From the Principal’s Desk

Our school enjoys a rich and vibrant multi-cultural school community where we celebrate our cultural diversity providing a comprehensive support program for students from an English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EAL/D) background. Classroom teachers together with specialist EAL/D staff work collaboratively to support our EAL/D students, embrace their families and promote increased understanding and respect for all cultures. The strength of this program has been the quality of the staff who have worked in our EAL/D Department for many years.

Mrs Chris Tweddle has capably led our EAL/D staff for 14 years and she is loved and respected by her colleagues, our students and our parent community. Chris is passionate about providing meaningful and relevant support for our EAL/D students, and she has given tirelessly of her time and energy to embrace our EAL/D families and build a truly inclusive school community. Unfortunately for our school community Chris Tweddle will be leaving us at the end of this term. She has decided to retire to travel and spend more time with her husband, family and friends. We are thrilled for Chris as she looks forward to this new and exciting phase of her life. We extend our very best wishes to Chris and thank her sincerely for her commitment to our school and in particular to our EAL/D students and their families. Please join us this Harmony Day on March 18th as we take this opportunity to acknowledge Chris’ contribution to our school and wish her well for her retirement.

I am delighted to inform the school community that our school’s history is currently being published ready to be sold at our 40th Anniversary Fair next Saturday 19th March. ‘Celebrating 40 Years: A Brief History of Burrendah Primary School’ will be available for sale at the fair along with other 40th Anniversary merchandise, including limited edition school caps and wine glasses. This history has been written by Carmel Given, a historian and parent at our school. I thank Carmel for her commitment to this project and her willingness to give generously of her time and energy to write our school’s history. You will find this book for sale in the school hall on the day of the fair.

If you haven’t already looked at the public Facebook page ‘Burrendah 40th Anniversary’ I encourage you to do so. If you have friends and family who have been involved with our school in the past encourage them to connect with other past staff and students on this page.

I look forward to seeing you on Harmony Day next Friday and the 40th Anniversary Fair on Saturday 19th March.

Jayne Ebsworthy
10th March 2016
MUSIC NEWS

String Orchestra: Just a reminder that string orchestra is compulsory for all Years 5 to 6 students who learn a violin, viola, cello or double bass at school. Orchestra rehearsals are on a Tuesday morning in the Music Room. 7:15 am for a 7:30 am start. Students who learn any of these instruments outside of school are also welcome to attend.

Wind Band: Wind Band rehearses in the Hall on a Thursday afternoon at 3:15. All students in year 6 who learn a wind instrument at school are expected to attend. Any student who has been learning a wind instrument privately for at least a year is more than welcome to join.

Private Guitar Lessons: Private guitar lessons are available after school in the music room for anyone who is not already learning through the school program. Please contact Matt Keesing for details at mattkeesing@hotmail.com.

Choir: Welcome to all students who joined either Junior or Senior Choir. We have mad a fantastic start to the year. Attendance lists are being finalised this week.

School Fair Performance: The Junior Choir will be performing at the School Fair on the 19th of March. We will be on stage at 11:05am so please come along and join in the fun.

FOR SALE
Stentor Student II Violin ½ size with case and music stand, Excellent condition
$100
Call Sandy on 0437 313 818

School Records
It is of the utmost importance that the information supplied when a child is first enrolled is kept up to date. The school should be informed immediately of any changes in employment, address, telephone numbers, email address or emergency contacts. In the case of illness or emergency, unnecessary delays can be avoided when accurate information is on file. Yearly requests are sent home to remind parents to supply up-to-date information. This is particularly important as we have moved to the electronic dissemination of information to parents via email and SMS. School funding is linked to enrolment characteristics so please ensure we have the most accurate information on our data basis.

Absences From School
A written explanation is required under the School Education Act for each and every absence from school. Notes are kept on file by classroom teachers for perusal by District Attendance Officers. Parents may email the school at burrendah.ps@education.wa.edu.au or text the school on 0417 975 162 to inform the school of any absences.

Please note: notification of absences for holiday reasons must be addressed to the Principal. These absences will not be approved leave as it is very important for children to attend school regularly.

Please note: a child who has a 90% attendance rate and misses school 5 days each term will complete their 12 years of schooling having missed over a year of school!

