

Planning continues for the 2016 school year. The process for Staffing and classes goes right up until the last week of school and even then some changes may need to be made after day 8. This year we created a 31<sup>st</sup> class at the beginning of Term Three. At this stage we look like starting the year with 32 classes.

Next week we look forward to meeting our new Preps for 2016 during our Prep Orientation week. If you have a Prep aged student for 2016, you are in our catchment or have a sibling at the school and you are yet to enrol could you please contact the office as soon as possible. Likewise if you know any new families in our catchment that are yet to enrol then please contact the school as soon as possible.

If you are intending to leave the school due to your circumstances changing please let the office know as soon as possible. This all helps us to predict classes and staff for 2016.

### Christmas Spectacular.

Planning is underway for our Christmas celebration in our school hall on Thursday November 3. 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. No student is to be on the school premises without a parent.** 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 and if time permitting rescheduled during the day.**

The P and C will be running a sausage sizzle from 5pm and the singing will begin at 6pm. The night will conclude at 7pm.



## Christmas Spectacular

Burrowes State School Hall

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - week9

5-6pm Sausage Sizzle

6-7pm Concert – Free Entry

All Year levels, Senior and Junior Choir & Concert Band  
will perform



### Facilities

The new covered area in the Prep and Year One eating area is complete. This area will be fully operational from Monday. This is a great addition to our school and will provide a great space for our kids to play.

### 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. This includes black shoes and a school hat.

### End of Term Key Dates

Prep Orientation Week – November 23 to 27

Christmas Spectacular – Thursday December 3

Year 6 Graduation – Tuesday December 8

Academic Parade – Thursday December 10

Last day of the school year - Friday Dec 11

Have a good weekend

Stephen Josey (Principal)



## Deputy Principal - Mr Matt Weir



### Griffith University

Students in Year 6 will be attending Griffith University – Logan Campus on Tuesday November 24<sup>th</sup> to participate in the Launch into Life program.

This program aims to introduce local primary school aged students to university by engaging them in a range of activities centred around different aspects of university life.



## Deputy Principal - Mrs Karen Lemon

### Prep Enrolments – Reminder

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.



### Hot weather

With the return of the hot weather, please remind your children to bring their drink bottles and hats to school. The teachers will remind their students to drink frequently to avoid dehydration.



# BUSINESS SERVICES MANAGER NEWS & VIEWS

## Construction Complete



Work on our new shade structure should be completed by the end of the week.

We will be re-opening this area to children next week, all going to plan.

We think it is looking fantastic and is a much better option than what we had there before.

## PLAYGROUND VANDALISM

We had some extensive vandalism done to our playground equipment last weekend. If you see or hear anything suspicious outside of school hours, please call School Watch on 13 17 88. All reports to them are welcomed. It is a shame that the students of this school are impacted when senseless damage like this is done.

## VEHICLE GATES



We are still having to keep the driveway gates locked. Unfortunately, when the gates are not locked we continually have parents trying to park up behind Prep or in the carpark outside the resource centre, while others are using the driveways as a pedestrian path. This creates a huge risk of someone being injured or worse.

We also had an incident this week of a parent being abusive towards a member of our staff because he was told he was not allowed to park in the school grounds. This behavior towards our staff is unacceptable and will not be tolerated. The carpark areas within the boundary fences are private property and for staff only. Please be mindful of this and the fact that we are only trying to keep everyone safe. Children are unpredictable and accidents can happen. Please assist us in keeping our students safe by using the pedestrian gates to access our school.

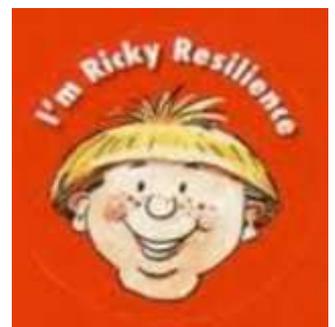
## YOU CAN DO IT....

This week we have continued talking about identifying frustrating and challenging events. 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.

