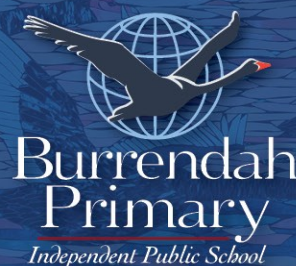


Burrendah *Bulletin*



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From the Principal's Desk

Welcome to Mrs French who is Acting Principal while Mr Bradshaw is on leave. Mrs French has seamlessly filled this role from her experience in Semester 2, 2016 in the leadership team.

I am currently reviewing 2016 in order to complete the Annual Report. I would like to acknowledge what a wonderful school community Burrendah PS has. It has been an absolute delight to read about the achievements and events that occurred last year from the excellent testing results of NAPLAN to the hard work completed to make the 40th Anniversary such a success. One of the projects the P&C funded which was a combined effort of both staff, community and parents was the mural on the canteen. This piece of art work is now deemed complete as of yesterday with the protective coating being applied through additional funding from the P&C in 2017.



Pre-primary and Year 1 students have been involved in On Entry testing over recent weeks. This testing identifies a student's Literacy and Numeracy milestones. Testing will be finalised by next week. A summary for parents on their child's results will be sent home by the end of this term.

I would like to clarify which email address to use when contacting Burrendah Primary School. To contact our front school office for general school enquires please email Burrendah.ps@education.wa.edu.au The new Burrendah.PS.Administration@education.wa.edu.au email is for specific enquiries/information for the Principal, Associate Principal or Manager of Corporate Services.

Our Year 4-6 Swimming Carnival is being held on Monday 13th March at the Armadale Aquatic Centre. This event is expected to commence at the pool around 9:30am and conclude around 11:45am. We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at our carnival.

Our usual Community Assembly in Week 7 has been moved to Week 8 Friday 24th March, to coincide with Harmony Week. This is not a free dress day for students but students are encouraged to come dressed to support the day. Please see the article in this newsletter for dress requirements. There will also be a Community Picnic where parents/grandparents are invited to bring a picnic lunch to share with their child at 1:05pm on Friday 24th March. The picnic will be held near the basketball courts on the Castlereagh Close side of the school. Your child will meet you at this area.

Parents are invited to watch a film on sugar called "That Sugar Film" in the School Hall tomorrow morning Friday 10th March following the first siren of the day.

Janine Kinninment
9th March 2017

Music Update



String Orchestra and Wind Band will still be rehearsing on Monday 13th March even though there is the Swimming Carnival this day. String Orchestra will finish before students need to be in their rooms at 8:30am. Students are back at school by lunch time and therefore in plenty of time for Wind Band starting at 3:15pm.

CHOIR: Students are still welcome to join the choirs if they have missed the first few rehearsals but need to join soon as we have started learning the new repertoire for upcoming concerts.

Senior Choir (Years 4 – 6) rehearses on **Tuesday mornings at 7:45am** in the Music room. Everyone is welcome to join.

Junior Choir (Years 1 – 3) rehearses on **Thursday mornings at 7:45am** in the Music room. Everyone is welcome to join.

Auditions for the Piano and Drum positions will begin in week 7:

Monday 13th March starting at 7:40 am – **Drum kit** auditions

Thursday 16th March starting at 1:20 pm – **Piano** auditions

Friday 17th March starting at 7:50 am – **Piano** auditions

Please write your name on the Audition Schedule if you haven't already booked in a time to audition.

Private Guitar and Bass Guitar lessons: Mr Matthew Kessing at Burrendah in the Music room – **Wednesday afternoons**. Please phone **Matt: 0421 521 425** (email: mkessing_music@hotmail.com) if you are interested in guitar lessons. Matt charges **\$35 per half hour lesson**.

