I would like to extend my gratitude to the parents and families in our school community for the positive involvement in our Junior Sports Day yesterday. The family atmosphere on the oval was filled with community spirit and enthusiasm. I appreciate the work of our staff and students to help make the day a success and appreciate the parent support for our school. While our student numbers are threatening to break through the 800 barrier I agree with one family that I spoke to on Thursday that Burrowes still has a small family feel to it. It is important that we all work to maintain the positive atmosphere and positive learning culture.

I trust that everyone has had a great break. From day one, on Monday, our students were in classes and engaged with their learning. The start of Term Three also heralds in a new semester. At the end of this term parents will be invited to attend parent teacher interviews and at the end of Term Four another round of report cards will go home. It is crucial that parents sit down with their children and discuss how they performed last semester and discuss ways that they can improve for Semester Two. Education is a team effort, therefore I encourage parents to make a mutually agreeable time to meet with their child’s teacher to maximise the learning of their children.

At the end of last semester we celebrated the success of 7 Academic Award recipients and 6 highly commended academic students. It is important to note that this time last year we only had three bronze medal winners, last term we had three bronze, two silver and two gold.

**Same Day Absence**

The Queensland Government has accepted a recommendation from the Queensland Family and Child Commission report, released on Monday, to implement same day notifications advising parents/ carers when a child has unexplained absence from school. Schools are therefore required to have a same day notification system in place by the beginning of the 2017 academic year.

Burrowes State School’s will use Term Three to plan for the implementation of a same day notification system with the view to trialling the process in Term Four. This will allow us to identify any issues and address them before full implementation in 2017.

Parents and Carers can assist the school by:

- Ensuring that students attend school every day unless the student has a legitimate reason.
- Ensuring that all contact details are up to date and maintained.
- Informing the school as soon as possible when a student will be absent from school and the reason for the absence. Our school absent line is 3802 3366.
- Ensuring that students are at school, on time, ready to start their learning at the beginning of the day.

Students who arrive after the bell in the morning will now need to report to the payment window, outside of the office, to receive a late note before going to class.
Parent Surveys

Going home with the newsletter today are the Log in details and information needed to participate in the Parent School Opinion Survey. I would like to encourage as many people as possible to participate in the school survey. Your opinion is valued and the information provided informs our work at Burrowes State School.

Prep Enrolments

At the time of writing we have 27 Preps on our list for 2017. If you are a current family with prep age siblings and you haven’t notified the office for next year could you please do so as soon as possible. Our prep enrolment process for 2017 has begun, if you know of any new families with prep age children who live in our catchment could you please encourage them to make contact with the school as a matter of urgency.

We are looking at implementing a transition program this year that will begin this Term and we would like as many families as possible to have the opportunity to be a part of this program.

School Uniform

Can I encourage families to ensure that students are wearing the correct school jumpers? Alternative coloured jumpers take away from the overall look of the school uniform. Next term we will be focussing back on school hats. We have a policy at school – no school hat, no play. If your child does not have the appropriate school hat could you please attend to this as soon as possible?

Chappy Week

Thank you to the school community for helping us raise over $500 for Chappy week last term.

P and C

Our next P and C meeting is scheduled for 9am in the school resource centre on Monday July 18, next week. All are welcome.

NAIDOC

Our NAIDOC celebrations are on next Monday and Tuesday, students will each get a chance to participate in some activities organised by Nunukul Yuggera.

The school will also come together to experience an Indigenous dance at 2pm. The cost of this incursion will be covered by the school.

Today about 15 of our students have made their way to Loganlea High School to participate in their NAIDOC celebrations.

Enjoy the weekend.

Stephen Josey
Principal
YOU CAN DO IT!

This term in You Can Do It! we are learning about Getting Along. Getting Along means working well with teachers and classmates, resolving disagreements peacefully and following the rules in the classroom, at home and in the community.

Apart of Getting Along is learning to deal with problems.

When faced with a problem we need to find a solution that makes everyone happy. This is also known as a compromise.

~ If you see your children having a disagreement perhaps ask them how they can compromise.


ACADEMIC AWARDS - TERM 2

Bronze Awards - Year 6 - Antonio, Avasna and Year 2 - Alicia
Silver Awards - Year 6 - Tylah and Year 5 - Pheng
Gold Awards - Year 5 - Olivia and Jessica

Highly Commended Academic Awards
Prep—Hannan
Year One - Kira
Year Two - Layla
Year Three - Skye
Year Four - Emelia
Year Five - Toni
Year Six - Paige and Sonic

Could you please congratulate these students and looking forward to seeing them up here next semester to hopefully receive one of the top awards.

