



13th March 2014
Week 7 Term 1

Principal's News

BURONGA PUBLIC SCHOOL

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER

Congratulations to all the students that represented Buronga Public School at the Murray Darling Swimming Carnival. Good luck to Shanee and Matthew Watson at the PSSA trials in Broken Hill tomorrow too.

Year 5/6 will be running sports and competitions at lunch this year. This has just started and this will assist them in developing their leadership skills. It will also assist our younger students in the playground as well.

I would like to encourage all parents to start checking their child's hair every two weeks. Every time the newsletter comes out, please use this as a reminder to check your child's hair for head lice. Head lice is a natural part of school but we rely on parents/carers to constantly check their child's hair.

Thank you to the parents/carers for signing their children in and out of school when they are late or they need picking up early. Please do not send your child in to school by themselves. You need to sign them in and give us a reason as to why they are late. If your child is away please also send a note or let your child's teacher know why they were away.

As the weather starts to get a bit colder, please make sure you pack a jumper in your child's bag. Even if it is warm in the morning, it may turn cold. If your child does not have a school jumper please come in and get one today.

This week the captains received permission notes for the Mungo National Park trip at the end of the month. We have the captains from our Sister school, Narraweena, also joining us, along with Gol Gol, Wentworth and 3 other Sydney schools. It will be a memorable trip. Please return notes ASAP.

Kind Regards

Belinda Mirana—Principal



The uniform shop is operated through the school office. You may purchase school uniforms at any time, during the school day. We still have school hoodie jackets. They are only \$25 and look fantastic. Come in and get one today!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| <u>Thursday 13th March</u> | • Barrier Swimming Carnival (Broken Hill) |
| <u>Friday 14th March</u> | • Barrier Sport Trials (Broken Hill) |
| <u>26th—28th March</u> | • Yr 6 Mungo Camp |
| <u>Tues 8th April</u> | • Parent Teacher Night |
| <u>Friday 11th April</u> | • Last day of Term (Easter Hat Parade, X-Country, Reward Day) |

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App of the Fortnight

Melbourne Museum Field Guide

Cost: Free

Explore Victoria's unique and diverse wildlife at home or in the great outdoors with Museum Victoria's Field Guide app.

Available for both Apple and Android devices, the app combines detailed animal descriptions with stunning imagery and sounds to provide a valuable reference that can be used in urban, bush and coastal environments.

The app holds descriptions of over 730 species, from animals found in rockpools and minibeasts in your garden, to birds, mammals, lizards and snakes you might see in the bush.

We've put in a lot of species, but it's still a fraction of the complete fauna of Victoria. Our scientists will continue to add additional species and re-



LIBRARY, LEGS & OUTDOOR ED

LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE GROUP

We have been EXTREMELY busy in L.E.G.s. Our first excursion the week before last was fantastic. Everyone enjoyed it and we have been doing LOTS of work around the activities on the day. We visited the RAAF Museum near the Airport and the students displayed excellent behaviour and interest in the displays. The staff commented on their exceptional behaviour. Well done to all students for completing the quiz. Well done to Deakin, Labroun, Jarell and Anton for getting ALL the answers right. Great effort! Then we visited the Mildura Airport where we watched the Virgin jet arrive with Mrs Cock's sister-in-law on board. She waved and we helped her collect her luggage. We also went through the security screen where we saw the X-ray machine and each of us also went through the metal detector.

We then went to Woolworths Supermarket where we purchased a piece of fruit or a vegetable we wanted to try. We have done lots of tasting and describing of the fruits and their tastes and textures over the last couple of weeks. **Well done to everyone for working SO hard!!!**

A reminder that we will be cooking on FRIDAY this year. This week we are making baked potatoes with coleslaw with cabbage from our own gardens. YUM! **LEGs students will not require lunch this Fridays.**

Mrs Niemann and Mrs Cock

OUTDOOR EDUCATION NEWS

We have been very busy in Outdoor Education. In Kinder/1 and 1/2 we have been learning about rainbows, their colours and why we see them. We are even making our own rainbows this week! In the senior grades we have been working on some weeding and cleaning up of the gardens and aquaponics area ready for the replanting and establishment of our system.

We are coming into autumn... time to start thinking about some winter veggies... Planting a vegetable garden is a great way to get the children outside and involved with a healthy and money saving hobby that's good for our environment. Consider making a vegetable garden this autumn!

Ms Niemann

Library

This week the children in Kinder received their Library bags and have borrowed books for the first time. The books and bags are in the classroom and will be changed again this week. It is important that they become familiar with the borrowing procedures this term, and then next term they will be able to take their books and bags home.

I will be registering each student in the school for the Premier's Reading Challenge soon and it would be great to see lots of students taking up the challenge. The basic idea is that children in years K-2 read 30 books from selected titles and Yr 3 upwards read 20 titles. There are literally thousands of titles to choose from and some free choice options as well. More information as it comes to hand.

Thanks Merren



Winter Hockey is looking
for new players.

Would you like to play ?



