

The School Report

Newsletter of Fernvale State School
1605 Brisbane Valley Highway
Fernvale Q 4306



- Attitude -
- Action -
- Achievement -

www.fernvaless.eq.edu.au

PH 54271333

Fax 54271300

Absence 54271360

Issue No: 01 29 January 2019

Dates to Remember



March

1 Prep Ocean Life Incursion

April

5 Last day Term 1

23 First day Term 2

25 ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

May

6 Public Holiday

June

28 Last day Term 2

From the Principal

Welcome back to all students and families. A special welcome is extended to all new families to our school community.

Open Class Afternoon

Last Friday we trialled for the first time, an afternoon where all classrooms were open to the parents and students after 12 noon to meet and greet the new teacher and drop off any books and materials. This initiative was primarily about providing a stress free environment to establish the beginning of a new relationship between the class teacher and student and their family. Thank you to the large number of family members that took up this opportunity with many positive comments relayed back to the school. I would be extremely interested to seek feedback from the school community re this trial to determine if we should do it again for future years and any other feedback you might have. I would encourage all feedback to be emailed to admin@fernvaless.eq.edu.au

Draft Classes

All classes will remain in draft form until Day 8. Education Queensland undertake a census of student numbers across all State Schools and after this date official staffing is confirmed for all State Schools.

Classes for 2019 subject to change pending Day 8 processes are:

Prep – Mrs Thorn, Mrs Storta and Miss McGill

Year One – Miss Gerchow, Mrs Smith, Mrs Phillips and Mrs Adsett

Year Two – Mrs Edbrooke, Miss Mitchell and Mrs Sullivan

Year Three – Miss McMaster, Mrs Lewis, Miss Ward

Year Three/Four – Mrs Wendt and Mrs Allwood

Year Four – Miss Anderson, Mrs Steinhardt and Miss Luckman

Year Four/Five – Mrs Mills and Mrs Conway

Year Five – Mrs Tatt and Mrs Schulz

Year Five/Six – Mr Parker

Year Six – Mr Roach, Miss Johnson and Mrs Staib

I would like to especially welcome our new Staff Mrs Smith, Miss McMaster, Mrs Allwood, Mrs Steinhardt, Mrs Schulz and Mrs Staib to our school community and trust that all community members will make them feel most welcome.

2019 School Improvement Priorities

Fernvale State School will strive to continually improve in 2019 and at its heart I have asked all Staff to set a tone of high positivity, enhance solid communication and establish good relationships with all students and community members.

After reviewing of School Opinion Surveys, Student Data and taking on all sources of feedback the three key priorities at Fernvale for 2019 are:

- Teaching and Learning of Literacy
- Effective use of Explicit Instruction
- Health and Wellbeing

Throughout the year you will see or hear of much work around these three priorities.

In particular we will commence the school year with a particular focus on the Teaching and Learning of Literacy from Day One with the implementation of a new Literacy Block across the whole school in every class. The Literacy Block will feature explicit teaching in Reading and Writing for every Year level from Prep to Year 6. Increased levels of resourcing back in the classroom will assist the teacher and students to undertake this. Expertise particularly in the area of writing will come from Mr Coman in particular with a focus on the Year 3 to 5 classes along with staff in the Inclusion Hub working alongside the teachers in each classroom.

The teachers and staff from the Inclusion Hub will be heavily supporting classroom teachers and students within a renewed Inclusive model each and every day. The Inclusion teachers and teacher aides will work more alongside classroom teachers and students to greater enhance student support and promote positive learning experiences for all students.

Similarly under the Health and Wellbeing priority, our school has been undertaking Professional Development to help our staff to better support all students. Much of this work has come within the Berry Street Model which was a model of education and strategies set up in Victoria based on trauma based and emotional needs for students. Some learnings and strategies from this work will no doubt support a great number of students in our school community. Your students will be undertaking “Circle Time” and “Brain Breaks” to help promote positive relationships and experiences for all students in every class on a daily basis. More information about Berry Street will be forthcoming to parents and carers.

School Arrival time

No student should arrive at school prior to 8:15am unless there is some supervised activity ie Band, sports training etc.

