Thursday, 6 February 2014

Dear Parent/Guardian

As part of our continuing commitment to the teaching and learning, health, safety and wellbeing of our students, we would like to draw your attention to the following:

Prohibited items:
Prohibited items are not allowed on the school premises or traveling to or from school under any circumstances. An exhaustive list provided by Education Queensland can be found on our website (under the Enrolments tab then on the right-hand side under Related Links - Student Handbook) and we encourage all parents and students to be familiar with this.

The Education Provisions Act requires us to draw your attention to the following items of high risk such as aerosol products in any form, weapons, sharp objects, illicit substances, tobacco etc. which are strictly prohibited. These expectations ensure all students are engaged in a safe environment where the best teaching and learning opportunities can occur.

Personal Technologies:
Whilst in class students will not access their mobile phones, iPods or any other form or personal technology. Any technological devices found to be used inappropriately will be confiscated and not returned to students. Parents will be contacted and a suitable time will be negotiated for parents or guardians to collect the item. Adherence to these conditions ensures no disruption to the teaching and learning environment.

Uniform:
All students and parents/guardians are made aware of our Uniform Policy at enrolment, therefore the following is a polite reminder regarding these policies:

White socks (not sockettes) and black polishable shoes are to be worn at all times, even with the sport uniform. At the student’s sport, health or recreation class students are able to change their shoes to the correct sporting attire. At the completion of this class students will return to wearing the black polishable shoes. This policy supports the safety and wellbeing of our students.

We appreciate your ongoing support in addressing the length of female student’s skirts. It is in the best interest of all students that skirts are worn on or below the knee. Our Uniform Store is adequately stocked to ensure all girls can access skirts of correct length. Girls wearing skirts deemed to be of inappropriate length will be directed to purchase skirts that match our policy. If there is a financial concern regarding any of the statements outlined, please feel free to contact the Deans of Students for further support.

Our continued partnership in adherence to these policies is greatly appreciated and will continue to reflect Southport State High School’s commitment to the best quality education for your student; reflecting our reputation as the best school on the Gold Coast.

Sincerely

Steve McLuckie
Principal