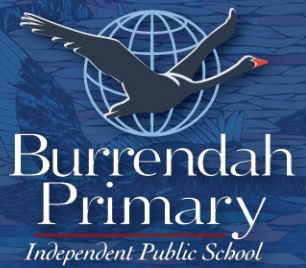


Burrendah *Bulletin*



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From the Principal's Desk

Welcome back to our existing families and welcome to our new families. We have had a number of enrolments of late taking our school enrolment from 610 to 651. At present our school classroom structure has been able to cater for this growth. We will be monitoring classroom student numbers and providing additional support in classrooms where required. Burrendah PS has a well deserved reputation of excellence and the number of families moving into our local intake area, so they can send their children to Burrendah Primary School, is a testament of this.

The Director General of Education, Sharyn O'Neill, will be commencing her new position of Public Sector Commissioner next week. I have had the privilege of working with the Director General as part of the Harvard Fellowship Program, over the last year. Ms O'Neill has worked tirelessly for the good of public education and was always interested in hearing about Burrendah Primary School. On behalf of our school community I would like to acknowledge Ms O'Neill's significant contribution to education since becoming Director General in 2007.

In the July school break a number of projects were finalised. The new undercover area extension has been a welcome addition particular with the wet weather of late. This extension was jointly funded by the P&C and school. Line marking for assembly seating for classes was completed. Magpie block (Rooms 21-26) was painted. Our project of painting classrooms across the school is now finished.

Congratulations to Mr Holyoake, Room 27's teacher on becoming a dad for the first time. We look forward to Mr Holyoake returning from parental leave with photos of his new baby girl, Charlotte.

Our staff have been working on a number of areas over our School Development Days at the end of Term 2 and the beginning of Term 3. Part of this work was reviewing the progress of our business plan, moderation in Writing using Brightpath online and investigating values/behaviours as part of our initial development towards being a Positive Behaviour School.



Our new Parents as Partners Program will begin in Term 3 commencing in Week 4. These Principles of Learning sessions will be suitable for any age level from Kindergarten to Year 6. This program will provide opportunities for parents to engage in Mathematics at home to support their child's learning. Mrs Horoch will be running these practical hands on activities on Thursdays from 9-10:30am. The first session, called Understanding Number, will be held in the School Hall. Please register your interest by contacting Reception either by phone 9266 6200, text 0417 975 162 or email burrendah.ps@education.wa.edu.au.

Janine Kinninment
26th July 2018



ROOM 2, ROOM 5, ROOM 19 AND ROOM 27 SELF PORTRAIT TRADING CARDS ON EXHIBITION NOW AT STOCKLANDS RIVERTON SHOPPING CENTRE!

Stockland Riverton are proud to host the Global Artist Trading Card Project between **Monday 16th July – Sunday 29th July 2018**.

The Global Artist Trading Card Project includes thousands of self-portraits from students around the world which were collated by Beckenham Primary School Art Teacher Kate Driscoll. Kate started the project with a simple Facebook post in January this year on her Art Teacher Life Facebook page. The page is followed by over 445,000 people and very quickly the post went viral.

The project is about getting children to create small portraits of themselves on 12cm x 8cm cards. The response has amazing with artwork featured from schools from Mozambique to Finland, Sweden, South Africa, United States, United Kingdom and many other countries and places, including all states of Australia.

There are around 100 schools and over 5,000 children involved! Come and see Burrendah PS students' work!

Once completed by each school, the cards were posted back to Ms Driscoll in Perth for the exhibition. After the exhibition, the cards will be packaged up and sent to another school in a different country for their students and community to enjoy.

Rahalie McGuirk Visual Arts Specialist

Skip-a-thon 2018

Our Pre Primary, Year One and Two students participated in our annual Skip-a-thon on Tuesday 26 June. The students have been enthusiastic about learning new skipping skills to keep fit and about seeking sponsorship for the Skip-a-thon. The program has been very successful, it was amazing to see the students and parents perform some very difficult skilled skips on the day. Thank you to the teachers who have worked extremely hard with the students in their daily fitness sessions throughout the term and to the parents and grand parents who participated with their children on the day.



We would really appreciate all sponsorship forms and money to be returned to your child's teacher no later than Wednesday 1st August. The money that we raise goes towards purchasing much needed classroom and playground sport equipment. The draw for the Scooter will take place on Wednesday 8th August.



Thank you again for your support

Janine Bain
Junior Physical Education Specialist

Science News

Week 5, August 13th – 17th this term is Science Week. To celebrate Science Week this year all parents are invited to attend their child's Science class. During the session you will be given the opportunity to work in a group with your child and experience the types of "Hands On" activities that are carried out in Science lessons. A timetable is below to let you know the day and time of your child's Science lesson. A note will also be sent home this week with each child.

