From the Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Parking

Parking is an eternal problem for schools both at the start and end of the school day. We all appreciate that there is limited parking around our school and we need all parents to ensure that where you park is safe and legal. Unfortunately we have had complaints from residents in Bundoora Drive with photos showing cars parked illegally across driveways. I am sure you can appreciate that this is a VERY frustrating situation. Please leave enough time when you come to school for you to park and walk and please ensure you always park in a legal and safe manner.

Parking officers from Brisbane City Council may be in attendance sometime over the next few weeks to monitor the parking situation.

Playground Equipment Before and After School

We have always had a policy that playground equipment is out of bounds before and after school. Over the past 12 months, there has been an increase in the number of students playing on the equipment after school. This has become a significant problem. In the first week of school, a child was hurt whilst playing on the equipment after school. The children who play on the equipment after school are generally NOT ALLOWED to play on the equipment in school time as they are deemed to be too small to handle the demands of the equipment.
Last Friday I received complaints from staff around the playground equipment located between Prep and Year 2 buildings. I was advised that a number of children were playing on the equipment and the noise was a problem for teachers who were trying to work in their classrooms after school.

Please do NOT play on the equipment after school. Whilst school may finish for the day at 3pm for the children, the space remains a work place for staff – often until 5 to 6pm. I would ask that you respect this, as our teachers are hard workers and should be able to focus on their job outside of contact hours without avoidable disruptions.

The 2nd factor is that parts of our school are licensed to Outside School Hours Care. The only children that should be within our school grounds after 3pm are the children attending OSHC or those involved in a sporting or training program.

Your assistance in this matter is requested. If you wish to discuss the matter further, please don’t hesitate to contact me.

Parent Teacher Information Night

We are planning a parent teacher information evening on Tuesday 17 February to be held in the annex from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

The evening will provide an opportunity for parents to hear some specific school information on various issues and will also enable parents to meet their child’s teacher in an informal setting. Teachers will prepare a year level newsletter outlining specific things for their classrooms and will provide details on what children will be learning this term.

Whilst the evening is aimed at adults, we understand that a number of parents may need to bring their children along. That is fine but please understand that the supervision of your children will be your responsibility.

We hope to have the P&C businesses there to provide all information you need. We will be running a sausage sizzle and will send home a flyer this week with details.

School Leaders’ Induction Ceremony

On Friday 13 February, our student leaders will receive their badges on our special assembly. The assembly will start at 9am in the Annex. We hope to have two special guests for the occasion, Nicholas Gill and Bronte Mitchell, who are now currently in Year 12 and who were our school captains in 2010. We welcome you to join us for this ceremony.

Student Resource Scheme for 2015 – Frequently Asked Questions

Can you pay for some of the things yourself and pay the school for other things? No. You need to make the school contribution as outlined or pay for things yourself. You have to choose one or the other.

Why is there a choice? It is a requirement that we offer the choice under Education Queensland’s policy on Student Resource Schemes.
If I am having trouble financially, can I organise to make some regular payments each fortnight? Yes you can but you need to have a conversation with Debbie Horrigan (BSM) or myself before this agreement can be entered into.

What will the money from this scheme be directed to? The funds from this scheme will go directly into replacing curriculum resources and purchasing new resources to support the National Curriculum.

Mindfulness at Mt Crosby

Following a small trial of Mindfulness in the classroom, we decided to introduce Mindfulness into the curriculum for Prep and Year 1 in 2015. From our trial last year, teachers noticed a significant difference in the children’s ability to settle and concentrate for increasing lengths of time. The benefits have a very positive impact on student learning.

Our Guidance Officer, Terry Skidmore, has undergone certification in the teaching of Mindfulness in schools via the Mindful Schools organisation based in America. The quote below is from TIME magazine says:

"Educators are turning to Mindfulness with increasing frequency--perhaps a good thing, considering how digital technology is splitting kids’ attention spans too. (The average American teen sends and receives more than 3,000 text messages a month.) A Bay Area-based program called Mindful Schools offers online Mindfulness training to teachers, instructing them in how to equip children to concentrate in classrooms and deal with stress. Launched in 2010, the group has reached more than 300,000 pupils, and educators in 43 countries and 48 states have taken its courses online."

