

Our school budget is finalised for the year, our I4S agreement has been submitted and strategic plan almost complete, Burrowes is well placed to have another successful year. Our explicit Improvement agenda continues:

Reading
Numeracy
Explicit teaching.

It was great to see so many parents and community members attend our Leadership Induction Parade last Monday. I was proud to be able to acknowledge the 14 leaders that will represent our school. Thank you to Councillor John Raven for attending and handing out the badges.



I would also like to thank Constable Simon Phair for being inducted as our Adopt a Cop for 2017. Simon is an advocate for our school and community and we look forward to seeing him regularly as he works to support our staff and students.

Interschool Sport

After the great success from 2016 Burrowes State School will be entering teams in both summer and winter interschool sports competitions. We are entering a soccer team, two rugby teams and two touch football teams.

Please be aware that it is a privilege for our students to represent our school on the sporting field and not a right. Students who do not focus on their best learning and behaviour throughout the week will not represent our school on the Friday.

Laptop program and Cyber safety

As a part of our laptop program currently being rolled out, our senior students and staff were addressed by the Education Queensland Cyber Safety team. The team talked about staying safe online and being responsible. If you wouldn't do it or say it in the real world then it is a good idea not to do it online. For example, students are very good at explaining the concept of stranger danger but find it difficult to apply this to talking to strangers online.



It is important for parents to know what their children are doing online. Please also be aware that students under the age of 13 should not have social media accounts.

Behaviour STAR program.

As highlighted by Mr Kearney our school has started a new school wide behaviour program. The Star program involves students being rewarded for their behaviour and focus on their learning by receiving stars on a card. Once students receive 100 stars the card turns into a certificate and is signed by a Deputy Principal and sent home. After four blue cards the student fills a yellow card. The yellow card is signed by the Principal. Students are then presented with a bronze star. Once students receive a bronze star they are able to access the Star club and other benefits. Students then have the opportunity to work towards a silver and gold star before attempting to achieve the ultimate acknowledgement in a medallion.



Parents can play an important part in the Star program by:
Encouraging their children to focus on positive behaviour.
Encouraging their children to focus on their learning.
Praising children when they come home with a completed card.

The Special Plate

One of the parenting strategies that has worked in my house over the years is to have a special plate. The plate is different to the normal plates that the family sits down to eat from each night. Whenever a member of the family achieves something they get to eat from the special plate. It's amazing how great one feels when you get the special plate. It also gives the family a chance to celebrate the achievement together.



Newsletter to transition online and email.

This term will be our last printed newsletter. From Term Two the newsletter will be emailed to families, posted on the website and accessed through the Qschools app. We will keep a small number of printed copies on hand in the office for anyone without internet access or if you are like me and still like to read a book or newspaper.

Families whose emails are not registered with our newsletter will receive a note requesting email information.

Attendance: Every Day counts

Our attendance rate after five weeks is 92%. Education Queensland's attendance target is 95%. Our Pastoral Care and Attendance team met this week to look at individual attendance records and to plan for ways to support families. It is important that students are at school on time each day unless they are sick. 5% equates to 10 days off a year.



P and C

Thank you to the parents who attended our first meeting for the year. Our AGM is scheduled for March 20 at 9am in the Resource Centre. Nomination forms for executive positions are available in the Office upon request. I am excited and looking forward to working with a new P and C in 2017.

Have a great weekend
Stephen Josey

BUSINESS SERVICES MANAGER

NEWS & VIEWS

Uniform Shop Times

Please note the uniform shop times are changing from next week. See additional information in this newsletter. Thank you to Carrie who has kindly volunteered to take over the day to day operations of the uniform shop for us. I have been given some information from other parents/carers wishing to assist, which is wonderful. Once Carrie is feeling more comfortable with the processes and procedures we have implemented, I am sure she would be will to take on further volunteers to assist her. Stay tuned for further information around this.



