



BURONGA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WHAT'S ON

Interest Groups will be held every Friday.

If anyone would like to come and help with the Interest group for cooking with kinders on a Friday afternoon.

If you could arrive at 1/4 to 2 and help for an hour, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you to the two lovely mums for helping out at Friday's cooking group.

Upcoming Events for P and C:

Please put these dates in your diary and help out when you can.

16th June: Harvey

Norman BBQ

28th June : "DISCO"

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Principal

Belinda Mirana

Term Two, Week Eight -

Wednesday 13th June 2012



What an exciting week. Last Thursday we had the Brainstorm Production Company here performing "Protectors", a play about Cyberbullying. It was a fantastic play which everyone in K-6 enjoyed. This reminded me about the use of Facebook. Please remember that the Police consider it illegal for children under 13 to be on Facebook. They should not be using it or trying to "friend" teachers. The Education Department have strict guidelines for us as teachers and we are advised not to "friend" students and not to talk about the school in a negative way. I think we do a pretty good job of this and it is hoped that the community support us on positive comments on line too. If you have any issues you would like to discuss, please feel free to come and have a talk to me.

Congratulations to both our Year 6 girls, Courtney and Alley, who have just returned from Sydney after representing the Barrier Region in basketball, netball and soccer. A big thank you also, to their parents, who worked tirelessly to fundraise and get them to Sydney. I had fantastic feedback from the coaches and it was nice to hear you had a great time too. You made us very proud.

Today we had our LEGs lunch, which allowed our LEGs students to showcase skills they have learnt during the term. It was nice to see so many parents and carers up at the school enjoying the lunch with their children too. A big thank you to our LEGs teachers, Mrs Cock and Ms Lochhead, who put a great deal of effort into planning and making our LEGs program so outstanding. I must also apologise to our P&C for having them postpone the hotdog day for another week, thank you for being so understanding and I now have procedures in place to make sure we don't have a mix up again.

Next week is the start of our open days. We have two morning walking tours which will be advertised in the Mildura Midweek and in flyers being sent around to pre-schools in the area. If you know of anyone who has a child ready to start school next year (2013) or is thinking of changing schools, let them know about these tours.

9:30-10:30am Tuesday 19th June and Wednesday 27th June.

Followed by a morning tea put on by the LEGs group.

Please phone the office to make a booking.

Kind Regards

Belinda Mirana

Class News

KINDER

Kinder News

I have not had the pleasure of teaching the class much over the past week due to training and a long weekend. Kristy Dearman took the class on Thursday and Friday and said she had a wonderful time and would love to come back. So well done Kinder on your great behaviour!

In Letterland this week we will meet Noisy Nick and Kicking King and in maths we are looking at symmetry in nature and shapes, which is also closely linked to fractions.

Congratulations to Steven Mitchell, Miss Dearmond picked you as the star student last week.

Thanks,
Louise



Star Student:
Steven Mitchell

Year 2/3

I hope you all had a lovely long weekend having the extra day to sleep in!

Year 2/3 enjoyed the Brainstorm performance last Thursday.

We have produced some terrific writing about the important aspects of the performance.

In my literacy group we are revising initial blends and also focussing on 'br' words. We are investigating and writing about transport.

In mathematics we are learning to instantly recall our two times tables.

Just a reminder that 2/3 have library on Mondays so please bring your library bag on these days.

Most home readers are being returned on a regular basis which is very pleasing.

Have a great week.

Bernadette Hogarth

Year One

This week in Year 1 we have started a new class book called 'Potoroos and Numbats'! It is a factual text all about these two Australian animals. We began by reading about Potoroos and then doing a diagram of a potoroo and labelling its features.

Everyone in the class did a great job of their potoroo drawing. In maths we have been working on length and measuring our desks, bodies and even Mrs Doyle! We have used paddle pop sticks and newspaper strips to measure length. We are about to start a mini unit on the Olympics, as the countdown begins to London 2012.

Thank you so much for all those parents helping their child at home with reading. It's great to see home reading folders coming in everyday!

Also, please remember to pop in before or after school to have a look at your child's work - you are very welcome.



Star Student:
Lleyton Johnson

Year 3/4/5

Our class enjoyed Brainstorm Production's performance of "The Protectors" last Thursday.

Our class completed some follow-up activities on being a "mind reader". Our class looked at reading others emotions from their face and how to adjust their behaviour. Our class also made a "decision alley" where students faced scenarios and classmates tried to persuade students on how to react. The message was to be assertive not aggressive. In maths we have begun focusing on position. We understand the difference in rows and columns and can read co-ordinates.

Thanks,
Trent Doyle



Star Student:
Alyssa Gale

Welcome to Week 8

Over the next three weeks we will be finishing off our Energy RAPS and starting a unit about the history of the Olympic Games. The Olympics begin on the 27 July and we will be studying the events next term.

Welcome back to Alley Olver who has been away at the State Soccer Championships. I know Alley and her team represented their schools well and should be congratulated
Greg

Absence Texting:

Parents and carers are encouraged to text the school mobile number (0457 540 347) if they would like to let the school know that their child is sick or away. If you could state the child's name, how long you think the child will be away and the reason for their absence from school in the text we would greatly appreciate it.