On your arrival at school, please come straight to the Science Lab – it is not necessary to sign in at the office as a sign in sheet will be available in the Science Lab.

	Monday 13 th August	Tuesday 14 th August	Wednesday 15 th August	Thursday 16 th August	Friday 17 th August
8:45am – 9:45am		YEAR 5 Room 11		YEAR 1 Room 18	ASSEMBLY
9:45am – 10:45am	YEAR 6 Room 2	YEAR 6 Room 3		PP / YEAR 1 Room 16B	YEAR 1 / 2 Room 19
10:45am – 11:05am	RECESS	RECESS	RECESS	RECESS	RECESS
11:05am – 12:05pm	YEAR 3 Room 26	YEAR 4 Room 10		YEAR 3 Room 25	YEAR 5 Room 7
12:05pm – 1:05pm	YEAR 5 Room 6	YEAR 4 Room 12	YEAR 3 Room 24	YEAR 1 Room 17	YEAR 2 Room 21
1:05pm – 1:50pm	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
1:50pm – 3:00pm	YEAR 5/6 Room 5	YEAR 2 Room 23	YEAR 2 Room 22	YEAR 6 Room 4	

Sherryl Crouch
Science Specialist

Notizie Italiane



Poster Competition - Some classes will take part in the West Australian Association for Teachers of Italian (WAATI) Poster Competition. An example of the fun poster topics includes describing what one can see when flying in a hot air balloon over Italy.



Practising Italian Language at Home - Students and parents are able to access the Victorian Education Department website for language learning to play interactive games in Italian - <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/languagesonline/italian/italian.htm>



Why Do We Learn Italian? Students often ask this question. There are many advantages in learning any language. One advantage in learning Italian is that of all the romance languages, Italian is the closest to Latin and it is estimated that 60% of English words derive from Latin. This means that students may find Italian more accessible and it has a benefit of strengthening their literacy in English.



Buon Viaggio - Tips for travelling to Italy. If you want to eat well in Italy, avoid eating in restaurants on main streets and near tourist attractions. Observe where locals are eating in smaller side street restaurants in order to get an authentic and quality food experience.

Maria Loss-Suehrcke
Italian Language Specialist

Music News

Junior Choir: Congratulations to all members of the Junior Choir for their very enthusiastic performance at this year's South Metropolitan Sing Festival at Bannister Creek Primary School at the end of last Term on Monday 25th June. All students looked very professional in their choir uniforms and sang beautifully with energy and clarity. I felt so proud of you all not just for singing so well but also for your excellent behaviour during this event.

Thank you to Sue Windham and Jennifer Tan for sorting out all the choir uniforms in such an organised way. These ladies have spent many hours sorting the uniforms and fitting each student in the choir with an appropriate size. I really appreciate their time and efforts as both our choirs look sensational. Thank you also to Van O'Briain, Adrina James, Sandy Liu, Bek Hogan and Alison Christensen for joining us on this excursion and helping out with handing out the uniforms before we left and collecting and sorting them after the event. I couldn't have managed without these parent helpers on the day.

Music Assembly: Congratulations to the members of the Wind Band, Chamber Strings and Recorder Ensemble for their outstanding performance at the Music Assembly in Week 8 of last term. This was the first time that these ensembles have performed in front of an audience and every student was completely focussed, playing their pieces of music extremely confidently and accurately. The whole school song "Ride of Our Lives" was also performed beautifully by everyone. Burrendah Primary School certainly makes an incredible, musical sound together. I have received some wonderful positive feedback from many people about the assembly. Well done to everyone!

Senior Choir: The Massed Choir Festival has asked that each school send in a formal photograph of their choir. The photo will be displayed on a big screen when they announce each school towards the end of the concert. The photograph was taken this morning. The senior choir will be attending their first Massed Choir 'Cluster Rehearsal' with other participating schools at Churchlands Senior High School on **Thursday the 23rd August** between 12:15 – 2:15pm (leaving school at 11:20am). We will be returning to school by 3pm. A detailed note will be going home shortly.

Jenny Coleman - Music Specialist

Chaplain News

Dealing with video game crazes: Fortnite and fanaticism

Throughout life, and especially while we are at school, there will always be a current best thing that will, in time, be replaced by the next big thing. Consider Rubik's cube, Tamagotchis, Pokemon cards, loom bands, bey blades, fidget spinners, Minecraft and Pokemon Go. For parents, the arrival of new online games, unlike toys, raises issues including appropriate length of game time, the addictive nature of the game, potential changes in their children's behaviour, and cyber safety, especially when interaction with random strangers can be involved.



