Join us for morning tea at our coffee shop.

"The Frothee Coffee Shoppee" is a school-based work experience program that is operated by our students on Friday mornings between 10am-12pm

Bookings essential

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Principal’s Update

The support of our school community is wonderful. Around this coming weekend we have three groups dedicating their time for the benefit of our school.

Today (Friday 11th May) we have parents and staff running a Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings in aid of the Middle School Camp. Bunnings Carseldine led by the Manager Wayne and Community Coordinator Narelle are a tremendous support for our school through our gardening, recycling and art programs and of course by allocating 8 (yes 8) of the very sought after community sausage sizzles to our school. Thanks Bunnings.

Our wonderful P&C held a Mother’s Day Stall today to enable our students to purchase a special gift for their Mum. Leanne our BSM has teamed up with a band of Mums (should they be making their own gifts?) to put together a beautiful array of presents for Mother’s Day. Thanks to Sharon, Margaret, Emily, Anthea, Nicci, Gaynor and Fran for your help in making Mother’s Day special.

Still on the community support and Mother’s Day theme our great friends, the Aspley Orchid Society are holding their Annual Mother’s Day Orchid Show this weekend. The society was started by a member of staff in 1976 and the relationship has blossomed (get it?) over the ensuing years. Over $10000 has been donated to our school over the past three years and this year proceeds of the show will go towards putting shade over our playground. Please read the flyer in this newsletter for details – it would be wonderful if you could drop in and see our display.

It is quite appropriate with all of this support, that we celebrate Volunteers Week, next week. We have well over 30 regular volunteers that support our students and programs and their contribution makes an enormous difference to the lives of our students and our school as a whole. On behalf of our staff I would like to say a big thank you to all of our volunteers - whether they help out at Kingfisher, our gardens, coffee shop or through the P&C their time and dedication is appreciated.

To celebrate Volunteers Week we will be officially opening our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden next Friday, 18th May at 9am. Many people have made this dream a reality and the opening will be a celebration of what has been achieved already as well as a launch into the healthy, tasty future. We welcome any parents, carers and family members to join us for the event.

Since our last newsletter we have inducted our Student Leaders for 2012. These young people have modelled exemplary attitudes and behaviours over the past year and upheld our Rule of 5 at all times. Our leaders will play a significant role in supporting other students and representing our school at special events and community activities. Our P&C President Sharon and Regional Director, Peter Blatch presented the students with their leadership badges at a recent assembly. Congratulations Mark Collum, Courtney Jones, Byron Hobson, Kate-Lyn Rowlands and Jason Behrendorff. We are all very proud of you.

It has certainly been a time of special events as in addition to the student leaders ceremony we had a touching Anzac Day Ceremony on Monday 23rd of April. Our local Geebung-Zillmere RSL, Sub-Branch and Ladies Auxiliary always ensure that our ceremony is meaningful and interesting for our students. Jess, Joanne Stevens and the students of M4 did a wonderful job organising the ceremony that included a visual display and a guest speaker from the Enoggera Barracks.
Many of our staff and students and some of our parents and carers recently attended the Post School Options Expo for People with a Disability. The event coordinated by our Transition Officer Megan Toppenberg was an outstanding success and hugely beneficial for all in attendance. The Expo certainly achieved its goal to provide families with a taste of the broad range of post school options. If you were unable to attend and would like to find out more information please contact Megan or our Senior Schooling Coordinator, Alison Welch.

Lastly I hope you are finding our Rule of the Week tips we have been sending home useful. These tips are designed to enable you to reinforce the Rule of 5 at home and where appropriate use similar language, reinforcement and consequences that we use here at school. If you were wondering where the ‘Have a Go’ tips were this week .... with Monday being a holiday we held over this rule till next week so we could launch it on assembly. So keep an eye out for the ‘Red Rule’ tips next week.

Till next time, be safe and happy.

Cheers Chris Lassig

Deputy’s Update

Term Two has had a flying start and students are all thoroughly engaged and working towards their individual goals and PATHS with the help of our busy, dedicated staff. On the last day of Term One we farewelled Aaron Sheppard. Aaron is now in the role of Acting Head of Special Education Services (HOSES) at Morningside State School and we wish him well in his new endeavours.

