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Please note that ALL Newsletter articles are to be received in the office by 11am on Wednesdays. You can e-mail your article to newsletter@sherwoodss.eq.edu.au. Late articles will appear in the following week's Newsletter.

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Forthcoming Events

NOVEMBER

- Fri 27 School Captain Nominee Speeches, 11.15am, Hall
 FONA End of Year Party, Pool, 12.45 – 1.25pm
 Rock and Mime, 1.05 – 1.30pm, Hall
- Mon 30 Year 1 Splash, 9-10.30am, Pool
 Year 2 Splash, 1.30-2pm & 2-2.30pm, Pool
 Rock and Mime, 1.05 – 1.30pm, Hall
P&C Meeting 7.30pm in staffroom

DECEMBER

- Tue 1 Instrument Return Day
 Arrows performing on Parade, 9am, Hall
 Rock and Mime, 1.05 – 1.30pm, Hall
- Wed 2 Awards Day, 9-11am, Hall
 Rock and Mime, 1.05 – 1.30pm, Hall
- Thurs 3 Rock and Mime, 1.05 – 1.30pm, Hall
- Fri 4 Year 7 Market Day, 9am-2.30pm, Hall
- Mon 7 Rock and Mime, 1.05 – 1.30pm, Hall
 Carols Evening, 6-8pm, Quadrangle
- Tue 8 Rock and Mime, 1.05 – 1.30pm, Hall
- Wed 9 Rock and Mime, 1.05 – 1.30pm, Hall
 Yr 7 Graduation 6.30-10pm, Hall
- Thurs 10 Rock and Mime Finals, 1.30-2.45pm, Hall
 Party Day 9-1.30 in classrooms
- Fri 11 Clean up Day 9am – 3pm
 Last day of Term 4

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Help Keep Our School Safe

If you see any suspicious behaviour please contact:
 School Watch 13 17 88
 Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000
 Police Communications 33646464 or
 Sherwood Police 0407371125 (urgent issues only)

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Principal's Message

Dr **Greg Nelson** - Email gnels5@eq.edu.au

Last week we included the names of Year 7 students who received Australian Mathematics Trust Awards. Gremlins were at play, and we missed one student. Congratulations to Steven Tran who received a Credit in this very competitive field – well done Steven!

Our final P&C Meeting for 2009 is next Monday evening, at 7:30pm in our Staffroom (next to the Office). You are very welcome. The P&C has provided outstanding support for our school this year, and the Executive, led by Rachel Peapell, have been wonderful.

Carols Evening is held on the Monday of the last week of Term from 6pm. We hope to have everyone join us for this community opportunity to say good bye for the year and celebrate Christmas together. There will be a Christmas Tree and we ask that people bring a gift to put under the tree for others less fortunate than ourselves – these gifts will be donated to the Sherwood Neighbourhood Centre to distribute through their local network of people in need. Also, the Student Council will be selling small flickering candlelight for \$2 (this is not a fundraiser but just to cover some of our costs). All classes, from Prep to Year 7 will be performing on the evening and there will also be opportunities for everyone to join in well know traditional carols.

Our Awards Ceremony will be held next Wednesday morning in the Hall. Along with the presentation of Awards, the program includes some skipping for the Year 7 Arrows, a number of music items and a slideshow of highlights from the year.

The School Magazine is an amazing collection of memories from 2009. All classes have contributed, there are fantastic photos and Mrs Hollier once again has done an incredible job of crafting the pages to provide a host of special memories. It is really a feature for the year, and the cost of the Magazine is only to cover the costs of its production. This year it is being printed at Corinda High and we are including some feature colour pages. Refer to page 2 for details on how to order.

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Deputy Principal's Message

Siany Daley – Email sdaley6@eq.edu.au

The following is an extract from the Department of Education and Training.

Cyber bullying

Parents are increasingly concerned about the effects of cyber bullying on children. Cyber bullying can occur through emails, internet chat rooms, via instant message or mobile phone text messages.

It is important that parents talk to their children about the dangers of cyber bullying, however it is difficult to know where to start.

A new campaign, Cyber Bullying Affects Real Lives, aims to educate young internet users about the impact of cyber bullying and ways to prevent it happening to them and their friends.

The campaign is part of the Smart Online Safe Online (SOSO) initiative, an interactive and engaging website which encourages children to be smart and safe online.

There are many resources available on the SOSO website to raise awareness of cyber bullying and allow any cyber bullying to be reported. The website includes a short YouTube video and a cyber bullying checklist. There is also an interactive online game called Web Warriors where children from across the country take a stand against cyber bullying. For more information visit the website www.soso.org.au

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School Magazine Orders

URGENT

Every child on the school has contributed to this magnificent book. The magazine is packed full of stories & photos. Don't miss out on this wonderful school memory.

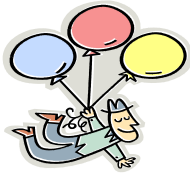
Place your order, and pay \$18.50 at our School Office **by this FRIDAY 26 NOVEMBER.**



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Market Day

Market Day



The Year 7 Market Day is on **Friday 4 December**. This will take place in the school hall and will run from 9.00am – 2.00pm. Some of the stalls will feature: crafts, Christmas decorations, face painting, Spiders and Ice Creams and games stalls.