Guitar Ensemble: Matthew Kessing has offered to direct a guitar ensemble at Burrendah straight after school on **Wednesday afternoons**. **Cost will be \$10** for one hour for students who are already learning guitar. Please register your interest with Matt – contact details as above. This ensemble will only run if numbers are sufficient.

Jenny Coleman
Music Specialist



Toys/ Personal Belongings

Parents are asked **NOT** to send toys or any item that can be traded such as collectable cards or spinners to school. Loss, damage or theft of toys causes distress and the school does not accept responsibility for toys or personal belongings at school.

If toys are required for news telling they must be left with the class teacher during the day.



School Captains 2017

We give your child the opportunity to develop their talents.

Discover more at our

Open Day

Thursday 30 March

Find out about our
Approved Specialist Programs
in Science and Technology,
Japanese, and our
Academic Extension Program.

Tours: 9.00am and 5.30pm

Please RSVP to T: 93101300

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News From The Science Lab

The Science Lab has been a hub of activity over the last few weeks.



While studying this term's curriculum area of Earth and Space studies, we have had students researching and constructing models of volcanoes.

Others have been looking into our planet earth to construct models of inner earth.



Our Year 3 students have been focussing on the rotation and revolution of the Earth.

Rocks have provided great interest to many – conducting tests to find out whether they are igneous, sedimentary or metamorphic rocks.



The junior students have been investigating the weather and water.

Our garden club has begun planting new crops in the vegetable garden but while the weather is hot we have turned our focus on the reconstruction of our "bottle green house". Please keep sending in clean 1.25litre and 2 litre soft drink bottles.



Our STEM club is busy recycling newspapers to construct newspaper domes.

We were lucky enough to have some visitors to the science lab – Abbey and Mia brought in their pet mice to visit.



The first student to bring in the answer to last week's Science Question of the Week was William from Year 5. Keep those answers coming in.

For students interested in competition where they can put to use their Science knowledge and IT skills to good use please go to <https://www.australianmuseum.net.au/sleek-geeks-science> .

"The University of Sydney Sleek Geeks Science Eureka Prize is awarded for a short film that communicates a scientific concept in an accessible and engaging way. Entries are to take the form of a 1-3 minute film and must tell a real scientific story, which may be a scientific concept, discovery, invention, or the producer's own scientific hypothesis! Anything goes, but keep the science in the story, and keep the science real." The competition closes on the 5th May 2017.

Sherryl Crouch
Science Specialist

Year 6 Camp 2017



Year 6 Camp 2017



The thrill of arriving, the face of a champ.
I can't wait to start at Point Walter Camp!

On the doorstep, in our dorms, I can't wait for everyone to perform.

All the activities, they were **FUN**, running around the big hot sun.

Oh the food, Mr Heron will say, off to food heaven he went away!

When camp was over, I was sad, but I went away feeling glad.

Samantha

On the 2017 camp I learned how to work together with my fellow students.

Before this camp some people might have found it hard to work together, but the camp was all about cooperating and working together.

I feel that this camp has helped us get to know each other and possibly make new friends.

Georgia

My greatest achievement was completing the abseiling activity because I'm scared of heights and the tower was three storeys high.

My highlight from camp was the high ropes because I got to go up side down but I also liked the concert night because I was performing with my friends Olivia, Monique and Humal also liked playing charades because I won a prize.

YEAR 6 CAMP 2017

As soon as I stepped out of the bus I was amazed to see how big the Point Walter Camp was. I could see the abseiling platform, the flying fox and the high ropes. There was so much to do!

Abseiling was the best. I had to put on a helmet, harness, a pair of gloves and a carabineer. Once I clipped the carabineer to my harness I was ready to go. I climbed the stairs and started to get a bit anxious. At the top the instructor hooked me up. I had to lean back and trust the rope. This part was scary. I took a small step at first, then another and then I was taking bigger steps. When I reached the bottom I was filled with joy. "I did it!" I said to myself. **Erwin Room 4**

All about Camp!

