



BURPENGARY NEWSFLASH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF BURPENGARY STATE SCHOOL



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Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Welcome to this week's newsletter. Congratulations to all of our Year 5s this week. I was particularly impressed with the **Year 5 Leadership speeches**, not only from the presentation and quality of the speeches, but also from the point of view of the audience engagement by the Year 5s in the process. It augers well for setting up 2018 as an exciting final year of school! Congratulations, students!

We celebrated our Official Opening of our new hall on Thursday night, and I was impressed with the stage presence and performance standards of our **Concert Band** (whom I thought were particularly impressive on the night), **Strings Ensemble** (always first class), **Senior Choir** (I have not heard you sing any better than last night – well done!); and all of our wonderful Junior choirs and bands for their performances. I did not think that **Mrs Stefanie Samuels** could achieve such classy dance performances from our children in less than a year of operation in the school...it is astounding where Dance is in the school already, and it can only get better and better. Our official guests were impressed with the quality of the performances from primary school children (what high expectations brings) and commented on the children's enthusiasm and commitment to the task. I would like to thank **Mr Scott Bowden** for coordinating this special event, back stage crew **David Firth** and **Nathan Cook** (who were trouble shooting all sorts of issues to give us the sound and lights in a complex stage show), back stage crew, Music teachers **Mr Jeff Pacey**, **Mrs Maria Jarvela**, **Mrs Michelle Jones**, and a variety of staff helpers who were mostly out of sight but working very hard to make the event happen...**Mrs Karla Cochrane**, **Mrs Sam Waldron**, **Mrs Helen Drew**, **Mr Sam Ladlay**, **Mrs Bliss Phillipini**, **Mrs Natalie Cooper**, **Mrs Julie Clarke**, **Mrs Ria Thompson**, **Mrs Sally Milne**, **Ms Naomi Harvey** & **Mrs Marion Smith**.

Our full school parade for Remembrance Day was a solemn and moving observance, befitting the occasion. In particular, we take the time to remember **Frederick Gall** and **Archibald Williams**, who were past Burpengary students who did not return from the battle field. This year also observes the **100th anniversary of the ANZAC Light Horse charge at Beersheba** and the **75th anniversary of the battle of the Kokoda Track**. At the parade, I announced that research by our **P&C Vice-President Mrs Shannon McDonald** has revealed **20 confirmed World War II service men and women who attended Burpengary State School between 1915 and 1934**. This is a remarkable contribution by such a small community, as the school population in 1930 was just 19 students.

Next Wednesday sees the **Coalition Performing Arts Showcase** at Burpengary State School. The night is a collection of class acts from all of our local primary and secondary schools, including bands and strings ensembles, dance troupes, a Lion King excerpt, and student talent quest acts of song and dance. **It is an occasion not to be missed!** For this event there is a \$5 cover charge per seat, and funds raised go to support Chaplaincy services across our seven coalition schools. Performance starts at 6.30pm, sausage sizzle and drinks from 5pm.

Parents have noticed a change to the order form for the book packs, which forces families to purchase the complete stationery book pack, with options for purchase on the multi-year items below. It is possible that some parents who always do the right thing but do not need all the items listed will go elsewhere for their books, which will impact *Impact* in the end (as it should). On the other hand, some families deliberately do not purchase all items which makes difficulties for students and teachers throughout the year. At the end of the day, it has to be a parent's decision about where they purchase these items, which is as it always should be. As for me, I will be looking for the best deal for our families in 2018 for 2019, as our 3-year contract runs out with *Impact* this year.

Narangba Valley State High School are hosting an information night here at Burpengary State School for parents of Year 6 students intending or thinking about going to Narangba Valley SHS for Year 7 in 2018. It will be on **Monday, November 13, 2017**, commencing at 5.30pm in The Hub.

PLEASE NOTE: In 2018 formal uniforms are required for Years 5 & 6 only – Year 4 will not require formal uniforms in 2018.

Our P&C Association is looking for as many interested parents as possible to form a **Fete Committee for 2018**. If you can help out, please phone the office on 3491 0333 and leave your name and contact details for the P&C Executive to make the connection and discuss plans. The next **P&C meeting** is on **Monday, November 13, commencing at 6.30pm** in the Staff Lounge. All welcome.

To other news...