We also celebrated “Purple Day” in awareness of Epilepsy and how it affects our school community. As you can see we had a great turnout of purple clad students and staff!
The Senior and Middle Schools are well into their planning for Camps this term. Both are this month and it is greatly appreciated if families can return forms as quickly as possible. Camps are a tremendously rich part of your child’s schooling. They are not only fun but they allow for staff to further their understanding of individual skills and needs. They are also an opportunity for your child to begin to develop some independent living skills in a different social setting. I have been lucky to attend many camps with Aspley Special School staff and students and cannot express fully the wonderful benefits of these short breaks from everyday routines.

Gayle Morton

School Wide Positive Behaviour Support

The SWPBS Committee meets approximately twice per term. On this committee we have representatives from the Administration (Chris & Gayle), Teachers (Greg, Mira, David & Brad), LASER (Ian), Teacher Aides (Courtney) and Parents, Marie Stark and Nikki Pringle. As well as our SWPBS coach – Nerida Black.

Through the Committee a yearly Action Plan is developed and shared with staff so that the whole school works together promoting and practicing “positive behaviour support” (PBS).

In Term One the staff worked together to develop a “Consequence Set” so that we can work on consistency of behaviour management. Each class also participated in a poster competition and specific lessons on each rule. Bullying No Way Week was also a focus using our “Respect” rule and the colour orange.

In Term Two we have begun to send home “prompt sheets” to families. These sheets are purely a guide to parents explaining the type of language, tone of voice and praise that can be used in a positive way to help their child understand and alter some behaviours. We also plan to revise the individual behaviour plans and develop a more succinct and user friendly format that can be put up in the classroom.

Along with this we will be establishing an SWPBS section on the school website that will be useful for informing our school and the broader community about our Schoolwide Positive Behaviour Support activities and plans.

Later in the term Chris and Nerida will also be presenting at the ASEAQ (Association of Special Education Administrators of Queensland) Conference. The presentation is a reflection of our journey in SWPBS over the past few years.
**Dates to Remember**

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**PAULS COLLECT A CAP!!!!**

We are continuing to collect Pauls milk caps to raise funds for the school - There are containers in the staffroom to collect them in. We have one box full from last year and will take them all to the designated delivery day later in the year.

**Remember to wash the caps out properly !!!**
**Nominations for top teacher titles**

We encourage all of our students to give their teachers a pat on the back by voting for their 2012 My Favourite Teacher. My Favourite Teacher is a statewide program designed to showcase the achievements of teachers and their important role in inspiring and empowering students. All of our students are encouraged to nominate their favourite teacher by selecting your local newspaper via the My Favourite Teacher website:  

Students will then be entered into the draw to win one of several family day passes to either Warner Bros. Movieworld, Seaworld or Wet’n’Wild. Winning teachers will receive a certificate and a family pass thanks to Village Roadshow Theme Parks.

**From the P&C**

Welcome back after a lovely Easter break, hope you all managed to relax a wee bit!!

The big news for this term is our MOTHERS DAY STALL.

The stall will be held at the school on the Friday 11th MAY, so Dads dig dip.....

The gifts will be $5.00 each with a limit of 2 gifts per student.

A wrapping session will be held on Wednesday 9th May at 10am to wrap all the gifts and make them look lovely.

Our next official P and C meeting will be on WEDNESDAY 16th MAY at 9.30am.

Hope to see you there.

Cheers Sharon Cameron

**Cheers Sharon Cameron- President P&C**

**Uniform Shop News**

Hi Everyone,

Thank you to all the families that sent in orders for Winter Jackets. We are expecting a delivery from the uniform supplier any day and we'll get the jumpers home via student bags, as soon as they arrive.

Our next Uniform Shop Day is **Monday 4th June from 9.30am until 11.00 am**. Our room is at the back of the Assembly Hall - just look out for our Uniform Shop sign!!

Many thanks,

Anthea and Gaynor

Uniform Convenors
2012 APRIL/MAY NEWSLETTER

“LET ME WIN, BUT IF I CANNOT WIN, LET ME BE BRAVE IN THE ATTEMPT”

Sports........

***All coaches please check your athletes are registered. If they aren’t they cannot train because they are not covered by insurance ***

Football:
Soccer round robin at Moreton North on 22 April went well.

Golf:
On Sunday 22 April an Invitational Day was held at Bribie Island. Colin, Belinda and Stephen played well.

Gymnastics:
We welcomed back to gym in January 6 boys and 7 girls. We now train altogether on a Tuesday afternoon from 4pm at the same location. Unfortunately the ORCA club closed its doors last year but have been very fortunate that a mother Mellissa Arkell has now taken over the ownership under the new name of ARMAIN Gym Club. She is very supportive of the Special Olympic group and we look forward to many happy years under her management. Rhianwen is still training the girls and myself the boys. We have new routines to coach after a new 8 year cycle begins in readiness for the next World Games. Our next competition is to be held at the Goodna Club on the 26th May. Armain Club holds their first competition on the 5th August. We celebrated Rhianwen’s 21st birthday with lots of cakes and fun. Both the boys and girls are busy learning their new routines, which is going smoothly.

