Welcome to this week's Newsletter.

Arts Festival is here!! As there will be large crowds for the Arts Festival, I ask that we are very careful and considerate community-minded citizens:

- Drive safely in and around the school grounds at night, as there will be plenty of pedestrians.
- Please note that long term Arts Festival parking is inside the school grounds, or streets other than George Street only.
- Take care where we park, as our neighbours should not have to tolerate cars parked up on their footpaths or in driveways. Police will be actively patrolling the site. Please be warned that parking on the footpath grass is an offence carrying a $44 fine.
- Both the Prep Oval and the Junior 2&3 Oval will be parking lots, with a one way entry from Sasha Street, and one way exit to George Street for safety, so please fill these first and make a gold coin donation to the Rocksberg Rural Fire Brigade who will guide you safely to your parking spot. The Jill Street car park will be available for use by stall holder’s vehicles.
- As the school is State Government property, I remind parents there is definitely no smoking anywhere.
- Be safe, patient and smile away the evening to ensure that everybody has a great time!
- The P&C will be hosting a food eatery in the Tuckshop area where families can sit down, take a load off, listen to some background music while they eat a nutritious, low cost dinner between Art spectacles!
- Twilight Markets will add atmosphere to a great event with a Woodford Folk Festival feel!

The hard work by very busy staff and Deputy Principals has shown such a strong commitment to the school and our students to organise this event, so please play your part to make it a truly wonderful community spectacular!

Mr Darren Grimwade announced this week that Burpengary State School is eligible for a further $110,205 in Maintenance Funding for 2014/2015 Financial Year. This is yet another significant amount to help clear a backlog of works dating back several years. We have seen great improvements in classroom spaces with painting and new carpeting of a significant number of blocks.

Parent-Teacher Meetings occur this week as well, and I encourage families to take this great opportunity for dialogue and check-in on your child’s progress while there is plenty of time left in the year to dig in and make a difference to results!

I wish the Year 6 and 7 students well for Tallebudgera Camp School next week. It should be an exciting week of interesting learning in a hands-on, active environment. Families and students are reminded that the same rules and high expectations of students at Burpengary State School apply to students while on camp. I would have no hesitation in returning a student home if the standards were not met. Reminder that students are to arrive at school at 7.00am sharp on Monday morning, dressed in casual camp attire.

The P&C Association is currently looking for new members of the Executive to nominate for positions at the next general meeting, to be held on September 08, 2014. Any volunteers for the 2015 Fete Working Party, please leave your name at the school office, or phone Lyn Roberts (President) on 0408 893 931 for further information. Please note that the next Parent Admin Chat is confirmed for Tuesday, September 09, commencing at 9.30am in the Staff Lounge.

P&C Fundraising Coordinator, Mr Wayne Summersford, organised the Spell-a-thon incentive prizes and certificates for Prep to Year 7 classes this week, and he was available to present these at the Year 3 and 4 Parade on Wednesday. The students’ names are listed below. Two “special mentions” must go to Year 1E who were the Champion Class who earned the most money out of the 40 classes in the school, and to Kaele, who was the Champion Individual Fundraiser in the whole school!! 1E earns a class Pizza Party, and Kaele wins a $130 Coles/Myer Giftcard. Year level winners were: Prep- Bradley; Year 1 – Lily; Year 2 – Abby; Year 3 – Aleisha; Year 4 – Leigh; Year 5 – Kirra-Lee; Year 6 – Macy; Year 7 – Hayden; who all win a $30 Coles/Myer Giftcard.

Our Prep enrolments for 2015 have quickly gone to 97, so families are reminded to get enrolment forms in early and to arrange interviews with a Deputy Principal to avoid disappointment. We have a cap of 150 Prep enrolments for 2015.

Keep a watch on our school these holidays: We need you to look out for after-hours crime at our school. If you do see something suspicious, please don’t attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number –13 17 88 – and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

Enrolments for Year 7 and 8 in 2015 are now open at Narangba Valley State High School. If you wish to apply, you must submit an Expression of Interest form which is available on the school website. An enrolment package will then be

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sent to your address for completion. **Students must be enrolled by the end of Term 3 in order to apply for one of the Academies in 2015.** If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the enrolment officer at Narangba Valley SHS.

