

Last Friday night 15 members of our staff attended the State School Showcase Awards. Our school was a part of three schools, Griffith University and Speech Pathologists involved in the Prep Start program. While we didn't win the final overall award, being only one of three nominations is a great achievement for the Prep Start program. I would like to thank the teachers, teacher aides, Mrs Jones, Mrs Lemon and Ms Kelly for their dedication embedding this program into our school. Prep start in an oral language program designed to support children's reading and writing. At Burrowes this program gives our students a significant start to their schooling.



Staffing and Classes for 2016

One of the biggest challenges each year is the construction and organisation of classes for the next year. To help us be as accurate as possible and minimise any changes at the start of next year please let the office know if you are moving next year and are anticipating not returning to Burrowes in 2016.

The staffing and class formation process continues right through until the first few weeks of the following year. Preparation and planning is designed to limit any changes and adjustments to classes. I anticipate at this stage growing by one class next year to 32 classes.

I would like to extend an opportunity to families to inform me, in writing, of any educational considerations that you would like me to be aware of when considering your child's placement for 2016. Where possible we will be doing all that we can to ensure that classes are balanced in both number and educational dynamics. With this in mind you can appreciate that it isn't possible to request a specific teacher, expect the same teacher who may have taught their sibling in the past, or want all your child's friends in the one class. Sometimes being best friends in the playground doesn't always equate to industrious work habits in the classroom, and often friendship groupings change during the course of the year. Your child's educational needs will be valued and taken into account, however the final class construction is ultimately a school decision made in consultation with this year's teachers. If you would like to write a letter please address it to the Principal and hand it into the office by Friday November 20.

At this stage our teachers do not know what year level they will be on next year and Education Queensland's transfer and staffing process remains active until the last day of the school year and in some cases staffing isn't finalized until after Day 8 2016, so needless to say that all of this is a work in progress.

Class Resources

Class resource lists have been finalised this week. These lists have been reviewed in an attempt to reduce the cost for families. Copies of the resource list will be sent home soon. It is important that these resources are purchased and ready for students to begin learning on the first day back after the holidays.



Uniform

Thank you to parents for continuing to support our school uniform. The students look great. Just a reminder that our full school uniform will be enforced from the first day of school 2016.

Christmas Spectacular.

In the second last week of term we are planning to have a Christmas celebration in our school hall. The evening is a school community event, each Year level will perform a song. It will be a great time of community building. Please be aware that teachers will not be on duty that night and that all children will be the responsibility of parents. The night is not compulsory but it would be great to see as many people attend as possible. This time of the year is often impacted by storms. In the event of a possible storm the event may be cancelled.



Have a great weekend,

Stephen Josey (Principal)

Deputy Principal - Mr Matt Weir

Before School Procedures

A reminder to everyone that we have three designated areas for students before school. Students in year levels, Three to Six should be waiting on the basketball courts. Students in year levels, Prep to Year Two should be waiting in the top undercover area. Both these areas are supervised by school staff. If parents wish to wait with their children then they should be waiting in the undercover area near the Canteen. Students need to be sitting with parents at all times and not playing games or wandering around. No students should be arriving before 8.am unless they are attending KDK before school care.



Construction of new covered area

Over the next week or so a new shade roof will be constructed over the Prep to Year 2 eating area. This area will be blocked off to students during construction. While this is happening students in Years Prep to Two will need to wait in the canteen area before school. School staff will continue to supervise students before school in this area.

Deputy Principal - Mrs Karen Lemon

Prep Enrolments

Prep enrolments are now being conducted for all children ready for Prep in 2016. Parents will need to meet with school staff to complete the enrolment process and register for Orientation, before school closes this year. During Orientation Week, students will be visiting the Prep classes and joining in some fun activities. Parents will remain in the Resource Centre for this time to meet school staff and receive information about Burrowes Prep program, PrepStart.

Burrowes Choir

The Burrowes School Choir entertained shoppers at Grand Plaza, Browns Plains, on Thursday. Our Year 4 students, proudly wearing their school uniform, represented Burrowes in a Christmas carol competition along with several other schools. Our music teacher, Ms Sally Mansfield, accompanied the students and our Principal Mr Josey was present to congratulate the choir on their excellent performance. The students have been attending choir practice for several months, showing great dedication to doing their very best.



Congratulations Burrowes Choir. We are very proud of your achievement and your conduct in our community.

BUSINESS SERVICES MANAGER NEWS & VIEWS

General Housekeeping



- ◆ Remember to phone the student absence line to report an absence. This can be done 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The number to call is 3802 3366. Please remember to leave your name, the name of your student and the reason for their absence.
- * If you need to get a message to your student before the end of the day, please phone the **office ladies before 2:30pm. Unfortunately, we can't guarantee getting messages to students after this time.**
- * The first bell goes at 8:50am, please make sure your student is at school on time each day.

Learning time starts at 9am sharp.

- * Please do not drive your car into the school grounds or use our carparks. Children are unpredictable and we have a duty of care to keep them safe.
- * The carpark owned by the church next door to our school is private property. Please do not use their carpark at any time.
- * Remember to walk into or out of the school using the pedestrian paths and small gates provided.

Driveways should not be used as a pathway. It's all about safety.

- * P & C Meetings are on the 2nd Monday of each month. Feel free to come along. We are always in need of extra help.
- * The cash window is open every Monday/Wednesday/Friday between 8am and 10am. Alternatively you can make payments using BPAY (make sure you use the information on your invoice). **If you don't have an invoice, remember to include your students name in the reference line.**

Construction to begin

Work will start next week on the new roof over the top concrete area. Work will begin on Monday the 9th November and will last for a week or two. We are hoping that this job will be finished quickly.



