Active After School Activities
Active After School Activities continue this week, with the Year 4 – 7 students learning Oztag each Monday with Vicki Kirkland and Sandra Henry. Tomorrow the Prep to Year 3 students will be learning karate with Mr & Mrs Sim in the parade area. Vicki is the supervisor as well as coach this year, and Sandra is her helper both Monday and Wednesday. Please remember that students must have handed their forms to the office before they can participate in these activities. Afternoon tea is held in the hall at 3:15pm, and activities finish at 4:15pm. Parents and carers are asked to arrive promptly at 4:15 please.

P&C AGM tomorrow
Our Annual General Meeting for our P&C Association takes place tomorrow, February 20 at 5:30pm in the hall. Everyone is most welcome, and we would really appreciate those of you willing to take on a role on the executive for 2013. A light supper is provided.

National Rugby League Development Games Officer visit
This Friday, February 22, between 9am and 12 noon, Lennie Currie will once again be visiting our school and taking all year levels for skills training and self-esteem sessions. All students will benefit from Lennie’s great skill activities and self-confidence building.

Meet & Greet BBQ
Meet & Greet BBQ will be held in Week 5, which is next Wednesday, February 27. The skipping team and choir will perform for us, and the P&C tuckshop convenors will prepare a delicious sausage sizzle. Staff will follow tradition by serving delicious fresh fruit to families. Teachers will be available to speak to parents and carers in their classrooms after the BBQ about their plans for the students in 2013.

Insights Article this week
This week’s article focuses on the importance of regular attendance at school. Education Queensland last year launched a policy called “Every Day Counts” which continues this year. We will be actively supporting this policy, as research on poor attendance and late arrival shows a significant effect on academic outcomes.

Puzzle of the Week
Solution to last week’s word puzzle: Associated words – master, wedding, side. Answer: RING, ringmaster, wedding ring, ringside.

This week’s puzzle: What is the common word that goes before or after each of these words: oil, rattle, eyes?

Happy puzzling! Answer in next week’s message!

Joke of the Week
What kind of music do mummies like? Wrap!

Thought for the Week
Don’t waste time trying to fit in, when you were born to stand out! Celebrate your unique talents & share them whole-heartedly!

Have a great week!

Chris
Congratulations to our students of the week and Mrs Grant our staff member of the week.

**IMPORTANTS INFORMATION ABOUT UNIFORM SALES**

Just a reminder sale of uniforms, recorders, etc will only be available from 1.45 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.

**STUDENT PERSONAL INFORMATION CARDS**

We are still waiting for a number of student cards to be returned to the office. Students names are being marked off when their information is returned.

The forms need to be returned whether they have changes or remain the same.

These are very important as it allows us to keep our records updated and correct in case of an emergency.

**EMAIL NEWSLETTER**

Thank you to families who have provided us with an email address so we can send our newsletter electronically.

If you still wish to have the newsletter emailed please send your email address to the office.

**SOUTHERN DOWNS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**GIRLS AND BOYS BASKETBALL TRIALS**

**DATE:** Tuesday 5th March 2012  
**VENUE:** The SCOTS PGC College (WALEC Courts)  
60 Oxenham Street,  
Warwick Qld  
(Behind Middle School)  
**TIME:** 3.45 P.M. – 5.15 P.M.  
**WHAT TO BRING:**  
- Bottle and water  
- Completed medical/permission form  
- Non-marking sole shoes  

Students must have the following skills:-  
Knowledge of rules of basketball  
Be able to work successfully in a team situation  
Display sportsmanship at all times  

If students wish to nominate please see Mr Willing or come to the office.

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC – STRINGS**

There are still spaces available for anyone interested in playing a string instrument.

I have 1 cello, 2 violas and some violins.  
These instruments would suit students in years 4 – 7 as they are larger instruments.

If you are interested please see me at school on Wednesday between 11.30 and 3.00.

Thanks  
Michael Spiller  
Strings Instrumental Music Teacher

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**SCHOOL PHOTOS**

Our school photos will be taken on Monday 18th March 2013. Please ensure your children are in full school uniform and arrive on time as the class photos will begin at 9.00 a.m.

**ALL PHOTO ENVELOPES NEED TO BE HANDED IN BEFORE THE PHOTOGRAPHS ARE TAKEN.**

As the order envelopes and money go directly to the photographers on the day we can not accept any envelopes after that day. If you forget to hand in the order form and money you will have to deal directly with the photographer to place an order.

**WATTLIES JRL**

Training for Wattles JRL will began on 14th February at 4.15 p.m. at Allora State School.

New and old players can register on the day. The cost is $70 per child.

New players must bring an original birth certificate with them.

All welcome.

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**SOUTHERN DOWNS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**GIRLS AND BOYS HOCKEY TRIALS**

**DATE:** Wednesday 27th February 2013  
**VENUE:** Warwick Hockey Fields  
Queens Park, Warwick Qld  
**TIME:** 3.45 p.m. – 5.15 p.m.  
**AGE:** Students must be born in 2001 (12 yrs old) or 2002 (11 yrs old) to attend the trial  
**WHAT TO BRING:**  
- Own hockey stick, shin guards and mouth guard hat  
- Water bottle and water  
- Completed medical/permission form  

Students must have:-  
Knowledge of rules of hockey  
Be able to work successfully in a team situation  
Display sportsmanship at all times  

If students wish to nominate please see Mr Willing or come to the office.
WINTER UNIFORM - HOODIES

We will order Hoodies once again as part of our winter uniform. We would like to get an idea on how many to order and which sizes we will need. They will be $29.00 each. Please fill in the form below and we will hold the required size for you when they arrive.

Student Name ................................................................. Class ............................

Hoodies Sizes required ..................................................

Parents signature ..........................................................