From the Leadership Team  

13 February 2015

Dear Parents and Carers

This week we had the pleasure of two very special visitors to our school: The Director General of Education Queensland, Dr Jim Watterston and the South East Executive Regional Director Sharyn Donaldson. Both of these educators bring with them a wealth of knowledge and experience within education. They were interested in learning about the journey our school has been on over the past four years. Our school captains and some very lucky Prep classes had the pleasure of a classroom visit. Dr Jim Watterston made comment on how quiet the school was as he walked around which is testament to the students and teachers of our school. You should all be very proud.

Little Kingfishers

Our wonderful Little Kingfishers program is back for 2015 and will start Monday 16 February. For those of you who aren’t aware, our Little Kingfishers is an early learning program offered to our community to help develop early literacy and numeracy skills whilst having a load of fun. The interactive games and activities ensure your children from ages 0-5 are learning through play and fun. It is also a relaxing way to meet other families in the community and make new friends.

Our Little Kingfishers program will be located in our iCentre. If this sounds like something you would like to be involved in, please come and join us.

Little Kingfishers

When: Each Monday & Friday (school weeks)
Time: 8:30-10:30am
Where: iCentre (next to our Kingfisher Hall)
Who: All welcome to attend
Cost: $2 per visit to cover consumables, tea and coffee

Important Dates

February
19 Bonus Behaviour Day
25 P&C Meeting
27 School Leader Induction Ceremony

March
17 Bonus Behaviour Day
25 Parent-Teacher Interviews

April
1 Cross Country Carnival 8.30 am -10.30 am
2 Behaviour Rewards Day
Last day of Term 1
3 Public Holiday – Good Friday
20 Term 2 Begins
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Smart Moves

This year, Loganholme State School is implementing a whole school Smart Moves program. The aim of Smart Moves is to increase student participation in physical activity. Regular participation in physical activity enhances cardio-respiratory endurance, muscular strength, flexibility, health and well-being. It has been proven that physical activity has a positive influence on student learning. Research has identified a range of benefits of physical activity on students’ performance at school. Students involved in this program have a far greater capacity to retain more information directly following this activity which is why our day commences with Smart Moves. Please ask your children the types of activities they have been involved in. It has also been great to see that the rain has not put a damper on our program with Smart Moves continuing indoors.

Kids Club

At Loganholme State School we are able to offer Kids’ Club during the play breaks for students who would like to be involved in activities other than playing on the oval or the playground equipment. These clubs enable students to choose a variety of activities that they would like to be involved in. Activities include: Sports’ Club, Flashmob, Games Room and the ICentre. Additional to this, each week there is an activity taken by teachers for students in Prep to Year 2 and an activity for students in Year 3-6. This activity changes each week. Examples of these activities may include: painting, storytelling, team games, chalk art, craft or writing stories just to name a few. Each week on assembly, the teachers who will be running the club for the week will inform students of the activity. Students then decide if they would like to join that club for the week. It is wonderful to see so many different activities offered to the students.

Classroom Blitz

Yes that’s right, the Classroom Blitz program is back for the 2015 school year. Now that the students have settled into the new school year, each day a member of the leadership team will come and visit classrooms to check a number of categories. These include:-

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For those families new to Loganholme State School, the Classroom Blitz Program works in conjunction with our Values Program. The program is designed to develop a student’s sense of responsibility and take ownership of their appearance, organisational skills and behaviour choices whilst at school.

Each day, students are responsible to track each category on what is known as the ‘Classroom Blitz Bus’ which is located in each classroom. A category is then picked each day by the Leadership Team to focus on. Points are accumulated for each class, each day and a winning class or sometimes classes is announced at the end of the week. The winning class/es are then awarded the privilege to decide what the following ‘Fun Friday’ theme will be for the whole school to participate in the following week. So stay tuned to find out who will be our first winning class.

Sports’ House Captains

Over the past two weeks, students have been in the process of applying for a Sports’ House Captain position for 2015. Students were required to submit an application and from here the short-listed applicants presented a speech to the students from Year 3-6 in their sports’ house. From there, students voted for who they wanted as their leader for 2015. We are pleased to announce the Sports’ House Captains for 2015 are:

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<td>Genesis Bernier</td>
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These students will be formally recognised at our Induction Ceremony on Friday 27 February.
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Parent Information Night

This week we held our 2015 Parent Information Night. Thank you to the P&C for organising a yummy BBQ and to the teachers who helped out with the cooking (or eating) of the sausages. Thank you to the wonderful families who joined us on the night. We hope the night gave you the opportunity to meet your children’s teachers for 2015 and get a sneak peek into the curriculum that will be covered over the year. We would like to thank our teachers for the amazing work they all did in preparing for this night. 😊

Before School Expectations

In our first newsletter of the 2015 school year we highlighted the before and after school procedures at our school. The beginning of the year is a great time to communicate our expectations and procedures to ensure everyone is aware. It is disappointing to see the number of parents and students that are ignoring this request and are waiting between the buildings or in front of their children’s classrooms.

As adults, children look up to their parents and the staff members of our school to model the expected behaviours and to do the right thing in life. This includes following the rules. So when parents deliberately decide not to follow the school procedures it sends a very mixed message to your child.

Mr Bray has been walking around before school to give friendly reminders of where parents and students should be. If you are in the wrong areas and are kindly reminded of where you should be, please follow the requests.

Induction Day Ceremony

A very important date for our Term 1 calendar is inducting our student leaders for 2015. This year will acknowledge students in Year 6 who have been selected by the school community to represent and lead the students this school year.

School Induction Ceremony

When: Friday 27 February
Time: 8:45am
Where: Kingfisher Hall
Who: All welcome to attend

Religious Instruction Survey

This week, all families received a small survey to gauge the community’s opinion regarding the delivery of Religion Instruction in our school. We rely on your feedback to ensure families have the opportunity to voice their opinions and to drive the decisions we make as a school in the best interest of your children. If you haven’t already, can you please take the time to complete your survey and return it to the school? Surveys were due back by Friday 13 February, but we will extend this until Monday 16 February. We appreciate your support with this request.

Swimming Lesson Expression of Interest

Loganholme State School is proposing to offer swimming lessons for all children in Year 2 and Year 3 in either Term 2 or Term 3 in 2015. Shortly an Expression of Interest (EOI) letter will go home which is designed to seek feedback from parents.

Uniform Shop

As of Monday 16 February the Uniform Shop will have new opening hours.

Uniform Opening Hours

Monday 2:00 – 3:00pm
Friday 8:00-9:00am

To make it more convenient for families, there will be a pop up shop located at the Kingfisher Hall on Monday afternoons when we hold our whole school assemblies. The uniform shop is located next to the Tuckshop under covered area in the middle of the school. The uniform shop has all school shirts, house shirts and plenty more in stock available in all sizes.
## Student of Week 3

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*Kind regards*

*The Leadership Team*