

Last week three Principals from the School Improvement Unit conducted a school review of Burrowes State School. The reviewers were thorough and supportive in their approach. In the next couple of weeks I will receive their final feedback. The review will form the basis of the school's strategic plan for the next three to four years. I would like to thank the students, parents, staff and community members who participated by talking to the reviewers. A summary of the report will be published in due course on the school's website.

The reviewers reported a highlight of their visit was the clear presence of a strong caring and supportive culture embedded within the school staff. Burrowes State School has teachers and staff that care about the students that they teach and each other.

### *Principal's Morning Tea*

Next Friday I will be inviting 30 students and their parents to the first Principal's morning tea. This morning tea will acknowledge students who consistently display a positive approach to their learning and uphold our rules of being respectful, safe responsible and learners. I look forward to meeting more families next week.



### *Report Cards and Academic Parade*



Report Cards will go home on Friday June 26. Due to tight timelines they will not be ready until then. 9:30am on the same morning we will be holding our first Academic Parade. We have a lot of ways to acknowledge effort and behaviour at Burrowes, the Academic parade will acknowledge outstanding academic achievement based on the semester's report cards. Parents are welcomed to attend.

### *Uniform*

The standard of our uniform has deteriorated as the weather has become cooler. The parent community have a clear expectation that Burrowes State School is a uniform school and that the full uniform is required each day. Students are required to wear a school wide brim hat each day. This is a safety issue as well as a uniform expectation.

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## Prep F

Congratulations to our new class Prep F. Miss Forshaw is the new teacher and Miss Spencer the new Teacher Aide. This has been a great opportunity for our school, we now have 5 prep classes.

If you are a current family with prep age siblings and you haven't notified the office for next year could you please do so as soon as possible. Our prep enrolment process for 2016 will begin next term.

## P and C

Our next P and C meeting will be held on Monday June 22. Next Monday I will be taking a team of teachers to an in-service focussing on curriculum development.



**Sport Days** A big thank you to Mr F for organising fun and competitive sports days. It has been great seeing parents come along to support their children and the school.

Enjoy you weekend

Stephen Josey

Principal

## Chappies Chat

I hope you were able to come to our SPECIAL Brekky Club on Tuesday this week and enjoy the wonderful spread of pikelets, crumpets, fruit bread and toast supplied for us by Tip Top Bakeries who have become one of our new food suppliers for YMCA.

We had a wonderful morning and lots of students came along for breakfast bringing their parents. It's hard to learn on an empty tummy and Brekky Club is a fantastic way of ensuring that all students get a good start to the day with good food and friends. So we would like to make a **BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OUR INCREDIBLE VOLUNTEERS**, the YMCA and of course Tip Top.

Have a great weekend and week and remember... smile, it's free and it's contagious

Judy Goring

Chaplain

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Chappy Programs currently at Burrowes Primary State School:

Junior activities first break Mondays and Tuesdays (Prep to Yr 3)

Junior Bible Club Wednesdays first lunch break (Prep to Yr 3) Signed parental permission form required.

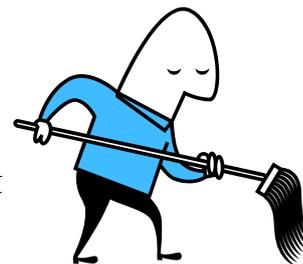
Senior activities second break Mondays and Tuesdays (Years 6 & 7)



# BUSINESS SERVICES MANAGER NEWS & VIEWS

## SCHOOL CLEANERS DAY 15TH JUNE 2015

I would like to make special mention of our cleaning team. They do a remarkable job each day to make sure that classrooms and surrounding areas are clean and tidy. At times this can be a difficult task, but they power through and get it done. We are still struggling with the amount of rubbish, food scraps and papers that are not being put into bins. I am hopeful that students will continue to take pride in the school and assist us to look after it. It really is a lovely place to work and we have a great team. To our cleaners, keep up the good work and thank you, we really do appreciate what you do each and every day here at Burrowes State School.



## TALLEBUDGERA CAMP

Full payment **MUST** be made by the due date of 12th June, 2015. Please make sure you have made final payments this week.

## SCHOOL WATCH PHONE NUMBER 131788

Please assist us in looking after the school while on holidays by reporting any movements or sightings to the School Watch number 13 17 88. Recently we have suffered extensive damage to the relatively new shade sail near the junior eating area. I am in the process of getting quotes to rectify this. It is very disappointing to see damage occur around the school on weekends, so please if you see anything report it!!



