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# Buronga Public School Newsletter Week 6 Term 1 2013

# Principal's News

What a great couple of weeks we have had.

I apologise for not putting out a newsletter last week, this was due to our computers being transferred over to the department server. There is no public holiday next Monday (11<sup>th</sup> March), so the children need to come to school.

I would like to thank our hard working P & C for the fantastic BBQ they put on for our swimming carnival 2 weeks ago. We have another BBQ we are doing for the Murray Darling Swimming Carnival this Friday (8<sup>th</sup> March). If you are able to help please contact our P & C president Lauren Harriss on: 0407524455. It is at the Dareton Pool and it will only be a couple of hours of your time.

I will be taking leave for the last 3 weeks of term  $(25^{th} \text{ March} - 12^{th} \text{ April})$  and Merren Cock will be Principal during this time. I have to take leave as my 4 year old daughter needs a couple of kidney operations and these have to be done in Adelaide. I will be back ready to start next term.

I hope you have great week.

Kind Regards

Belinda Mirana.



#### K/1 News

This fortnight k/1 have welcomed Shane and Tyrell Hudson and also Tyreece Braidley to the class. I hope you can share a great learning journey with us. This week we have begun concentrating on handwriting and how to hold a pencil, accurate pencil control and how to form letters in the correct NSW style. We will look specifically at a different letter each day, this week we are looking at c, a, d, g and g which all go in the same direction. Our fairy tales are The Gingerbread Man and The Princess And the Pea and in maths we are looking at long and short and comparing lengths. We started our museum boxes this week and I would like all students to bring in something special from home, a small inexpensive item which holds fond memories they are able to talk about. Kinder students also began taking home independent readers which should be easy for them. Year 1's read daily in class. Until next week, Louise

### Year 1/2 News

We have had a great couple of weeks in 1/2 with the Circus Challenge and Planetarium massive highlights! In English we have been working with our class text, Hattie and the Fox. We have made and cut up sentences and worked together to read sections of text. We will now be starting our new class book 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle. In maths we have been learning how to read the time on different clocks and have had fun timing ourselves doing different tasks. Home readers have beem coming back everyday-well done everybody!!! If you have any questions please feel free to come in for a chat.

Thanks, Olivia Doyle

#### Year 3/4 Newsletter

Year 3/4 have had a busy couple of weeks! We have enjoyed the visit from Circus Challenge and some children have been busy practising their juggling skills.

As part of our HSIE unit 'Solar System' the children were lucky to have a visit from 'Off this Planet". They were able to participate and share their knowledge that they have learnt so far.

We also had a visit from the Wentworth Football and Netball club where the children participated in a fun clinic. The children enjoyed this.

Cogratulations to Ernie, Matthew, Shanee, Heather, Alesha, and Valie who have all made it to the Murray Darling Swimming Carnival this Friday. Good luck to all the Buronga children at this event.

Thanks parents for supporting the home reading as this is so important. Have a great week Mrs Hogarth

#### Year 5/6 news

This week in 5/6 we have been looking at how to write a 'Persuasive text'. The topic that we have been writing about is our sporting heroes and if we think that they are taken too seriously. This has been a challenge for most of the students to be able to come up with ideas for and against this topic. So far the students have come up with some valid arguments as to why they are taken too seriously and consequences that happen because of this.

In math we have been looking at angles and 2D shapes and quadrilaterals. We have been drawing shapes using our rulers and protractors using specific angles. We have also been practising our times tables on Study Ladder.

Our COGS unit this term is looking at Australian Identity. We have looked at iconic features of our country that identify us to the rest of the world. We will also be looking at our neighbouring countries and looking for reasons and things that make their identity different from our.

Last week we had lots of activities happening. We all enjoyed the Circus Challenge and most students came away with a new circus skill. We also had the Planetarium visit and we all enjoyed looking at the stars in the dome. On Wednesday we participated in a football and netball clinic run by the Wentworth Football Club.

