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4th February 2014

Principal , Chris Payne

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Principal's Message

Welcome back to an exciting 2014. I warmly welcome our new families with students starting at Speers Point this year.

It's always wonderful to see the new Kinders on their first day, at the start of their great big adventure.

As of Monday we formed our classes for 2014 and parents you might be trying to remember now the class names. As the rooms retain the same name, the class in the room takes the room name as their class name. To make things a little easier we've just had new door signs installed on all the classrooms.



Classes & Staff 2014

Eucalypt – Mrs Pearson
 Waratah – Mrs Doodnath
 Cedar – Miss Elliott
 Blue Gum – Mr Payne
 Jacaranda – Miss Stroud
 Casuarina – Mrs Wood
 Coachwood – Mrs Young (AP)

Library, RFF & Reading Recovery – Mrs Cobcroft (AP)
 Learning Support (LST) & RFF - Mrs Hopton (Mon & Tu)
 RFF – Mrs Hissey (Wed & Thurs)
 General Assistant – Phil Flannery – Mondays
 General Assistant – Mick Gandy (Tues fortnightly)

It's also a warm welcome to Mr Phil Flannery who will be with us on Monday's as a General Assistant.

Educational Programs for 2014

We are over the moon to be able to now confirm that in 2014, Speers Point Public School will be able to support Year 1 students through the Reading Recovery program. This is an amazing intensive reading program which few schools are able to offer.

Thanks to the new equity funding, we are also in the process of rolling out our new Speech & Language program, MultiLit, and MiniLit programs, all of which are to support students through the school.

L3 (Language, Learning & Literacy) and TEN (Targetting Early Numeracy) programs which we were very successful last year are not only being continued, but expanded as well.

That being said, with the implementation of the new English and Maths syllabus this year, there is fantastic teaching and learning happening in all classes at Speers Point this year.

Gymnastics

Two years ago we ran a gymnastics program and have returned the program this year. Gymnastics is an important part of the PE curriculum and in order to be able to teach it effectively and safely, *Primarily Active* are running the program using their extensive equipment and trained staff.

As this program is a focus for our PE teaching sequence this semester, it will be graded and appear on our semester one reports. It is very important that all students are able to access the program. Student assistance may be accessible if required.

Here's a to a great year at Speers Point Public School
 Chris Payne
 Principal

If you have recently changed your telephone number, address or emergency contacts please contact our school office ASAP

Upcoming Events

Date	Event
5 th February	Scripture
14 th	Gymnastics Begins
18 th	Zone Swimming
21 st	Gymnastics
28 th	Gymnastics, Clean Up Australia Day

From the Office

All Gymnastics money/permission forms are to be given to the class teachers in a sealed envelope. Please pay with the correct money as we do not keep money on the premises to provide change.

Uniform Shop hours are from 8.30am – 9.30am Monday & Tuesday. If you are unable to make either of these days, you can ask for a Uniform Order Form to be sent home with your child.

Birthdays

Wishing the following student a very Happy Birthday!

Oscar F 6th February
 Nicholas C 8th
 Daniel A 11th
 Noah C 14th
 Daniel M 16th



Canteen News

We are in need of volunteers. If you are able to give any spare time please ring Julie West, **0414 775 804**

Canteen Roster

Date	Volunteer
Wed 5 th Feb	Rebekah
Thu 6 th	CLOSED
Fri 7 th	Christine Park
Mon 10 th	Julie

Tue	CLOSED
Wed 12 th	Rachel Baxter
Thu 13 th	CLOSED
Fri 14 th	Volunteer needed
Mon 17 th	Ali
Tue 18 th	CLOSED

Community News

Is your child in a new class without their friends?

At some stage in their school life your child is likely to find themselves in a class without their close friends. It's normal for them to initially feel a little anxious about this, so how should you handle it?

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/new-class-without-their-friends>

Summer food safety

You can greatly reduce the risk of food poisoning during the summer period by chilling food in the fridge before packing your child's lunch and then putting a frozen drink into their lunchbox. The food will stay about 12 degrees cooler.

Have a look at more school food tips:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/food/power-foods-for-kids>

GLENDALE JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB (GLENDALE GORILLAS) REGISTRATIONS FOR 2014 UNDER 6'S – UNDER 16'S

The registration days are Sunday 2 February 2014, 10am - 1pm and Sunday 9 February 2014, 10am – 1pm at Edgeworth Sport and Recreation Club (formerly Edgeworth Bowling Club).

NEW PLAYERS will need to bring along their original birth certificate or passport, a parent/ guardian and \$50 deposit.

Full fees for 2014 are: Under 6's - \$120, Under 7's - Under 12's - \$150, Under 13's - Under 16's - \$160, Under 17's-Under 18's - \$185

Any enquiries can be made by email or phone. Contact details are on the Club website at:

http://www.foxsportspulse.com/club_info.cgi?c=1-2358-102874-213394-16991238&sID=201804



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<i>*20 min basic facial</i>	<i>*Eyebrow wax</i>
<i>*Eyelash tint</i>	<i>*Eyebrow tint</i>
<i>*Quick fix buff and polish finger nails</i>	
<i>*Quick fix buff and polish toe nails</i>	
<i>*15 min leg and foot massage</i>	
<i>*15 min back, neck and shoulder massage</i>	

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Could you please return the slip at the bottom of this note within 7 days, to explain your child's absence. We are required by law to seek a written explanation and appreciate your help in this matter.

Thank you

Class _____

My child _____ was absent on _____

Reason _____

Canteen Volunteer

Welcome to Speers Point Public School 2014

Our canteen operates on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8.45am.

Recess is at 10.45 am and Lunch is at 12.05pm.

We run a healthy canteen and a very social/fun canteen.

If you can spare a bit of time we would love to have you on board as either a volunteer or on the new canteen committee.

Please drop your Volunteer Form into the canteen or school office.



Canteen Volunteer Form

Name _____ Child's name _____

Phone _____ Mobile _____

Email _____

Please circle

Monday Wednesday Friday Once a week

Once a fortnight Once a month Once a term

Thank you

Julie West

Canteen Supervisor