



27 June 2014  
Term 2 Week 9

## Principal's News

What a busy term we have had.

This last fortnight all students have participated in some great excursions which have brought some amazing smiles to their faces. The year 3-6 students got to participate in an environmental fun day at Gol Gol Public School with the Environmental Education Centre teachers from all over NSW. Students got to learn about leaves, bark, vegetable gardens, how to use binoculars and even got to play with solar cars and pedal power bikes.

K-2 got to see a performance of one of my all time favourite books, "Wombat Stew". The students got to travel to the MAC centre and then went to the park to have a run around before returning home.

Congratulations to Lauren Boundy for making it to the NSW State Cross Country in Sydney next term. I wish her all the best and am sure she will represent the Far West in giving her all.

I would like to thank all the staff for the hard work they have put in this term. We have 14 new reforms happening in Education at the moment and because of this I have had to attend many meetings out of the school. The staff have been fantastic and Mr Stewart has also stepped up into my role and gone above and beyond what is usually required of a Relieving Principal. Thank you all so much.

Today all students got to go to the movies to see "How to Tame Your Dragon 2". Well done to everyone that attend this "FREE" reward day, you have all displayed fantastic behaviour this term...I have also seen many students for great work this term and that really makes me proud.

Today is the last day of term 2. Reports are going home with students today as well. Please take time to read your child's report and talk about it with them.

School returns on Tuesday  
15th July.

Kind Regards

Belinda Mirana

Principal



Environmental Ed Excursion

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### Week 1 Term 3

Tuesday 15th July

First Day Back

#### Week 3 — Education Week

Thursday 31st July

School Science Expo

Friday 1st August

NAIDOC Day

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### App of the Fortnight

## Play Time ABC

Cost: FREE

Play Time by ABC's Play School encourages kids to play with time whilst celebrating Humpty's Birthday. Incorporating the much loved Play School Hickory Dickory Clock, a different fun activity can be played at every hour of Humpty's special day!

The app encourages imagination and creativity through open-ended play, exploratory tasks and engagement with the Play School character's world. There are endless variations of how to approach each activity and there are no rules, scores or timers!



## LIBRARY, LEGS & OUTDOOR ED

### LIBRARY

What a fun term we have had in the Library.

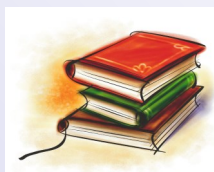
I would like to thank everyone for making me feel so welcome and being so good during Term 2...it has been a pleasure to feel part of Buronga Public School.

I hope to see more of you next term at different times.

Please keep looking for any overdue library books at home, as it would be wonderful to have all the books back by the time Mrs Cock returns next term.

Have a lovely break.

Mrs Gebert



### LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE GROUP

Last week we had a fantastic time  
**LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE GROUP NEWS**

In LEGs this week we have been following up on our excursion to The Mildura Fruit Company, Integrated Recycling and Varapodio Estate. We have jointly written a recount to make into a class book. We are currently working on a fictional story imagining we are an orange, and our journey from the tree to America or Japan in a MFC box! The students are producing some excellent work with great descriptions!

Have a fantastic holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone back happy and rested next term!

Ms Niemann

### OUTDOOR EDUCATION NEWS

In outdoor education/Science this fortnight, K/1 has learning about our senses and last week we looked at our sense of touch. We experimented with how sensitive to touch our elbows, backs, hands and faces were... They are quite different! Grade 1/2 are looking at predators and prey - things that eat other animals.... Grade 3/4 have been continuing their work looking at plants. We researched some crazy facts about plants on the internet and learned about families of plants, (like the family **Solanaceae** - tomatoes, capsicums, eggplants and potatoes or **Camiellias** - one of which we get tea from!) and how we use them. 5/6 have continued with the anatomy unit and last week we looked more closely at the liver and how the organ produces bile, stores vitamins, minerals and glycogen and helps to clean our blood! Please talk to you children about what they are learning about at school as it helps to reinforce the concepts we are working on.

A HUGE thankyou to Melissa from Bunnings who came out to the school on Tuesday - yes it was cold- and helped us plant up our vegetable gardens with some fantastic winter veggies! Watch them grow over the next few weeks...

**Have a great holiday!!! Plant something!!!**

Ms Niemann

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### Website of the Fortnight

#### Pottermore

<https://www.pottermore.com/>

Experience the Harry Potter stories like never before with Pottermore.com from J.K. Rowling. Learn more about the wizarding world as you discover [exclusive new writing](#) from the author herself. Explore [key scenes](#) from Harry's journey and begin your own. Experience it all for free. [Sign up](#) to begin.

**POTTERMORE**  
by J.K. Rowling



## P & C NEWS

Thanks to Bendigo Bank grant of \$5000 for the softfall we hope to start over the holidays and we will be having a working bee, just waiting to confer the date. A message will be sent via the school texting system, once the date is organised. There will be sausage in bread provided for lunch on the day.