Each class is invited to come along at a scheduled time and buy some of the products or services on offer. We recommend an amount of about \$5 as a guide to anyone wondering how much to spend. It would help if some of this amount consisted of coins rather than all notes. But, of course, we will accept **all** money.

This has been a valuable program in which the Year 7 students have had the opportunity to learn about some of the factors which have to be considered in the running of a small business. Funds raised will be used to contribute to the school facilities.

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Uniform Shop

Sherry Mathison, Uniform Shop Convenor Mobile 0418 195 073 OPEN Tuesday & Wednesday 8–9am - Thursday 2.30-3.30pm.

OPENING HOURS - The Uniform Shop will be opened normal hours until the last week of school. We will be closed over the school holidays and will open again prior to school commencing: Friday 22 January 9-11am, Saturday 23 January 9-11 am, Wednesday 27 January, 7.30–9.30am (*first day of school*).

To avoid long queues, you may pre-order uniforms using the Price List / Order Form provided with today's Newsletter. Order forms with payment can be handed in at the Office or the Uniform Shop. New enrolments are by appointment only. Held now until the end of Term 4. No appointments will be made for the holiday opening times, so to avoid disappointment and queuing please phone ASAP to make your appointment time.

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Sporting News

Kathy Morgan, HPE Teacher

YEAR 1 and 2 SPLASH, Monday 30 November

Please note that the Year 1 and 2 SPLASH sessions being held on Monday 30 November will be held in their normal class swimming times.

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Food For Thought

**Wednesday, Thursday & Friday (Closed Monday & Tuesday)
Virginia Driver (H) 3379 1271 Sherry Mathison (M) 0418 195 073**



LAST WEEK OF TUCKSHOP

Next week is the last week of tuckshop and all menu items may not be available (especially at the end of the week) as we run down stock for the long break. Please note that the Tuckshop will not be open the last week of school. The final Tuckshop day for the year will be Friday 4 December.

POSITION VACANT – RELIEVING TUCKSHOP CONVENOR

We are looking for someone to be our relieving Tuckshop Convenor for 2010. This is a paid position – but is not regular work as it is only when our usual Convenor's are unavailable. For more details please contact Yvonne Boonman on 33792548.

VOLUNTEERS FOR 2010

Replies have been slowly rolling in, and thank you to those who have volunteered so far. I am hoping to distribute rosters shortly. To fill our rosters we still need the following volunteers;

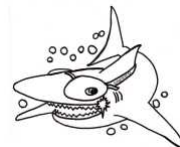
Wednesday 4 more volunteers required
Thursday 2 volunteers required
Friday 1 volunteer required (or with 4 more the 5th Friday could be an extra roster)
Bakers 1 volunteer required

If you can help please fill in a form (more available from Tuckshop) or email Virginia on ldriver@iprimus.com.au or text to 0403430561. I will need to know your phone number, email and child's name & class for our records. Thank you.

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Sherwood Sharks

President Louise Siganto – 3278 0817
Judi Donovan, Secretary



Dates to Remember:

Fri 27 Nov	Last Regular Club Night 5.15pm – 7.30pm
Tues 1 Dec	Sign on at SSS pool 2.45pm – 3.45pm
30Nov to 3Dec	LAST WEEK OF LTS and SQUAD lessons
Fri 4 Dec	Break-up, Swim-a-thon, FUN night
Thurs 28 Jan	2010 Sign on at SSS pool 2.45pm – 3.45pm
Sun 21Feb	River City Carnival - Sommerville
Sun 7 Mar	2010 OXLEY ROAD CHALLENGE

Parent Helpers 27Nov – Prep, Yr 1, Yr2, Yr7

Fantastic swimming by all Club members who attended the relay night with Graceville. Adam was REALLY happy with everyone trying so hard.

LTS please note: as Alex will be away next week Nick (male) will be taking his lessons.

Club night on 27 Nov: will be a "Special Club Night". As well as our regular swims, we have a number of members who are swimming exceptionally well and will be timed for Club Records and District qualifying times. They will need support from the Grandstand so bring loads of encouragement on Friday 27th. We will need a few extra time keepers, any offers on Friday will be welcome. BBQ and Canteen as usual.

As Christmas is a time for helping others, on the last Club night we hold a swim-a-thon with our break-up. A \$5 per swimmer or \$10 per family donation is collected at the gate to pass on to The Royal Children's Hospital. The most laps swum in all three squads, boys and girls, receive a prize.

For those wanting to book in for Holiday Blocks: (SQUAD ONLY), Term 1 2010 LTS and Squad lessons, there will be one sign on day this Term - Tuesday 1 Dec 2009, 2.45- 3.45pm. A second sign on day will be held in Term 1 Thursday 28 January 2010, 2.45pm – 3.45pm.

