Welcome to this week’s newsletter. Congratulations this week to Eli who came fourth in the State of Queensland at the Queensland State Judo Championships last weekend. Some of you may remember Eli’s older brother, Jesy, who won the State Title and is now competing at the National Championships at Geelong in June. Congratulations, boys!

How good was the Mothers’ Day Stall this week! There was a brilliant team of parents actively involved to see it through, from ordering way back in January to unpacking and sorting boxes, wrapping, setting up the stall and finally selling!! Thanks go to: Wayne Summersford, Donna Harrowell, Alesha Hadland, Tamara Jones, Sue Slorach, Corinne Simpson, Leisa Burrows, Rachael A’Brook, Michelle Carter, Amanda Boniface, Eloise Watson, Jodie Ewing, Amanda Ransley along with their respective children – Darcy, Tayla, Hannah, Stephanie, Stacey, and Alex. The P&C are looking for donations of sturdy cardboard boxes to store books and Trash & Treasure items until Fete Day. Please bring them to the classrooms where the teachers will keep them for pick-up by our wonderful P&C volunteers!

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Narangba Valley State High School is currently receiving early expressions of interest for enrolment into Year 7 in 2017. The relevant form may be collected from our office at Burpengary SS. This is not a mandatory step, the form does not replace the official enrolment package that will be available from 31 May. It is, however, a process to enable parents to make some early, on-paper contact with the school, registering interest in enrolling. From this early advice they can begin further contact with families via email, notices re newsletters, enrolments, information sessions etc. This early advice will also assist with some early planning for 2017. If you have any questions regarding this expression of interest form or anything at all regarding the enrolment process please contact their enrolments officer, Leanne Neumann, on 3385 4555 Narangba Valley State High School.

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Please keep the Spell-a-thon cards and money finalising and coming back as soon as you can! Our wonderful P&C volunteers are working hard to see the event through to a conclusion as soon as possible. May 11 is the scheduled date for finalising the card and money return. Please note that no students can be considered for major incentive prize draws after this date. Also, regardless of whether any funds were raised or not, all Spell-a-thon cards must be returned to school by May 11, as it is an accountable document.

To other news...

1. Coming up:

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2. P&C NEWS: Spell-a-thon - The Spell-a-thon has been completed for all students last week. Students are asked to now quickly and efficiently collect their sponsorships and return the money to the school as soon as possible. To be eligible for the incentive prizes of: 1st prize $70 for the highest fundraiser; 2nd prize $50, 3rd prize $30, each year level highest fundraiser that did not qualify for a higher prize receives $25; and the whole class raising the highest sponsorship receives a pizza party. A school tuckshop voucher for $5 will be awarded to all students who fundraised $40 or more. To be eligible for the prize draw, all cards and money must be returned to the school office by Wednesday, 11th May 3:30pm (This has been extended to allow for the two long weekends). This is a main fundraiser for the school’s P&C and all money raised will go toward funding the enclosure of our P&C building. It is important to note that all spell-a-thon cards need to be returned to the school to get signed off by your child’s teacher, then
sponsoring can be collected. All cards must then be returned to school, regardless of whether you have fundraised any money or not, as they are accountable documents. It would be appreciated if all money and cards could be finalised and returned to the school office by Wednesday, 11th May.

**Entertainment Book** - Great News!! We are selling the Entertainment Book again this year! For those who don’t know about the Entertainment Book (physical book or digital membership), it is packed full of vouchers for restaurants, attractions, shopping, travel and more - up to 50% off and 2 for 1 offers. With the 5% off Woolworths Wish e-Gift Cards alone, you could easily save the $65 book price of the book over the valid period until 1st June, 2017! You can even purchase a book if you are planning a holiday away to another area/state. New companies on board this year include BCF, Super Cheap & Sandstone Point Hotel. Check out the following web address for more info and if ready to order, please use the second one with our special code. Please share this with your friends and family

3. Library News

We’d like to wish a very Happy Mother’s Day to all the special mums in our community. We hope that you have some time to snuggle up with your children with your favourite children’s book. The Junior classes have been reading mother’s day books during the week and hopefully it has given your children some ideas on how to pamper you on your well deserved day!

Scholastic Australia has published its first ‘Australian Kids and Family’ Reading Report this week. You can read the full report at this link http://www.scholastic.com.au/readingreport

Some of the key findings include:

- More than half of children aged 6–17 (58%) believe reading books for fun is extremely or very important and 60% of kids also say they love reading books for fun or like it a lot.
- Just over one-third of children aged 6–17 (37%) report they are frequent readers, with kids aged 6–8 being the most likely to read 5–7 days a week.
- There are three dynamics that are among the most powerful predictors of reading frequency for children aged 6–17:
  - How often a child is read books aloud
  - A child’s reading enjoyment
  - A child’s knowledge of their reading level
- An overwhelming majority of kids aged 6-17 agree that their favourite books – and the ones they are most likely to finish are the ones they pick out themselves.

How does your family fit into this report? Happy Reading!

4. Tuckshop News:

**Flexischool Tuesday Meal Deal** for Tuesday 10 May is five chicken nuggets, milo milk popper, chocolate chip muffin $5.00. Special thanks to Good Guys Morayfield for their assistance in our purchase of a replacement microwave for the tuckshop.

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Parents please be aware students are recommended NOT to bring $10 or $20 notes to school to purchase over the counter snacks. They are able to order their Tuckshop lunches in the morning with these notes though.

Until next week

Brad Fox
Principal

Community Notices

**Helping Hands Burpengary**: Providing Before-school, After-school and Vacation Care.

**Hours of Operation**: Before School 6.30 to 8.45am
After School 2.30 to 6pm
Vacation Care 6:30am to 6pm

The service provides breakfast and afternoon Tea. Service Contact Details: Phone: 0458 010 433

Email: burpengary@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au

**Burpengary Community Markets** every Saturday morning at Burpengary State School - Summer 6am – midday and Winter 8am to 2.00pm