NEXT P & C MEETING

Monday 9th November

ALL WELCOME IN RESOURCE CENTRE



GRADUATION BEAR / BALLS
\$20.00 EACH

ALL ORDERS TO BE RETURNED TO THE
TUCKSHOP WITH PAYMENT DUE 9TH
NOVEMBER.

DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER

9th – Junior Parade
 9th - P & C Meeting
 16th – Senior Parade
 23rd to 26th - Prep Orientation



DECEMBER

3rd - Christmas Spectacular
 8th - Year 6 Graduation
 10th - Academic Parade
 11th - Last Day of School
 Tuckshop Closes



Senior Awards 2nd November, 2015

Class	Name	Comment
3J	Harold	Always co-operating with others.
3J	Shayleah	Principal's Academic Award - Reading.
3W	Hayley	Helping other in need.
4S	Lachlan	Always working well in group situations.
4S	Codey	Improvement in reading.
4T	Jazzlyn	Getting Along Award - Being courteous and kind to others
5G	Sharlee	Being courteous and kind to others.
5G	Inoud	Putting an excellent effort into all activities.
5R	Shylah	Principal's Award - Improving in writing
5R	Penitito	Getting Along - making friends and respecting others.
6G	Blake	Working well with his classmates
6B	Quinata	Respecting important school rules.
6B	Louise	Achieving exceptionally well Maths and English.

KDK FIRST NEWS.

The School Holidays are fast approaching, let KDK Kids First entertain your children these school holidays KDK is located on the school grounds in the Hall, we cater for all school aged children, we run an exclusive vacation care program that has had rave reviews.

We run 2 separate programs over the holidays "The Little Rascals" program caters for ages 4.5year to 9years "The X-treme" program caters for 10years and up this program was introduced by our older children who were wanting a more challenging program.

We open at 6am and Close at 6pm for the holiday program

Before School Care 6am-9am

After School Care 3pm-6pm

We supply breakfast and afternoon tea daily plus a huge interactive program that caters for all ages. We have some great incursions and excursions happening all over the school holidays

We can take your child starting prep next year - they can start with KDK on January 4th 2016. Did you know that if you receive 108% Child Care Benefit (CCB) that you can attend KDK for 4 days with no out of pocket expense to you!

For an obligation FREE quote please call our service on 3803 7717 or pop down anytime between 6am and 6pm to speak with one of our friendly staff .

Thank you if you require any further information please call on 3803 7717

Kind Regards

Karen



You can do it.

In YOU CAN DO IT! We are currently learning about RESILIENCE.

Resilience means staying cool, calm and collected in a difficult situation and bouncing back when the situation is over.

We talk about events which might be frustrating or challenging.

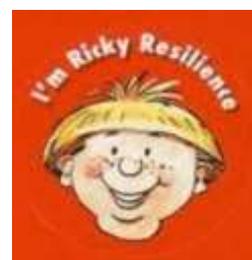
We talk about feeling cool, calm and collected instead of angry, sad or worried.

We discuss situations where we can do activities that relax up to help calm down and what these activities might be.

The children are learning that different things happen to make us feel happy, sad, Angry or worried etc. But practising RESILIENCE helps us cope with our feelings when we experience events that make us upset.

Have a great week,

Anne Hammond and Trish Noreiks.



Junior Awards 26th October, 2015

Class	Name	Comments
PI	Harmony	Being courteous and kind to others
PI	Billy	Improvement in reading
PBD	Falicittie	Always helping her teacher.
PBD	Nikysha	Improvement in reading.
PN	Rishika	Always listening when someone is talking
PN	Amilia	Being sensitive to the feeling of others.
PJ	Nataliah	Helping others in need
PJ	Tyson	Working well with his classmates.
PF	Mariah	Working well with others.
PF	Harvey	Improvement in reading.
1M	Fatimah	Getting along with others.
1M	Krystal	Getting along with others.
1W	Sarina	Helping others during group work.
1W	Jasmine	Helping others during group work.
1KO	Dominic	Principle Award - Reading
1KO	Sommer	Principle Award - Reading
1KO	Lachlan	Being kind to others.
1L	Ella	Listening to others.
2C	Joshua	Principle Award - Improvement in spelling.
2C	Montanna	Getting Along - Taking turns during group work.
2BP	Thittina	Improvement in reading
2BP	Kyra	Being inclusive of others.
2BP	Jake	Being kind to others.
2CR	Zainab	Being courteous and kind to others

Photo Wall

Aaliyah, Krystal and Munda all worked together to complete this huge puzzle and were very proud of themselves



PREP ENROLMENT

Was your child born between

1st July, 2010 and 30th June, 2011

If so, enrol for PREP,
2016
NOW.....



Burrowes Prep 2016

Important dates to remember.

Orientation Week – Monday 23rd November to Thursday 26th November, Resource Centre, 9.00- 10.00

Bring your prep student to school to visit a prep classroom & join in the fun.

Parents will stay in the Resource Centre to receive important information about our Prep program and meet some of our school staff. Please choose a day to visit and add your name to the list.

These visits help students adjust to their new environment, so it is very important that all students attend Orientation.



\$1.00 ICE BLOCKS



FIRST BREAK NEXT
MONDAY 9TH NOVEMBER
ONLY

MONEY RAISED TO GO TOWARDS
YEAR 6 GRADUATION

TUCKSHOP NEWS TUCKSHOP NEWS

Special note: End of term 4 is approaching and Tuckshop stock will be running low. Also Friday 11th December (Last Day of School) the tuckshop will be closed all day.