All the Yr 6's in week 4 were taken to camp. We stayed there for 3 days and 2 nights. We went to Point Walter which is close to the Swan River. The activities that we did at camp were Archery, Paddling, Flying Fox, Team Building, Abseiling, High Ropes, Raft Building, Crate Climb, Orienteering and Pool Games. The activity I believe most people found frightful was the abseiling activity because abseiling was done from a height of 10 metres. After dinner the first night we had a quiz night and a concert by volunteered students and a movie on the second night. Camp was a terrific experience for everyone and got some children to get out of their comfort zone and do activities they have never done before. **By Elisha Room 7**

Harmony Day Assembly and Burrendah PS Picnic Friday March 24

Assembly

All parents are invited to join us at the Harmony Day Assembly on Friday, March 24 at 8:45
Special Guest - Dr Richard Walley OAM and his daughter Rikkeeta (former BPS student) will deliver the Welcome to Country ceremony. Year 6 Room 2 & 3 will host the Assembly



All Burrendah students are asked to come dressed in **one** of the following attires:

- ✳ Their cultural dress, Kindy –Year 6
- ✳ In orange (representing harmony)
- ✳ Green and gold or something uniquely Australian, (No Board shorts and thongs)
- ✳ School uniform if all attempts to wear one of the above have failed.

Please remember that it is Harmony Day, not free dress day.

Let us all work together to make it a really meaningful day.

We encourage all parents to wear their traditional clothes or orange as well.

Community Picnic

Parents and grandparents are all invited to come into the school grounds for lunch. The picnic area will be on the lawn near the basketball court on the Castlereagh side of the school. Bring your own picnic lunch and drinks to share with your children. The students will meet you there at 1:05 pm. Please do not go to their classrooms to collect them.

Rooms 18 and 20 Community Assembly



We have been learning about our School's Values and how to show and use these values in and out of the classroom. Last Friday we hosted the school assembly, which we demonstrated our understanding of the key values; working together, cooperation, friendship and kindness. We retold two stories; 'How the Crayons Saved the Rainbow' and 'The Day the Crayons Quit'. We all had to show patience, responsibility, respect and understanding during our rehearsal times. - Rm 18 and 20



Canteen Mural Project



In 2016 leading up to Burrendah Primary School's 40th celebrations parents and community members expressed their desire to see our existing canteen given a well-overdue makeover.

The original artwork was part of a project completed with students in the early 1980's and it was felt we as a school were moving into recognising a more connected vision through our school namesake 'the home of the place of the nesting swan' we could make visual links with the traditional story. Artist Darren Hutchins worked closely with Art Specialist Teacher Danielle Eitzen to bring to life images of flora and fauna within the local environment whilst also representing the role of our school canteen in promoting healthy food choices for our students.



Ms Eitzen has incorporated student learning and understandings of '*this place*' Burrendah across the curriculum for students in HASS; History & Geography through the Visual Arts program. The completed artwork welcomes our students, parents and community into our school hub where we have whole school gatherings, performances and celebrations. This project was endorsed and supported by our passionate P&C members in addition to our School Board. P&C contributed the funds to commission the Artist to plan and complete the artwork.

Morning Tea/Lunches

Parents are reminded that with the later lunch time of 1:05pm, it is imperative that children are given a substantial morning tea to see them through till 1:05pm when they will eat lunch. Please ensure your child has a morning tea and it is sufficient to sustain them to 1:05pm. Children cannot concentrate on their learning if they are hungry.

The school endorses the Department's Healthy Eating Policy and we ask parents to ensure the morning tea you provide is healthy and has a minimal amount of processed packaged foods. These commercially packed foods generally offer limited nutritional value, are difficult for children to open and create excess litter around the school. Parents are encouraged to include fruit and vegetables in their children's lunch boxes. Lollies and chocolates are not appropriate for school lunch boxes, and no nuts or nut pastes are to be included in school lunch boxes due to some of our students having life threatening allergies.