Here are some ideas to try with your children:

- \*Talk to your kids about 'bouncing back' – this is being able to deal with setbacks and challenges in a positive way.
- \*Teach your children that mistakes are an opportunity to learn something. When they do make a mistake, talk about what they'll do next time and how to make things better.
- \*Talk to your children about "Positive Self Talk". We do this a lot in YCDI. Children need to learn to say to themselves that they can do lots of things well and even if they make mistakes they are still a great kid.

Have a great week,  
Anne Hammond and Trish Noreiks







## 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.*

COME AND SELL or COME AND BUY

### CAR BOOT SALE



Sat. Nov. 21st.  
8am – 12pm  
at

**31 Green Road, Park Ridge**  
For safety please use off street parking provided.

Enquiries  
Phone: 3800 3663 or  
email: [lightacandle@bigpond.com](mailto:lightacandle@bigpond.com)  
Morning tea or hot dogs provided.  
An opportunity provided by  
**Browns Plains Baptist Church**  
(We are sponsors of School Chaplaincy)

Choose Mabel!  
Come and join us  
**Browns Plains Baptist Church**  
to a  
**Christmas Celebration**  
**Saturday 5th December**  
31-43 Green Road, Park Ridge

3-5 pm  
Face Painting  
Jumping Castle  
Farm Animals to Pet & Cuddle

5pm on  
"The Baby Boomer Party Band"  
Bush Dancing  
Drinks for sale  
Dumper & Billy Tea  
Free Sausage Sizzle  
Bring a blanket/ chair  
Carols by the campfire  
Christmas Yarn

ENQUIRES PHONE: 3800 5928

## Library News

All books borrowed from the Resource Centre by students need to be returned by Friday 27th November 2015. Over the coming weeks we will be handing out overdue notices to students who have not returned their books on time. Some of these books are now very overdue. Unfortunately this prevents other students from borrowing those same books. If your child receives an overdue notice, we would really appreciate it, if you could encourage your child to return it to the Resource Centre as soon as possible. Also if your child is leaving the school, please make sure all library books have been returned before their last day.

Student borrowing is only for 1 week and loans can be renewed. Students are expected to have a library bag when borrowing, this helps to protect the book and makes it easier to find when it is misplaced.



## 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.



## Fun, creative and unique school holiday workshops

The Aboriginal Centre for the Performing Arts is running Deadly Arts – Indigenous culture workshops for primary school aged children this Christmas holidays at its easy to access, Kangaroo Point studios. Deadly Arts brings Aboriginal culture to life and opens children's minds to a world of holiday dreamtime. Let your child learn first-hand about the inspiring and ago-old culture of Australia's first people. Contact ACPA on 3392 4420 for further information and bookings, or email [admin@acpa.net.au](mailto:admin@acpa.net.au)

**Deadly Arts**  
INDIGENOUS CULTURE FOR KIDS

16 DECEMBER 2015  
20 JANUARY 2016  
9:00AM TO 4:00PM

How to book  
Book your place  
Email: [admin@acpa.net.au](mailto:admin@acpa.net.au)  
Call: 07 3392 4420  
<http://acpa.net.au>

- Dance (inc. didgeridoo)
- Painting
- Storytelling
- Cooking
- Music (inc. clap sticks)

## 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

# Christmas Spectacular

What – Christmas Spectacular

When - Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> of Dec - week 9

Where – School Hall

Time - Sausage sizzle at 5-6pm.

Concert 6-7pm

The concert begins at 6pm and will go for approximately an hour. It will showcase not only our amazing students singing in their year levels but also our Senior and Junior Choirs and the Concert Band.

The P&C are providing a sausage sizzle at 5pm at a small cost for families.

Students have been working hard at learning their year level song and are very excited to be presenting for their families. Some students have never been up on a stage before so we encourage this performance as a first step.

In Music class we have been practicing our songs and also in our regular classes.

Please come along and support your children and their artistic work for the last time this year in the school hall at 6pm or before for a sausage sizzle.

Children and families are encouraged to wear Christmas decorations to get into the holiday spirit.