When we get back to school we only have 15 weeks to festival, so get making those lucky jars please. A helping note went home this week, if you could please fill out ASAP it's only a few hours and great fun.

The next P & C meeting was for today but we had to cancel it, sorry

- The next meeting will be Friday 18th July 1.30pm -3pm

### P & C Facebook Page

We now have a Facebook reminder page, please join it "BURONGA Public School Parents reminders".



1/2 with the wheat they  
have grown





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### Book of the Fortnight

#### ***Wombat Stew***

By Marcia Kay Vaughan

When Dingo catches a fat wombat he decides to make him into a stew for his lunch. To save Wombat from the stewpot the other animals make sure that Dingo's stew turns out to be very nasty before Wombat is added to the pot.



**chances** dare to dream

**Is your child interested in playing sport?**

**Maybe they would like to learn an instrument?**

**Or have a go at Guides or Scouts?**

*Are you worried your family budget won't stretch that far?*

*If you have a health care card then you may be eligible.*

The Chances **Connecting Kids with Community Fund** provides funding to eligible applicants so that kids can 'have a go' at an after school activity. Please contact Lesley Cordoma on 5021 4789 for more information.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We, the Missionaries of Charity sisters are starting classes for Baptism, 1st communion, confirmation and Reconciliation.

If you wish your child/children to receive these sacraments, please contact the sisters on Tel: 50274684 (Sister Shin Lei).



### **Too sick for school?**

As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It's often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety's sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice.

School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser [www.bit.ly/1hytn2E](http://www.bit.ly/1hytn2E)

We also have this chart available at the front office.



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## CLASS NEWS

### K/1 News

Every-one, from Kinder through to Year 2 had a great time at the Arts Centre, when we went to see Wombat Stew. All children were encouraged to join in with dancing and singing and the show was excellent. Luckily the weather held out for a play in the park after. Well done to every-one for their fantastic behaviour both at the performance and the park.

This Friday is our rewards day, please make sure your child is on time as we will be leaving at 9.30. Also, reports will go home on Friday, if you have any questions or concerns please come and see me early next term. Hope you all have a relaxing break and see you next term.

Louise

### 1/2

Year 1/2 have had another busy couple of weeks in our classroom.

During mathematics we have been busy graphing the measurement and comparing growth of our wheat. They certainly have grown a substantial amount. These will be coming home at the end of the week.

In Literacy we have been concentrating on improving the quality of our writing and making sure that we re-read our work so that it makes sense. I am very happy with the improvement of all the children in their reading and their efforts with home reading this semester.

Last Friday the children had a wonderful shared experience in watching the performance 'Wombat Stew'. The children have written some excellent recounts of the day. Please discuss the experience with your child.

We have also had a visit from Bunnings who spent time with the class planting up the 1/2 garden bed. We will be eager to look after and watch the changes that take place in this area!

This Friday we are having reward day. Please make sure all students return their reward day note.

Have a safe holiday break. Relax and enjoy!

Regards

Bernadette Hogarth

### Card games to play at home for maths:

#### Addition Snap K—2

Players divide the cards evenly between themselves. At the same time each player turns over one card. Players add the two numbers together as quickly as possible and say the answer out loud. The player who says the correct answer first keeps the two cards. Play continues until one player collects all the cards.

#### Addition Snap 3-6

Players divide the cards evenly between themselves. At the same time each player turns over two cards to make two 2-digit numbers. Players add the numbers together as quickly as possible and say the answer out loud. The player who says the correct answer first keeps the cards. Play continues until one player collects all the cards.



### 3/4

We have had a great fortnight learning about mass, area and 3D shapes in maths.

We have been using some great story writing websites including one of our favorites "Storyit".

Everyone has worked hard this term and learnt so much about Mungo National Park, its traditional owners and surrounding Mega Fauna.

Have a great break and we look forward to seeing you next term.

Mr and Mrs Mirana

### News from Buronga Towers

The end of the term is here. Have a great break. Term 2 was jam packed with Grip Leadership, Cross Country, Rugby, AFL and Soccer clinics. Next term will be just as jam packed I'm sure. Canberra notes will be handed out next term as the itinerary is still being finalised.

In class we have been following up the grip leadership activities. At the moment we are learning about being a leadership superhero.

Have a great break, see you next term.

Mr Stewart

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The uniform shop is  
operated through  
the school office.

You may purchase  
school uniforms at  
any time, during the  
school day.

Could parents  
and carers  
please let the  
office know if  
your details or  
phone numbers  
or home  
address has  
changed in any  
way, so that we  
have an up to  
date record on  
your child. It is  
very important.



