

It takes years to build a reputation and only seconds to tear it down. Burrowes State School has a great reputation in the community. We have well presented buildings and surroundings, great students, teachers and staff. The staff at Burrowes are committed to ensuring the best outcomes for our students. I **have families from outside of the school's catchment who want to be a part of the Burrowes community.** The high regard for Burrowes has been built over many years and is the responsibility of all parents, teachers, students and staff to maintain. The community watches our students to and from school, when our students leave the school grounds in the Burrowes colours of black, blue and white they are on show. It is important that students conduct themselves appropriately at all times. Students who choose to conduct themselves in an inappropriate manner from school to home can risk facing a suspension.

We have a lot to celebrate as a school community. The diversity of cultures and beliefs is our strength; our school is surrounded by multiple places of worship that represent modern day Australia. Our school Naplan results this year show significant improvement and enforce the fact that we are heading in the right direction, we have talented students, committed staff and supportive parents. We all need to work together to ensure Burrowes is the place to be.

Same Day Absences

Our same day absence system is up and running with in the school. From Term 4 we plan to go live with same day notification via sms. It is to this end that Parents and Carers need to:

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



Facilities

I am pleased to announce that from the beginning of Term Four our school will be fully air-conditioned. This will enable our students and teachers to continue to work effectively during the hot summer months that will be upon us soon.

Work will begin on the kitchen in the hall soon after the September school holidays. A new kitchen will enhance the service delivery of the P and C, Chaplaincy service and KDK (Before and after school care program.)

Work will also hopefully begin after the holidays on the area between and Resource Centre and F Block. The plan is to remove most of the seating in the Year 5 area and create more handball courts. The seating will then be incorporated into a new garden/quiet space for students.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Forms have been sent out this week. I would like to encourage every parent and carer to take up the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher. At Burrowes we encourage parents to engage directly with their children and teacher. Education is a team effort and it is only by all of us working together can we help our students reach their maximum potential.



Prep enrolments

We have 58 preps currently on our books for 2017. If you are a current family with prep age siblings for next year, please notify the office as soon as possible. Our prep enrolment process for 2017 has begun, if you know of any new families with prep aged children who live in our catchment could you please encourage them to make contact with the school as a matter of urgency.

Our office will make contact with parents on the prep list from next week to book families for an enrolment meeting. We will be offering families an orientation and information session in November. This year we will also be trialling our Burrowes Better Start program (mentioned in a previous newsletter) which is a transition program designed to assist parents and students make the transition to Prep. This program will run for approximately five Fridays during Term 4.



School Uniform

I am grateful to the majority of students and families who continue to support our school uniform. The students look great when they are in the black, blue and white of the Burrowes uniform. Now that the weather is getting warmer all non-school jumpers need to stay at home. Students must have a school hat if they wish to play during the day.

P and C

The next P and C meeting is scheduled for 9am in the school resource centre on Monday September 5, all are welcome.

Enjoy the weekend.

Stephen Josey
Principal



EMERGENCY CONTACT/CHANGE OF DETAILS FORM.

The youngest family member was given one of these forms this week.

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN'S DETAILS AND RETURN TO THE OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE /END OF TERM 3.

THIS INFORMATION IS VITAL IN YOUR CHILD'S WELTHFARE.

BUSINESS SERVICES MANAGER NEWS & VIEWS

Thanks to QT Mutual Bank we have the chance to win a \$20,000 staffroom makeover as part of their "Staffroom for Improvement" competition.

The prize is a complete makeover of our school's main staffroom.

The winning school will be the one with the most tokens weighted against the number of students, so any school, small or large has an equal chance to win.

We need as much support from our local school community as possible.

Even if we don't take out top prize we have the chance to win a \$10,000 as part of the People's Choice award.

Simply visit www.staffroomforimprovement.com.au to read the terms and conditions and register then start giving tokens for Burrowes State School. It is as simple as logging on to the website each day to gain tokens.

The competition kicked off on 23rd August so spread the word and get as many people as possible to vote for our school!!

Parent / Teacher Interviews

Monday 12th September

Resource Centre

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P & C Meeting

Monday 5th September

9. am

Resource Centre

We look forward to seeing you there.



2016 BOOK FAIR Photo Wall.

On Monday 22nd Burrowes students were able to dress up as their favourite book characters. Prize was given to the best dress student in their year level.



Year 6 - Avasa (6W)



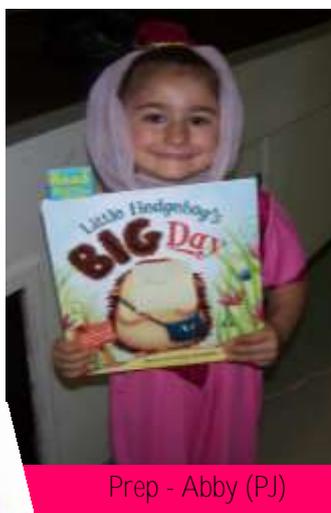
Year 2 - Harry (2K)



Year 5 - Mikaylee (5G) and Charlotte (5/6B)



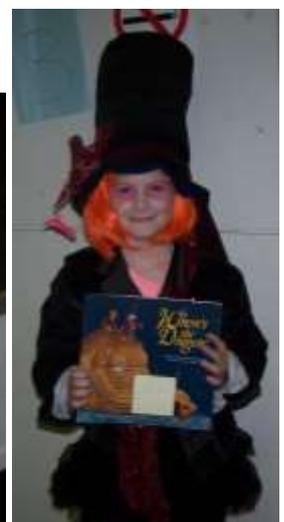
Year 4 - Dylan (4H)



Prep - Abby (PJ)



Year 1 - Peni P/1M



Year 3 - Morgan (3W)



BARR News - (Behaviour and Reward Room)

Developing Pro-Social Play Skills

It is through cooperative play that children experience play in groups in which they must set aside their needs for the good of the group (Wardle, 2003). Thus, they are developing positive social skills.