Terry is also studying with Shamash Alidina (author of Mindfulness for Dummies) in the UK, which will lead to a further 100 hours of accreditation of teaching Mindfulness. The major component of Shamash’s course is for Terry to write and implement a Mindfulness program that will be used as the basis for the Mount Crosby, ‘Drop-By-Drop, Ripple-By-Ripple’ Mindfulness program

During 2014, Terry included a number of articles about Mindfulness and its benefits in the newsletters, and the school publicised and adopted the concept of a Wellness Centre in Term 4 that offered Mindfulness training to students in Years 5, 6, & 7 once a week.

WHAT IS MINDFULNESS?

Mindfulness is not a religious practice: It is a secular activity. You don’t need to adopt a lotus position or follow any particular beliefs. It’s really an exercise to focus your attention.

We can teach children to begin to pay attention to those things in the present moment that they never noticed before through a process called Mindfulness. Mindfulness is defined as “the awareness that emerges through paying attention on purpose, in the present moment, and nonjudgmentally to the unfolding of experiences moment by moment” (Kabat-Zinn, 2003, p. 145). The first part of this definition expresses the idea that Mindfulness is an active process; it involves active attention which leads to awareness. The second part of the definition highlights that it regards the present, rather than the past or future. The third part emphasizes that the attention is nonjudgmental and accepting, without thinking that the experience of the present moment is good or bad, right or wrong, important or not. It involves attending to the external environment such as sights, sounds,
and smells, as well as to internal bodily sensations, thoughts, and feelings. In practicing Mindfulness, one becomes aware of the current internal and external experiences, observes them carefully, accepts them, and allows them to be let go of in order to attend to another present moment experience (Gestalt Review, 12(1):75-91, 2008).

More information will be relayed via the newsletters in 2015. However, if anyone has any concerns regarding the implementation of Mindfulness into the curriculum, or have any questions they would like answered, please use the following email address. Please bear in mind that all communications go via the principal as do all the replies.

grasshopper@mountcrosbyss.eq.edu.au

Sue Phillips
Principal

From the Deputy Principal

Interschool Sport Information

The Interschool Sports for this semester are: Tennis, Soccer, Rugby League and Netball. Currently students in Year 5 and 6 are trying out for teams which will be finalised in the near future. Once teams have been finalised all relevant information will go home to parents.

Students in year 5 and 6 who are not participating in Interschool Sports will participate in other activities at school and information concerning this will go home at the same time as the interschool sports information.

Interschool sports will commence in Week 7 of Term 1.

Spelling Focus Week 3

Please refer to the table in this newsletter.

Kind Regards

June Riley
Deputy Principal

From the Deputy Principal

Drop Off Zones are NO PARKING Zones

Please note that the 2 minute zones for Drop Off and Pick Up, around our school operate from 7am – 9am and 2pm – 4pm each school day. If cars are parked in these zones, it means that they cannot work efficiently and some cars resort to the very dangerous practice of double parking to drop off students.
Please make sure that you **do not leave your vehicle** in these zones - they are for **Drop Off** and **Pick Up ONLY**. If everyone does the right thing, the zones allow for quick and efficient drop offs and pick ups and also ensure the safety of all of our children.

**Senior Shirts – Finally!**

At last!! I have been assured that the Senior Shirts are on their way and a delivery is imminent. Students in Year 6 should have them tomorrow!....................Hopefully....................

**Religious Instruction**

Many students in Year 1 have still not returned forms indicating whether or not they wish to participate in Religious Instruction. Please return permission forms as soon as possible. If you have lost the form, a note to your child’s teacher will suffice.

Payment of $8 for books is also due and payable at the money window.

Students in other year levels, who would like to change their permission details to either stop attending or start attending, please notify their class teacher in writing.

*Ruth Kelly*

*Deputy Principal*

**Spelling Focus Week 3**

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Expression of Interest Casual / Temporary Teacher Aide Positions

One of our key strategies in our Great Results Guarantee Agreement is to employ additional Teacher Aides to help support children in literacy and numeracy.

In addition there may also be potential for other opportunities for relief casual / temporary Teacher Aide employment throughout the 2015 year.

If you are interested in applying for any casual / temporary employment opportunities within our school please collect an Application Pack from the School Office.

