SWIMMING TERM 1
Swimming is on every week for all students from Year 1 to Year 3/4.

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Students will need to make sure they have their swimming equipment and $2.00 each week for their lesson.

2014 HATS & HOMEWORK BAGS

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Call into the Office at any time to purchase these items.

HEAD LICE

Recently there has been reported cases of head lice so it is important that all parents check their children and other family members for head lice regularly.

The most effective way is by using the hair conditioner and combing method. You will need white coloured hair conditioner, an ordinary comb, a fine tooth head lice comb and white tissue/ kitchen towel.

Apply conditioner to dry hair completely covering scalp and hair from roots to tips. Use ordinary comb to detangle hair and distribute conditioner, divide into 4 sections, comb hair from root tops using fine tooth head lice comb. After each stroke wipe the comb onto a white tissue, checking the comb and tissue for head lice. Comb the whole head, checking for lice.

Put all tissues in a plastic bag, tie the top and put the bag in a rubbish bin.

HEAD LICE

Dear Parents,

As another school term comes to a close, we are still in the midst of assessing student learning, analysing data and participating in Professional Development as well as preparing for the school’s Cross Country and ANZAC Ceremony on Friday.

Twenty-four students from Years 2 to 7 have registered for one or more of the subjects in the 2014 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) tests. The sitting dates for the tests will be held during Terms 2 and 3. They involve Computer Skills, Science, Writing, Spelling, English, and Mathematics. Our students performed very well last year with Lavieen Uthayakumar awarded a gold medal as he was the top achiever in his subject (Science) in his year level in Queensland. We wish this year’s ICAS participants the best of luck and to have fun during the preparation.

Every day counts; every minute counts

As we reach the end of Term 1, all parents and carers are reminded of the importance of sending children to school on time, every day. Being at school every day counts - one day absent each week quickly adds up to two months of missed schooling in a year. One hour late each day rapidly adds up to two school day absent. Unless your child is ill, it is expected that your child will be at school learning every day of the school year. Holidays, shopping and parties are not accepted as excuses for absence by Education Queensland. More information on the importance of regular school attendance is available at http://education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/index.html

Encourage your child to learn by showing the importance of books and reading. A simple way is to create a place where s/he can store books. You can also encourage your child to borrow books from the school library, allowing you to spark interest in reading during school holidays. If you are not sure where to start looking for books that appeal to your child, ask the community librarian or your child’s teacher.

Encourage the whole family to join the community library. Libraries usually sponsor reading events and clubs for children, offering a great way for your child to enjoy reading with friends. Allow your child to choose his/her own books. Some books will be too hard for your child to read alone. If s/he needs help with more than five words on the page, this is an ideal book for you to read to your child. Children learn a lot about reading by being read to, and this will help them see that you are interested in reading, too.

Allow your child to experience the pleasure of choosing books. Don’t worry if s/he wants to read the same book more than once. Just as a musician enjoys playing the same piece of music many times, so a young reader can get something more from a book each time s/he reads it. Rhyming books help your child pay attention to the sounds of words. Books with repeated words and phrases help your child learn about the sounds of language and patterns in words. Content adapted with permission from Institute of Education, University of London

THE ADMIN TEAM
**P & C NEWS**

**EASTER RAFFLE**
The Easter Raffle will be drawn this Thursday. Donations of either non-perishable food items or money are still wanted and can be left at the Office.

Thank You.

The prizes for our Easter Raffle will be:
1st  Easter Hamper
2 bottles of wine
2nd  Small Easter Hamper
3rd  $20 Woolworths Gift Card

**PLEASE RETURN YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS SOLD OR UNSOLD TO THE OFFICE BY 9:00AM THURSDAY MORNING**

**STARS OF THE WEEK ★**

**Presented on Assembly Friday 28 March**

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**KEEP A WATCH ON OUR SCHOOL THESE HOLIDAYS**

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please call School Watch on 13 17 88.

The School Watch program is a partnership between the Department of Education, Training and Employment, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

If you do see something suspicious, please don’t attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter. Keep the number handy—13 17 88—and let’s work together to help create a safer school community.

**P & C ASSOCIATION**

**STATION HOTEL MEAT RAFFLE & CASH JACKPOT**

**EVERY FRIDAY OF TERMS 5:45 TO 7:00PM**

**EVERYBODY WELCOME**

**THURSDAY AFTER-SCHOOL SOCCER TRAINING**

Students—please note that there is NO training this Thursday and training will resume next Term.

Damir Muftic

**VIOLIN NEWS**

- The Year 3 students with school violins are to keep the violins at home over the holidays so they can keep practising.
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Lynda Wright

**ROCKATAN**

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Damir & Karen Harragon
Friday 02 May
Volunteers please

PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING AT OUR SCHOOL’S STATION HOTEL FRIDAY NIGHT RAFFLES.

SIMPLY CHOOSE A DATE THAT SUITS YOU THEN RING THE OFFICE OR EMAIL admin@inghamss.eq.edu.au THAT YOUR NAME CAN BE ADDED TO THE ROSTER.

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