Any student arriving prior to 8:15am must sit quietly and wait under Peel House (the old Administration building) until Morning duty commences with staff supervision. All students are expected to remain under the building and once released when staff are on duty, their bag is placed, sun safe hat on their head, go out to their respective play areas.

Student Collection at End of Day

Parents and carers should make suitable arrangements for the collection of children at the end of each day. This should be clearly communicated to each child so they know what is expected of them. Often many children become quite stressed when a parent or carer does not collect them straight after 3pm. Towards the end of last year some students were regularly being picked up from the office up to 4pm. The office closes at 3:30pm and parents and carers should make suitable arrangements to collect their children at 3pm.

School starting time

Fernvale State School takes great pride in providing the very best learning outcomes for all students. Our first school bell for all Year levels including Prep, goes at 8:45am. Toileting and washing of hands should be done prior to entering the classroom. Classes are ready to learn after the signal of the first bell at this point and the teachers need to get started from this time with minimal disruption. Parents wishing to speak to class teachers should do so prior to 8:45am or after school. Thank you for your support in this regard to allow all teachers to get on to providing the very best learning outcomes for every child with the precious time available for teaching and learning. Children regularly turning up for class after the second bell at 8:55am not only significantly disrupts their learning but also that of the whole class when the teacher has commenced learning activities for the day.

Parking

At the commencement of any new year, parking is quite congested on the Brisbane Valley Highway. Families are encouraged to also use the parking in the Sports Complex adjacent to the school which we are kindly allowed to use to help make a safe pick up and drop off for our students.

The main driveway and administration carpark **is not for general** parking or pickup or drop off for parents.

Student Absences

All schools in Education Queensland are required to report any student absence on a daily basis and seek reasons for why that student is absent. Continued absences without explanation will now be more closely monitored and followed up on all occasions as per the new policy. All absences must be reported and this can be done via phone call to the school on the Student Absence line (54271300), email to the office or a written note to your child's teacher.

If you have not informed the school of any absence, the school will automatically send an alert seeking a reason via SMS. This is a huge process to do on a daily basis but now mandated to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all children.

From the Principal

School Website and Q School app

Many of our new families may be unaware that the school has a website. This site often has News stories, up to date calendar of events and date claimers and school newsletters can be downloaded at any time. Please add this to your favourites.

Fernvale State School website address is fernvaless.eq.edu.au

Parents can also access the Q Schools app by downloading this app from iTunes or Google Play store and search for Fernvale SS. This app is linked to our school website and is another easy way to keep abreast of information about our school in a mobile world.

I look forward to a positive and wonderful 2019 school year for all school community members.

Expressions for Relief Staff

At the beginning of each year we request expressions via a CV or Resume to have on file should we need to fill any positions on a relief basis.

These positions include:

- Schools Officer (Grounds and Janitorial)
- Administration Assistants
- Teacher Aide
- Cleaner

All expressions should be addressed to Mrs Bronwyn Ogg (Business Manager) at bogg2@eq.edu.au or simply dropped in to the school office.

Kind Regards

David

From the Deputy Principal

Welcome to the 2019 school year and what a wonderful start!

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our families returning and new families to our school. Fernvale is a wonderful school and I know we will all have a fabulous year together.

The children across the school have settled incredibly well back into their routines and are very excited to be back. It has been so much fun to hear about everyone's fabulous holiday adventures.

From the Deputy Principal

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our 'Tea and Tissues' Morning Tea this morning for our Prep families and new families to our school. It is so lovely to get to know everyone and to see families connecting and supporting each other.

Here are 15 ways to have a conversation about their fantastic first day!

- What was the best thing that happened at school today? (What was the worst thing that happened at school today?)
- Tell me something that made you laugh today.
- Tell me a weird word that you heard today. (Or something weird that someone said.)
- If I called your teacher tonight, what would she tell me about you?
- How did you help somebody today?
- How did somebody help you today?
- Tell me one thing that you learned today.
- When were you the happiest today?
- Who would you like to play with at lunch that you've never played with before?
- Tell me something good that happened today.
- What word did your teacher say most today?
- What do you think you should do/learn more of at school?
- What do you think you should do/learn less of at school?

And just in case....

