This fortnight has been highly successful for Burrowes State School and this was highlighted on the senior assembly on Monday this week. Dr Jim Chalmers, Federal Member for Rankin and the school presented Carol Maiden with a trophy and flowers to acknowledge her 30 year service to keeping students safe at our crossing. Ms Maiden’s work is an example of the many people in school communities that go about their duties without a fuss and who are often taken for granted. The saying that it takes a village to raise a child is a poignant reminder of the work that goes into developing our students and ensuring that they are ready for the next stage of life.

Mr F and some students shared the great news of our first efforts into interschool sport. Praise was given to our teams for their enthusiasm, sportsmanship and behaviour. Our teams gave the opposition a tough fight. Considering that we have just started interschool sport we can only get better. Other school beware, Burrowes is on the field.

We also launched our school’s program called, ‘My Story, Our Story’. Thank you to Ms Frood for being brave to start of this venture and thank you to Ms Milligan and Mr Weir for coordinating the program. Ms Frood stood up in front of the assembly and shared her story. You can read what she said in the newsletter today. Everybody has a valuable and exciting story to share and all of these stories make up Burrowes’ story or in other words – My story is our story. If you have a story that you would like to share than please let Ms Milligan know through the office.

On Friday I started a basketball club, 30 students participated which was a great turn out. This is a part of a suite of playground programs designed to make our playground safer and more fun. On Friday I also had the privilege of reading to our Prep Pirate students in the Resource centre. It was certainly a lot of fun.

Congratulations to 2C which is the first class to receive a Burrowes party for great behaviour and focussed learning.

As this is the last newsletter this term I would love to wish everyone a safe and restful Easter.
Parent Teacher Interviews

Monday March 21 we will have our Parent Teacher interviews. Our school formally reports to parents four times a year. Face to face interviews in Term One and Three and written reports in Term Two and Four. The relationship between teacher, parent and student is crucial to the education and learning process. Parents are encouraged to stay in contact with teachers regularly so the interview and report card don’t present any surprises. Can I please encourage all families to book in for a time on this night?

Winter Uniform and School photos

Our school uniform looks amazing and I appreciate the work of teachers and parents in supporting our school uniform. As we move into the cooler months can we please ensure that students wear the correct school jumper?

In the last week of school we have school photos, please ensure that all students are in the correct uniform for our photos.

Easter Bonnet Parade and Chappy BBQ

Come and join us on Friday March 18 at 2pm for the P to 2 Easter Bonnet parade in the school hall. This will be followed by a sausage sizzle to raise money for the great work that Chappy Aaron is doing.

P and C AGM

Please be aware that the P and C AGM has had to be postponed to Monday April 11 at 9am and not next week as previously advertised.

Have a great weekend

Stephen Josey
Principal

MATHS DAY OF EXCELLENCE

"Last Wednesday a group of students from grades 5 and 6 participated in a Maths Day of Excellence at Woodridge State High School. The day included individual and team challenges, designed to make students think 'out side of the box,' when it came to Mathematics. The students had a great time and look forward to participating in more throughout the year."

Dirk Byrnes,
GnT and Sparks Coordinator,
Year 6 team leader,
Burrowes State School.
Our school can be a very busy place at drop off and pick up times and it is important that students are reminded of some basic road safety rules.

Here are some basic tips for parents to share with your child to ensure they have a safe trip to and from school each day:

Children under the age of 10 should always be accompanied by an adult.
When crossing a road, always STOP, LOOK, LISTEN and THINK and keep looking and listening while you cross.
Where possible, young children should always hold a grown-up’s hand when crossing the road.
Always cross the road at a marked pedestrian crossing and if none is available choose a safe place to cross where you can see traffic in either direction.
When children are old enough to walk or ride to school on their own, it’s important to show the child the safest route.
Make sure your child gets in and out of the car on the footpath side, away from traffic.
If travelling by bus, always wait until the bus has stopped before getting off and wait for the bus to move away before finding a safe place to cross.
Ensure your child is aware that they should never play on or around roads and encourage them to play in parks, backyards or other safe places instead.

As parents and carers, the best way you can teach your child road safety is to set a good example yourself.
Queensland Transport have put together a Back-to-School road safety kit to help parents instil these vital safety skills in young children.
For more information, or to download a copy of the kit, visit Queensland Transport’s website at www.transport.qld.gov.au/backtoschool
Music News

EASTER HAT PARADE

Well things are getting busy in the Music room this term, but it’s nearly over! Easter is early this year so we have a short term and we cannot go before the junior school has had their Easter Bonnet/ Hat Parade!

This year it will be held on Friday the 18th of March at 2pm in the school hall. We had such a fabulous turnout last year - let’s make an even bigger parent / carer turn out this year.

The children have been practising very hard in every music lesson and in class, making masks, bonnets, cottontails and special bunny ears, learning actions and words to the songs all for your entertainment. Students love to see their parents in the audience so it would be wonderful if you or someone from your family can make it! Please come along and enjoy the show.

Easter Hat Parade Friday 18th March 2pm in the school hall.

CHOIR

Both the Senior and Junior Choirs are really getting their song on and practising very hard. I have been handing out many awards for attendance — keep up the great efforts! I’m pleased to hear that you have been encouraging your child to practise, come along on time and enjoy themselves. The Senior Choir will perform for you all at the ANZAC Day commemoration in Term 2, Friday week 2, time to be announced.

UKULELE

We have been invited to participate in the inaugural UKEFEST, which is a festival for ukulele players and singers. We will all practise the same songs then come together for a day of rehearsal and a big concert at the end of the day. This will be held at the Old Museum in Fortitude Valley in September Term 3. It will be offered first to the interested Year 6’s and some Year 5’s. More information will be available soon.