The Winter Competition is just about to start, so come along and join us.
Sign Up Night is Wednesday, March 19th at 7 pm.
There are games for everyone, from beginners to more advanced players.
There are teams in Under 9, Under 11's, Under 13 Boys, Under 13 Girls, Under 15 Boys and Under 16 Girls, plus many more.
Hockey is played at the Hockey Turf, Eleventh St, Mildura.
If you would like some more information, please contact
Jodie Morvell 0419 835 470 or jmorvell@bigpond.com

See you down there!

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Website of the Fortnight

Splash ABC

<http://splash.abc.net.au/home>

Imagine a website where Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) content has been sourced specifically for its relevance to education, where the rights have been cleared and are free for education use, and where you can search for exactly what you want using filters for year level, learning area and media types. Perhaps most importantly, imagine an ABC website where the education content you have already found is there waiting for you when you revisit the site.



PRINCIPALS CLASS OF THE WEEK



CONGRATULATIONS K/1
ON A FANTASTIC WEEK!



WENTWORTH DISTRICT JUNIOR FOOTBALL / NETBALL CLUB INCORPORATED

Wentworth Junior Netball Club is starting Pre-Season Training for 13/U & 15/U Sunday 2nd March 2014 at the Dareton Oval.

Registration Day will be Sunday the 16th March 2014 at the Dareton Oval for all Football and Netball's from 2.00pm till 5.00pm

11/U Netball, 10/U, 12/U, 13/U & 14/U further information will be available on registration day,

If you have any further enquires please do not hesitate to contact me, Maritta Watson Wentworth Junior Netball Club Coordinator. 0428 210 902. Or Scott Witte Football President on 0419 505 678.

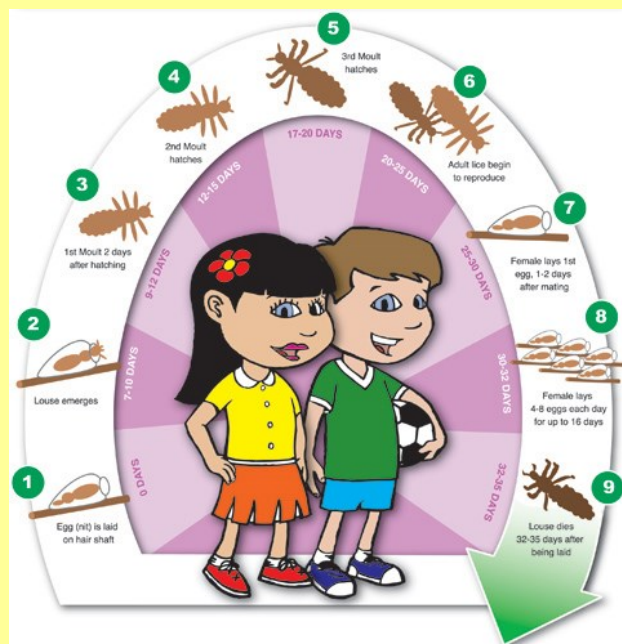


Tonight is Head Lice Check Night

I would like to encourage all families to check their child's head for head lice. Every time the newsletter comes out, I will have a reminder for you to check your child's hair.

You will see a little photo on the front of the newsletter

like this
one:



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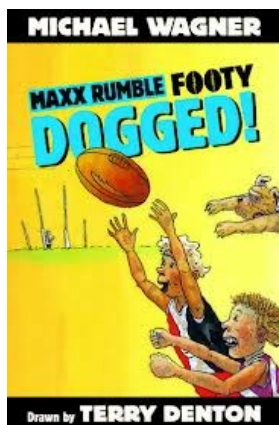
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Book of the Fortnight

Maxx Rumble

Maxx Rumble loves telling sporting stories and he's not afraid to exaggerate just a little to make his stories more exciting and fun. Join him on the footy field as he tackles sumo wrestlers, hailstones the size of watermelons, the most devastating injuries ever experienced by a single player in the one season and a dog!

'This is the **perfect read** for kids who love to get caught up in the excitement of footy fever action!' **Disney Adventures Magazine**



Irish Potato Cakes

Ingredients:

50g plain flour

450g potatoes, cooked and mashed,

1 egg beaten

1 small onion finely diced

S&P

Milk (if mixture is too dry)

Butter or oil for frying.



Method

Put the potato, flour, egg, onion, salt and pepper into a mixing bowl.

Mix well until all ingredients come together; add a little milk, if necessary.

Using a small amount of flour shape into 9 small potato cakes.

Heat oil or butter in a pan and cook the potato cakes until nicely browned on each side.

Cakes can be served immediately or kept overnight in a fridge. Reheat in a hot oven 200°C, for about 15 minutes before serving.

We served this with a sausage and Braised Cabbage.

Braised cabbage

¼ cabbage per 3 people,

1 rasher of bacon diced.

Fry bacon in a little butter, add cabbage and stir. Add pepper, salt to taste and a little water. Stir again and put lid on steam GENTLY for 5 minutes or until cabbage is cooked to your liking

ALCHERINGA JUNIOR TENNIS CLUB

Once again, winter tennis is getting ready to start.