Martine Oglethorpe recently shared her experiences with the online game, 'Fortnite', on the Parenting Ideas website <https://www.parentingideas.com.au/blog/dealing-with-video-game-crazes-fortnite-and-fanaticism/>



According to the [esafety.gov.au](https://www.esafety.gov.au) website, even though 'Fortnite' is not recommended for children under 12 years of age, players are not actually required to provide their age. This website is an excellent place for parents to learn more about the latest apps, how to protect their information, and where to get additional safety guidance. <https://www.esafety.gov.au/esafety-information/esafety-issues/online-gaming>

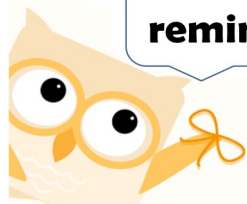
Martine went on to make some useful recommendations about online gaming for parents. The main suggestion was that parents take the time to become familiar with any new game by playing it with their children, or at least watching their children while they play it. In this way parents will develop a greater awareness of the possible dangers of the game, and be able to enforce the right boundaries for their family. Family relaxation time is one additional benefit of this practice. Another benefit is the pleasure children get from being able to teach their parents something (assuming the child is more competent than the parent).

In her article, Martine acknowledged the benefits of playing video games. These games are a way for children to wind down after a day at school. In addition, Hand/eye coordination skills are developed by these games, as well as analysis skills, persistence, and perseverance. However, the addictive nature of these games, and whether their content is appropriate for the developmental level of a child, must also be considered. It is important for parents to discuss themes/concepts that arise in games, and to develop and enforce rules and boundaries about the length of play time. In addition, Martine recommended that parents routinely check the settings area of games or networks, so that they can make the experience as safe as possible for their children.

Louise Lathbury - School Chaplain

Pinetree Gully Road School Gate

Just a
reminder...



Just a gentle reminder when entering and leaving the school grounds through the gate on Pinetree Gully Road during school hours, can you please remember to shut the gate.

Term Three Planner 2018

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	16th July School Development	17th July World Vision Meeting	18th July Health/Wellbeing Meeting	19th July	20th July Enrolments for 2019 Close
2	23rd July	24th July	25th July Staff Meeting	26th July PBS Meeting	27th July Community Assembly Rm 17 and 19
3	30th July P&C Meeting	31st July Kindy Health Checks	1st August Kindy Health Checks	2nd August	3rd August P&C Crazy Hair Day
4	6th August Coffee Club Willetton PS	7th August Kindy Health Checks	8th August PBS Meeting Kindy Health Checks Health/Wellbeing Meeting	9th August	10th August Community Assembly Rm 12 and 27
5 Science Week World Vision Week	13th August	14th August	15th August Interschool Cross Country Staff Meeting	16th August World Vision Evening Yrs 5&6	17th August Community Assembly Rm 16b and 18 WV Market Day
6 Book Week	20th August	21st August	22nd August	23rd August Massed Choir Rehearsal (1) PBS Meeting	24th August
7 Numeracy Week 1	27th August School Photographs	28th August School Photographs	29th August Staff Meeting	30th August	31st August Community Assembly Rm 11 and 15
8 Numeracy Week 2	3rd September Coffee Club	4th September	5th September Health/Wellbeing Meeting	6th September PBS Meeting	7th September
9	10th September Athletics Throws and Jumps	11th September Athletics Throws and Jumps	12th September Athletics Throws and Jumps	13th September Junior Athletics Carnival PP- 2	14th September Senior Athletics Carnival Yrs 3 - 6
10	17th September Massed Choir Rehearsal (2)	18th September Massed Choir Performance	19th September	20th September	21st September Last Day Term 3



Volunteers Needed No Experience Necessary

The Burrendah Primary School P&C Association is currently looking for helpers for the following events:

- * Father's Day Breakfast Barbecue (Fri 31 Aug)
- * Junior Sports Carnival Cake Stall (Thur 13 Sep)
- * Senior Sports Carnival Cake Stall (Fri 14 Sep)

If you would like to offer a little of your time, or would like to run an event, please contact the P&C President, Luana Gilman on 0478 599 786 to find out more information. Sadly, if no one volunteers, the P&C will be unable to go ahead with the planned event/s. By offering your time you are helping your school community and supporting your P&C.

YEAR 5 - 2019 Year 6 Camp -
Fundraiser



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DAY 2018

FRIDAY 3rd August



Diary Dates

27th July	Community Assembly Rm 17 and 19
30th July	P&C Meeting
31st July	Kindy Heath Checks
1st August	Kindy Heath Checks
3rd August	P&C Crazy Hair Day
10th August	Community Assembly Rm 12 and 27
13th -17th August	Science Week
13th -17th August	World Vision Week
15th August	Interschool Cross Country
16th August	World Vision Evening Yrs 5 & 6
17th August	World Vision Market Day
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