Lunch Eating at School
Parents please be aware your child has 20 minutes lunch eating time every day and there is plenty of time for your child to eat a healthy lunch.
Children do not have an opportunity to choose to play rather than eat their lunch. Some of our younger children are being sent far too much food and feel obligated to eat it all.
After the 20 minutes eating time staff will not insist children finish their lunch as their play time is important for their physical and social development.
Harmony Day Assembly, Picnic and BPS Community Photo

Assembly
All parents are invited to join us at the Harmony Day Assembly on Friday, March 18 at 8:45. It will be Chris Tweddle’s (EAL Teacher) last assembly as a staff member before retiring. All Burrendah students are asked to come dressed in one of the following attires:

- Their cultural dress,
- in orange (representing harmony)
- green and gold (representing Australia)
- 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.*

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.

Peace sign on the oval
Straight after lunch we will assemble all students and parents that are present on the school oval to make a giant peace sign. So if you will be coming for the picnic, please stay behind to join us for the photo shoot. We are still seeking someone with a drone camera that can take an aerial shot of our Burrendah Primary School Community Peace sign. Please contact our front office if you can help.

Sculpture Walk 2016
Year 4 students have been busy within the Visual Arts program drawing inspiration from the natural environment to create clay lanterns in preparation for the Sculpture Walk 2016. Students have created interesting designs looking at shapes, patterns and textures found within the landscape. Working with clay, students have carefully cut away sections to allow light to shine through cylindrical lanterns. The lanterns will be our entry in the Schools Awards Category and will be visible as the sun goes down as solar lighting is a feature of the sculptures. We look forward to as many families as possible visiting Heathcote in Applecross from the 18th March for a two week period.
School Fair Update

We urge everyone to come and enjoy the 40th Anniversary Fair with your children to support the P&Cs efforts to raise money for your children's education purposes. There will be entertainment on the assembly stage throughout the day, games with prizes, free activities for the children, interesting market stalls for all, a Photo competition (major prize of a mini iPad), a 40th Anniversary Board exhibition, amazing food, coffee and pony rides!! Please sign up to help out at the 40th Anniversary Fair coming up on the 19th March!! Sign up sheets for various parent run stalls are available at the undercover area. We would really love your help on the day!

All parents/care givers/guardians of Kindergarten students have been asked to supply one batch of play doh for the Fair (a recipe has gone home with a letter requesting this). The play doh should be given to the Kindergarten teachers by Friday the 18th March.

All parents/care givers/guardians of Pre-Primary students have been asked to supply gardening related donations – plants, gloves, pots for pot plants etc. These should be left in the boxes outside the Pre-Primary rooms by Friday the 18th March.

All students from Years 1 to 6 have been asked to provide one of the following donations – unopened bottles of nail polish, coloured/glitter hair spray cans, arts supplies (googly eyes, beads etc), temporary tattoos, haunted classroom Halloween style props, home baked cakes or muffins. These donations should be put in the boxes in each classroom by Wednesday the 16th March.

Do you have any 2nd hand toys, children's clothing, kitchen bits and pieces, or any other items that are in too good condition to throw away or give to the Good Sammy's? Would you like to sell it but do not have the time or patience to answer enquiries or enter a bidding war through Gumtree? Why not take out a Car Boot Sale Stall at the Burrendah Primary 40th Anniversary Fair? The cost of the bay is $30 but whatever you make on the day is yours. If you would like to enquire about a Bay please contact Jodie Beal via email dandjbeal@westnet.com.au or mobile 0419 199 189.

If anyone has a camping shelter that they would be happy to loan the school for use at the Fair please contact Jodie Beal via email dandjbeal@westnet.com.au or mobile 0419 199 189.

Please bake for our school fair!

In order to make our Burrendah Cake Stall a wonderful success at this year's 40th Anniversary School Fair, we need donations of cakes, muffins, cookies, slices, jams, preserves or whatever your baking specialty might be!

Please contact either Jenny Coleman (0408 910 571) or Sue Windham (0418 417 011) if you are able to help us raise money for our school by baking your favourite recipes.

Baked goodies need to be wrapped and clearly labelled with a full list of ingredients. Goodies can be dropped off to Room 23 from 3.00pm on Friday 18th March and on Saturday morning from 9:00am. Alternatively, you can make other arrangements with Jenny or Sue.

If you are able to help us out in the stall on the day of the Fair, please write your name on the Cake Stall Roster located on the school pin up board, in the undercover area. Alternatively, you can call Jenny or Sue on the numbers above. Your help would be most appreciated.
Scripture Union Primary Age (SUPA) Clubs provide an opportunity for children to learn about Jesus in a fun and friendly atmosphere. We have games, stories, drama, crafts and lots more every week. If you want to be part of the Burrendah Supa Club permission forms are available in the school office.