Those swimmers already enrolled do not need another form filled out for holiday blocks or Term 1, 2010. Come along to a sign on day to book and pay. We will have a separate line for squad only swimmers, hopefully quickening the process. As numbers in squad have increased bookings are essential. ONLY NEW swimmers need to fill out a form or those working parents who absolutely cannot make a sign on day. Forms available from the school office or download from the Sherwood school website www.sherwoodss.eq.edu.au - Our Facilities – Swimming Pool. Completed forms may be left at the office and will be processed if payment is included. For new children it will be possible to be assessed in the pool during sign on times, to allocate most appropriate level.

Holiday Squad Blocks – ALL SQUAD LEVELS

(Particularly for those looking at Districts)

18/01/10 - 21/01/10 - 4pm - 5.30pm, and
27/01/10, 28/01/10, 29/01/10 - 4pm – 5.30pm

COST –

- 1st week \$40 per swimmer
- 2nd week \$30 per swimmer
- For those doing both weeks- \$60 p/s

LTS and Squad - Term 1, 2010 - 8 weeks

(Starts Mon 1 Feb 2010 to Thurs 25 March)

First Club night Friday 5 Feb 2010

Learn To Swim

Term 1 2010 - \$150.00 per child – 2 Lessons per week

Squad

Term 1 2010 - \$160.00 per child - Up to 4 sessions per week

ATTENTION : 3rd child 50% discount off their fees

Club Night Membership Fees

P/child season Term 4 2009 & Term 1 2010 - \$30

P/ family season Term 4 2009 & Term 1 2010 - \$80

For those wanting LTS through the holidays contact Shelley at Yeronga Pool – 3848 8575.

Enquiries for Learn-To-Swim to Vanessa Raymond at mvraymond@bigpond.com and for Squad to Wendy Thompson at ian_and_wendy@hotmail.com.

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After School Care

Leanne Ross, Director, 3278 1658



2010 Bookings

Please ensure the days you have booked are definitely the days you require. We have limited places and a high demand. See Leanne if you need to change your booking. Information regarding 2010 Bookings will be available early next week.

Vacation Care Bookings

Vacation Care bookings close this Friday 27 November. Please be aware that any bookings received after this date will be charged at the casual booking rates. All excursions are compulsory at this time. Some highlights for the holidays will be two art workshops held at school. They will include a Christmas Clay Sculpture workshop with Hugo Vesaro and a T-Shirt painting day with Kim Woolley. We will also be attending a joint local OSHC Carnival at Jindalee, going roller skating and visiting the Science Centre and Museum at South Brisbane. Booking forms are available at the OSHC office situated in the hall. Payment upon booking is essential.

Term 4 and Vacation Care Fees

All fees for Term 4 and Vacation Care must be paid by 4 December. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. A late fee of 10% will be charged for outstanding fees.

Make sure that OSHC have correct contact details. Failure to provide correct information may result in staff not being able to contact parents or guardians in an emergency.

Our confirmed closing date for the Christmas/New Year break 2009/2010 is Wednesday 23 December. **We will not be opened Christmas Eve. Therefore, the service will be closed from Thursday 24 December 2009 until 8 January 2010.** We will be reopening for Vacation Care on Monday 11 January 2010.

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Corinda State High School Year 8 2010 Orientation Day

Tuesday, 1 December

Dear Year 8 2010 Corinda SHS Parents and Carers,

You are warmly invited to attend the first part of your son's or daughter's Orientation Day commencing at 8.40am and concluding with a morning tea with our Principal, Helen Jamieson, Student Support Staff and Ancillary staff on Tuesday, 1 December. See the detailed program below.

This is a wonderful opportunity for parents and carers to meet many key staff, put faces to names and gain an insight into high school life at Corinda SHS. One of the many benefits of this opportunity is the chance to ask any questions from uniform to attendance, to what happens on the first day whilst at the same time meeting other parents.

For the purposes of catering, please phone on 3379 0222 or email office@corindashs.eq.edu.au to RSVP.

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Holiday Tennis

Jim Joyce, Tennis Coach ph: 3375 3644 or 0417 771022

There will be two coaching clinics in the school holidays at West Brisbane Tennis Centre. Cost is \$100 for each Clinic. Both Clinics are from 8.30am until 11.30am. Ages 5 to 17.

Clinic 1 is Monday 14 December to Thursday 17 December and Clinic 2 is Monday 18 January to Thursday 21 January.

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Community Notices

(For detailed information see the noticeboard at the office)

Sherwood1 Neighbourhood Watch would like to invite you to :

Free BBQ! Free Jumping Castle! Sunday 29 November, Strickland Park (bottom of Plumer St). From 12:00pm (Midday). Sausage sizzle & soft drinks will be provided. Please bring along a chair or picnic mat if you wish. This is our NHW annual end of year celebration. We hope to see you there! Please contact Erna Brazier on 3379 4597 if you require any further information.

Are you a 5 or 6 year old that would like to start playing basketball?

In 2010, West Brisbane Falcons will be starting Under 8s teams in the Brisbane Basketball competition. To be in our Under 8 teams you must be turning 6 or 7 in 2010. We will consider 5 year old children as long as they are able to handle playing with the 6 & 7 year olds. A Registration Form & Further Information can be found at:

<http://www.westbrisbane.basketball.net.au>. If you have any questions please email westbrisbanebasketball@hotmail.com.

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