Cheers from the floor.
Kim and Rhianwen

Please note: Our family is going away from the 15th May until the 12th Jun. Tony a men’s coach is taking over for me. He helped last year so knows the boys and routines well.

Cheers Kim

Swimming:
We are still training through winter. The water is heated. We are all swimming together as one group at Stafford Heights State School. SO athletes can join the squad’s weekday sessions which are held at 4 and 5 o’clock.

Michael Phelps IM Program. This pilot programme in Australia is designed to encourage healthy and active lifestyles for members by offering water safety courses, recreational pool activities and healthy eating. The program is designed for 6 - 10 year olds with a disability to give them water confidence then hopefully increase to more swimming lessons. Eight children participated in the course.

A medal presentation was held on Friday 16th March where graduates were presented with their medals and graduation certificate. Anne Marks with Olivia Hargroger receiving her medal.

Ten Pin Bowling:
Ten Pin Bowling is going to Bundaberg on the 6th May for a regional competition. A squad of eleven will make their way up and bowl against other regions. Graeme Agius (sports coordinator) and Eliza Nilsson (treasurer) will be attending this competition with the athletes.

Tennis:
Our first Regional Tournament for the year was held on the 18th March at Bribie Island. Despite the rain the athletes played well and achieved their best. Our next tennis competition will be held on 29th April at Shaw Park Tennis Centre, Wooloowin, Looking forward to another great day of tennis.

Emerald Lakes Tournament, Gold Coast was to be held on 3rd June has now been moved to the 5 August. We welcome Wendy to our team of athletes and welcome back Lewis to tennis for 2012. For new beginners tennis has started each Saturday between 10:30am – 11:30am.
Welcome Community Development Officer  - Kristie Coward
Kristie will be working with Brisbane North and Moreton North on a part-time basis until the end of the year.

The JUNIOR NATIONAL GAMES will be held in Newcastle from 6 Dec to 10 Dec 2012. We have 8 Brisbane North Athletes participating, Daniel Agius, Justin Mykkelveldt, Callum Gilvarry and Michael Harris will represent soccer.

William Coventry, Tara Lloyd and Abbey Mills will represent swimming and Jarrod Sheppard will represent basketball. We wish all athletes the very best. Congratulations to Graeme Agius who is going to the junior games as a coach.

UNIFORMS
We have smart looking regional caps, shirts and jackets; Please contact Debie Willett willett1104@netscape.net to order.............look your best!

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Sports Co-Ordinator Graeme Agius 3216 2843
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HAPPY MOTHERS DAY
TO ALL THE MUMS, GRANS, FOSTER MUMS AND ANYONE DOING A MOTHERING JOB OUT THERE........You keep the world turning around with your love, care, your hugs and kisses and all you do for your family ..........THANKS. We hope you have a wonderful mother’s day!

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2PM

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Children 2 years and under are free!
Companion ID cards accepted

$5 midi popcorn and drink combo

Tickets can be purchased on the day or pre-booked at the cinema.
Technology used at school:

- 20 iPad 2’s
- 8 iPad’s
- Storage for 30 iPad’s
- 12 laptops for students
- Storage for 15 laptops
- 5 special keyboards (colour coded)
- 3 flip cameras
- 2 writing pad’s
- 12 interactive whiteboards
- Each teacher has his/her photo camera
- 5 switches
- 2 DVD cameras
- A range of educational interactive software

Teachers use technology to record students progress and assess their learning:

Top 10 Apps by Miras:
1. iCommunicate (communication)
2. Proloquo2Go (communication)
3. Doodle buddy (drawing)
4. Space crayons (drawing)
5. iSentence (sentence builder)
6. 123 Writing (writing numbers)
7. Math Go 2 HD
8. Autism shapes
9. Magic piano (sensory)
10. Camera
11. Pic collage
Using drawing pad Morgan created his rule of 5.

Masi joined Friday ICT group this term. He is learning how to make Power Point on the laptop.

Afik is using interactive white board to improve his writing skills.

Richard is projecting his image on the interactive white board.

Zoe decorated her photo using iPad. She inserted this photo in her Power Point.

Jordan is using switch with recorded messages to communicate.

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