- Applicants **MUST** address the Key Capabilities and also adhere to the Additional Information section within the Role Description (see Application Pack) to be considered for positions.
- Applications should not exceed two A4 pages.
- **Applications close; Monday 16th February 2015.**

If you require additional information please contact: Debbie Horrigan, Business Services Manager on 3813 2210.

Library News

The library will be open for 2015 from this week at the following times.
Please ensure your child has a named waterproof library bag (available from the uniform shop) to take their books to and from the library and home. (A plastic grocery bag is not really suitable.)

Applications for new library monitors went out this week. Children in Year 5 who are interested in becoming a library monitor may come and see us down in the library for an application form. Monitors should have a love of books and be regular users of our library. Please return application forms no later than Friday 13 February.

Please feel free to come down and visit before school to see all the lovely books we have on offer - we even have a parent section.

Happy reading everyone!!

Helen Handley-Stuart
Teacher Librarian

Assisting your School Crossing Supervisor

Parents and teachers are asked to encourage their children to use the supervised crossing and to set a good example themselves by obeying the School Crossing Supervisor's directions whenever they use the crossing.

Stop when the STOP sign is displayed

When the School Crossing Supervisor holds up the STOP sign all road users must stop their vehicles, clear of the crossing. Road users must not begin to accelerate until all pedestrians including the School Crossing Supervisor are safely on the footpath on either side of the road. If a vehicle has stopped to give way to the pedestrians at a crossing facility, do not overtake the vehicle while it is stationary.

Failure to comply is an offence that will be reported to the Police.

No Stopping Zones

The 'No Stopping' zones delineate the School Crossing Supervisor's workplace and serves to protect an area on either side of a crossing facility. It is important to the safety of pedestrians who use the crossing facility that this road rule is followed. If this is ignored the enforcement agencies will be contacted. The design of a crossing facility is a standard layout described in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices to allow School Crossing Supervisors / pedestrians to have a clear view of approaching vehicles and vice versa.

School Crossing Supervisor's have the authority to report any incidents that affect their personal safety and the safety of pedestrians. They will record registration numbers and details of offending vehicles and report them. There are no circumstances where a driver can stop in the crossing zone, drivers delivering or waiting for children are no exception and are not exempt.

Supervised Crossing Procedure

The School Crossing Supervisor will ask all pedestrians, both children and adults, to wait on the footpath. When a suitable gap appears in the traffic from both directions, the supervisor will extend the STOP sign to face the
traffic and when it is safe to do so proceed to the centre of the road with the STOP sign displayed. The supervisor will blow two blasts of the whistle to indicate that it is safe for pedestrians to cross. When all pedestrians have cleared the crossing, the School Crossing Supervisor then returns to the footpath.

All cyclists, skateboarders, children wearing roller blades or with scooters will be asked to dismount and walk their 'wheels' over the crossing.

Please assist your School Crossing Supervisors – they are here to protect your children.

P&C Association

P & C Business Opening Hours & Contact Details

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Before School Care: 7:00 - 8.30am
Breakfast served till 7:50am

After School Care:
3:00 – 6:30pm
Afternoon tea provided.

Vacation Care
7:00am – 6:30pm
Breakfast & Afternoon tea service.

Wednesday:
Order lunch online by 9am
Thursday & Friday:
Order lunch on line or at the counter by 9am
Open 1st and 2nd break Wednesday,
Thursday and Friday during term.

Open every Tuesday during term 8.30 - 10am

VACANCIES AVAILABLE
Counter lunch orders can only be placed Thursdays & Fridays.
Shop in person. Order online. Order at school admin.
Got any queries about what's happening in 2015? Get in touch with the P&C office and we'll help you out.

P&C Back to School Meeting Round Up
Thank you to all who attended our first meeting of the year - it looks like 2015 is going to be a fantastic year with lots of people contributing their talents and ideas!

At the meeting we discussed the A2H project, school excursions, OSHC April Vacation Care program, 1st semester disco, May Mothers' Day stall, upcoming parent information night and approved two grant applications.

What is the P&C all about?

Our P&C is dedicated to enhancing the learning experiences and opportunities available to Mt Crosby State School students - in 2014 we contributed over $70,000 in donations and projects around the school.

