Principal:
Jess Abraham

School Vision:
At Spalding Primary School we aim to facilitate each student with the essential skills and knowledge to be an effective and successful member of society.

Diary Dates

Wed 26/2 Mobile Library
Fri 28/2 Clean up Australia Day
Wed 5/3 Junior Primary visit Playcentre
Wed 19/3 Governing Council Meeting 7.30 pm

Canteen Roster

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Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

It has been a great but busy start to the year. Tonight we have our parent information night and I look forward to seeing you all there.

**SIP (Site Improvement Plan)**

Staff have been busily working on our new Site Improvement Plan (SIP), as a result of discussions with Governing Council members, Staff focus meetings, surveys of parents and students we have decided on two main priorities and a maintenance one. Our two main priorities for 2014-2016 will be:

1. Literacy: writing focus
2. Information Communication Technology

We have also decided to continue to maintain the positive work and results we are seeing from our last SIP on reading comprehension.

Please keep an eye on the next newsletter for more detailed information on our new Site Improvement Plan (SIP).

**SRC (Student Representative Council)**

Congratulations to our newly elected members of the SRC
- Chairperson: Zack Longbottom
- Vice Chairperson: Baxter Goode
- Secretary: Thomas Wohlfeil
- Treasurer: Bailey Wohlfeil
- Publicity Officer: Tony Czapla

Congratulations on a fantastic effort to all students that were prepared and spoke well for the election. We look forward to a successful and productive SRC this year.

**Attendance**

Attendance is a current priority of the Department of Education and Child Development. Attendance rates at Spalding Primary are quite high and we look forward to maintaining these rates. Being at school gives students the best opportunity to make the most of their learning and development years and help prepare them for their future.

*Interesting fact: If a student is away only 5 days each term over their school years this can add up to 220 days off school meaning they will miss one entire year of their schooling!!!*

“Set Your Sights High”
Thank you
To all families that volunteered their time at the Spalding Rodeo to help with the beer ticket bar. Your continual support inside and outside of the school is truly appreciated.

Best wishes
Jess Abraham
Spalding Principal

JUNIOR PRIMARY NARRATIVES AND RECOUNTS

One day a budgie went on a bus. The budgie saw a duck. The duck laid an egg on top of the budgie's head. - Sarah.

I went to Martique’s house and I went inside. I played with the hamster toy. I went inside and I saw Martique’s little brother. - Charlie.

I went to the pool with Thomas and Bailey. Bailey got an ear infection. That night Bailey was fine. - Matthew.

When I was at the river I fell off the biscuit - Lucy.

At the museum I saw a dinosaur, a fossil snake and a lizard. - Polly.

SPALDING HOTEL SOCIAL CLUB INC

“Spalding Whole of Town Garage Sale”
Saturday 8th March 2014 - 8.00am start

Currently there are 15 interested sites. More sites are welcome, so sort out your treasures! Sites are still available at the rear of the Hotel for out of towners.

Registration fee is $10.00 per site. To be on the map you need to have your registration in by 28th February to Mark Williams 88452158, Fran Havelberg 88452264 or Carol Boulton 0408857525.

The Klub will be printing the maps which will be available from the Post Office, Spalding Barb Wire Hotel and Spalding General Store.

“Set Your Sights High”
February Fruit & Veg Month

BEANS are BONZA

Kidney Beans

**FACT:** It’s named for its visual resemblance in colour and shape to a kidney.

**RECIPE:** Magic Bean Chocolate Cake

- 1 x 420g can kidney beans, drained
- 1 tbsp. water or coffee
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 70g unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon bicarbonate of soda
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 125 g butter
- 5 eggs
- 180 g sugar

In a food processor puree the beans, water/coffee, 1 egg & vanilla extract until smooth. Set aside.

Combine butter & sugar in a food processor or using an electric beater until pale & fluffy. Add the remaining eggs one at a time, processing or beating well after each addition. Add bean mixture & process or beat until combined. Add sifted cocoa powder, baking powder, bicarb soda, salt & mix well. Pour batter into a 22cm greased round or ring pan & bake for approx. 35 minutes at 180 degrees Celsius. The cake will spring back when touched & skewer will come out clean when cleaned.

For any enquiries about the OPAL program please call: Emma Young - OPAL Program

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OPAL 2014 THEME

In 2014 OPAL will be introducing a new theme that aims to encourage children and families to spend their weekends being active in local parks and places. Keep an eye on your local newsletters to find out more and help us in launching this new focus for 2014.

**NEW OUTDOOR FITNESS CIRCUITS**

In November 2013, OPAL and the Healthy Communities Initiative funded and installed outdoor fitness circuits at Wirrabara and Port Germein, with further installs scheduled early in 2014 at Wilmington, Gladstone and Jamestown. For location details, please contact OPAL or your local Council and make the most of these fantastic free activity options.

**TIP:** Replace meat with kidney beans in hot pots, soups or hamburger patties.

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