Welcome to the first edition of the newsletter for 2015. Our newsletter is published fortnightly and aims to celebrate student success and keep families informed of what’s happening with our students and school. Effective communication with families is critical to school success!

For our new families, you might like to consider ‘liking’ our school Facebook Page and regularly checking our school webpage for relevant and up-to-date information. Remember the QSchools app—it’s an easy way to find school information including events and newsletters.

This year has seen a very smooth start to the year with an increase in our effective enrolment to 35 students! This enrolment growth is fantastic and we welcome our new students and their families to our school and the Springbrook community.

All of our students and families are invited to a welcome BBQ on Monday afternoon at 3:15pm. Students will be able to play in our grounds whilst parents get a chance to get to know each other and catch up on all the news. A free sausage sizzle will be available for everyone but please bring a small plate to share as well.

We hope that all families are able to join us.

The first P&C meeting for the year will be held on Monday 16/02/15 and I encourage all families to consider attending. The P&C works closely with our school to help continually improve the educational, social, and artistic experiences of all students. Through the P&C, parents are able to give feedback, ask questions and make suggestions directly to the principal. Members also hear information first hand, directly from the source. I encourage all parents to get involved!

Sarah Jane Ash
Principal

Good luck Miss Matterson

Unfortunately we have some sad news to report….Miss Matterson will be leaving us in a month’s time to work in a school in another country.

Shanny’s partner, Dan, has accepted a job offer overseas in a small country in the South Pacific called Niue. Shanny will be joining Dan with the move and has been offered a teaching position at the local school. Shanny is very sad to leave and will miss everyone dearly, but she is also excited for the new adventures ahead with Dan.

We thank Shanny for her time with us wish her every success for her upcoming adventures.
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Hello and Welcome to the Junior Room. In the newsletter, I will share what is happening in the classroom and also provide ideas on how you can support your child at home.

I have had an amazing start to the school year with all your children. They have all settled in well and seem very eager to begin their learning journey in year prep, 1 & 2. I’m really looking forward to a great year with your child/ren.

If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to speak to me after school or e-mail me at jbour96@eq.edu.au. If you do wish to see me, after school is best, as I am usually preparing the room in the morning for class.

I have included the times for specialist lessons and what is expected in class.

### Specialist Lessons

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### Behaviour

Each child in class is expected to do their best at all times.

The class is expected to follow the school rules of “Be Safe, Be a Learner and Be Respectful”. There isn’t any excuse for breaking school and/or class rules and I have already discussed with the class that they are responsible for their own behaviour. While there are levels and consequences to help the children learn how they should behave, there are also Gotchas and behaviour awards for those children who are achieving this. If your child is repeatedly displaying the same behaviour problems, then parents will be contacted so that support for school/class rules and expectations can be followed up with you. We will be using a Clip-up chart for behaviour and your child will be recording their level at the end of each day.

### Playgrounds

All students must go to the Senior Classroom if they arrive at school before 8:45am. After 8:45 am, students are able to go to the undercover eating area. Please remember the school playground is out of bounds before and after school as there is no supervision provided. This is for the safety of all students as not all of those present have a parent or caregiver there to watch over them.

### Drink Bottles

Water drink bottles are allowed in class and are kept in a container in the classroom.

### Homework

Once homework is finalised all expectations will be explained in the newsletter.

Kind regards,
Joyce Boura
Dear Parents and Caregivers -

Senior class has hit the ground running this year! We have welcomed two new students, Lashae and Asha along with all the year 3s into our room, Aidan, Aimee, Connor, Grace, Mika. We have nineteen students that have settled beautifully into our class and all are working well.

Our Parent Information Session is on next Thursday at 3:15pm in our room. We will be explaining how our classroom works, the expectations for your child/ren, homework, behaviour systems we use and many other aspects related to our years 3-6 room. An overview will be provided for all parents.

This term in Science, we are completing a unit titled, “Good to Grow” where we will be learning about and investigating plant biology. All students are keen to be dissecting flowers and identifying the different parts. The assessment for this term’s work will be based around plant growth and the sustainability of plants.

In English we are investigating short stories and writing our own, as well as developing our reading skills. In History, we will be exploring Celebrations and Commemorations; Life as a Convict; Colonisation; and Federation. Students will be undertaking activities in each area, and will be submitting an individual diary entry and diorama for their final assessment. In Technology we will be doing 2 mini challenges: Creating a Mascot for Springbrook's Positive Behaviour for Learning Program (working in teams), followed by creating a historical-themed diorama based on the year level theme (individual). If you have any recyclable materials at home you no longer need - cardboard rolls/boxes, plastic bottles, shoelaces, material, old clothes, buttons, magazines, shoeboxes, etc - we would love to take them off your hands! Please feel free to drop any donations into the classroom anytime, and please accept our deepest thanks in advance!

The timetable for specialist lessons this term is:

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As always, come and see us with any questions or concerns. Our door is always open!

Cheers, Sarah Jane and Shanny

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**SENIOR ROOM NEWS**

**Upcoming Dates**

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**Things to Remember:**

- Resource scheme payments now due
- Bring a hat every day
- Homework is always due on Friday morning
- Read every night!
- Fruit break every morning is natural and unprocessed

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In **SENIOR Room** we:

- Do our best
- Show respect
- Laugh
- Enjoy ourselves
**Sensei’s Corner 2015**

**Term One**

Konnichi wa! Welcome to Sensei’s corner 2015. Remember everyone from grades prep to 6 is welcome to enter.

Q1. Japan is made up of how many main islands?

**Hint:** Have a look at the map and information on this site for help:

http://www.worldatlas.com/webimage/countries/asia/jp.htm

**Activity of the week:** Use this interactive map to learn more about Japan:

http://www.jnto.go.jp/eng/location/regional/maps/

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**Insurance Cover for Students**

Parents are advised that the Department of Education, Training and Employment (DETE) does not have Student Accident Insurance cover for students. Therefore, if your child is injured at school as a result of an accident or incident, all costs associated with the injury, including medical costs is the responsibility of the child, parent or caregiver. Some incidental medical costs may be covered by Medicare. If parents have private health insurance, some costs may also be covered through the private health insurance. Any other costs would be borne by the parents.

Student Accident Insurance is an insurance policy that pays certain benefits in certain circumstances should your child have an accident. It is a personal decision for parents as to the types and levels of private insurance they arrange to cover their child for any accidental injury that may occur. Parents should contact their insurer or an approved Australian insurance broker if they choose to take out student personal accident insurance cover for their child.
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