

28th May, 2009.

Thanks to Lisa MacKenna

As many of you know Lisa MacKenna has held the position of President of the Shorncliffe State School P&C for the past 3 or 4 years. Under her leadership our P&C has actively advocated for the benefit of Shorncliffe children and implemented practices consistent with the new laws and regulations as they are set down from Education Queensland.

At the last P&C meeting Lisa informed the committee she will be submitting her resignation for personal reasons. She has expressed her regret that she cannot continue to see the construction of the new library but promises to be there when the new facility is opened.

I want to personally thank Lisa for her involvement not only leading the P&C in recent years but also for her involvement some years back leading the funding application and construction of our 'Out Of School Hours Care' facility. Lisa's involvement in the school and community has been extensive and taken different forms over the last ten years. It is my belief Lisa's voluntary work for the school should be acknowledged and applauded.

Influenza H1N1 09 (Human Swine Influenza) – Seven-day Timeout Period

As you may be aware, a decision has been made at a national level to introduce a range of additional measures to reduce the spread of Influenza H1N1 09 (Human Swine Flu).

Among these measures is an agreement that all States and Territories ***move to excluding, for a seven-day period***, school students from schools that are returning or arriving from the following overseas countries: Mexico, United States of America, Canada, Panama and Japan.

As Principal, I'm required to undertake a number of tasks in responding to this public health issue. These include:

- Sending a letter home with all students to parents and carers on Tuesday 26th May informing you about these new procedures.
- Identifying any students who meet the above criteria and contacting their parents to advise of the seven-day timeout period
- Ensuring that the school has the students current contact details and any other information that may be needed to keep in touch during the seven-day timeout period.

If you have a child who has returned or is to return from one of the affected areas, could you please advise the school and ensure that your child remains at home for seven days even if they do not have symptoms. The seven days includes weekends and public holidays. If your child becomes unwell, please seek immediate medical advice from your general practitioner.

This seven-day timeout period from school following travel in a country of concern will aid in slowing the spread of the disease and limit the possibility of school closure due to an outbreak in the school.

Congratulations to the Shorncliffe Cross Country Team

On Monday the Bramble Bay Cross Country was held at St Paul's. All our competitors did their very best and I congratulate them on their efforts. The course was very slippery and muddy and running was very difficult compared to fine conditions. Well done to all our competitors.



Construction of the New Library

Work has commenced on the construction of the new Library / Covered area. This work starts with the relocation of the Yr 6&7 building. Classes have been relocated to other spaces

while the relocation is undertaken. It is expected to take a week or two before the classes can again relocate back to their classroom.

STUDENT CHECKLIST FORMS.

Thank you to all the families who have returned their student forms. If you haven't yet, please return it as soon as possible even if there are no changes to be made. This is in accordance with the Human Swine Influenza directive.

WORK UNDER WAY

This is a notice to all students that the library and music room will not be vacant for the next two weeks. This is due to the Yr 6 and 7 demountable being moved into a different position next to the Yr 4 demountable on the field. Yr 6 and 7 are currently staying in the library and music room so please don't enter those rooms while they are in them. In the position of the Yr 6 and 7 demountables, a new library is going to replace the space. The construction of the new library is commencing in three weeks.

By Cassie Latter and Rixon Inthout

SCHOOL NETBALL AND SOCCER PLAYERS

If you need the soft visor for netball or long socks for soccer the school has them for sale for \$5.00 each.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

There has been a delay in the processing of our school photos. The photos should be ready in approximately two weeks. Please see insert for more details.

P & C Pieces

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next meeting: June 10, 7:30pm



GREAT NEWS

A Playgroup at Shorncliffe school will be starting on 'Friday May 29th' .

This weekly playgroup will meet each Friday morning between 9 – 11am. It will be based at

the 'Before and After School' building on the school premises. All families who attend the school with children under 5 are welcome to attend. There will be a \$1 entry fee per family to cover the cost of refreshments.

Brighton 4017

**\$10 FINE FOR ANYONE NOT
SPOOKY OR SPARKLY**

NB: Membership to Playgroup Qld will be required by each family for insurance purposes, the cost of this membership is \$28 per year and membership forms are available at the Friday morning playgroup sessions.

The Shorncliffe playgroup would like to take this opportunity to thank the P&C for allowing the use of their building and for Cameron and Trent for their guidance and support with this new venture.

Chermside Community Festival

Q150 Marchant Big Bash

Monday 8th June

11am – 6pm

Marchant Park, Ellison Rd, Chermside

- *Food & Market Stalls*
- *Live Music & Fireworks*
- *Free Rides - Activities for Kids*
- *Historical Cricket Re-enactment*
- *Free Event - Free Parking*

**BE SPOOKY OR BE
SPARKLY**

Fancy Dress Fundraising Party Starlight Children's Foundation

Saturday 20th June

6pm - 11pm

Bracken Ridge State High School

Barfoot Street, Bracken Ridge

Buffet Dinner and Dessert

Live Music, Kids Entertainment, Games and
Raffles

\$35.00 adults \$15.00 children under 12 \$80.00

family of 4 Children under 4 free

RSVP and Payment 8th June to Kylie

Cummings 0405086569

c/- Brighton Bulldogs FC

Wakefield Park, Wickham Street