Early social development is complex and closely intertwined with other areas of development: cognitive, physical, emotional, linguistic, and aesthetic.

Five Principles used as a guide to developmentally appropriate practices.

- ♦ Development and learning occur in and are influenced by multiple social and cultural contexts.
- ♦ Children are active learners, drawing on direct physical and social experiences as well as culturally transmitted knowledge to construct their own understandings of the world around them.
- ♦ Development and learning result from interaction of biological maturation and the environment, which includes both the physical and social worlds that children live in.
- ♦ Play is an important vehicle for children's social, emotional, and cognitive development as well as a reflection of their development.
- ♦ Children develop and learn best in the context of a community where they are safe and valued, their physical needs are met, and they feel psychologically secure (cited in Bredekamp & Copple, 1997, p. 10).

Prosocial behaviours are crucial to children's well being. Thus, it is our responsibility as early childhood educators (parents and teachers) to provide opportunities for the development of necessary social skills.

BRAVEHEARTS—DITTO

Ditto's Keep Safe Adventure Education Program



On Wednesday 12th October students from Prep to Year 3 will have the opportunity to experience our Personal Safety Education Program "The Ditto Show" The 'Ditto Show' is live performance running for 35 minutes. Parents Welcome .

The cost of the performance is \$5.00 per child. Final payment by 7th October

No money will be accepted after this date.

www.Bravehearts.org.au



Music News

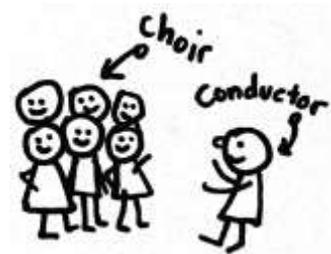


This week students have been busy preparing for Burrowes Has Talent. Congratulations to all the students who have gone through to the final round and will be performing on the last day of term, Friday 16th September. Performances will begin directly after first break. Parents, families and friends are very welcome to come and join the school students in the audience. With the end of term approaching quickly students are working hard on polishing their acts to be best act and take home a prize.

The Senior Choir is learning new songs for two competitions next term. One is at the Jacaranda Festival at Goodna in October and the other is Christmas Carols at Grand Plaza in early November.

Please encourage your child's creativity by continuing in the choir, awards will be given out for attendance Monday week 8.

Sing the songs to your children from your childhood. Give them a piece of your history so they can carry it with them throughout their childhood and pass it to their children.



SENIOR AWARDS. 15TH AUGUST, 2016

Class	Name	Comment
3Mc	Max	Always being friendly and kind to his classmates
3P	Cruze-Lee	Not being distracted by others.
3J	Alex	Being courteous and kind to others Academic Award - Improvement in writing a retell.
3J	Chloe	Helping others when needed.
3W	Rena	Working hard on different tasks
5G	Breahnah	Always being organise for work and staying on task.
5G	Brady	Working well with others
5D	Joseph	Working well with others
5D	Rosemary	Speaking politely to students and staff.
5/6B	Keren	Working well with others
6B	Lata	Being prepared
6B	Lucy	Improvement in writing.

YOU CAN DO IT



We hope that your children are showing good skills after learning about GETTING ALONG.

Here are some great ideas to teach your child about 'Getting Along' thinking:

Being tolerant of others: We are all different, we all have good things about us.

Thinking First: When someone has something that I want, asking politely "May I have that/have a go" and not over reacting if something doesn't go your way.

Playing by the rules: Follow all the rules of the game/home/school. Rules help us to be safe and happy.

Social Responsibility: It is good to help others. It is good to make things clean and safe in our community.

TUCKSHOP CLOSED

FRIDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER
LAST DAY OF TERM 3



As adults, we often forget how important imitation is to children. Try to model the behaviour you wish to encourage rather than just talking about it. Every time we say "please" to a child or every time we lend a helping hand, we are teaching children how we'd like them to act.

From: www.pbs.org - Getting Along: Developing social competence in children.

What's been happening?

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What's been happening?

Crossroads, GRITT (social skills), soccer training and breakfast club have all been keeping this term a very busy one! I hope everyone is having a great term so far.

Lunchtime activities

Each week the chappy room is open for students to come and participate in fun planned games and activities. Monday – Juniors... Wednesday – Seniors
This week we have been doing lots of craft activities in the chappy room. The kids have enjoyed making different style paper chains and other craft activities.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Clubs continue to run every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings thanks to our incredible young Volunteers. Breakfast Club is a free breakfast provided through the chaplaincy service to all the students/staff in the school community. Each week at Breakfast Club, free toast, cereal and fruit is provided to the school for no cost.

We are always looking for volunteers to assist with running weekly breakfasts.

If that is you please do not hesitate to get in contact with me via the school.

Do you have any old uniforms?

We are looking to gather old (good condition) uniforms for our school, to pass on to families / kids in need of uniform. This would be provided through the school chaplaincy service to the community. Clothing items donated would then be accessed by Chaplain Aaron when needed. If you have any items you wish to donate, please see our wonderful staff in the school office.

Quote of the day.

“TEAMWORK, Together, Everyone, Achieves, More. When we work together, we can do so much more than we ever could do on our own.”



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