Dear Parents / Caregivers

At our next P&C Meeting on Monday night, August 19, at 7.00pm in the Staff Lounge, the final consultation occurs with parents regarding our Independent Public School application. Please ensure

It has been such a busy time for Burpengary! Last week, we had a crew in at the Ekka with a Kitchen/Garden display that was well-received by the RNA and public alike. Congratulations go to Jack, John, Mya and Emily who presented at the show last Friday and so capably responded to the judges and public questions. Congratulations also to: Josh, Brook, Sarah and Maddison who set up the display, and Monique, Chloe, Hannah, and Lily who will take it down next Monday. This whole team worked together magnificently to cultivate and present a display to be proud of, in a real project of significance!

Burbpengary State School also competed last week in the District Track and Field Carnival. The team performed strongly, finishing 5th overall. We had 5 students selected for the Regional Team, plus two reserves. Congratulations to every student who participated on the day, as I heard wonderful reports about the Burpengary team from various sources.

Outstanding individual performances came from Tahlia (12 Years Girls) and Liam (10 Years Boys) who were Age Champions for their group. Tahlia excelled further by setting two new individual records in Shot Put (9.44m) and Discus (29.48m).

Other inspiring performances came from:
First Place-getters: Liam 10 Years 200m; Tahlia 12 Years Discus and Shot Put; Jayden 13 Years 800m; Josh 13 Years Shot Put; Rosemary 13 Years 100m and the Senior Boys 4x100M Relay Team.
Second Place-getters: Macy 10 Years 800m; Liam 10 Years Long Jump and 100m; Bella 10 Years Shot Put; Hayden 13 Years 100m;
Third Place-getters: Ben 10 Years 800m; Bella 10 Years Long Jump; Philmarie 11 Years 200m; Melinda 11 Years Discus; Jayden 13 Years Long Jump; Josh 13 Years Discus; Kyle 13 Years 200m

This week saw the Year 7 Sports Gala Day and the 2013 Junior Sports Carnival for Prep to Year 3. Both were important, enjoyable and successful events for large numbers of students!

A Burpengary SS Uniform Working Party is being formed who will be responsible for the review and development of recommendations relating to future school uniforms to be put forward to the school Review and Renew Team, including the Burpengary SS Principal. To be absolutely clear for all in our community, it will take this working party quite some time to undertake a transparent, well-publicised, community process that can deliver supplied items for the start of a school year – there will be no changes to school uniform before 2015, and it will be a two-year uniform transition once it starts.

The School Uniform Working Party will be comprised of thirteen members including 3 parent, 3 staff and 3 student representatives, alongside the P&C Treasurer, a community representative, a P&C Executive delegate, and a Principal’s delegate.

Formation of this Working Party commences with an Expression of Interest opening 16th August 2013 and closing 30th August 2013. All Expressions of Interest are to be submitted directly to the School Principal marked ‘Private and confidential’. The Expression of Interest application is available to be printed directly from the website, or a small number of paper copies are available at the front office.

Our Fete working party is doing a magnificent job in getting ready for this momentous community event. Right now they need your support to bring in specific donated items, and to sign up literally 100’s of volunteers to make the day work best for our children. See the accompanying Fete Newsletter for details – volunteer sign-up forms are available in all classrooms, at the front office, and from the website. Thanks in anticipation of our usual Burpengary commitment to the school and our students to make it a truly wonderful community event!

To support families in the busy part of the day, and to support the busy office staff to manage their time during peak periods, I encourage families to take note of our Absence Line, which is a defined mailbox where families may leave a message about their child’s absence at any time of the morning. The Absence Line number to stick on your fridge is: 3491 0366.

To other news …

1. **Chappy Chat** - The September school holidays are coming up fast and if you are still looking for activities for your child, SU QLD will be running a camp for Grade 5 - 7 students from the 30th Sept - 4th October. These camps are a safe, fun environment for children. If you would like further information, please see Marie Wright (Chaplain).

