

# NEWSLETTER – 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2016

## PARTICIPATION IS THE KEY



### HAPPY SPRING VACATION AND PREPARING FOR TERM 4 14<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2016



Thank you again for everyone's efforts in making Term 3 so rewarding! I hope everyone is able to share in some of the end of term fun at the Woodridge Spring Fair on Friday; starting 9:15am after students have had the rolls marked and settled in for the day's activities.

Our Spring Fair will finish at approximately 12:30pm with the last of our Cent Sale Prizes announced. Students may go home with parents/carers after the Fair. Parents will need to sign their child out at the office. Those remaining at school will have activities in their Year levels and classes with their teachers until our regular finish time at 2:45pm.

In term 4 we will be implementing **same day notification** of student absences. Parents and Carers will be contacted by phone if we don't have a reason for absence recorded on our computer system by 9:15am each morning. Please make sure we have any new numbers to contact you for next term and that, if your child is absent, you call either before or on the morning of the absence before 9:00am. Our Department of Education has created a new telephone App to help parents/carers with School and Home communication.

#### QSschools smartphone app

The QSschools app is a convenient way to receive up-to-the-minute information from and about Queensland State Schools. The app is designed to integrate with Websites for Schools websites and is automatically updated when a school updates their website with the latest news, newsletters, events and information. App users can also access tuckshop and uniform shop information, class times and school social media pages that are available on the schools website.

Emergency announcements, such as information about natural disasters and school closures, are published via the app. The app is particularly useful to parents who have students in different schools, as the app manages updates from multiple schools in a single view. All Queensland State Schools are searchable via the app, however only schools who have upgraded their school website with Websites for Schools will benefit from all the features of the app.

#### Features of the app to benefit parents/caregivers:

- Access the latest school news and calendar events, tuckshop and uniform shop information
- Receive emergency announcements and information around school closures
- Search for the nearest school by current location, postcode, school name or suburb and view school contact details
- Follow multiple schools
- Free for schools and parents

QSschools Version 2.1 for iOS and Android are available for free download from the [iTunesstore \(https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/qschools/id633343422?mt=8\)](https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/qschools/id633343422?mt=8) and [Google Play \(https://play.google.com/store/search?q=qschools\)](https://play.google.com/store/search?q=qschools).

Best wishes for a safe and happy holiday. I look forward to an exciting Term 4 of Learning with you all.

Garry Molloy  
Principal



**SPRING FAIR  
FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER  
9:15AM – 12:30PM  
EVERYONE WELCOME!**

**School is Closed from 17<sup>th</sup> September and will Re-open  
on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October**