Each classroom adopts a form of the "crunch and sip" program to ensure students have a healthy fruit and vegetable snack at some time in the school day. If parents need to bring their child's lunch to school, please go to the front office and the child will be asked to collect it from there.



**EAL/D
Network Meeting**
The EAL/D Parent Network invites
all Burrendah parents
to watch this very important film.

That Sugar Film
Friday March 10 2017
Starting at 8:50 am
In the School Hall

This is a 90 minutes Australian film that features one man's journey to discover the bitter truth about *sugar*. It will challenge the way you think about "healthy food".

This film will be shown to our students later in the year so it is important that parents see it first.



Faction Swimming Carnival

Monday 13th March 2017
Armadale Aquatic Centre
9:30am - 12pm



Students in Year 4, 5 and 6 will be attending the school swimming carnival on **Monday 13th March 2017** at Armadale Aquatic Centre off Champion Drive, Seville Grove.

Students who qualified at the swimming trials will compete in the 50m pool in freestyle, breaststroke, backstroke and relay events. All other students will compete in modified relay events in a 25 metre shallow pool.

It would be great to see as many parents attend as possible, to support this event.

Any parents who are able to help on the day please contact Mr Crouch on 9332 3700.

Out of School Star



Congratulation's to Yassien from Year 3, who on the weekend won a Bronze Medal for the under 8, 1.5kg Shot Put at the State Quarter Finals.

Thank You

A big thank you to the Hambley Family for the kind donation of materials to the Arts program and further use throughout the school. It is very much appreciated.



Book Club

Issue Two Book Club is now out
Due back - 16th March 2017

Look out for the \$2.00 book specials.

Please ensure that the forms are filled out correctly.

Thank you for supporting Issue One of book club. The school library received \$405 worth of points to spend from your sales of Issue One.

DON'T FORGET!



**SCHOLASTIC
Book Club**
orders are due:

16th March 2017



Diary Dates

10th March	EAL/D Network Group
13th March	Swimming Carnival - Years 4-6
13th March	P&C Meeting - 7pm - School Hall
17th March	Halogen Student Leadership Day
23rd March	Years 5&6 Summer Carnival
24th March	Community Assembly - Rooms 2&3
24th March	Harmony Day Picnic



WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	30th January School Development Day	31st January School Development Day	1st February First Day of term for students	2nd February	3rd February
2	6th February	7th February Parent Classroom Meetings	8th February Parent Classroom Meetings	9th February Parent Classroom Meetings	10th February P&C Barnyard Boogie
3	13th February	14th February Staff Meeting 3:15 pm - 5:30 pm	15th February	16th February	17th February Community Assembly Rooms 21 and 22
4	20th February Swimming Trials Yrs 4-6 P&C AGM Meeting 7pm	21st February School Board Meeting 6:30pm	22nd February Year 6 Camp	23rd February Year 6 Camp	24th February EAL Parent Network Meeting Year 6 Camp
5	27th February Staff Meeting 3:15 pm - 5:30 pm	28th February	1st March	2nd March	3rd March Community Assembly Rooms 18 and 20
6	6th March Labour Day Public Holiday	7th March	8th March	9th March	10th March EAL Parent Network Meeting
7	13th March Swimming Carnival Yrs 4-6 Staff Meeting 3:15 pm - 5:30 pm P&C Meeting 7pm	14th March FFC Player Visit	15th March Staff Values Meeting 3:15 pm onwards	16th March	17th March Halogen Student Leadership Day
8	20th March	21st March HARMONY DAY	22nd March	23rd March Years 5&6 Interschool Summer Carnival	24th March Harmony Day Community Assembly Rooms 2 and 3
9	27th March	28th March	29th March	30th March	31st March
10	3rd April	4th April Dental Screening Pre Primary, Year 3	5th April	6th April Last Day of Term 1	7th April School Development Day