The following information on separation anxiety is from the Kidsmatter website. For more information <https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/mental-health-matters/social-and-emotional-learning/positive-separations-understanding>

Children vary in their levels of emotional sensitivity. Some children worry while others are more carefree. Most are somewhere in between. Parents and carers can work together with staff so their child has positive goodbyes and enjoys their time away from home (eg when a parent or carer reminds their child of the fun they have with their friends at child care). Children feel less distressed when they are confident that they will see their parents or carers again (eg when a parent or carer reassures their child that they will see them at the end of the day).

When children are separating from their parents and carers they may behave in hard to manage ways (eg screaming, tantrums, or refusal). Understanding the meaning behind this behaviour and responding appropriately assists the child to manage their emotions and experience less distress (eg by speaking softly to the child about their feelings, stroking their hair and providing a comforting hug). Children copy their parents' and carers' emotions and behaviours. Children may interpret adults' anxiety or worry as indicating to them that their situation is unsafe and that they should be fearful too (eg "the world is a dangerous place and I am not capable to handle it on my own"). Adults can help children manage their separation distress and help them feel safe by being calm, relaxed and reassuring, noticing their child's emotions and comforting them. A balance is required, however. For adults, it is important to find the balance between supporting and reassuring children and allowing children to have opportunities to practise managing their own emotions. By being emotionally available and showing

From the Deputy Principal

understanding about children's fears, you help to manage children's distress when it is too big for them to manage on their own.

Adults can help reduce children's fear of separation from parents and carers by reassuring and comforting them.

Understanding Children's separation distress can be due to...	Adults can help reduce the child's distress by...
<p>The way the child thinks</p> <p>"I don't feel safe without my Mum or Dad."</p> <p>"Something bad will happen and I may never see them again."</p>	<p>Supporting your child to develop helpful thinking and remind them of what usually happens when you are away from each other.</p> <p>"You can trust me to make sure that you are safe."</p> <p>"When I leave you, you are ok and I'll come back for you."</p>
<p>How they cope with feeling afraid</p>	<p>Giving your child some ways to cope when they are apart from you</p>
<p>"I am scared and I don't know what to do."</p>	<p>"Here is a kiss for you to keep in your pocket until I come back."</p> <p>"Here is a photo of us together to remind you that we will be together again soon."</p> <p>"Let's take some deep breaths to calm us down."</p>
<p>Picking up on parents' and carers' cues</p> <p>"Mummy looks worried and upset so there must be something wrong. Now I feel worried or scared too!</p>	<p>Being calm and helping your child to be calm too</p> <p>"Mummy seems happy and relaxed. Seems like everything is ok. I feel safe. There is nothing to worry about."</p>

Have wonderful week!
Kylie

Chess Club

Welcome back... and for our new students...Chess Club is on again!!!

Fernvale Junior Chess Club is a self-funding extra-curricular activity provided by Fernvale State School. **For Term 1, only children in Years 4 to 6 may participate.** Next term, Year 2 and 3 students will have had basic instruction for a whole term, therefore any interested children in Years 2 and 3 may participate in Term 2!

It is run by Mr Butler who is a registered and qualified teacher with over 25 years' experience teaching and coaching Chess... at all levels and for all ages! Several of his students have represented Australia! His peak ACF Rating was 2069 and he delights in helping each child realise their chess-playing potential. We hope to see your keen chess-star(s) at the Fernvale Chess Club!

It takes place on Tuesday afternoons in the school library from 3.15pm to 5.00pm. During that time, children will be involved in games against other children of equal ability, as well as some social play and some specific learning. Players are given a chess club ranking and at the end of each term, awards are given to the top point scorers and most improved.

Chess Club for Term 1 2019 will commence Week 2, Tuesday, 5th of February which means Chess Club will run for 9 weeks. Each Term's fee must be paid for in advance to the School Office. The fee for Term 1 is \$27.00 per child which equates to \$3 per child per week. Bargain! If your child wishes to join during the term, a pro rata payment can be made to the front office. Money collected goes towards the purchasing of new resources, upgrading old resources, prizes and subsidising tournament entry fees.