All ages, 8 to 16 welcome. All abilities catered for.

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

Practice sessions each Wednesday afternoon.

Registration and practices will be held at the Alcheringa tennis courts each Wednesday starting at 5.00, from Wednesday 12th March. (at Gol Gol courts, Sturt Hwy.)

Bring a tennis racquet, drink bottle and hat.

Enquiries to: Louise Olofsson (ah) 50248359

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Card games to play at home for maths:

K-6



Crazy Eights

Age: 5+
Number of players: 2-4
Cards: Standard deck of 52 cards

How to play: In a two-player game, each player is dealt seven cards. In a game with three or four players, each player is dealt five cards. The rest of the deck goes facedown in a pile, with the top card turned up beside it. This is the discard pile. The player to the left of the dealer discards a card from his hand that matches either the number or suit of the top card in the discard pile. For example, if the card is a five of hearts, he could play any heart or any five. If he does not have a matching card, he continues picking up cards from the deck until he gets one that is playable. Eights are wild and can be put down on any suit. For example, an eight could be played to match a heart. The next player must match their card to the number or suit that the eight was meant to cover. Play continues with players matching the card at the top of the discard pile. The first player to use up all his cards wins. If the deck runs out before the game is over, the discard pile can be used.



CLASS NEWS

K/1 News.

We have had a few very busy weeks at school. I have learnt lots about everyone's families and their special memories and we are now learning how we greet each other. We are quickly learning our letters and I am very impressed with everyone's progress in reading, and the enthusiasm shown with home readers and homework.

Just a reminder that head lice is going around, if your child has longer hair, please tie it up and check your child's hair regularly.

Finally, I would like to welcome Layla to our class. Layla has come from Wentworth and has settled in very well.

Thanks, Louise

Year 1/2 News

Year 1/2 have been extremely busy in our classroom.

All the children seem to have settled in as the term has progressed!

In Literacy we have been learning about common and proper nouns. We have been using these in our written stories.

During Mathematics this week, we have been working on addition and subtraction.

Thank you to the wonderful children who have been reading their take home readers on a regular basis.

Children who practise reading more, become better readers.

Have a great week

Bernadette Hogarth

Year 3/4

This week we have started to look at the Paralympics. There are some amazing sports and the class have learnt many new things. Don't forget that the class have a project to complete before the end of term. They have to choose a Winter Olympian from any country and create a project on them. If your child has lost the project sheet please get them to ask for a new one.

In maths we have been looking at addition, subtraction and this week we have started looking at multiplication. Please take the time to talk to your children and ask them if they can show you something they have learnt in Maths at school.

The class can also bring "Brain Food" to have on their desks during the day. This includes; carrot slices, grapes and sultanas. Simple "Non messy" HEALTHY food. Something they can munch on during class. This is not compulsory, it is just an idea.

Kind Regards

Mr and Mrs Mirana

News from Buronga Towers

I had a great time learning in Sydney last week at a NSWDEC conference about teaching maths. I spent three days with teachers from Pomona, Wentworth, Gol Gol and Broken Hill learning how to implement the Taking off with Numeracy program.

Year 6 shirts are late due to a delay in the printing. Hopefully they will be available in the next few weeks.

I've had a few questions about homework. I'll try and answer them here. I expect that all children will do some homework each night. I also know that families are busy and don't always have time to complete homework. I have made some homework things that children should already be doing e.g. housework, reading, spelling, playing outside. The task on the grid that are shaded are things that should be done every night if possible. The other tasks are things that can be done once a week if possible.

If you have any questions about homework please contact me here at school.

Have a great week.

Mr Stewart

Spaghetti Lunch next Wednesday 19th March. Look out for the note coming home.

Support Bendigo Bank by bringing in your bank books as they help out our school with donations, you only need a \$1 Application forms can be picked up from the school office.

Hot cross bun fundraiser has gone home. 50% of the profits will go into your family fundraising account to spend on uniforms or school camps, so start selling.

We are still wanting donations for the Easter raffle and Mother's Day. Please just something small and keep your eye out for lucky jar stuff for the festival too.



Primary Schools Swim Meet



Irymple Swimming Pool Thursday 20th

March, 2014 5:00pm Entry is free

For further information, please contact
Clinton Williams 0438 234 807 or

Robyn O'Brien 0438 110 497

You can enter online

www.irympleswimmingclub.com.au

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Student Name: _____ Class: _____

My child was absent from school: Date/s _____

Reason: _____

Signed (Parent/Carer) : _____

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BURONGA/GOL GOL LIONS CLUB

We are inviting community members to join our dynamic Club, to make new friends and support the local community.

The BURONGA/GOL GOL LIONS CLUB supports the local community by providing funds and help for many worthy causes.

Are you interested in volunteering?

**** We meet at the Gol Gol Hotel every 1st and 3rd Wednesday evening at 7.15 pm for dinner & a meeting.**

Please contact: Ken Cornell, [0407257434]

Richard Munro [50248411]

or Tom Modica [50248470]