FOCUS OF THE WEEK

‘BE RESPECTFUL’

SCHOOL FETE
What a fabulous day! A huge turnout, great weather, enthusiastic stall holders and lots of funds raised for the school. THANK YOU for your support via donations, time and patronage. Special thanks to all our stall co-ordinators and volunteers, our fete committee and Andrea Young our fete co-ordinator.
THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU.

KINDY 2015
Each Friday morning until 7th November our Headstart program will be running. A parent information session will be held on Wednesday, 29th October at 5pm.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL 2016
This message is for parents of students currently in Year 5 who wish their child to sit the test next year for a selective high school placement in 2016.
All applicants need to apply online by going to the Unit’s website:

GALA DAYS AT ERINA HS
Year 5 Gala day at Erina HS is this Wednesday, 22 October with Year 6 going the following week, Wednesday 29 October.

C.A.R.E.S
Year 5 and 6 are off to C.A.R.E.S at Palmdale today and tomorrow to learn bike safety from the NSW Police. It is a great excursion that teaches valuable skills for life. Hope you keep all your points on your licence by obeying all the rules on the course!

BALL GAMES CARNIVAL
On Friday, students from Stage 2 and 3 will be attending the PSSA Invitational Ball Games Carnival at Ettalong. The bus leaves at 9am for a 10am start and will return in time for home time. Students need to wear school sports uniform and have plenty of drinks, lunch and recess as well as sunscreen and hat and any medication they need. Parents are welcome to attend. Have a fun day!

STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS FOR 2015-2017
When staff did their first afternoon session in lieu of the last SDD on Friday 19 December they came up with their three strategic directions for the next three years. These are:-

- Implementation of the new syllabus documents
- 21st century learning
- Wellbeing

Our 2nd afternoon session will be held on Thursday, 30 October. We will continue planning for 2015 focusing on our strategic directions that will be written into the 2015 school plan.

SWIM SCHEME
Year 2 will be going to Swim Scheme in Weeks 5 and 6 from 3 to 14 November.

DISCO
Our next disco will be held on Wednesday, 5 November. Funds raised will be used by Year 6 to purchase a gift for the school. More details soon.
WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR 2015?

We are currently reviewing our student numbers for 2015 and have commenced planning. If you definitely know that your child will NOT be attending our school in 2015 would you please inform the school, in writing, to the school office immediately. If you know of someone who will be enrolling their child next year, please encourage them to contact the school office and enrol as soon as possible.

If you are considering repetition for your child, please make an appointment with your child’s teacher by the end of Week 3 as this process can take several weeks.

Parents are invited to write to me should they wish to provide information about their child’s social needs that may impact on their placement next year. Even if you have let us know in previous years please inform us again as things change over time. Personal requests for a specific teacher however cannot be met.

Annette Parrey
Principal

BUSWAYS BUS PASSES FOR YEAR 3 STUDENTS IN 2015

Transport NSW requires a new application form for free travel from students who are progressing from Year 2 to Year 3 in 2015.

The school office has sent home new bus pass applications to Y3 families that are still eligible for free travel in 2015. Eligibility for a free bus pass is as follows:

- an infant student (K-2) regardless of the distance between their home and school
- primary student (Years 3-6) who lives more than 1.6 kms (radial distance) from school, or 2.3 kms or more by the most direct practical walking route to the nearest entry point to the school.

If your child is moving into Year 3 in 2015 they may no longer be eligible for a bus pass due to their proximity to the school. In this case you may need to pay a fare for them to travel on the bus.

A term bus pass can be purchased from Busways. Students must show their pass or pay the bus fare every time they get on the bus. Please contact Busways head office on 9497 1861 if you have any questions.

The following website has more information regarding passes:


REPTILE PARK EXCURSION
Wow! What a great day was held. Last Tuesday Kindergarten went on their first school excursion to the Reptile Park. It was a day full of learning and exploring.

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who came along and helped on the excursion.
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SPRING FETE

WOW!!! What a day! Our Brisbania fete was such a great success all round. It was fantastic to see so many children enjoying themselves with their families. We had perfect weather with loads of terrific stalls, exciting rides and amazing entertainment. We have such a great community here at Brisbania and I’d like to thank everyone who was involved!

We are so appreciative of all of the stall coordinators, staff and volunteers who helped prepare for the fete and also worked on the day. There were also loads of people behind the scenes including students, parents and school staff; making signs, seeking sponsors, advertising, baking, wrapping, potting, printing and laminating, counting money, preparing the school grounds, cooking, setting up, organising, purchasing stock and the list goes on.

Congratulations to all of our talented students who performed on our stage area. You were all so wonderful and made us all proud.

On behalf of all of the families at the school, I would like to acknowledge all of the hard work and energy put into the coordination of the fete by Andrea. It is a huge undertaking to put an event of this scale together and she did it so well!