From leaving the classroom all children should present to the Library, having been to the toilet, had a snack and ready to commence Chess Club at 3:15pm. It is imperative children follow the School Code of Behaviour in that time. Parents will be notified if children are not behaving in an appropriate manner. Three notifications and your child will not be invited back to Chess Club. Chess Club finishes at 5.00pm and it is important that parents arrange for their child to be picked up at that time. All students are to be collected from the Library at the conclusion of Chess Club. No child is allowed to leave the school grounds without a parent/adult. Those riding home leave the school immediately. It is important to note there is no pedestrian crossing supervisor at that time.

If you have any queries regarding Chess Club or Chess in general, I can be contacted through the school... or just ask me! 😊

Thank you, Mr Geoff Butler

Telephone Numbers

Student Absences: 5427 1360

The student absence line is available if you wish to leave a message that your child will be away. Please include reason why and what class your child is in without waiting for your call to be answered which may be more convenient to you.



Student Banking

Fernvale State School is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online

Visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

2. In branch

Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver's licence and birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

School Banking day is Thursday.

Starting Week 2 Thursday 7 February 2019

Each week you need to drop your child's bank book into the Class Banking Bag in each classroom.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2019 School Banking program information pack from the school office or visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

2019 Polar Savers Rewards

We're excited to announce the new Polar Savers reward items for 2019:



Term 1: Scented Stackable Highlighter, Snowy Origami Set

Term 2: Yeti Fluffy Notebook, Icicle Slapband Ruler

Term 3: Arctic Owl Fluffy Keyring, Scratch Art Cards

Term 4: Water Skimming Bounce Ball, Polar Pencils & Pencil Toppers

Students can redeem 10 silver Dollarmites tokens for a Polar Savers reward by completing a redemption slip and returning the whole slip with the students name and banker ID on their School Banking day.

Nu-Look Painting

Specialists in all coatings

ABN: 28609038977

QBCC: 1500824

0426251152

www.Nu-LookPainting.net.au

Dulux

Accredited
Painter



New homes - Repaints - Interior or exterior

Decks & all stain work - Epoxy flooring

*Starting your fitness journey or taking it to
the next level? We can help!*

WE KNOW WHAT WORKS!

CALL JODY FOR A FREE TRIAL - 0407 342 718

ROCKETFITNESS.com.au

Fernvale Vet Surgery & Chiropractic Services

07 5426 7766

3619 Forest Hill-Fernvale Road

*Civil Celebrant
Funerals—Namings
Marriages for all
Local—0419 776 296*

PFA
Pole Foundations Australia

From the Pole to the Power Point

Overhead & Underground Power
Commercial & Domestic Electrical Contracting

07 5426 7548

Lic. No. B0503

polefoundations.com

Acraege Spraying & Stock Spraying & Mowing & Yard Maintenance

Long line weed spraying. Large & Small acreage weed control.
Hard to access areas. House Blocks, River Country, Sleep
Banks, spraying all noxious weeds. Horse & Cattle spraying for tick
and fly. All yard maintenance done.

**AS & DK Bremner
Fernvale**

Ph Alex
0416074910

ABN No. 85 176 079 475

Fully Licenced



lmb
L. BROODERICK PHOTOGRAPHY

Children | Family | Maternity | Lifestyle

W: www.lmbroderickphotography.com

E: lisa@lmbroderickphotography.com

P: 0419 704 488

Mention this ad to get double print credit



LOCKYERBINS

skips...fast...easy...reliable

Fast...easy...reliable skip bin hire

Lockyer Bins provides skip bin hire to the Lockyer Valley, Somerset Region, Ipswich Region and surrounding areas.

Give us a call on 5426 1256

www.lockyerbins.com.au



RECEIVE A FREE TRIAL OF OUR GYM
WITH A FREE 5'DAY PASS

FERNVALE INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE

New Fitness Classes, New Gym Equipment,
Adult Sports & Junior Activities.