Yours in Music – Sally Mansfield

KDK Kids First

Before School Care 6am - 9am  After School Care 3pm - 6pm
Vacation Care 6am - 6pm

KDK offer a fully catered school aged care program. Some activities offered at KDK
*Homework club   *Craft daily   *Sports Daily   *Technology Daily   *Free Time   *Sensory activities
*Movie Time   *Breakfast Daily   *Afternoon Tea Daily   *Gardening Club

Plus lots more, your children will not be board or lonely. Let us entertain you children!! We are located in the large green hall. For a free quote please call our office on 3803 7717

Vacation Care Packs are out ready for the Easter School holidays.

Karen Peterson
Coordination Manager
KDK Kids First 3803 7717
My name is Tonni
I am from Papua New Guinea a country from the group of Melanesian Islands located in the South Western Pacific Ocean. I was born in Papua New Guinea and came to Australia when I was five years old.

Papua New Guinea is a very culturally diverse country with over 800 different languages. I speak a common dialect known as Pigin English to communicate with fellow Papua New Guineans. However at home with my family I speak my mother tongue known as Toaripi.

I come from a very family orientated culture that live in strong customary societies and clans. Christianity is our traditional belief, so most our lives are spent doing church activities.

As part of Independence Celebrations I take part in cultural dance teaching our younger generation about traditional costumes and clan facial paint designs.

Even though I live here in Australia my cultural roots are very strong and it is important to me that I celebrate it through participation in various Papua New Guinea activities and community life.

This is My Story This is our Story

**SCHOOL PHOTO DAY**

Have your child’s school memories captured forever.

23rd & 24th March, 2016

- All students should wear their correct school uniform.
- Don’t forget your photo order envelopes.

Tuckshop News

2016 Tuckshop Price List available from Office. In 2016 students who order Ice Blocks or Drinks will need to present lunch bags to the Tuckshop to collect these Vouchers will not longer be used.

HELP NEEDED for 2016 **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday** 9.00 am to 12.00 noon

**Fridays** 9.00am to 2.00pm

If you can help please see Carol in the tuckshop. Please ask about the volunteer hours required for Centrelink.
**WHAT CAUSES A CHILD TO ACT AGGRESSIVE?**

It is not always obvious what the driving force is behind your child’s aggressive behaviour for a parent. Your child may be feeling frustrated about something that is happening in their life, they may be getting bullied or having troubles at school, they may be seeking attention or it could be they are experiencing hormonal mood swings. Whatever the cause of their behaviour it may be quite clear to you they are struggling to manage their anger and emotions. This can cause a parent to feel at a loss on what to do for the best. If you are feeling this, please do not lose confidence in your parenting, as it is natural to feel this way under the circumstances.

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**YOU CAN DO IT!**

This week, in our You Can Do It! lessons we continue to learn about the key Organisation.

Organisation means setting a goal to do your best in your school work, listening carefully to instructions, planning your time so that you are not rushed, having all your supplies ready and keeping track of your assignment due dates.

We learnt that apart of being organised is having goals in mind to be successful in different areas of life. Sometimes we run into ‘road-blocks’ on our way to achieving our goals.

Achieving a goal requires commitment in spite of any and all obstacles. We discussed goals that students may have had in the past and the feeling they felt when a goal was achieved. The feeling students felt when they achieved a goal made it worth the hard work that they put in.

> ~ Before you can effectively get your children to cooperate around the house, it is vital that you do not over-react when they fail to do what’s expected.


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BURROWES STATE SCHOOL—CROSS COUNTRY 2016

Burrowes State School Cross Country will take place on Friday 18 March 2016.

The cross country races are for Year 3 to Year 6 students and will commence on the school oval at 9am and should conclude by 10.50am.

Children may wear a shirt in their house colours on the day. Sunscreen and hats must be worn by all students. All children need a drink bottle for the day.

If your child requires any medication such as an asthma puffer then it is important that your child brings this with them to the cross country. If you have any questions about the cross country, please feel free to contact me. The children are very much looking forward to a wonderful day.

Yours In Sport

Greg Fliakos

DATES TO REMEMBER 2016

March
- Friday 18th - Year 3 to 6 Cross Country
- Friday 18th - Easter Bonnet Parade 2.pm
- Monday 21st - Parent Teacher Interviews
- Wednesday 23rd / 24th - School Photos
- Thursday 24th - End of Term 1
- Friday 25th - Good Friday
- Monday 28th - Easter Monday

April
- Monday 11th - Term 2 - School returns
- Friday 22nd - Anzac Parade in Hall. 9.00am. All Parents and Families welcome.

BURROWES GIRL’S TOUCH FOOTBALL

Last Friday, our Girl’s Touch Football teams experienced their very first game against another school. Burrowes versed Harrisfield where both of our teams managed to score a couple of try’s but unfortunately it wasn’t enough to defeat the opposing teams. Given that Harrisfield has had more experience than our girls, they are very pleased with themselves for giving them a run for their money. Congratulations to Harrisfield!

Looking forward to our next games.

GOOD LUCK FOR THIS WEEK!!

BURROWES BOY’S RUGBY LEAGUE

The boys senior rugby league team lost 5 tries to 3 against Crestmead. Dakodah from 5/6B was man of the match. Reweti, Bailey and Tipene scored our tries.

Resource Centre News

As the school term comes to an end could parents please ensure your children return their library books to the Resource Centre. School holiday time is an ideal opportunity to help your children find those library books that sometimes go missing at home. We have some great books in our library, so it would be fantastic to see all students return after the break ready to resume borrowing.

Faye Biga

Good luck for this week!!