Supa Club is held in the school hall on Tuesday afternoon between 3pm - 3:45pm. Club leaders are Danny Marwick, Florence Goldenburg and Sue Tan.

Remember no form - no club

Please remember to place any old clothes or shoes in our E’Co Australia bin, located just outside Room 21.

Every little bit helps, see letter below

Thank you for choosing to help support Tr-Aid and not Aid in 3rd world countries.

Helping us to promote and set up micro businesses.

You have all pulled together as an awesome team.

Please find attached the remittance for monies that have been deposited into your account today.

245Kgs $85.75

These figures are fantastic and E’Co Australia thanks you for your time and effort.

We cannot help these people in 3rd world countries without help from people such as yourself.

There are a lot of great people, companies and organisations in this world that want to help people they have never met. Well you have done just that!!

As you know we also help the disadvantaged families here in Perth.

Well Done

Regards

Gayline Butler

E’Co Australia Pty Ltd
(Environmenally Concerned Organisation)
Saving Tomorrows Environment – Today

Sun Safe Reminder

Parents are reminded of the importance of protecting your child from over exposure to the sun. Many children do not have a hat at school every day. Please ensure you send your child to school with a hat every day! We also remind parents that students are free to reapply sunscreen through the day if you feel this is necessary for your child. Sunscreen can be kept in your child’s school bag. The school does not provide sunscreen for everyday use due to individual allergies and the fact sunscreen has a relatively short use by date.

Remember to place any old clothes or shoes in our E’Co Australia bin, located just outside Room 21.

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Be a part of it and find the star within you!
Auskick & Junior Australian Rules Football

We are looking for all interested boys and girls from Pre Primary to Year Six that are keen to play Australian Rules football to register for Auskick or Junior Football at Willetton Junior Football Club.

For interested girls, we are looking to make an ALL GIRLS team for 2016.

ALL REGISTRATIONS and FEE PAYMENTS for 2016 can be completed online.

AUSKICK: Pre Primary, Year 1 and Year 2 please for Willetton JFC at http://www.aflauskick.com.au.

JUNIOR: Years 3-6 students please register for Willetton JFC on Sporting Pulse.

https://reg.sportingpulse.com/regofrm.cgi?
   aID=5892Key=65e0e076c330369683da6b276636f3098cID=114&formID=36056

Mystery Monday Meal
11th March 2015

Pasta Bake 3 Ways

Chickin, Tuna or Vegetarian Pasta Bake, spiral Pasta with:
Rich meat sauce, corn grinded macaroni. (Mushroom vegetarian only) topped with cheese.
Rich meat sauce ingredients - Milk, Eggs, butter, salt & nutmeg.

Sponge Bob
Chickin Pasta Bake
2.50 Small Meal or 4.50 with a Drink.
2.00 Large Meal or 1.00 with a Drink.

Patrick
Tuna Pasta Bake
2.50 Small Meal or 4.50 with a Drink.
2.00 Large Meal or 1.00 with a Drink.

Sandy
Vegetarian Pasta Bake
2.50 Small Meal or 4.50 with a Drink.
2.00 Large Meal or 1.00 with a Drink.

Costumes will be open Friday 11th March to take orders for Triple M.
Come see us for parties sizes, limited orders will be taken on Monday.
Normal Monday meal orders will be taken Friday and Monday.
The full menu and current Monday meal can be found on - www.burrendahps.wa.edu.au

Bunnings donated a bench and colourful paint so a few of our senior students could make a 'Buddy Bench' to support younger students find playmates at lunchtime. The Buddy Bench provides a safe place for students to go to communicate to others they are looking for a playmate.

Once again we thank Bunnings and Rebecca Moane who is a Bunnings Activity Organiser for supporting our school in this very practical way. Our senior students will explain how the 'Buddy Bench' can be used to our younger students at our faction assembly this Friday.

EAL/D Parent Network Group

Do you speak another language? Do you come from a different cultural background?

Then the EAL/D Parent Network Group would love you to join us!

This week's Session - 11th March.
9:00 am – Positive communication with your children

Next Session - 8th April,
9:00 am – Holiday activities and venues for the family which are free

The EAL/D Parent Network Group meets in the EAL/D room. It is a social group and a good place to meet other parents.

Chris Tweddle, Beatriz Clark & Carol Wilby

Diary Dates

11th March
Faction Assembly

11th March
EAL/D Parent Network Meeting

17th March
Student Leaders Conference

18th March
Harmony Day

18th March
Community Assembly Rm 23 and Rm 25

19th March
SCHOOL FAIR

24th March
Yr 5 & 6 Interschool Carnival