

**Principal's News** 

It has been a very busy past couple of weeks. So much so I haven't been able to get a newsletter out for three weeks.

In week 3 we had NAIDOC day and thanks to Nello it was fantastic. I would like to thank all the parents, carers and students for a wonderful day.

Just last week Mr Stewart and I escorted our Captains to Sydney to visit our sister school at Narraweena. It was a busy week but one which I'm sure the captains will remember for a long time...and one which I'm sure Mr Stewart will need a big sleep.

I was also lucky enough to speak at the LEAP (Leading Educators Around The Planet) conference in Sydney last week. I spoke about our sister school partnership and the Mungo Youth Project which our captains took part in earlier this year.

It was great to hear what a fantastic day the Year 5 students had at Coomealla High last Thursday to help celebrate NAIDOC day. Thank you all for being so well behaved.

This week I am travelling to Broken Hill for the term's Principal meeting. This happens every week 5 of each term but I will only be out of school for Thursday and Friday.

Please keep in mind that there will be a few expenses this term. We have school photos on Thursday 28th August and swimming lessons in Week 8 and 9 (Mon 1st September to Friday 12th September) and lots of fundraisers for the P & C. Keep your eyes open for the notes and return money ASAP.

Today the students who qualified for the district Athletics carnival represented our school at the Aero Ovals in Mildura. I would like to thank them for their exceptional behaviour and know they did our school proud. The Barrier Athletics carnival will be held at the Aero Ovals in Mildura on Friday 29th August,if your child has qualified for this they will get a permission note in the coming week.

Left to Right: Jeff McMullen (Journalist),

Narraweena PS) at the LEAP (Leading

Educators Around the Planet) conference in Sydney last week.

Tomorrow we will be presenting the Athletics ribbons from our school carnival at our morning assembly. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Have a fantastic fortnight.

**Kind Regards** 

Myself and Andrew Williamson (Principal

Belinda Mirana

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday 14th July
<u>Week 6</u>
Friday 22nd August
<u>Week 7</u>
Wednesday 27th August
Thursday 28th August
Friday 29th August

District Athletics Carnival Book Week Parade Casual Dress Day School Photos **Barrier Athletics Carnival** P & C School Disco 6:30-8:30pm

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App of the Fortnight

## SCRIBBLE PRESS

COST= \$4.99 This is such a fun app:)

Scribble Press for iPad is a free book creation platform that allows pupils to imagine, create and share their own stories with great drawing and writing tools. Download your books instantly to your iBooks library!

Scribble Press for iPad makes it easy to create an ebook – either write your own or use one of over 50 story templates. From serious to seriously fun, you can make a book about any topic and instantly publish to the gallery or share with friends anywhere in the world.



## LIBRARY, LEGS & OUTDOOR ED

## OUTDOOR EDUCATION

In Outdoor Education/Science this week, K/1 and 1/have set some eggs in the incubator. We will be hatching some chickens here at school and looking at the way the baby chick grows inside the egg and after it hatches. Grade 3/4 will be looking at how everyday products are produced and how we use the Earth's resources to make the things we need. This week we will be looking at steel, the raw materials it is made from and where we get them and the processes it goes through to be made into steel. 5/6will conclude their unit on anatomy with a dissection of a wild rabbit, to help understand where all the organs are situated and how they interact to keep us alive.

Our vegetable gardens are growing well and we will have some lovely veggies a bit later in the term!

Ms Niemann

## LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE GROUP NEWS

It has been a busy fortnight in LEGs. Well done to everyone on their fantastic efforts at the Athletics Carnival. It was a lovely day and Kookaburras and Magpies ALL did an awesome job! Congratulations Magpies!

In LEGs this week we have been working on some imaginative writing, a made up story about an adventure. We will be publishing these on the computer and putting them in our portfolios.

Last Friday, we made some delicious mini quiches and the week before some fantastic Minestrone soup! The students REALLY enjoyed it! The recipe is included in this newsletter.

We will be cooking cheesy corn toasties and pumpkin soup on Friday the 15th of August. Students in L.E.G.s will not require lunch on Friday.

Ms Niemann and Mrs Cock

## Library

Over the last few library lessons each class has been looking at age appropriate books from the nominees for the Children's Book Council Awards. As usual there is a vast range of books that have been nominated. If you would like to see the full list of nominees go to the website and check them out. OR come into the library and see them on our shelves.

We will be holding a book day next Friday, August 22, with a parade at 9 00 in the Assembly Room, then following Assembly we will break into groups and teachers will share a book and an activity with the students.

In the past we have enjoyed a shared lunch as a whole school as part of our celebrations. Each family is asked to bring a plate to share. For ease of organization 5/6 are asked to bring Sandwiches, 3/4 cakes and biscuits, 1/2 party pies etc and k/1 fruit.

If you have more than one child please just choose which shared platter works best for you.

A reminder please that costumes should not be purchased specially, just dress up as your favourite story book character using something out of the cupboards!

Come along and join in the fun next Friday,

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#### Website of the Fortnight

#### **Wonderopolis**

http://wonderopolis.org/

Wonderopolis is a fantastic website. Discover a new wonder each day. Wonders are amazing facts and intriguing questions such as: Why are they called Lava Lamps? What Badger has a sweet tooth? There are lots of new and interesting facts each day.



P & C NEWS

Thank you to the Barden and Wittwer/Noble families for their plant donations.

Pie orders due on the  $18^{\rm th}$  August 2014…thank you to everyone who has been selling them.