SCHOOL HATS:
This term there are lots of children not wearing or can’t find their school hats.

Sun safe hats are compulsory when playing outside.

SCHOOL BUCKET HATS AVAILABLE FROM TUCKSHOP
$10.00
**Music News**

The Senior Choir is very excited as we are entering week 2 and busy preparing for our competition at the Quota Beenleigh Eisteddfod. It is held at the Logan Entertainment Centre next Thursday 21st of July – parents and supporters are more than welcome to come along and watch, there is a small entrance fee. This is an opportunity to showcase all we have been learning this year to the adjudicators and the public. It is a great chance for students to perform outside the school and get some feedback clarifying to us what we do well and how we can improve.

The Choir will look wonderful and professional in their new Choir shirts and I’m sure their attitude and behaviour will match this. We have been working on developing a whole sound, intonation, echoing and working as a team. Let’s wish them all the best for a great performance.

Kathryn Anderson and I have changed our timetable for this term so now Mrs Anderson will work Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and I will work in the Music classroom on Mondays and Thursdays with an hour on Tuesday afternoon. We are confident this won’t be too disruptive for your student’s music development as we both have expertise in different areas.

Burrowes Has Talent is happening again this year and we are promoting more diverse performances this year as our first place winners were guitarists playing an original tune! All the other acts were singing and we’d love to see some different acts. Please encourage your student to participate in some way. Miss Jensen will again be helping me with the audition process and the coaching, and judging for final performances in week 10.

Have a great Term 3. Include some music into your routine, dance and sing with your child, learn new songs and make up a new song to help them learn a new concept. Music makes the world go round – so get on it!

Musically Yours,
Sally Mansfield

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**Premier’s Reading Challenge**

Hi Everyone,

We are in the middle of the Premier’s Reading Challenge and I’d like to encourage you and your children to READ, READ, READ. When your child has read 20 books (15 for older children) and recorded them on their sheet, bring the sheet back in to your class teacher. Once the challenge finishes certificates will be presented to all children who have completed the challenge. If you need a new sheet please see your class teacher or me (I work in the Learning Support Room).

E-books and online stories can also be included so here is a link to a lovely story you can share together and then record on your sheet:

http://www.storylineonline.net/kissing-hand/

Remember: Today a reader, tomorrow a leader!

Happy reading,

Anne Hammond

Literacy Teacher
KDK - News

KDK Before and After School Care and Vacation Care

Welcome back from the school holidays, we hope that everyone had just as much fun as we did here at KDK over the holidays.

KDK are located on the school grounds in the hall, we are open for Before School Care from 6am - 8:45am School starts. After School Care from 3pm-6pm. Vacation Care 6am-6pm.

We offer breakfast every morning up till 7:30am and afternoon tea daily.

We solely cater for school aged children, all of our daily activities are specifically aimed at school aged children. Its a great way to make new friends, we have a happy and very friendly environment here at KDK that they children love.

We offer a home work club daily, sporting activities, cooking, craft, an all time favourite at KDK music, free time, board games, movies, technology and so much more.

For a free quote pop down to our office in the hall, or contact Karen or Tracy on 3803 7717

Burrowes State School P and C - News

We will be starting up our Monday winter warmer meal deals again from Monday 18th July 2016, the children will be bringing home the pre order form on Monday, all money and orders will be due back to the tuckshop on Friday 22nd July

Mondays Winter Warmer will be "Fried Rice, popper, Garlic Bread" all for $5, a vegetarian fried rice will be available

We will be offering Winter meal deals every Monday until the end of term. (excluding Monday's when the P and C meetings are on.)
If you are able to lend a hand on these Mondays please call Karen from KDK on 3803 7717

A very big thank you to our wonderful helpers on Thursday at our Junior Sports Day Sausage Sizzle, it was great appreciated.

Uniform Shop

Our Uniform shop is open on a Tuesday and Friday morning from 9am-9:30am both days . We are located on the ground level of the hall down near the stage.
We have plenty of School Jackets and Jumpers for sale along with our uniforms available.

Our dedicated volunteers are always looking for more helpers to come along to our sports days to help out on the BBQ, or to come and help out in the Tuckshop for our winter warmer specials on a Monday, we have lots of fantastic ideas for fundraising coming up and we would love your help.