

# BURONGA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



WEEK 3, TERM 2, 2011 - WEDNESDAY, 11TH MAY

NAPLAN TESTS. - All students in Years 3 and 5 are involved in NAPLAN testing this week. Students will participate in tests in language conventions, writing, reading and numeracy. These tests give teachers and parents valuable information about student performance and how to assist students in developing their learning at an appropriate level.

MIND YOUR MONEY! - On Wednesday, June 1st, the school will be having a special "Mind Your Money" day. We will have representatives from the Wentworth Community Branch of the Bendigo Bank at school. We will be encouraging students and families to open savings accounts. The P&C will give each student who has or opens an account with the Wentworth Community Bank, \$2 towards their savings. This is on top of the \$5 given by the bank. The first 20 accounts opened will also get a money box.

We will also be having some special maths activities about money between recess and lunch and will have a shared lunch as well.

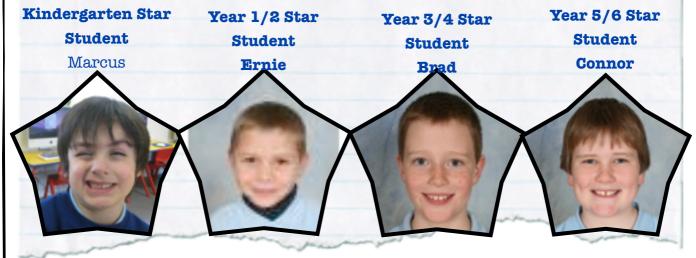
Please come along and open an account for your child, join in some fun activities and have lunch too.

We are also planning a session on financial literacy for Aboriginal parents with the PACE program for the afternoon. More information on this as it comes to hand!

#### WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY AND STEWART HOUSE DAY.

On Friday, 20th May, it is "Walk Safely To School" day. We will have a shared breakfast of cereal juice and toast for \$2.00 per child from 8:30am. We will also be selling Stewie the Dolphin key rings on behalf of Stewart House. These have an LED light in the nose and cost \$2.

Vibe Alive - 16 students from years 5 and 6 will be representing the school at this festival in Bendigo on 25/26 May. They will be busy practicing over the next 2 weeks.



# **IMPORTANT** DATES

VIBE ALIVE - 24-27 May Y5/6 selected students

Circus Arts visit -Monday, 30 May - whole

Monday/Tuesday, June 6/7 - John Joseph - "The Brain Man - most Y4-6 students will be completing this workshop

**MDPSSA /Barrier Cross** Country - Friday, 3rd

P&C - Monday, 6th June,

Tuesday, 7th June -Parent Workshop - John Joseph - Parenting with the Brain in Mind -Coomealla Club - 6:30 -8:00pm. "Some of the best information you will ever get as a parent!"

# COMMUNITY NOTICES



# **Parent & Carers Come And Share Your Stories**

Come and Share your

Stories

Please bring along photos (old and new)

To Photo copy and Laminate

Where:

Dareton Library

ference Room

Senior Citizens Con-

MALLEE FAMILY CARE

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Remember it is also available on the school website.

www.buronga-

p.schools.nsw.edu.au/

# Coomealla **High School**

Invitation to Primary Schools

Tuesday, 17th May

## OPEN NIGHT

For Year 6 Parents & Students

6:30pm

7:00pm Year 7 students 7:30pm Tour of the school



Coomealla High School Silver City Highway DARETON NSW 2717 Ph: 03 5027 4507 Fx: 03 5027 4837

MALLEE 12 2011 SUNDAY 12 JUNE 2011.

Race starts at Old Mildura Homestead at 9:00am There is a special kids' section - 4km, or join in the community

Enter online: www.runningwateradventures.com.au

## WORKING BEE

We have planned to clean out the big shed on Saturday, 4th June, starting at 1:00pm. We will be getting rid of excess equipment and furniture, so if you are helping, you will get first choice! Please indicate on the attached form if you can help.

# **P&C NEWS**

Hi to you all

Would like to thank those people who attended the meeting last Monday night. As we reviewed the quote for the shade to go over our playground area everything is looking good at this time.

We hope that this will start to take place in the next School holidays.

Also we will be having a working bee in the shed on Saturday, 4th June. There will be a note getting sent home about this so please all you dads if you could possibly just call in for a hour on this day to lend a hand that would be appreciated.

P&C will also be donating \$2.00 to every student who opens a bank account with the Wentworth Community Bank and the bank will also put \$5.00 towards new account holders as well. First 20 kids will receive a money box.

We will be sending forms out for this as well, as we will be holding a banking day at the school as advertised on the front page. Children who already have an account will need to just bring their bank books on this day.

Our next Meeting will be on Monday 6th June at 3pm in the School, it will be about the International Food Festival.