Thank you to Miss Parrey and all of the teachers for their huge efforts and spirit on the day, which reflect the dedication they have to the school and the students.

We have much gratitude for our amazing Sponsors: Shelly’s Cafe, Vogue Kitchens, Air Forced Air, Bendigo bank, Bizi Bods, Interior Makeovers, Saratoga Dental and Sano Sport.

These sponsors are all local businesses which reinforces how wonderful our little community is.

A final thank you goes to those who came to the fete and made it a wonderful success! A fete isn’t a fete without the people.

Final figures are being calculated but we are proud to announce that we made a profit of around $22,000. This will be donated to the school to go towards more resources for the students to enjoy.

What a terrific effort all round!

WELL DONE BRISBANIA! WE SHOULD ALL BE SO PROUD.

P & C - AGM

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 20th November at 6.30pm in the school staffroom. This meeting will be followed by a general P and C meeting beginning at 7.00pm.

At the AGM all financial members are invited to renew their membership, nominate and vote at this meeting.

STANDARD AGENDA FOR AGM

- Membership fee decision (this is confirmed at each AGM)
- Membership renewals / new members
- Acceptance of minutes of 2013 AGM
- President’s annual report
- Treasurer’s annual audited financial statement
- Choosing of auditor for following P & C year
- Principal’s annual report
- Filling of vacant positions, All positions are declared vacant at the AGM, and will be filled by nomination/vote.

These include: President, Vice-Presidents x 2, Secretary and Treasurer

Enjoy your week, Liza Moulton

On behalf of Brisbania P & C
I just wanted to say a HUGE thank you to everyone that helped make yesterday's fete so successful, I coordinated the fete on behalf of the P&C, but it takes a huge amount of effort from dozens of people to make the day what it was. What an amazing community we live in!

We were blessed with fantastic weather and a fete that was bigger than it has ever been before and it all went off without a hitch - yey!

There will be other thanks given out to you, I am sure, but without each and every one of you, it would not have been the success it was and I personally wanted to thank you for working with me and contributing to a fantastically successful fundraiser for the school!

I also wanted to give out some special recognition for Kathy LeBreton for her help and support throughout the day in all aspects of the set up, during the day and staying till the end, together with Nicki Klausen for her help being a "go to person" and amazing bin emptier!!!! Thank you to Adrian for arriving first and his behind the scenes help in setting up the fete from electricity supplies to water and bunting! Thank you to Annemarie McCarthy for her un-ending support in all things admin and printing, no one realises just how much time she puts into the fete and the P&C - you rock! Thank you to Erin Rutherford for all her work with the PR on the lead up to the fete and then crazily driving around the neighbourhood at the crack of dawn on Saturday putting up additional signs and streamers. Thank you to Nicole Hazelwood for her work as MC and keeping the stage performances running to schedule during the day. Thanks for all the team in the cash office, who gave up their day to be there when we needed change and deposits throughout the day. Special thanks to Annette Parrey for her support during the planning, her help in so many ways throughout the day, wherever she was needed and being there with us until the end and the popcorn machine left the building. Finally, thanks to all the P&C Committee, especially to Liza Moulton for her continued support and positive “vibes”!

Lastly, and importantly, we are finalising the costs for the fete before we can then announce the total profit for the day and would love to ask that if anyone has any final outstanding receipts that need reimbursing that you get them to the school for either the attention of Liza Moulton or Lisa Rance as soon as possible.

Annette, please pass on my thanks to all the teachers for giving up their day to support the coordinators and join in with all the fun of the fete!

Thank you again for all your help and support.

Very warm regards

Andrea Young
Brisbania Spring Fete Coordinator
RAFFLE STALL RESULTS

Camille: Bunnings voucher & bathroom hamper
Jim: walkabout voucher
Nicole: yellow handbag
Tainan: pet hamper
Ramona: intensity pack
Alana: girls toy hamper
Rebecca Reynolds: Ocean print
J Steer: window cleaning voucher & GPK voucher
Haven: intensity pack
Corrinne Kinder: intensity pack
Christa Cleary: Baby hamper & trackside gift voucher
Kim Chippendale: Pandora jewellery box hamper
Vicki: Mountain bike
Ethan: pink handbag
Stephanie: bathroom hamper
Melita: swimart voucher
Kate Boni: GPK voucher
Carol: play dough hamper
Jane: outdoor hamper
Riley May: lolly hamper
Samantha Davies: kitchen hamper & Ingham's voucher
Sue Guest: sheets & towels hamper
Carol: photo album hamper
Maddie Graham: intensity pack
Pauline Riley: kids hamper
Jason Fraser: kids hamper
Zayd Husain: Chiropractic Voucher
Kaz: 2 months Kincumber Gym membership

Fete Donation - Many Thanks......