The P&C runs the Out of School Hours and Vacation Care service (OSHC), the Tuckshop, Uniform Shop and supports the school in many other ways. You might find us:

- Helping in classrooms and supporting school activities such as working bees and garden club
- Organising community events (in 2014 we held a Family Fun Day)
- Organising school events (in 2014 Mother's and Father's Day stalls returned and the biannual student disco is a huge hit!)
- Participating in school working groups & lobbying for the school within the wider community
- Organising fundraisers and writing grant applications
- Coordinating the school banking program

In 2015 we're looking forward to catching up with old friends and meeting new ones. If you've always wanted to get more involved at your child's school make this the year you do it.

Feel free to email us at pandc@mtcrosbyss.eq.edu.au or give us a call on 3813 2222 if you've got any questions.

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Diary Dates - 2015 P&C Meeting Schedule

The P&C has traditionally met on the 4th Wednesday of each month, however late last year we identified that Tuesday nights might be better for many families. Do you have a preference? Come along to the AGM to have your say.

Wine and Cheese AGM 25 February 2015 @ 7pm in the library

At the AGM nominations and acceptances are taken to appoint the 2015 Executive Committee, which is then followed by a General Meeting. We have nominations for most of the executive positions already, so there will be no pressure to take on responsibilities! If you would like to get more involved, or know someone who might, the nomination form is here: Executive Officer Nomination Form.pdf Nominations are open for:

- President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
• Vice President
• Fundraising Coordinator
• Working Bee Coordinator
• Minutes Secretary

These roles are all supported by the P&C Operations Manager, ensuring all roles can be managed in conjunction with work and family responsibilities. If you’re curious about how the P&C operates feel free to pop in to our office for a chat.

Friday 20th February Fundraisers Catch Up 9.30am (After Parade)

Interested in fundraising but don't want to do it all? We are putting together a fundraising committee to help with discos, catalogues, mothers and fathers day stalls etc. Come and help put together a fundraising calendar for the year and choose the bits you'd like to do!

School Disco
Friday 6th March

Prep - Year 2 Junior Disco: 6-7pm
Years 3 - 6 Senior Disco: 7.15 - 8.30pm
In the undercover area outside Tuckshop - entry via main gate

Children will not be permitted to leave the disco without an adult.

VIP tickets available $12 value for only $10.
Includes red carpet entry, VIP glow wrist band, sausage in bread, drink and raffle ticket.

VIP tickets must be pre-purchased! Ticket sales close Tuesday 3rd March 3pm

Purchase by enclosing $10 per student in an envelope marked with student’s name/s and class/es and post into the P&C mailbox in the office. Tickets will be distributed in class.

Regular entry can be purchased on the night for $5

Parents are welcome to stay for the disco and helpers are needed! Please contact us on pandc@mtcrosbyss.eq.edu.au or 3813 2274 if you can help out with any of the jobs in the roster below.

DISCO ROSTER - Helpers Needed!

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- slicing onions for BBQ,
- putting up signage and taping down the red carpet,
- placing tables at Entry, BBQ, and Glow Products and placing stock on tables.

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**VIP Entry**

1. Sue Phillips
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**Entry**

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**Security, Roaming and Entry/Exit**

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5. Your name here!

**Glow Products**

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2. Your name here!
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**Tuckshop**

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3. Your name here!
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**Sausage Sizzle**

1. Leo Pomeranke
2. Your name here!
3. 
4. Your name here!

**VIP Drinks and Raffle**

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Tuckshop News

Tuckshop would like to thank Olivia, Helen and Kaye for their assistance last week.

**Don't forget to update your child's class details online.**

Our Tuckshop is available online. What does this mean for you?

- no more hunting around for change in the morning
- better awareness of the tuckshop healthy choices menu
- more input into your child's tuckshop choices
- it's quick and easy! Once your account's set up it only takes a couple of minutes to place lunch and snack orders for your children.
- you can place orders up to two weeks in advance and cancel them up until 9am on the day
- your child can now have a healthy, homemade, hot lunch at school three days a week!
- **Lunch bag orders are still available at the counter if required, however we encourage online ordering as it is much more efficient for our staff and volunteers.**

How to get started online:

- Sign up by filling in the registration form with your contact details, user name and password.
- Receive a confirmation email.
- Select Mt Crosby State School and enter your children's names and class names (ie. 2B).
- Add credit to your account.