2. **Parents of preschool age children commencing Prep in 2014** are reminded to undertake an enrolment interview for Prep, even if you currently have older siblings enrolled at Burpengary SS. Please assist us to have these 2014 numbers early, by notifying the office and arranging an enrolment interview.
3. Next P&C Meeting is Monday night, August 19, at 7.00pm in the Staff Lounge. A Parent-Admin Chat takes place on Wednesday August 21 following a P&C Meeting from 2.00-2.45pm in the Staff Lounge. All Welcome.

4. There is an upcoming Certificate III qualification opportunity that may be suitable for staff or parents of the school. What makes these courses so exciting is that they will be offered at no cost to eligible participants (Develop My Skills will absorb this cost for a limited time).

Certificate III courses on offer include: Business Administration- BSB30412, Business- BSB30112, Hospitality- SIT30712, Warehousing Operations- TLI31610, Children’s Services- CHC30712, Aged Care- CHC30212, Home and Community Care- CHC30312, or Disability- CHC30408.

The student contribution fees will be waived for a short period of time meaning there will be no cost for eligible people to do these courses. (Normal student contribution fees range from $150 for non-concession and $75 for concession).

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5. Whole School Weekly Behaviour / Learning Focus
Each week our school identifies a particular whole school student behaviour focus. The strategies that students need to use are shared on parades and discussed in classes. These are based on our Burpengary State School Student Behaviour Expectations. Gotchas are given to students each week when they are identified as demonstrating positive behaviours including our focus behaviour. Gotchas are then drawn each week on parade for lucky draw prizes. For Week 6 our focus will be: As a Responsible Learner, I show integrity through honest, trustworthy and reliable actions. We ask that you remind your children of our school rules and support the school in continuing to provide a safe and supportive school environment for students to learn at their best.

6. Library News
Book Week is finally here! We will have lots of activities, competitions and special reading guests at break times so please encourage your children to come and support this special event.

Congratulations to 4D who won the Junior Library Class competition last week. They received a book prize on assembly this week.

The lucky ‘Library Star’ winners from last week were Riley from 2D and Jasmine from Prep D. They have both chosen their prizes and are now up on our Constellations noticeboard.

7. Father’s Day Stall
Father’s Day is fast approaching and the stall will be held the week before Father’s Day from the 26th to the 30th August, with gifts available for $5 each.

Australia’s best known and most popular fundraising events will be taking place all over the country.

Daffodil Day raises funds for Cancer Council to continue its work in cancer research, providing patients support programs and prevention programs to all Australians. It helps grow hope for better treatments, hope for more survivors and hope for a cure and cancer-free future. We can help in this fight against cancer by participating in Daffodil Day.

We will be having a dress in Yellow to raise money for this worthy cause. You can participate by adding yellow to your school uniform with wigs, ribbons, glasses, socks, wristbands, shoelaces or stockings, the opportunities are endless, just make sure it is added to your FULL school uniform. Yellow wristbands will be on sale for $1.50 in the tuckshop area before school and during lunch breaks and 50c from each band will be donated to the Cancer Council.

If you decide to take part in this special fundraiser on the day a gold coin donation will be required and will go towards raising more funds for the Cancer Council. The money we raise will make a real difference for cancer patients and their families all over Australia.

Can you guess who this little cutie pie is?
Burpengary ‘Guess the Baby’ Competition coming soon as part of our school fete…….

Until next week,

Brad Fox
A/Principal

Tuckshop Roster:

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

Any parents interested in becoming a Foster Carer please visit www.anglicaresq.org.au for more information.

Deception Bay Little Athletics Sign on @ Zammit Oval Deception Bay, Sunday 18th Aug 10am – 2.00pm, Friday 23rd Aug 5.30pm – 7.30pm & Friday 30th Aug 5.30 – 8.30pm Competition starts this day Contact Steve Larsen 0412562555 for more information www.deceptionbayla.asn.au

Iron and Clay are a young Band who use music as way to meet the desperate needs of Australian youth. Often visiting high schools in their travels with powerful personal testimonies, Iron and Clay have a very relevant message of hope through the barrage of noise that can be heard through today’s youth. They will be at New Creation Christian Church on Sunday 18th August at 10am and 6pm, Burpengary Community Complex 111 Station Road Burpengary.