**To other news…**

1. **Coming up:**

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Eftpos is available at the Cashier window on the carpark side of the Admin Office each morning from 8.00 to 11.00am. We encourage families to make use of the electronic payment systems we have operational here at Burpengary **(Direct banking, Paying)** so that we minimise the risk of children carrying large sums of money, and you can perform the payment task from the convenience of home. Please note that due to Education Queensland Policy, credit card payments cannot be made over the phone. Please keep in mind that we do not carry change.

2. **Library News:**

   **E-Book Freebies** - If you are looking for online E-Books that you can read with your children or they can read independently, have a look at these sites - [http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/welcome/for-home/reading-owl/reading](http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/welcome/for-home/reading-owl/reading). Free to register and 250 free e-books. Search in age levels, book type, or series. They are also tablet friendly. [http://www.professorgarfield.org/toon_book_reader/index.html](http://www.professorgarfield.org/toon_book_reader/index.html). This site has comics.

   We look forward to seeing lots of littlies at our “Storytime” sessions in the Senior Library at the Arts Festival.

3. **We need your help!!** Each Friday during the month of October from 9.00 to 11.00am, we are in need of a person to assist us in the Tuckshop. If you are available please contact Maree on 3491 0333.

4. **News form the Garden:**

   On Friday 22 August a group of eight children represented the school at **Farm Fantastic** in Caboolture. Kasaleah, Isabelle, Alysha, and Emily from Year 6 and Talitha, Matthew, John and Tobias from Year 7 cooked up a storm for a very appreciative audience. They worked as two teams and made over 100 servings of a Mixed Berry Tartlet and 100 servings of a great chocolate cake. They had an hour on stage and the feedback from the audience was amazing. They couldn’t believe how well all these children worked as a team and how each child took on their tasks with enthusiasm and confidence. I was more than impressed with how the children represented the school. Each child and their families should be very proud of what these children did. Hopefully we will do something similar next year!

**Tuckshop News:** **Tuesday Meal Deal** next week for Flexischool orders only ($4.50) consists of 5 chicken nuggets plus bbq sauce, choc chip muffin, and a small juice popper. New menu item: Fried Rice (gluten free) - $3.60. Please note Tuckshop is a cash only facility – EFTPOS is not available. **Flexischools Online Ordering** – [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au) is the preferred option for ordering. Free to register, quick, easy and convenient.

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Until next week

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

Looking for a Summer sport? Come Play Softball!!! Suncoast Hinterland Softball Association invites interested players to sign-on for the upcoming Summer season. **Sign On & Come Try Day:** Saturday 13th September & Saturday 20th September. **Where:** Mooloolah Multi Sports Complex – 129 Mooloolah Connection Rd, Mooloolah (Brand new facilities). **Who:** Males & Females of all ages & abilities – 5yrs to masters. Contact: Karen on 0422 204 661 or suncoasthinterlandsoftball@gmail.com. Your child may be eligible for the State Govt’s Get Started voucher – valued up to $150. Register ASAP to avoid missing out on this opportunity!! [http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/funding/getintheimage/getstarted.html](http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/funding/getintheimage/getstarted.html)

Deception Bay Football 6 a side Competition at Deception Bay Football Club, Progress Park, 24/52 Old Bay Road, Deception Bay on 7 October to 11 December 2014, $80.00 per player, every player will receive a participation medallion. For further details phone Kim on 0437 637 771 or email deceptionbay.soccer@bigpond.com.

North Lakes Farmers Market, every Sunday - 6.30am – 11.00am at Westfield North Lakes, Rooftop Carpark, Locally grown and made produce, direct from the farm including spray free fruit and vegetables, premium meats, seafood, eggs, honey, milk, yoghurt and cheese Organic, artisan bread and pastries, Zoe’s brownies, gourmet sausages, handmade chocolates, jams & chutneys and much more.

Great chill out area and kids entertainment, live music from 8am.

T21 Motorcycle Run, Saturday 4 October at Old Petrie Town, Dayboro Road, Kuroongbah. 3rd Annual Down Syndrome Awareness Motorcycle Run. Free breakfast from 6.30am courtesy of The Emporium Rock n Roll Milk Bar. Registrations from 7.30am. Ride starts at 9.00am sharp. For further details phone 0409 275 545 or email dea.motorcyclerun@gmail.com.

Group Training Sessions, two trainers, twice the fun! Burpengary Meadows SS (grounds area), Wednesdays Mixed Training Session 4.00pm – 5.00pm, Saturdays Box Fit Training Sessions 6.30am – 7.30am - $10pp per session. *One on One Personal Training also available, text or ph Karen on 0413 286 561 or Renee on 0405 967 307.*


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