P&C Meeting

Thank you to those who turned up to the first P&C Meeting of the year. It was nice to see a few new faces who are willing to assist in any fundraising activities for the year. The AGM is set for March 20th at 9am in the Resource Centre. If you are wanting to be a part of this exciting team, please feel free to come along. Everyone is welcome.



Tuckshop



The tuckshop is open 5 days a week for both first and second breaks. Jan is doing a wonderful job and is constantly making fresh healthy food options for our staff and students. Please feel free to take advantage of this service for your student/s.

We are currently waiting on Blue Cards to be approved for a number of interested volunteers. Once these are in, she will be ramping up her menu as with help more options become available.

Back Fence Vandalism

Our back boundary fence seems to be a target of vandalism and is constantly being cut to allow illegal entry. State Government Security and the Police have been notified of this. If you see, hear or witness any damage being done in this area, please contact the school or school watch on 13 17 88. This area is private property and should not be used to gain access to the school.



Children and families are encouraged to walk around and use the school gates provided for safety purposes. We encourage our students to follow our school rules of being learners, being safe, being responsible and being respectful whether they are at school or not. Please assist us by leading by example and teach children the correct way to access the school grounds. Thank you for your co-operation and understanding in this regard.

KDK Kids First Before and After School Care



We are located in the school hall, we offer a full range of activities for all age groups, from prep to year 6, we offer breakfast every morning and afternoon tea every afternoon. We offer the following activities daily

· Homework club · Dance · Art and Craft · Sports · Cooking · Yoga · Free Play · Science · Board games · Technology · Multi Cultural activities · Photo Club

Vacation Care dates KDK Kids First are open over the Easter school holidays for the following dates

Monday 3rd April – Friday 6th April Monday 10th April - Thursday 13th April

Opening hours for the school holidays 6am -6pm

We run an action pack, fun filled program that will keep your children entertained everyday. Did you know that you could be entitled to free child care *subsidised by the government. We will be having some great incursions and excursions over the school holidays. We are located on the school grounds in the large green hall.

For a free quote call our service on 3803 7717

The WELLBEING AND ENGAGEMENT CENTRE

Hello parents,

This week I would like us all to focus on the great things our students are achieving in their classrooms.

Currently you would all be seeing blue Star cards coming home with 100 stars stamped on the back.

I would like to explain how this system works for your child.

Every child at Burrowes SS receives a blue Rising Star card to be completed in class.

To receive a star stamp students are required to present a high standard of behaviour in their classroom. Once completed the card is signed by the class teacher and the relevant year level Deputy Principal. Once they have attained four completed Rising Star cards they will move onto the yellow Star card. The yellow Star card is completed the same way as the blue. However when the yellow card is completed it is signed by the Principal.



The student will now receive a Bronze pin and certificate for their efforts.

This process will occur twice more to enable students to receive silver and gold pins.

When receiving a new pin students are asked to trade their current pin for the new one.

Finally students go through this process one more time (4 blue Rising Star cards and 1 yellow Star card) to receive a medallion to be presented at the school's annual awards ceremony.

In a nut shell students require 2000 stars throughout the year to receive a medallion.

When walking through classrooms I'm seeing great enthusiasm from students around these cards.



What's most exciting is students want to show their parents how hard they are working behaving at school.

Have a great week everyone.

From the Positive Support Co-ordinator

Mr Jason Kearney





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Welcome to 2017

Hello Burrowes SS community.
Welcome back to another year, I look forward to the year ahead and believe that it will be one of the best so far!

Thank you to YMCA and all of their wonderful donors who have supplied the items required this term to serve breakfasts.

It is with the help of these amazing volunteers and businesses we have served breakfasts 3 days a week to our great kids and community at Burrowes State School.

Isn't that awesome?!?

Upcoming Events



Monday – Wednesday – Friday

Breakfast Clubs continue to run every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings thanks to our incredible Volunteers.

Breakfast Club is a free breakfast provided through the chaplaincy service to all the students/staff in the school community.