How to order meals:

1. Select your child.
2. Select the order date.
3. Add meal items to your order.
4. Confirm the order.

You can also place uniform orders online.

*TUCKSHOP HELPERS ARE THE LIFE BLOOD OF OUR TUCKSHOP*

The P&C offers the Tuckshop as a service to the school community, and relies on helpers to run it. Please let our Convenor, Jodie Coutts, know if you can help. Every little bit counts - even an hour now and then is greatly appreciated.

Peak time is 9-11am - only 2 hours of your time makes a HUGE difference to us!
If you are unable to help during opening hours, we can arrange for you to access tuckshop to help with food preparation and cooking at a time that suits you, or set up a home baker arrangement.

A sample tuckshop roster is provided below, please drop in, call or email us if you can help us out at any time in 2015.

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Uniform Shop News

We offer a 'one stop shop' for all of your school uniform needs and are open every Tuesday during term from 8.30 - 10am. If you can’t be there at this time simply fill out an order form in the school admin office and post it in the P&C mailbox, or order online at www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au as detailed above. We can even deliver to your child's class!

Library bags and small hats are now in stock.

Chair bags and medium hats are on order and should be in by the 2nd week of February.

Parents are reminded that Music shirts are a special order item and should have been ordered in December as per the music program information provided. Shirts for families who have ordered a music shirt will be in any day. We have some extra stock coming in with this order, but sizes are limited.

Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) News

Welcome back and welcome to the new preppies!

Vacation care over the Christmas holidays was an absolute success. The week before Christmas we did lots of festival activities and enjoyed watching Christmas movies and baking Christmas goodies!

After Christmas the children enjoyed many themed days that included different cultures, Despicable Me day, Minecraft day and a food science day where we explored what happens when we mixed certain foods together. We also had a fantastic water slide day where the children and staff had fun slipping and sliding all day!

Next week at OSHC is Valentine's day themed! We will be revolving craft around love and friendship, including a game of Cupid dodge ball! See you then!
We will be open for the April School Holidays as follows:

Week 1: 7-10 April
Week 2: 13-17 April

For enquiries & bookings please call Belinda on 3201 0841.

School Banking

Commonwealth Bank School Banking Program

Banking has started back and Prep students should have received an information pack. Extra information packs are available from admin.

We will have a representative from Commonwealth Bank school banking at parade on Friday 20th February, and a sign on table set up nearby for parents to sign up from 8:15am and then again straight after parade. Otherwise sign-up can be done in any CBA branch or CBA online customers can sign up their children for banking online. Please remember to bring your own ID (e.g. drivers licence) and your child/ren’s birth certificate for the sign up whether it be in branch or after parade on 20th February.

REWARDS

There are all new rewards for 2015, with the theme Outer Space Savers. These new rewards have been released for Term 1, and are available while stocks last:

- ET DVD
- Planet Handball
There are exciting new rewards released in Term 2, 3 and 4 also.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and don’t forget that Wednesday is School Banking day!

**Any queries? Mikhaila can help! msjrobertson@bigpond.com or 0409 585 899**

Mt Crosby Historical Fact

Did you know?.....

Today, let's wade in knee deep, or perhaps drive in sill deep (metaphorically speaking) to the murky waters that surround the name of our favourite crossing. In the schooldays of mine, which were mostly those days before our crossing and suburbs had met each other, the name I recall was "Colleges Crossing", pronounced perfectly without a "d" unless the visitor had come from a long way away (like Brisbane). The town was filled with people who had little doubt that it had always been that way.

Since then, some little alteration seems to have occurred, which I took at first to be an irreverence to Mount Crosby's first real settler, George Colledge, but which on further investigation looks more like an extension of a long tradition of muddled spelling (and that, I say, I feel a lot better about).

While Mister Colledge seems to have been satisfied with the spelling of his name (if his land order, the electoral roll and his obituary are admissible as evidence), there is a miscellany of instances, both as old as Mount Crosby and as new as the park at Colleges Crossing, that drop the "d" and have got us used to the alternative spelling. I suppose then, I won't be chaining myself to the bridge to make a protest, but I might go on spelling it however I like, just for the purpose of supporting our tradition of inconsistent spelling.
*Collages Crossing - 1880 to 2015*

Col & Charlie Hester

Recycle Your Cans

You got cans then make a habit of throwing them in the **blue can bins** placed outside your classroom today and remember 15 in a bag!