32 Banks Creek Rd., Fernvale, Q. 4036
Phone: 07 5426 7520

fernvale@belgroveleisure.com.au
fernvaleisc.com.au



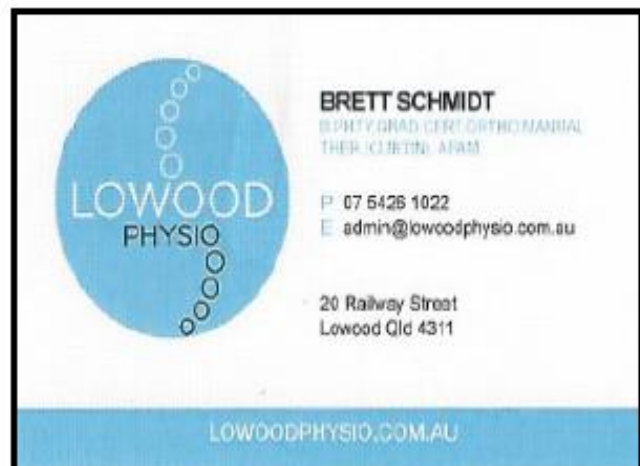
Country Pet Motel

Give your pet a holiday in the country

George & Lynette Zammit
1073 Glamorganvale Rd
Glamorganvale Qld 4306

Phone: 07 5426 6209
Mobile: 0411 232 969

Website: www.countrypetmotel.com



BRETT SCHMIDT

B.PHYSIOL. GRAD. CERT. DITHYROMANUAL
THER. (CIBTID). APM

P: 07 5426 1022
E: admin@lowoodphysio.com.au

20 Railway Street
Lowood Qld 4311

LOWOODPHYSIO.COM.AU

Meets at Fernvale Lions Centre
6 Clive Street
Sunday 9:30am



Fernvale Community Church

Pastor Greg Muller
Mob 0403 131 642
www.fernvalechurch.org.au
greg@fernvalechurch.org.au

Lowood & Fernvale **Community Bank**[®]



Shop 15, 6 Walters Street
Lowood QLD 4311

P 07 5426 1208
F 07 5426 1981
E LowoodandFernvaleMailbox@bendigoadelaide.com.au

Monday to Friday 9.00am – 5.00pm and Saturday 9.00am – 12 noon

www.bendigobank.com.au/lowood-fernvale



booval vet hospital
Ph: 3282 6722

pine mountain vet clinic
Ph: 3201 8862

karalee village vet clinic
Ph: 3282 9009

On call for emergencies 24/7

Gav's glass

BSA 1262141

Free Measure & Quote
Ph: 07 5427 0711

- Shower Screens • Aluminium Doors & Windows • Mirrors
- Splashbacks • Wardrobe Doors • Tinting
- Insurance Repairs • Glass Repairs • Safety / Insect Screens

Email: gavsglass@telstra.com

Lowood Dental Surgery

Don Anning BDS
Tim Brook BDS

Quality Family Dental Care
Bulk Billing for Child Medicare
Scheme

12 Railway Street
Lowood Qld 4311
Ph 54 261861



BROOKS DESIGNER HOMES

Complete Home Building Solutions

ABN: 54 108 641 247 Lic No.

Matt Brooks 0419 021 970

23 Harpeng Road Wivenhoe Pocket Qld 4306

matt@brooksdesignerhomes.com.au

- New Homes • Renovations & Extensions • Alterations
 - Home Maintenance • Pre Purchase Building Inspections
- If you have a building matter, we have the solution:*

Mick's FITTING & MAINTENANCE

0419 477 273

- Safety Certificates & Vehicle Repairs
- Truck, Tractor & Trailer-Repairs & Servicing
- Heavy Mechanical
- Agricultural & Earthmoving
- Mobile Welding & Fabrication
- Maintenance Fitting
- Hydraulic Hoses

AIS No. 11033 - Trade Cert. No 9502362 - ABN 69211366227

SERVICING
ALL AREAS
IN OUR
WORKSHOP
OR MOBILE
SERVICE
AVAILABLE

NO JOB
TOO
SMALL

Sint's Traditional
Vietnamese and
Chinese Restaurant



DINE IN OR TAKE AWAY
79 Main St Lowood
EFTPOS AVAILABLE
07 5333 8799



Enjoy the exotic tastes of the Orient with traditional meals & dishes freshly prepared.
Christina from the Lowood Bakery warmly welcomes you to come and try a meal for dine or takeaway.