Lego Club

LEGO club is run in the library twice a week.
All students are welcome to attend and get creative!

Monday – 1st Break

Grade 1-3

Wednesday – 2nd Break

Grade 4-6



Come and grab a bargain &/or something special!
Some new & some old

CAR BOOT SALE

8am—12 noon
SATURDAY 25TH MARCH 2017

31-43 Green Rd, Park Ridge
Plenty of off-street parking (for safety)

With over 80 stalls there is sure to be something for everyone!

 FREE Sausage &ale Coffee or Tea	Craft Crockery Jewellery Furniture Jigsaw Puzzles 2nd hand clothes	 Cold Drinks For Sale	Toys Food Books Tools Plants
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Provided by: Browns Plains Baptist Church
Sponsor of School Chaplaincy
Enquiries: 3800 3463 or 38005928
Email: lightacandle@bigpond.com
Bookings essential for stall holders.

Please note: This is a non-smoking environment

Culture in the Park

Ewing Park, Ewing Road, Woodridge

Sunday 26 February 2017

11.00am-3.00pm

BBQ



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& TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER
**CORPORATION
FOR ELDERS**

Contact: 0432 589764

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Culture



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Congratulations to the 2017 House Captains.



WUNNAMURRA
Joseph and Kyla



YONGURRA
Joseph and Jazmin



KARGON
Sonny and Shameika



COOLAWIN
Mikaylee and Chloe



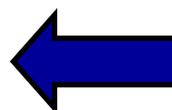
CULTURAL CAPTAINS
NIKKI AND TREVAY



VICE CAPTAINS
THERESA AND PHENG



2017
Burrowes State School
Captains
Olivia and Luca



YOU CAN DO IT!!!!

You Can Do It focus is on building social, emotional, and motivational capacity of young people rather than on their problems and deficits. It encourages prevention, promotion and intervention efforts (school, home and community) in order to build the social and emotional strengths of young people.



say cheese!

School Photo Day is fast approaching.
Have your child's school memories captured forever
on **22 & 23 March 2017**

Your photo order envelopes will arrive shortly. Please start planning your purchases and payment options.

Remember these helpful points:

- Read all relevant instructions for your preferred payment method. **All payments are due on photo day.**
- You may pay online using your credit card. Each child will have an individual 'shootkey' listed on their envelope. This will help identify your child's order.
- You may pay by cash using the individual envelope provided. **Please enclose correct money as no change will be given.**
- **Sibling photo envelopes are available at the school office upon request. THESE PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN BEFORE SCHOOL, ON PHOTO DAY, USUALLY FROM 8AM**
- Please instruct siblings to attend the photo studio during this time. Photographers are unable to search for students who do not attend.
- Do not seal envelopes inside each other. You may include payment for all children in one envelope, however please indicate on this envelope the names of all the children you are paying for.
- All students should wear their **correct school uniform.**
- Students appearing in any Extra Curricular Group Photos will be notified on how to order these, via a personalised order envelope, issued after photo day.



For any enquiries, please feel free to contact

MSP Photography

p 07 3848 3946

e. admin.seq@misp.com.au

P and C
AGM Meeting



Monday 20th March
Resource Centre - 9am
Everyone Welcome

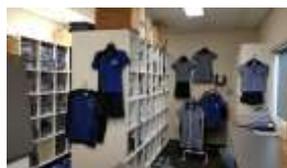
NEW
OPENING
HOURS



UNIFORM SHOP

Monday 8.30 to 9.15am

Wednesday 8.30 to
9.15am



Friday 2.30
to 3.15pm

Bus Stop (Third Ave)



Remember that we have a bus stop out the front of our school for buses. It has been reported that some buses are having trouble accessing this area due to cars being parked illegally in this area.

Please do not park inside the yellow lines.

Tuckshop News

New 2017 Menu

**VOLUNTEERS are
NEEDED!!!**

The tuckshop cannot operate
without wonderful volunteers