L.E.G.s PROGRAM NEWS

This week in L.E.G.s we have been getting ready for our L.E.G.s lunch today. We are using lots of language to do with cooking and procedural texts with all the recipes. We have been reading and spelling and working on language activities. Our wheat is growing well and we can see the shoots and roots growing. We are expecting most parents to attend. Thank you to those who returned the note as it makes getting prepared much easier.

Mrs Cock and I have been working on the students' reports. It is pleasing to review their work and see the progress the children have made, particularly in reading and writing/spelling. We look forward to talking to parents about their children's progress.

We are planning a walking excursion to the Post Office and Fire Brigade as part of the term theme on "People who help us in the community". We will be going on Wednesday the 20th of June. Any parents who would like to come with us, we will be leaving at 9.30.
Mrs Lochhead and Mrs Cock

OUTDOOR EDUCATION NEWS

Fish are going well in our fantastic aquaponics system. They had a salt bath last Thursday evening to remove any parasites they may have. The plants are looking very healthy and growing exceptionally well. PLEASE come and get the guided tour from your son or daughter as we are keen for everyone in the school community to know all about the system and how it works. We will be harvesting and using the first vegetables from the unit this week.

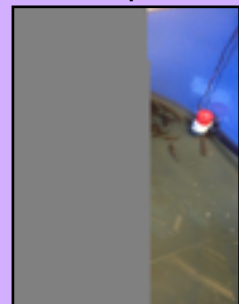
Grade 3/4/5/6 planted and mulched our new bush tucker plants last week. They are settling in well and we should be harvesting bush tucker foods next year.

Remember if you would like some strawberry plants to start your own patch, send a supermarket bag and we will get some for you to plant. Perfect time of the year and you will have strawberries in the spring!

On a sad note, someone in the community has damaged the chook pen over the weekend and let the chooks out. Luckily, as there are every weekend, staff members were in the school and found them before night time when a fox would almost certainly have killed our chooks. I am very disappointed by this and I am warning now, as I did when we got the chooks, that if this were to happen again, the chooks will be taken out of the school for good. If you have any information about who is damaging our chook pen, endangering our chooks and also not showing respect for other equipment in the school, please let us know and the information will be passed on to the police.



**Aquaponics:
Fingerlings in the aquaponics shed.**



P and C Newsletter:

- Apologies for the cancellation of hot dog day today. It will still be held at a later date if you have already payed your money, we will keep it till the next hot dog day, which is still to be decided.
- The date for the Harvey Norman bbq has changed from the 16th to the 23rd June. We are asking for volunteers to please help out, even if it is only for one hour.

Jannine Smith from the Wentworth Bendigo Bank will be coming to the next P & C meeting on Wed 13th June at 6:30pm in the Basement, Jannine will be talking to everyone about how the Community Banking works and about opening new accounts, everyone is welcome and Jannine is more than happy to answer any question you may have on the night, she will also be returning to the school for a morning in term 3 to open new accounts for people, details of that day will be advised later, but please come along to our P&C meeting we love new faces :)

We have only had a couple of notes returned for volunteers for our Harvey Norman BBQ on Sat 23rd June, without the help of volunteers we will not be able to do the BBQ and raise money for our Festival, please return your notes asap just an hour of your time will be great, for anymore info please contact Lauren 0407524455 or Catherine 0427860783 :)

End of term Disco will be on the 28th June 6-8. \$5 entry which includes a drink and packet of chips.

P&C Meeting tonight at 6:30pm. We would love to see you there

FRUIT, FRUIT, FRUIT & !!!!

We are still running Crunch & Sip each day. Please send in donations of fruit and/or money to help us keep this program



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Hot Chocolate:

During this cold weather Hot Chocolate will be on sale at recess on Monday's And Tuesday's

The next children's choice lunch will be from the Buronga Bakery and will be held on the last day of term which is Friday 29th June. A note will go out closer to the date.

Bus travellers must show bus passes to get on the bus.

Dental Staff have completed most of the Dental Checks for students and each child who has had a check should have brought home a note explaining the results. For any children requiring follow up treatment, a further consent form needs to be completed. It is necessary to visit the Dental Van and complete this form and Medical History with Lisa. It is best to call and arrange a suitable appointment time to complete the forms. Please call 0419 990 264. Dental Staff are at the Dental Van every Thursday and Friday and every second Wednesday.

Thanks

Lisa Testa

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PLAYGROUP AT BURONGA PUBLIC SCHOOL:

Playgroup is held every Tuesday between 9.30am and 11.30 am at Buronga Public School in the Big Room. Please bring a healthy snack. Any enquiries contact Lauren

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(0407 524 455)

All welcome

Are your details up to date?

Have you moved or changed phone numbers? Please inform the front office with any changes in your living situation so we can contact you if the need arises.

If your child is absent from school

If your child has to be absent from school for any reason, please tell your child's teacher or send a signed note explaining the reason for the absence within seven days. You may also text the school mobile on 0457540347 and state reason for absence, name and how long away. Thank you.

There is currently headlice within the school.

Could you please check your child's hair. If you find any eggs or live lice, could you please keep the child home and treat the child's hair before sending your child back to school. This prevents other students from getting lice in their hair, and spreading it around the school. To the right is a homemade preventative spray that you can make up at home.

Earn and Learn Stickers:

We are asking the public to collect the Earn and Learn Stickers from Woolworths.

There is a box in the Langtree Ave store so that you can shop and then put the stickers straight in the box. There was also a card sent home that you can put your stickers on and then send to school or drop in the box in Woolworths.