Hope to see you there

Deanne Jackson

anking is available at school. Start your child an account today! Please see the office for details. For a veek, students can have bank deposits collected at school! This is a great way to start savir

> Wentworth & District Community Bank Branch Bendigo Bank



# Class News

# Kindergarten

This week in Letterland we have met Annie Apple and Dippy Duck. I am very pleased with the beautiful handwriting most students are producing whilst learning their letters. In Maths we are learning all about 3D shapes, which roll or slide, which have curved or straight edges and naming them. As part of our HSIE unit, Kindergarten will be having a "Guess The Baby" competition. For this I will need a baby photo of each student, plus one as a toddler. These can be photocopied and returned. Keep returning those reader folders, we have had nearly a 100% return all term!

Congratulations to Marcus Talabani, star student for the week.

Thanks, Louise

# YEAR 1/2

It's been another fantastic week in 1/2 with everyone working hard and having fun. We have been working on our new Reading to Learn book – 'Herbert and Harry' by Pamela Allen and have designed amazing islands to hide our secret treasure! In mathematics we have been continuing our counting by 5's and our work on time, calendars and months of the year. Welcome to Miss Wagstaff who has joined 1/2 as a practicum student from La Trobe University. She will be with us for the next 3 weeks. Keep bringing those home readers in everyday, also a reminder that 1/2 students have Library on Mondays and need to bring their green library bag and book in.

**Homework** for 1/2 has started this week! Students record the weather each day and a few word and number questions. This homework is due back on Monday 16th.

Thanks, Olivia Doyle.

#### **YEAR 3/4**

Well done to Year 3 and their efforts in the NAPLAN papers. Make sure you get a good night of sleep and put in another super effort for the last assessment tomorrow!

Last Saturday we resumed our market stall at the Farmer's markets. Thank you to Shenae, Mason, Amy. Lauren, Carey and Patricia who helped out at the stall. It was great to see the students explaining their fish projects and interacting with the public. Special mention to our leading salesman Carey. We managed to make \$25 in selling our school garden produce!

A reminder that all students have a reader log to record their nightly reading. Please pop your reader log into your library bag for checking tomorrow so progress and awards can be organised.

Trent Doyle



Amy and Lauren working at the market

## **YEAR 5/6**

Year 5 are doing the NAPLAN tests this week. They have one more day tomorrow when they will be completing the Numeracy component. Please make sure your children are rested and ready for the last day. If you have any questions about the testing please see me.

# **Movie Special Effects Interest Group**

Interest Groups started last Friday and in the year 5/6 room we are learning how to do movie special effects. Last week we learned how to use a green screen and superimpose a film in to a background. There will hopefully be a film festival later in the term.

Greg

#### LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE GROUP

There has only been L.E.G.s on Monday of this week when Mrs Walker joined us to help with some wonderful diary writing, gardening and computer work. Thank you Mrs Walker. We look forward to you visiting us again.

NAPLAN has been happening in the school this week so all the best of luck to those students in grades three and five that have been involved with the testing.

L.E.G.s will be back next week when we will be making rissoles on Thursday so students in L.E.G.s will not require lunch next Thursday.

A reminder that on Wednesday the  $1^{st}$  of June we will be going on our next full day excursion to the GTS Truck depot and the MRCC Nursery and animal shelter. We will send home a note next week. Mrs Lochhead and Mrs Cock

#### LIBRARY NEWS

Borrowing has been much better this week.
Congratulations to Kinder who were the best borrowers in their very first week!!!
Keep reading for the Premier's Reading
Challenge. Remember there will be a celebration for those children who successfully complete the challenge. Keep bringing those book bags.
Mrs Cock

#### FRIDAY COOKING GROUP

Please remember if your child is doing cooking in interest groups on Friday that they will not require lunch. This week we will be making Spaghetti Bolognaise.

This is for Mrs Cock's cooking group ONLY!
Mrs Cock

## **OUTDOOR ED NEWS**

Outdoor Education this week has been affected by the NAPLAN. Next week children in grades 3/4/5/6 will need solid shoes and hats on Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> of May, (5/6) and Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> of May (3/4).

We will be walking to the Buronga wetlands, meeting Bonnie Pettett and surveying the water creatures to ascertain the health of the wetland. If you are free from 11.45 to 12.45 on those days, come along and help us out. Please keep an eye out for a more detailed note that will be coming home tomorrow. Please sign and return ASAP. Thankyou.

Mrs Hunt will be working with the infant grades on Thursdays this term.

Mrs Lochhead

EISTEDDFOD - Our students are busy starting to rehearse for various items for the eisteddfod. I congratulate all students who have volunteered to participate. I am sure they will enjoy the experience!

# SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Please remember to send a note if your child has been absent from school. There are two blank notes below that you can use.

# **ARRIVING AT SCHOOL ON TIME!**

Please make sure you get your children to school on time. I know that it is hard with it being so dark in the mornings, but it is important that students do not miss any classes.

Also, please ensure that if you know that your child is going to be away, let the school know by ringing or sending a text.

Buronga Public School	SHED WORKING BEE
Absence Note Student Name	YES! I can help at 1:00pm on Saturday 4th June.
	4th June.
My child was absent from school on/2011	I can bring a ute or trailer
Reason –Sick OFamilyOAppointmentOOtherO Details	FAMILY NAME
·	Signed
Signed Parent/Guardian	Parent/Guardian