



Bribie Island State School

NEWSLETTER Term 4 Thursday 12th December 2013



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR 2013 YEAR 7 GRADUATING STUDENTS

TUCKSHOP

CLOSED

FRIDAY 13TH

DECEMBER

LION'S SASAUGE

SIZZLE AT FIRST

BREAK

Diary Dates:

Semester 2 Term 4
2013

DECEMBER

13 Tuckshop Closed
13 Last day of Term
25 Christmas Day
26 Boxing day

Semester 1 Term 1
2014

JANUARY

23 Staff Professional Development Day
24 Staff Professional Development Day
26 Australia Day
27 Public holiday
28 School resumes

School office
will be open on
22nd, 23rd &
24th January
2014
from
8:30am-3.30pm.

Student Absence Line: 3400 2366 EVERYDAY COUNTS



From The Principal's Pentium



Welcome

I sit before my computer typing my message for our last newsletter in 2013 with great satisfaction. Through-out this year our school staff and volunteers have worked tirelessly to provide the students of Bribie Island State School the greatest opportunities to grow and improve. School data sources attest to the successful improvement agenda radiating through our school. However it is not just the data which highlights our improvement. Importantly it is the culture which we are developing. Members of our school have always been proud of our school and now we openly, publicly and explicitly celebrate the on-going successes of the students. Students are wearing their uniforms with pride and great honour in so many school and community forums and events. This was highlighted with a very successful swimming carnival last Friday.

2014

2014 looks like being jammed full of exciting opportunities for the students of Bribie Island State School. As well as our unrelenting focus on core curriculum we are part of the regional Success School program in Semester One. This program will see us having an even higher focus on reading. Particularly we will be explicitly consolidating work in modelled, shared, guided and independent reading. As well we will in the course of 2014 offer over 39 different enrichment opportunities for students.

Year 6/7 – 2014

Over recent weeks I have been sharing information around the structure of the school's Year Six and Seven classes. We continue to have solid enrolment growth and I wish to confirm we will be setting up **six classes** for our Year Six/Seven multi-age group in 2014. We will still be delivering the curriculum in a KLA (Key Learning Area) approach, similar to the secondary model.

2014 Enrolments and Classes

We still have plenty of space for enrolments in 2014. Particularly we wish to ensure no prep students miss out. Please pass the word around your families and community. We are predicting in excess of 685 students in 2014.

Class lists will be available and on display at school from 22nd January 2014.

Please be reminded that all class structures are temporary until the final staffing allocation from the Department is provided. This occurs on day eight of 2014. Following is our interim teacher class allocations for 2014.

Prep 1	Mrs Donovan	4A	Mrs Pakuzza	Guidance Officer	Mr Perry
Prep 2	Mrs Barrett	4B	Mrs Francis	PE	Mr Waugh
Prep 3	Mrs Canning	4C	Mrs Marshall	Music	Mrs Woodham
Prep 4	Ms Torr	5A	Mr Newton	LOTE	Mrs Lee
1A	Mrs Warren	5B	Mr Brown	HOSES	Dr. Ward
1B	Ms Butt	5C	Mrs Archer-Scott	SWD	Mrs Reeves
1C	Mrs Coutts / Mrs Anici	S1 (6/7)	Mrs Herring	SWD	Mrs Brown
1/2A	Mrs Thomas	S2 (6/7)	Mrs Griffiths	SWD/NCT	Mr Nicholson
2A	Ms Pearce	S3 (6/7)	Mrs Hayward	STLaN	Mrs Lutton
2B	Ms Spicer	S4 (6/7)	Mrs Brown	STLaN	Mrs Gulwell
2C	Ms Bosch	S5 (6/7)	Mr Turk	Success Coach	Mrs Roebuck
3A	Mrs O'Mara	S6 (6/7)	Mrs Ferguson	Instrumental	Mrs Peters
3B	Mrs Stuart / Mr Roebuck			Deputy	Mr Smith
3C	Mrs Owtrim / Mr Roebuck			Principal	Mr Pickering
3/4A	Ms Coker				

Farewells

We have a number of staff moving on at the end of the year. We wish them all the best and thank them for their various roles and commitment to the school and the students. Farewell: Mrs Deb Parry (retiring), Mr David Lawton (promotion), Mr Paul Tonner (end of contract), Mr Jon Opie (promotion), Mrs Fiona Bell (transfer) and Ms Amy O'Keefe (transfer).