**WHAT:** A great week of fun and adventure

**WHO:** All primary school children

**COST:** It's free

**WHERE:** Mildura Baptist Church, 254 Deakin Avenue

**WHEN:** July 7-11, 2014, 9am to 12noon (rego opens 8.30am)

**EXTRAS:** Morning tea will be provided each day  
(please notify us of any dietary requirements)

**HOW:** Call our registrar Ian on 0424 605 284  
or go online to [www.mildurabaptist.org](http://www.mildurabaptist.org)

**RSVP:** Registration closes June 30, 8pm



**IMPORTANT:** Children must be signed in and out by a registered adult everyday.  
General enquiries: Program director - Kelli Jackson [kelli.jackson@y7mail.com](mailto:kelli.jackson@y7mail.com)



## Buronga Public School

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

My child was absent from school: Date/s \_\_\_\_\_

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signed (Parent/Carer) : \_\_\_\_\_

Cut here \_\_\_\_\_

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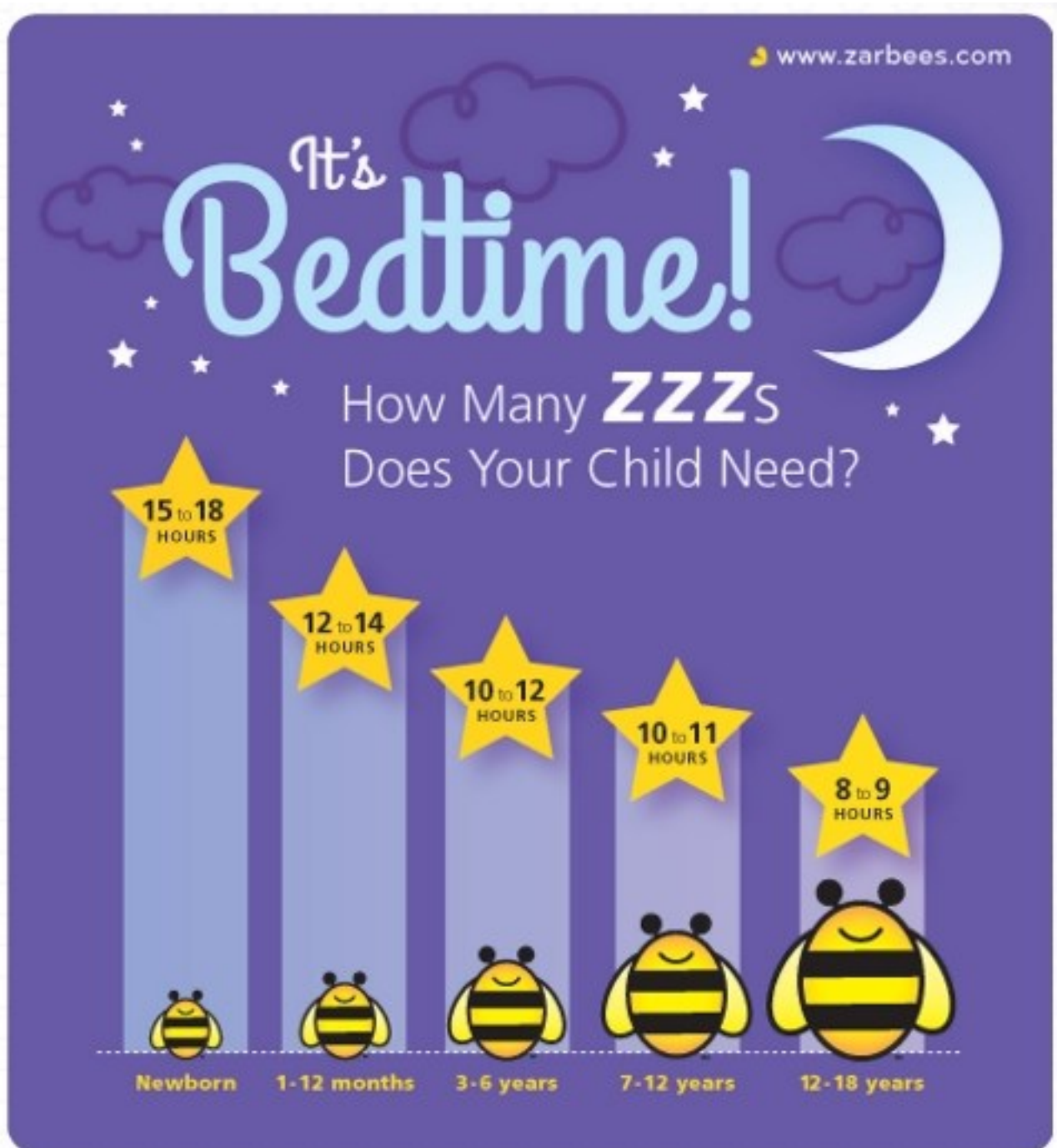
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Signed (Parent/Carer) : \_\_\_\_\_





It is important your child gets enough sleep **every night.**

Please have a read of the above information and make sure they get enough sleep so they are ready for school each day.





