, they will compete in the championship event. For example - Boys born in 2003 Shot Put, we will have the top 3 Gunyah, Woomera, Billabong and Coolabah 2003 Boys compete in the championship shot put.

After learning the skills in PE lessons, if a student feels they may qualify for a championship event, they are to attend the selection trials listed in the table below.

If you have any further questions please contact HPE Teacher Mr Michael Cacciola mcacc1@eq.edu.au

Thanks

**Athletics trials for students who wish to compete in the championships on Sports Day**

Trials will start at the first bell: students are to come to the oval at eating time.

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Any student who missed their trial day needs to see Mr Cacciola. A catch up trial day will be held in week 8 on the Tues.

The events are finalised on the Wednesday of week 8- no changes will be made after this date. If a students is sick or injured it is their responsibility to see Mr Cacciola before this time.

### Buckets needed for drumming group

As part of our school 30th anniversary fete I am putting together a drumming group to perform throughout the day. At the moment I have 10 djembes to use but there are about 30 students interested. I will be splitting these students into groups of 10 to perform at different times. However, in teaching them I need more drums. Unfortunately they’re too expensive for us to purchase some more. So I’m using buckets instead. Do you have one of these sitting around and don’t mind donating it to chaplaincy or know anyone with one?

It would help us out so much. Thank you.

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**P & C News**
**P&C Fundraising - Fete**

**Donations**

We have obtained a shipping container to start storing donations etc for the fete so we can now ask you to start bringing in your TRASH n TREASURE items. We will be collecting these every Monday and Friday mornings only at this stage and ask that you please bring them to the back of the Tuckshop. If you have a massive amount then please contact the P&C at pandc@helenvaless.eq.edu.au and we can organise an alternative.

Ponies Ponies Ponies are coming to our fete, they will be bringing a baby farmyard and ponies. Farmyard entry will be $5 and Pony rides $6.

All classes have now chosen their stalls for the fete, the full list is provided below. We really hope that our families will support our teachers and students and make these stalls amazing. Each double class will need to provide a Pop Up Tent and Trestle table so if you have either of these please let your class teacher know.

Lisa

**Class Stalls List**

- Prep A & B  Lucky Dip Stall
- Prep C & D  Book Stall
- Prep E & F  Lolly Stall
- 1A & 2A  Trash n Treasure
- 1B & 1C  Coin Toss on chocolates
- 1D & 1E  Trash n Treasure
- 2B & 2C  Pick a stick
- 2D & 2E  Guess the amount
- 2F & 2G  Lucky Dip
- 3A & 3B  Whack the frog
- 3C & 3D  Coin toss on chocolates
3E                      Candy Kebabs
3F                       Funky Saloon

4A & 4B               Knockem downs
4C                       Pick a Stick
4D & 4E              Japanese Activities

5A 5B 5C             Milk Cans
5D & 5E               Show Bags

6A 6B 6C 6D 6E   Bottle/Jar and lolly stall

7A & 7B               Show Bags
7C                       Pitch burst water balloons
7D                       Mini Melts

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cross at the crossings

Community News
ENGAGING ADOLESCENTS™

PARENT COURSE

Parenting skills for resolving teenage behaviour problems

A three-session program for parents and carers

at Studio Village Community Centre
87 Village Way Studio Village

on Wednesday Evenings from 5:00pm to 7:30pm
Starting Wednesday 4 JUNE 2014

Learn:

✓ Some common ground shared by parents & reasonable expectations to hold about adolescents
✓ New understandings of adolescence
✓ A three-option model & flow chart for decision-making
✓ Self check-in, first - for parents.
✓ Building relationship with your teenager and making the best of your non-crisis conversations with them
✓ Skills for tough conversations for handling those problems you just can’t ignore

Registration Fee
The course costs $15.00
Register for this course contacting Nikki Condon at Village Family Support Program on 07 5529 8253

What parents have said...

A step dad recalled an incident at the weekend with his 12 year old step daughter. He said that the input he had received the previous week from the course helped him keep his cool and brought a more favourable outcome.

A single Mum who had presented as quite anxious on the first night told the group in week 2 that she had made an appointment with her 15 year old son during the week and had had a far more favourable discussion with him than would have been the case.

Who’s running it?
The trainer for this course is Nikki Condon who completed Parentshop’s Engaging Adolescents training on 22 June 2010. Studio Village Family Support Worker, Nikki has worked with families, children, young people including teen mums, and the community since the 1990’s with a special interest in building parents confidence to raise happy children.

For more information contact Nikki
Phone: 5529 8253 Email: family@studiovillage.com.au

Village Family Support Program is funded by the Department of Communities

• An end to the arguing and yelling! • It saved our lives • Simple, sane, effective •

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At Studio Village Community Centre
87 Village Way Studio Village/Oxenford
Fridays 9:30am to 12:30pm
Starting Friday 6 JUNE 2014

• Learn more about the origins of your parenting style and how it can be more effective
• Identify the important messages you want to convey to your children and how to achieve this
• Understand the messages that children communicate to their parents and how....
And much more....

Cost: $15 Bookings essential

For more information contact Nikki
phone: 5529 8253 email: family@studiovillage.com.au
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Mini World Cup

The Soccer X Mini World Cup tournament will be running at Broadbeach State School on Sunday 1st June. It is a great opportunity for young players to play in game situations against teams from other schools & clubs. Players are invited to register as a team or they can register as an individual and be allocated a team by us. The day is all about having fun and getting as many children involved in the game as we can. I would be very grateful if you could pass the information on to any students you feel would like to take part in the tournament.

The 2014 Brazil FIFA World Cup is just around the corner. In a bid to raise awareness of one of the world’s most prestigious sporting competitions Soccer X will be running our very own Mini World Cup tournament at Broadbeach State School. We are players aged 5 – 11 years old to come and join us for a fun filled day of Soccer.
You can:

- Register a full squad or
- Come as an individual and be allocated a team

Each team will represent a different country from the 2014 FIFA World Cup in Brazil.

The tournament will be non-competitive to ensure a fun is had by all.

Various prizes will be up for grabs on the day. Refreshments will also be available as well as activities including the Superspeedshot.

Players will be split into two age groups:

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**Where:** Broadbeach State School

**When:** Sunday 1st June

**Time:** 9am

**Cost:** $10 per player

Registration:

To register your child please contact Justyn on 0451 162346 or soccer.au@gmail.com prior to May 26th. Team names and colours will be allocated upon registration.

For more information on Soccer X please visit WWW.SOCCER-X.COM.

Kind Regards,

Justyn McKay

Soccer X Pty Ltd Director

m: 0451 162346
e: soccerX.au@gmail.com
w: www.soccer-x.com
Helensvale Cross Country Track & Field Club

Hi Everyone,

This is an exciting NEW Winter Sport option for your kids as well as yourselves. Helensvale Little Athletics are offering a 10 week program to help teach, nurture and improve your children’s Cross Country as well as their coming, respective School Athletics Carnival disciplines.

Each week there will be age appropriate Cross Country distances, combined with 4 Athletic disciplines.

Our Centre is located at the Helensvale High School Oval, Discovery Drive Helensvale.

- Start Date: 8.30am - 3rd May 2014
- End Date: 26th July 2014
- Registration 2014 Price: 6 - Seniors : All Athletes - $ 50

If you have any further queries please call Neil on Mobile: 0458 616611
07 5556 1333
07 5556 1300
07 5556 1370

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http://www.helensvaless.eq.edu.au/

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