Welcomes

Nadene Warren, Ben Newton, Robyn Brown, Stephen Nicholson and Belinda Gulwell. I am sure all at Bribie will support your smooth transition into the "Bribie Way".

Some Changes for 2014

School Assembly will be held every second Thursday from 2:15pm. (We were moving to Thursdays – so we can best deliver our Enrichment program each Wednesday afternoon).

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End of Year 2013 and Start of 2014

The last day of school for 2013 is Friday 13th December.

Our office will be open from Wednesday 22nd January 2014.

Staff will be undertaking professional development, training and preparation from Tuesday 21st to Friday 24th January.

Monday 27th January is the Australia Day Public holiday.

School for students commences on Tuesday 28th January.

School Safety—Keep a watch over our school these holidays

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school.

If you see anything suspicious, please remember to call the School Watch number 13 17 88.

If you do see something suspicious, please don't attempt to intervene. Let's work together to help create a safer school community. Want to know more about the School Watch, call Education Queensland's School Security Section on (07) 3237 0874.

I hope everyone has a safe and relaxing Christmas break and return reinvigorated for what promises to be an exciting 2014.



Paul Pickering
Principal

From the Deputy's Desk

Wow! I can't believe we are reaching the end of the 2013 school year. There are many great memories of this past year that I will remember. In particular, working with a truly professional staff that all deserve the utmost respect for their continual effort to provide a great education for all our students. On a daily basis I see staff go out of their way to make sure they get the best for the children under their care.

We have also had a number of great events over the year that our community have participated in. Just last night we had an amazing graduation ceremony for our year 7 students with over 300 guests and today our Spirit of Bribie and Courage, Growth and Achievement Awards. Last week the year 4-7s were down at the Aquatic Centre for the Swimming Carnival and their behaviour was outstanding. Go Lorikeets!

Prep 2014

It is never too late to enrol for Prep 2014.

If your child is born between July 1st 2008 – June 31st 2009, enrol for 2014.

Bribie Island State School is a great school with numerous opportunities for your child to grow and achieve as they complete their primary education. If you need more information regarding our school and the Prep year please call Mrs. Menzies on 3400 2333 and arrange an appointment to enrol.

It is with a mix of sadness and excitement that I leave Bribie and move on to a Deputy Principal role at Taabinga State School in Kingaroy. It will be extremely hard leaving Bribie having formed a number of strong friendships within the Bribie community and relationships with families and students. Bribie Island State School is a great school with a fantastic community spirit and an amazing group of teachers.

Remember to Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be an Active Learner!

Have a great holidays, spending time with family and all the best for 2014.

Yours in Education

David Lawton
A/ Deputy Principal



MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO ALL OUR FAMILIES
HERE AT

BRIBIE ISLAND STATE SCHOOL
From all the Bribie Island State School staff



P&C Association

Hello everyone,

Well here we are at the end of another busy year & I'm sure everyone is looking forward to the holidays.

FUNDRAISING

There was lots of fun had by students, teachers, staff & P&C volunteers at the Christmas Disco held on the 28th Nov. It was great to see so many student enjoying themselves. We raised over \$3000 on the night.

The Christmas Stall was a great success. We would like to thank everyone that purchased items from the stall. With your support we manage to raise approximately \$1000.

Thank you to our Fundraising Co-ordinator, Christine Waller as you have once again done a fantastic job planning, sourcing & running these events.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that all money raised by the P&C from all our stalls, raffles, disco's etc go back to the school to support our students & their education. So remember by supporting the P&C you are supporting the students of our wonderful school.

STUDENT BANKING

School Banking is growing every week, with lots of students saving their money. We would like to acknowledge the Commonwealth Bank as they donate a percentage of money banked back to the P&C to support our school. We are in need of volunteers for banking co-ordinators to assist in processing the banking - the more the merrier. If you are interested in helping out please call into the Parent Room or phone us on 3408 2308. We would like to thank Kylie McDonnell for her contribution over the past years and wish her well in her new job.

HELPERS FOR 2014

We are looking for helpers in the new year, many hands make light work. There are many events through the year such as Disco's, Stalls etc and we will welcome any help that you may be able to offer. We would love to add some new fun items to our schedule next year like Bingo & Trivia nights as an example. So if you have any experience, have some spare time on your hands or would like to be involved please come see us in the Parent Room or phone us on 3400 2308.