## TREE LOPPING



I am hoping to organize further tree lopping during the upcoming holiday period. There are still some large hazardous gum trees around this school that could potentially cause harm. I have been working closely with my EQ Regional Facilities Advisor regarding these trees and their removal to ensure safety for our students, staff and community. As you will be aware, this has been an ongoing project over the last 3 years.

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

### JUNE

Thursday 18th: Junior Sports Morning. Prep to Year 3

Friday 26th: End of Term 2

### JULY

Monday 13th: Term 3 School Returns.



## SCHOOL PARADE

WEEK 9 - Monday 15th June, Senior Parade

WEEK 10 - Monday 22th June, Junior Parade.  
PARENTS WELCOME

## School Rules and Vest

WEEK 9 - BlueVest ( I am Responsible - Making positive choices)

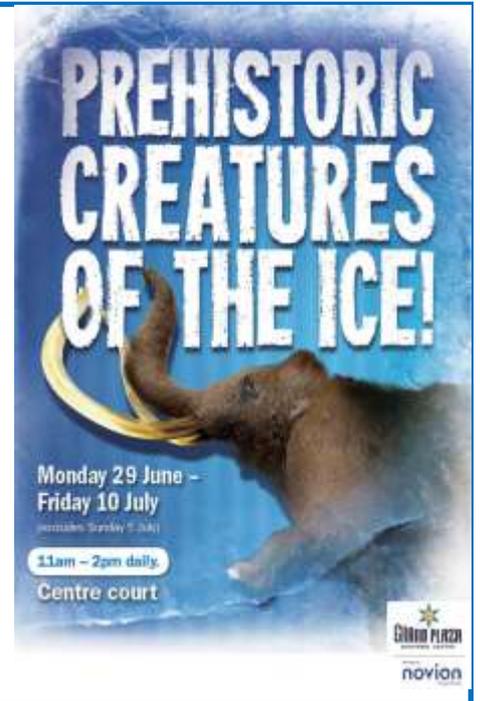
WEEK 10 - Multi ColourVest

**Grand Plaza Shopping Centre invite you to join them at their Prehistoric Creatures of the Ice workshop.**

*From Monday 29 June until Friday 10 July (excludes Sunday 5 July) kids will have the chance to step back in time and visit the Prehistoric Creatures of the Ice.*

*Workshops will be held in centre court from 11am – 2pm daily where kids will be able to decorate their own snow globes or puzzles to take home.*

Children as well as parents will also have the opportunity to take photos with a 2m tall animatronic Woolly Mammoth. It will be a fantastic day of fun for the whole family.





## MATHLETICS



Through the generous contribution of Burrowes State School's P&C and school funds, all students at Burrowes have access to the online Maths learning environment Mathletics. Students have been allocated a user name and password. Students can use these details to access **Mathletics in and out of school. Please see your Child's teacher if you have any questions about user names and passwords.**

Students can earn a range of certificates by completing tasks in Mathletics at school and at home. When achieved, the Bronze certificates will be awarded to students in class. Gold and Silver awards will be presented at school parades.

Mathletics also incorporates a Parent Portal where parents and carers can view their child's progress and efforts. Your child's user name and password is used to register for the Parent Portal. A booklet detailing information regarding the Mathletics Parent Portal is available at the office on request.



## SCIENCE WEEK



Science Week was celebrated with flair this year from 1st-5th June. It was an awesome week, starting off with a fascinating visit from the CSI Forensic Science Team for Years Three to Six. The students were treated to an interactive show and many hands-on forensic activities.

Later in the week, Years Prep to Two had their turn. Their show was about forces and motion, presented by the Big Bang science educators. Some of the teachers and students were invited up to join in the show. The juniors had a ball joining in mini-investigations about how things move and the scientific factors which effect their movement.

On Friday, Burrowes' kids had a great time dressing as Scientists. Thank you to the students, parents and carers for your wonderful efforts with their costumes, they looked fantastic!

The colouring and quiz competitions have now been judged and prizes will be awarded at Assemblies. It was wonderful to see the pride and enthusiasm that Burrowes' students put into their entries.

We thoroughly enjoyed Science Week this year and would like to congratulate our students on their excellent behaviour during all of our activities.

Burrowes Science Curriculum Team