This Friday we have some students from our class participating at the Murray/Darling Swimming carnival. They will be representing Buronga in various races and we wish them the best of luck. Cheers

Leanne Hunt

#### L.E.G.S News:

We have had a great excursion last week. We went to Woolworth's and looked at fruit and vegetables and chose a fruit that we didn't know to try.

We went to Bunnings and painted a piece of artwork and chose a punnet of seedlings to plant in front of the office.

THEN we went to Mrs Cocks block and picked sultana grapes to turn into sultanas on our mini rack.



#### C.H.A.C (Coomealla Health Aboriginal Corporation)

The Optometrist will be at the C.H.A.C on 26th February 2013 between 10am and 4pm.

If anyone wants their eyes checked, just turn up on this day

- no appointment necessary!-

Also your hearing can be tested any day of the week between 10am and 4 pm at C.H.A.C

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#### **ALCHERINGA JUNIOR TENNIS CLUB**

Registration and grading evenings will be held at the Alcheringa tennis courts on Wednesday 13th and 20th March at 5.00 for the winter season.

(at Gol Gol courts, Sturt Hwy.)

Practice hits with your team, each Wednesday thereafter.

Ages 8 to 16 for team events - All abilities catered for.

Competition is run each Saturday morning starting May 4th through to September.

Bring a tennis racquet, drink bottle and hat.

Enquiries to:

Louise Olofsson (ah) 50238843 email: louiseswenolofsson@gmail.com

#### Family Day Care

We have Qualified Family Day Care Educators with vacancies in Gol Gol and Buronga area with before and after school care, kinder travel and school holidays. So if anyone is currently looking for childcare this year or considering childcare to return to the workforce, study or just for your child to have some socialisation with other children. Please contact the Mildura Rural City Council Family Day Care unit on 0350188271 to obtain further information.

# TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2013 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan, and Spain will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at <a href="www.scce.com.au">www.scce.com.au</a>, email <a href="scceaust@scce.com.au</a> or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

#### **BUS PASSES:**

The bus passes have come back and have been handed out today. Please check your kids bags

#### Library:

In library this week the first two students to have borrowed ten books were able to choose a prize from the rewards box. Remember everyone, five books for a sticker and ten for a "lucky dip". Kinder recieved their library bags this week and have borrowed books back to the classroom. They will bring books home next term when they are familiar with, and understand the borrowing and returning routines. Thanks

Merren

Wentworth Junior Football Netball Club Pre
Season Training
Junior Football training
Under 16, 14 & 13 - Wednesday 20
February 4:30pm at Dareton Oval
Under 10 & 12 - Wednesday 20 March 4:30pm at
Dareton Oval

Junior Netball training Under 13 & 15 - Wednesday 20 March 4:30pm at Dareton Oval

All existing and new players welcome.

#### P and C News:

Thanks to everyone that attended yesterday's meeting. It was great to see so many new faces. Our new P and C Committee is:

Lauren Harriss-President Vice President: Vivian Riley Secretary: Amanda Penny Treasurer: Dawn Evans

Fundraising co ordinator: Trudy Tyson

We have a few things happening this month:

The Buronga Bake Hot cross bun drive will be out today with your newsletter, money and orders due back no later than Tuesday the 19th of March, for delivery on Monday the 25th of March 2013.

We will be having an Easter Raffle too so if you could please bring in any donations that would be great. They don't have to be chocolate it can be colouring in books, plush toys, pencils, a basket, anything you like really to do with Easter.

Tickets will be \$1 each and will be drawn at the Easter fun day on March 28th at school. Tickets to be brought back by Wednesday 27th March 2013.

Also any money that you have for the P&C needs to be clearly labelled with child's name, class and what the money is for and placed in the letter box in the room to the left in the office. If you are unsure of where this is please ask Sally and she will direct you to the right spot. This letter box is only for P&C stuff not for your permission slips etc.

Lastly some of you may not be aware that we have certain fundraisers during the year in which the profit goes directly to your child/family. This can be used at a later date for excursions or uniforms. You can use it as you go or save up for the kids when they get higher up in grades. Our next P and C meeting will be held on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April.** 

Thanks Lauren