UNIFORM SHOP

Just a reminder that we will be open the week before school starts back.

Monday 20th - Friday 24th Jan. 9:00am till 3:00pm every day.

The P&C would like to wish all our students, parents & staff a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year. We hope you enjoy the holidays & will see you next year.

P&C Committee

P&C Contributions for the Year 2013

<u>Funds given to the School</u>	\$ 3,900.00	Reading Eggs Subscription
	\$ 3,000.00	Spirit of Bribe Pins
	\$ 1,900.00	Let's Read Program
	\$ 340.00	Student Leader Trip
	\$ 9,750.00	Teacher Consumables
	\$ 3,000.00	Fan Replacement
	\$ 1,500.00	Fridge Replacement
	\$ 400.00	Wakakirri Travel
	\$ 581.82	Contribution to Playground
	\$ 2,700.00	Sand for underneath Playground
	<u>\$ 27,071.82</u>	
<u>Funds obtained for School</u>	\$ 31,818.18	Playground for middle school students
	\$ 1,500.00	Replace Tuckshop Rear Windows
	\$ 1,480.60	Athletic Singlets Purchase
	\$ 1,800.00	Blazers for Student Leaders and Performances
	\$ 1,000.00	Smart Choices Tuckshop Grant
	\$ 4,800.00	Cheerleading Fleximats
	<u>\$ 42,398.78</u>	
<u>Purchases to come</u>	\$ 508.20	Senior Graduation Pens
	\$ 600.00	Graduation Dinner for Year 7
	<u>\$ 1,108.20</u>	
TOTAL	 \$ 70,578.80 	

Pre-Prep Playgroup

Every **Tuesday** morning throughout the term, a group of excited parents run a Pre-Prep Playgroup with the guidance of our experienced **Teacher Aide Mrs Rechelle Baker**, from **9.00am to 10.30am** in our school hall.

Children enjoy an array of activities including painting, imaginary play, playdough, home corner, puzzles and fine motor activities.

We would like to kindly thank the Caboolture Early Years Centre for their ongoing support and for providing the group with a number of fantastic new resources.

If you would like any more information regarding our playgroup please contact **Allison Lutton** on **3400 2333**.

New members are always welcome.



Second Hand Uniform donations

If any families are able to help with donations of second hand uniforms or second hand black shoes, donations to help Mr Piva's supply of second hand uniforms are always happily accepted at the school office.

Thank you all once again for your support.

Ken Piva
School Chaplin

BUSY FINGERS

Bribie Island State School would like to thank **BUSY FINGERS** for their ongoing generous support to our school. Donations are needed at Busy Fingers. Please donate any household furniture or second hand clothes to Busy Fingers. All furniture can be picked up for free from your home. Please contact Busy fingers on **3408 1014** to arrange your pick up.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Busy fingers are located at: **38 Cotterill Ave, Bongaree**.
Opening times: Monday– Friday 8.30am—3pm
Saturday's 8am—12pm

School Attendance Awards

Regular attendance at school is essential to students achieving their full potential. Bribie Island State School is committed to promoting the attendance of all students.

Attendance awards are awarded to celebrate the classes with the highest attendance and the most improved attendance each fortnight. Classes will be presented with attendance trophies at each parade. Individual students who achieve a 95% attendance rate during the term will go in the draw for a \$100 toy voucher.

The winning class for week 7 & 8 for Outstanding Attendance

Attendance Award

Attendance Award



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Most Improved Attendance

Prep 4

Congratulations what a fantastic attendance and improvement!



Tidy Turtle Award

The first impression made by our school is the grounds.

We are working together as a school to cut down on the amount of litter we see lying around. Each class is responsible for looking after a small area in the school and ensuring it is rubbish free.

The Tidy Turtle will be awarded on parade for classes that score highly for their area.

The winner for Weeks 7 & 8 was 3C



Student Banking

Student Banking Day - every **Wednesday**
9.30am - 10.30am

Any enquiries contact our School Banking Coordinator, **Kylie McDonnell**, between 9:30am and 10:30am.
at the **PARENT ROOM Ph 3400 2308**.

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Monday - Friday:
8.30am - 9.30am

For any inquiries regarding UNIFORMS please call into the **PARENT ROOM** or Contact Mary or Carolyn on **3400 2308**.