Disco on Friday  $29^{\text{th}}$  August 6:30 - 8:30pm. We have instant photos on the night for \$2 each with heaps of dress ups and Erin will be putting hair feathers in on the night for \$1 each...we will have extra chips/drinks/choc for sale as well. \$5 will get your child in on the night and they will each get a fruit box and small chips.

Still need more festival helpers please...even though it is still a while away, we would like to get an idea if you are able to help on the day. We are so lucky at Buronga as we don't pay school fees, all we ask is you help out at festival time, even in the lead up to it, if you are unable to help on the day.

Rubber softfall is finished and it looks fantastic, come in and have a look.

Father's Day raffle books went home this week, we have some Awesome prizes.

We are running a chalk and parents toy order form, every order gives the school and play group gifts.

Come and have a look at the garden it's looking great.

Festival raffle books are getting printed soon, with 30 prizes, so they should be easy to sell.

Our next meeting is Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm, everyone invited.

Have a fantastic fortnight.

Trudy Tyson (P & C President)

## P & C Facebook Page

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



Captains at the YHA (where we stayed) at "The Rocks" Sydney.

Captains visiting Channel 7 "Sunrise".





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#### Book of the Fortnight

## **Rules of Summer** By Shaun Tan

RULES OF SUMMER, is a deceptively simple story about two boys, one older and one younger, and the kind of 'rules' that might govern any relationship between close friends or siblings. Rules that are often so strange or arbitrary, they seem impossible to understand from the outside. Yet through each exquisite illustration of this nearly wordless narrative, we can enjoy wandering around an emotional landscape that is oddly familiar to us all.

It has been shortlisted in the Book of the Year awards.



## **Minestrone Soup**

3 bacon rashers, rind removed, roughly chopped

2 carrots, peeled, chopped

2 celery sticks, chopped

I desiree potato, peeled, chopped

2 garlic cloves, crushed

IL (4 cups) beef stock

I 300g can red kidney beans, rinsed, drained

21 425g can rich and thick finely chopped tomatoes 240g (1/2 cup) 3-minute pasta

Salt & freshly ground black pepper

21/3 cup chopped fresh continental parsley

Method

Step 12Place the bacon, carrots, celery, potato and garlic in a large saucepan and stir to combine. Cook over high heat, uncovered, stirring often, for 5 minutes.

Step 22Add the beef stock, red kidney beans and tomatoes to the pan, cover and bring to the boil. Reduce heat to medium-low. Simmer, covered, stirring occasionally, for 30 minutes or until the vegetables are tender. (To freeze the soup, see note).

Step 32Increase heat to high. Add pasta and cook, uncovered, stirring occasionally, for 3 minutes or until pasta is al dente. Season with salt and pepper. Ladle into serving bowls and sprinkle



## 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

We also have this chart available at the front office.





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## Card games to play at home for maths:

## Make 20 K-2

Players are given 4 cards each. Using any or all of the four operations (-, +, ÷, ×) the player tries to make a total of 20. If they score 20 then they get a point. Play continues for ten rounds. The winner is the player with the most points from 10 rounds.

## Make 20 3-6

Players are given 4 cards each. Using any four operations (-, +, ÷, ×) the player tries to make a total of 20. If the player makes exactly 20 they score 10 bonus points for making 20 plus their score of 20 (30 altogether). Play continues until 200 is reached.



## K/1 News

CLASS NEWS

Well done to all students in K/1 for the past few weeks. There have been lots of disruptions due to extracurricular activities and teacher training, which has resulted in different teachers and unexpected happenings. All students have worked to the best of their ability and have continued to display behaviour in level C and D. Unfortunately, disruptions will continue throughout the term as I will be away with L3 training this week. We are busy preparing a piece of art for the Wentworth Show and then in weeks 8 and 9 we have intensive swimming for two weeks. All children are expected to participate in swimming as it is part of the curriculum. On top of everything else we are continuing to improve in reading and writing daily and this week we are looking at breaking objects and groups into quarters. It is excellent to see so many reader folders coming in on a regular basis.

Keep it up. Thanks, Louise

## <u>3/4</u>

This week we are looking at 3D shapes and how to make, sketch and compare them.

We are continuing our work on Inland Explorers and I am sure everyone has started their home project by now.

In music we are continuing to study the song "Paint me a Song", which we will be singing in Term 4, along with thousands of other students in Australia. This week we looked at body percussion, while signing it.

body percussion, while sight

Have a great fortnight.

Mr and Mrs Mirana

## 1/2 Newsletter

Well, we have had a busy few weeks. In Literacy we are working on continuing to use our spelling words in our writing. We are being encouraged to independently re-read our work for meaning and correct punctuation.

In Mathematics we have been focusing on addition and subtraction strategies. Children have been working on developing a range of strategies and recording methods for addition and subtraction.

If you have some dice at home, your child would love to show you how to play some addition and subtraction games they have learnt.

Good luck to all those who participated in the PSSA Athletics Carnival today. Swimming notes went out this week. Please make sure you have these returned as it is an important part of your child's learning.

Have a great week.

## Regards

Bernadette Hogarth

## News from Buronga Towers

Have a great week

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.

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Don't forget this weekend is head lice check weekend:)

Kids Helpline is a service of BoysTown.

## Buronga Public School

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## Photo envelopes will be going home soon. This is just a sample so you can see the cost and get money ready for the 28th August.



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**Contains Activity Page** 

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Boy or Girl