**Win prizes** for your class

**Raise money for your school**

**& help the planet to stay cool!**

Community News

Rugby League **Sign On!**

At Karalee Tornadoes

**NOW**

The Tornadoes are inviting you to play Rugby League for a club full of pride, and where we are committed to providing the opportunities for players that wish to excel in the sport whilst having fun in a safe environment. We live by our ethos...where we are the place for fun, fitness and friendships, and every player gets a go regardless of ability...this is our success.

- Catering from 5 years to 17...and seniors!
- Low affordable fees...family discounts available
- Fees are 'once off'...it includes uniform, game fees, insurance, team photo...just bring your boots
- Certified, dedicated coaching staff
- 5-12 play Saturday mornings
- Teenagers play Friday nights
- Local competition fields are close by and traffic friendly.
Young Conservatorium Presents Jump In Day 21 February 2015

Young Conservatorium will be holding Jump In Day on Saturday 21 February 2015. This is an opportunity for students to participate in one of our Young Conservatorium ensembles, giving students and parents a chance to experience what we do at Young Conservatorium and encourage their participation in music beyond the school fence.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPATING STUDENTS

Venue: Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University, 140 Grey Street, South Brisbane

Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass

Symphony Orchestra: 9.00am-10.45am AMEB Grade 5 and Over String Orchestra: 9.00am-10.00am
AMEB 3-5 String Ensemble: 10.30am-11.30am AMEB 3 and Under Chamber Strings: 11.00am-12.00noon AMEB Grade 5 and Over

Vocal Melodic Minors: 9.00am-10.00am 5-9 Years of Age Children’s Chorus: 10.30am-12.30pm 9-14 Years of Age
Woodwind, Brass and Percussion

Wind Orchestra: 11.15am-1.00pm AMEB Grade 5 and Over Symphonic Wind Ensemble:
1.30pm-3.15pm AMEB 3-5

Vocal Ensemble: 18 February 4.30pm-6.30pm Brass Ensemble: 19 February 5.30pm-6.30pm

##Please note you must register before attending see below

Transport: Train - South Brisbane Train Station (adjacent to QCGU)  
Bus - Cultural Centre Bus Way

What to Bring: Instrument, spare reeds, valve oil

What to Wear: Comfortable casual clothing with covered footwear

To register please contact the Young Conservatorium, via email HYPERLINK "mailto:young-conservatorium@griffith.edu.au" young-conservatorium@griffith.edu.au or phone 3735 6247

Website: HYPERLINK “http://www.griffith.edu.au/music/young-conservatorium”
www.griffith.edu.au/music/young-conservatorium

Telephone: 3735 6247 Facsimile: 3735 6366 Email: HYPERLINK "mailto:young-conservatorium@griffith.edu.au" young-conservatorium@griffith.edu.au
New Participant $50, Returner $30
CottonOn Foundation Stadium 3282 4328

Small Ball
Under 5s
$5 per person / session
11:30-12:30 Saturdays
Term 1 2015:
7th February - 28th March
Bring a friend along and have some fun!

Lions Junior Rugby Union
Sign On
Come join our family friendly club at the Anthony Short Oval, Hillwood Way, Karana Downs.
- Tiny tots program for ages 3-5
- Teams Age 5 - 12
- One low membership fee, family discounts
- Uniforms included
- Licensed bar
- FREE Gilbert rugby ball with every sign on
Sat 21st Feb 2015
10-2
Tennis Lessons on the School Court:

Prep / grade 1 beginners Monday 8am to 8.45
Grade 1/ 2 Tuesday 7.45 am to 8.45
Grade 3/4 Wednesday 7.45 to 8.45 Grade Intermediate
4/5 /6 Thursday 7.45 - 8.45 Grade
Intermediate 5/6 Friday 7.45 to 8.45

Bookings:
Info@scorpiontennis.net
0418 875 913
Web: www.scorpiontennis.net

Junior racquets available for purchase.

Dates to Remember

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Money Window Opening Times: 8:00am to 10:00am only - Monday to Friday

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