- Daily Lunch Specials
- Lunch Banquets
- Dinner Banquets
- Family Packs Available (made to order)
- Catering for all occasions
- Dine in or Take Away

- Loyalty Cards available for orders over \$50
- OPEN 6 DAYS (closed Sundays but are open for any special occasions)

Why not also visit our other business
Lowood Bakery
43 Main Street Lowood

LOCALLY FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED



SAND, GRAVEL & CONCRETE

Family owned and operated, Zanows have great local products for your building projects

Easy to work concrete in all job sizes.
Sand, gravel, pebbles, soils
direct from our
Fernvale quarry.



1300 ZANOWS 1300 92 66 97
WWW.ZANOW.COM.AU
OPEN 6 DAYS - FERNVALE



DISCOUNT DRUG STORES

more than just low prices

FERNVALE PH: 5427 0695

WEEKDAYS: 8AM - 6PM

SATURDAY: 8AM - 4PM

SUNDAY: 9AM - 1PM

Lowood BAKERY

baked fresh daily

63 Main St Lowood
5426 3181



Locally Owned & Operated, The Lowood Bakery offers a large range of Baked Goods, meals & treats to suit many tastes.

PRESERVATIVE FREE AND BAKED DAILY

SEVEN DAYS A WEEK FROM 5AM TILL 5PM

- Fresh Baked Daily Bread
- Bread Rolls
- Pies & Sausage Rolls
- Freshly made Sandwiches & Rolls
- Serving Merlo Coffee
- Daily Coffee & Slice Deals
- Breakfast Rolls, Wraps & Muffins
- Sweet & Savoury Baked Goods
- Fresh Salad Bar

- Delicious Homemade Meats
- Homemade Spring Rolls & Dim Sims

Why not also visit our other business
**Sint's Traditional Vietnamese
& Chinese Restaurant**
(located in the Old Post Office)
79 Main Street Lowood

LOCALLY FAMILY OWNED & OPERATED

Brisbane Valley Just Dance Hip-Hop/Jazz Dance

Girls & Boys

- *Also available Junior & Senior contemporary dance
- *First class free for new students



JUST
DANCE

Amanda Moore
0419 095 733
amanda.moore@inet.net.au

Church of Christ Hall
21 Walters St
Lowood

Fernvale Optical

Brendon Pearce Optometrist

Ph (07) 5426 7055

GUESS VERSACE

Ray-Ban

OROTON

bolle



FOLK ART

Co-operative Society Ltd

Sells.....

HOME MADE

Cakes Preserves Crafts
Produce Plants

8 Railway Street LOWOOD

5426 1332

Hills Motor & Marine Trimming

- * Full Retrims
- * Motor Cycle Seats
- * Tonneau Covers
- * Canopies
- * Headlinings
- * General Upholstery
- * Moulded Carpets
- * Shade Sails

Free Quotes Pick up and Delivery

Rod Hill

Ph: 5426 7089 Mob: 0416 220 182

7 Schmidt Road, Fernvale

wayne@beasleyelectrical.com

Claris Road, Haiglea QLD

Electrical Licence #84334

40 Years experience



WAYNE BEASLEY ELECTRICAL

WAYNE BEASLEY

40 years experience | 0417 865 356

L&E Wendt Electrical

For all your electrical needs including:

- power poles -
- undergrounds
- installations and
- power lines
- replacements
- air conditioning

SERVICING ALL AREAS

No Job Too Small

0400 077 479

Lic. No. 73532

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Elken

Betta
HOME LIVING

Elken Flooring

Your local professional flooring specialists

Furniture
Flooring
Bedding

Whitegoods
Electrical
Giftlines

1-7 Fairey View Fernvale Road
FERNVALE - IN THE GREEN SHEDS OPPOSITE WOOLWORTHS

5426 7488

Ipswich Antenna Services

Friendly, Affordable, Quality Service



- Digital Antenna Installation and Repair Specialists
- Repair & Additional TV, Ph & Data Points
- Supply 7 Install Set Top Boxes
 - Vast Satellite Installations
 - Home Theatre Installations
 - LCD/Plasma TV Mounting

ABN: 55 117 301

P: 0402 136 177 or 1300 811 113

E: info@ipswichantenna.com.au www.ipswichantenna.com.au