Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Welcome to this week’s newsletter. Congratulations this week go to Blake (6C) and Paige (6E) who competed strongly and came 28th and 13th respectively in their U/12 age group running in the Regional Cross-Country Carnival this week. Great job, Blake and Paige!

Our annual Track and Field Carnival is being held at Caboolture Sports Complex, Centenary lakes, on Friday 10 June, due to Zammit Oval renovations, again! 800m events commence at 8.00am, and the main carnival starts at 9.00am. Reminder that all Year 4 to 6 students need to be at school by 8.10am in order to leave on buses at 8.20am, to ensure the rest of the day runs smoothly. Dress code is House Colours! Please refer to the information note from last week for more details, and this note is now also available on the school Website for your convenience.

I would like to take this opportunity to be clear to parents that Office phone messages for students during the day need to be emergent messages only, and not just careless messages due to poor organisation. We really value learning time at Burpengary, and it is one of the reasons our students perform so well. When classrooms are being interrupted multiple times during the last hour of the day due to poorly organised families and sometimes trivial reasons it effects everybody else’s time and learning, and in this day and age of the Australian Curriculum, it is often core areas of LOTE, history, science, geography or technology that get affected. Let’s get organised in the morning, and thanks for your attention to this matter.

Mr Mark Ryan, Member for Morayfield and Assistant Minister of State to the Premier, has been a great supporter and a strong advocate for our Burpengary Hall renovation project. In a part of a speech in Parliament this week, he said: “…It is now with some excitement that the school, the P&C and community partners plan the next chapter for Burpengary State School. Since being elected last year, I have been working with the school's principal, Brad Fox, and the P&C, including the P&C’s president, Wayne Summerstord, to plan the upgrade of the undercover area to create an enclosed hall for the school. That is an ambitious project and will need significant funding from multiple funding sources, including a new Treasury loan to the P&C.

In advocating for funding for this project, I would like to thank the Minister for Education and the Treasurer for giving me a good hearing on behalf of the school. It is an outstanding project that will mean a great deal for the Burpengary State School community. To that end, I call on the Queensland government to give thorough consideration to providing funding for this project in the next Queensland state budget.”

This is a strong voice of support. I encourage every Burpengary family to demonstrate our own community support by attending to payment of the 2016 Voluntary Contribution (due last April) into the Community Building Fund. This will help us in our efforts to bridge the funding gap with other grant submission opportunities, who will require specific amounts of money from any other funding sources to be known at the time of submission.

On a similar topic, if any local or family businesses happen to be looking for a tax deductible donation towards the end of the financial year we ask that you might consider our school’s building fund….and any contributions of any size from the business community to add to our School Community Building Fund will get us closer to our goal!

Families or Businesses have this opportunity for a Tax Deductible contribution by paying donations or voluntary contributions before June 30 into:

BSB 014524; ACCOUNT No. 295997732; ACCOUNT NAME Burpengary State School P&C Association Building Fund

I invite all students to participate in a special competition as an important part of our 140th Anniversary celebrations this year. There are two design competitions – one is for our 140th Anniversary Celebration Poster that will appear on the front cover of the program on Fete day, and the second is for a chance to be one of our 12 students whose artwork will appear on packaged Christmas card sets for sale at the Fete. Students, this could be your first start-up business opportunity!! Entry forms are available at the school office, and entries strictly close on July 22, 2016, in order to meet publishing deadlines.

Burbpengary State Secondary College is looking for homestay families to host Junior High school students from Japan. These students will be attending our school daily as part of an Education QLD International Study Tour. The first group will be from the 20th-29th of July and a second group from the 4th-8th of August this year. Note that there is a small payment to host families to assist with added costs. Please contact Alissia Hickson at international@burpengaryssc.eq.edu.au if you are interested in becoming a host family or would like further information. Thank you for your support.

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Reminder that Burpengary State Secondary College will be hosting an Open Evening and College Expo at their campus on Tuesday, June 07, between 4.00pm and 6.00pm. You are invited to explore the fantastic facilities and see what the college has to offer your children. Heads of Department will showcase their curriculum areas, Innovation Programs and extra-curricular activities that are on offer. Enrolment packages will be available for collection on the evening.

To other news…

1. Coming up:

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2. Very important school date claimers for parents: First, on the evening of Tuesday, June 21, 2016, Mr Brett Lee from Internet Education and Safety Services will be running an internet safety session for parents in The Hub in the evening, commencing at 6.30pm. This a MUST SEE session for your family safety.

Second, world renowned educational researchers and corporate coaches, John Edwards and Bill Martin, are working with us in a community consultation for visioning and charting our school’s next four-year Strategic Plan 2017-2020 on the afternoon and evening of Thursday, August 25, and again on the morning of Saturday, August 27. These are MUST BE THERE sessions for our school community!

3. P&C News: The next P&C Meeting will be held on Monday, July 18, commencing at 6.30pm in the Staff Lounge. All welcome. The next Parent-Admin Chat will be held on Wednesday, July 20, commencing at 9.30am in the Staff Lounge. All welcome.

4. The Burpengary area will hosting a visit by a group of Japanese students in a program conducted by AIIU, not related to our local Burpengary schools. The group of students will be here from the 2nd August to the 10th August. We are urgently looking for host families for 16 students and 2 teacher escorts. Host families will be paid a stipend of $30 per night per student for hosting. If you are able to assist by hosting a student or teacher, or would like more information please contact Julie on 0409 618 481 or email Cathy on cathy@aiiu.com.au

5. Book Week date claimer: Aug 20 to Aug 26

The annual Book Week shortlist has been released by CBCA (Children's Book Council of Australia). We are busy organising some great displays, activities and competitions to present this year’s theme which is “Australia! Story Country”. We are also starting to think of our costumes!!

Lots of teachers have given us the title of their favourite book in our library. Children are avidly looking at the display and searching for the book to read. Year 3 students have commenced recommending a book to their class mates each week. We have printed out their recommendations and displayed the corresponding book. Next term I will be recording some brave students and will screen them on the Library TV for all to see.

6. Tuckshop News:

Flexischool Tuesday Meal Deal for Tuesday 7 June is meatball sub, plain milk carton & bag of apple wedges - $5.00.

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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.

 Reminder:- Please ensure your senior sports day canteen orders are returned to the office by Wednesday 8th June

Until next week

Brad Fox
Principal

Community Notices

Parent of students in the instrumental music program have second hand music stands for sale at $10.00 each. Payment can be made at the office and they can then take their receipt to the Strings or Band Teacher to collect one of the stands.

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

The Active Kids Park Sessions are run in local parks throughout the Moreton Bay Region with the aim of introducing children to new sports and activities in a fun and inclusive environment. This free program is suitable for children aged 3 to 12 years who live or go to school in the Moreton Bay Region. For a full schedule of free Active Kids Park Sessions activities and more information visit www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/activekids

School Holiday Activities for Teenagers (SHAFT) provides a range of great sport and recreation activities to engage youth (grades 7-12) during the school holidays. All activities are subsidised by Moreton Bay Regional Council to make them more affordable for students and families. For a full schedule of SHAFT activities and more information visit www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/shaft

Should you require further information, please contact the Healthy Communities Team on 3205 0555 or email recreationprograms@moretonbay.qld.gov.au

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