- Painless Window Cleaning - $100 cleaning voucher
- Coastal Springs - bottled water for the fete

Donations for Hoopla stall:
- Woolworths Erina
- IGA Saratoga
- Davistown Bottle shop
- Green Point Bottle Shop

Monday Note Information for 20th October 2014

Halloween Meal Deal is coming to BISTROBANIA

Friday the 31st October is HALLOWEEN

BISTROBANIA will be offering a meal deal to celebrate the day.
Choose from

MAGGOTY MEAT PIE or
HORRIFYING HOT DOG.

LOG ON TO FLEXISCHOOLS to place your child’s order by 3.15pm Monday 27th October.
Orders will be served with sauce and a frozen juice cup of your flavour choice at a cost of $4.00
THERE WILL BE A SELECTION OF HALLOWEEN NOVELTY FOOD ITEMS FOR SALE OVER THE COUNTER AT RECESS, RANGING FROM 50c TO $1.50
HUGE, HUGE Thanks to The Dudley Family (James’ and Mary’s parents) and Brisbania Before & After School Care who donated the printing for the fete flyers and posters.

Huge effort and we all appreciate this help to support our school fete!!!

SKOOLBAG APP - INFORMATION

Just a note to let you know that with Apple’s latest iOS 8 update they have managed to break various functions in the Skoolbag app. We are aware of these issues including push notifications not working, and to rectify this we are currently updating the apps with a new version.

Please note that the issue does not effect users who are still running iOS 7.

For current Skoolbag customers your app will be upgraded to 2.6.0 version. Updates are being submitted daily to Apple who then take around 5 - 7 days to approve them. You can expect the update will be ready for download within the next 2 - 4 weeks. For new Skoolbag customers (within the last 7 days) your apps are being submitted with the new 2.6.0 version.

If your school or parents have any more questions, please email support@skoolbag.com.au for more information.

We thank you for your patience in this matter, as this was an issue that was beyond our control.

Regards
Team Skoolbag
1300 661 031

Scholastic Book Club Reminder
Scholastic Orders are due back to school on Tuesday 21st October.
YEAR 2 LEADERS
Jess & Josh

STAGE 1
Daniel, Angela, Oliver, Katie,
David, Maddison, Jayda, Charli,
Bailey, Georgia, Ava,
Mitchell, Kaitlin, Ellie, & Braydon.

READING 60 BOOKS - AWARD
Archer

READING 100 BOOKS - AWARD
Bailey

READING 140 BOOKS - AWARD
Ben, Harry & Maddison.

NO ASSEMBLY AWARDS THIS WEEK FOR STAGE 2 & 3
ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

About the Young Carer Bursary Programme
The young carer bursary programme will assist young carers in greatest need, to continue to study and to relieve the financial pressure for them to undertake part-time work while studying and caring.

Who is eligible?
Young carers aged 25 years and under (born in 1990 or later), may apply for a 2015 bursary if they are:
- studying an approved course either full-time or part-time during 2015 at:
  - secondary school
  - TAFE
  - an apprenticeship, or
  - an undergraduate course at university.
- an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident
- not receiving another bursary or scholarship

Young carers may also be eligible if they are not currently enrolled in study or training in 2015 but can prove enrolment if granted the bursary.

What will it provide?
The programme will grant 150 Bursaries each year in 2015, 2016 and 2017 in the following amounts:
- 50 Bursaries @ $4,000
- 50 Bursaries @ $6,000
- 50 Bursaries @ $10,000

Bursaries will be granted for 12 months with a new application process each year.

How do you apply?
Applications for 2015 bursaries will open on the Monday 13 October 2014 and close on Sunday 9 November 2014. An on-line application form will be available from 13 October which is linked to the Young Carer website. An independent selection panel will assess applications and select recipients based on greatest need.

Further information:
Visit www.youngcarers.net.au; email ycbursaries@carersaustralia.com.au or ring 1800 756 238.

Funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services
Are you an eligible Young Carer?

1. Do you provide care and support to a family member or friend with an illness, disability, mental health illness, is frail aged or has an alcohol or other drug problem?
2. Are you aged 12–25 years?
3. Are you currently studying or wishing to return to study or training?

You may be eligible to apply for a young carer bursary.

About the Bursaries

- 150 bursaries will be granted each year.
- The bursaries range from $4,000 to $10,000 for 12 months.
- The money can be spent on whatever helps you with your education or training.

How do you apply for a 2015 bursary?

- Applications open on 13 October and close on 9 November 2014.
- Go to www.youngcarers.net.au to find out more and apply online.

Further information

For further information and to check your eligibility please visit www.youngcarers.net.au or ring 1800 756 238

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