1. Coming up:

Finance News –

Description	Year Level	Cost	Payment Due
Kitchen/Garden Program	All Years	\$5.00	Overdue
Swimming	Year 3	\$50.00	Due by the 22 nd November 2017
Aussie World Music Excursion	Selected Students	\$29.00	Due by the 10 th November 2017
Bike Education	Year 4	\$16.00	Due by the 14 th November 2017

Year 6 Aussie World Celebration Day	Year 6	\$36.00	Due by the 24 th November 2017
Year 6 Camp – 12 Feb to the 16 Feb 2018	Year 5	\$360.00	\$100 Deposit due 1 st December

2. The **2018 Year 6 Camp** is booked at Tallebudgera Camp School for the week of **February 12 to 16, 2018**. The 2018 price has now been finalised at \$360 (a difference of \$5 on this year). In order to meet our booking obligations, we will **require a \$100 Deposit for each current Year 5 student who will be attending the Year 6 Camp next year by Friday December 1, 2017**. A very useful payment mechanism for supporting families at Burpengary State School has been the **Centrepay** option, and many of our families like this way of paying school expenses. If you would like to find out more, just ask at the School Office or make an appointment with our Business Manager, Mrs Paula Connolly.

3. Library News

Borrowing for students has now finished. Students are still very welcome to come in and enjoy our books in their regular break times or before school. We will also have lots of activities over the next few weeks. All books are due back by **Thursday 24th November**. If your child has lost or damaged a book, please pay the reimbursement amount on the invoice sent out to you before the end of the year so that they will be able to borrow at the beginning of next year.

Prep to Year 5 parents; for only \$5.50 you can purchase your children our preferred waterproof library bag from the uniform shop or the school office. You can also purchase it via Flexi Schools through the Uniform Tab. The bag will then be delivered to your child. Get in early as we sometimes run out at the beginning of the year and they will need it to begin borrowing next year.

Sparkles, our Elf on the shelf, has been very busy in the library this week. She is creating lots of excitement amongst the students. She has also started visiting some classes to see the students working very hard.

Scholastic Book Club: Brochures have been distributed to students during the week. All orders are due back by **Tuesday 21st November** to ensure that the books are here before the end of the term. If you are wanting to pick up the books yourself, please make sure you select 'Gift Order' when placing your order on line.

4. From the Kitchen Garden

To help both the children and interested parents, I have begun to place each week's recipes that the children use on the school Facebook page and on the school web site. For those that are not using the Facebook site, this is your guide as to how you access the school web site. Go to: www.burpengass.eq.edu.au, then click on Curriculum, then go to Subjects and Programs and click on Kitchen garden. You will then see the list of recipes that the children have used. Hope this is useful for you. Any queries please don't hesitate to contact me at the school.
Ross Tattersall (Kitchen Garden Teacher)

5. Tuckshop News:

Tuckshop is a cash only facility, No Eftpos available.

Parents please consider volunteering a couple of hours of your time (9-11am) to assist us in the tuckshop, once a week, fortnight, month or term. **We really are in need of assistance.**

Reminder SUSHI Thursday provides students with the option of purchasing sushi \$3.00 each – orders need to be placed on Flexischools by 12 noon Wednesday or limited product available to purchase over the counter on the day.

****New Service available on flexischools – ability to pay any outstanding monies owing to tuckshop, eg Basic lunches provided to students (pink slip) when needed ****

13/11	14/11 Chris	15/11 Shanne	16/11 Laraine	17/11 Andrea
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Until next week,

Brad Fox
Principal

Community Notices

Helping Hands Burpengary: Providing Before, After and Holiday Care. The service provides breakfast and afternoon Tea. **Hours of Operation:** Before School 6.30 to 8.45am; After School 2.30 to 6pm; and/or Vacation Care 6:30am to 6pm. Service Contact Details: Phone: 0458 010 433 Email: burpengary@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au



Come and join in the Christmas Spirit with your families and friends at this year's **Annual 2017 Burpengary Christmas Spectacular** which is being held on **Saturday, the 2nd of December from 3pm, at the Burpengary Community Hall**. You will be amazed and filled with joy, as you and your families experience our exciting Stage Performances and marvel in our Twilight Markets with Roving Musicians, **\$2 Sausage Sizzle** and a variety of food to enjoy. The kids will be jumping with joy over the Free Rides, Animal Farm, Face Painting and Craft Activities to name a few. Your little elves will be dancing for joy with the arrival of the big man himself.....**Mr Santa Clause!** Don't forget to bring your singing voices a picnic blanket and/or chairs so you are able to sit back, relax and enjoy our Christmas Carols and Fantastic Big Fireworks display.

The Burpengary Community ANZAC Memorial Committee extends an invitation to the community to a **Public Commemoration Ceremony** observing the 99th Anniversary of the cessation of hostilities of the Great War, and all armed conflicts, involving servicemen and Servicewomen of the Nation. **Arrival is 10.20am for a 10.30am start, Saturday November 11, 2017.**

The Power of Positive Parenting - Presented by Professor Matt Sanders World-renowned psychologist and author of the Triple P – Positive Parenting Program consults to governments in Australia and internationally. This is a rare chance to hear him speak & take audience questions.

Raising Resilient Children

Thursday 16th November 2017, 7pm - 9pm

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