Diary Dates:

Parade Times
24th July Whole School
Parade 2.20pm

Semester 2
Term 3
July
20 Interschool Sport - Home
23 AASC Tennis
25 Yr 2 BugsEd Science Workshop Incursion
25 AASC Olympic Games
25 Cheer Squad Rehearsals
26 Yr2B Seaside Museum excursion
27 Interschool Sport - Home
30 District Athletics
30 AASC Tennis

August
1 District Athletics
1 AASC Olympic Games
1 Cheer Squad Rehearsals
3 NAIDOC celebrations
3 Yr2A WAKAKIRRI Performance
3 Interschool Sport - Away
6 AASC Tennis
10 Interschool Sport - Home
13 AASC Tennis
17 Interschool Sport - Away
20 AASC Tennis
24 Interschool Sport - Home
26 LOTE Sunshine Coast

BOOK CLUB
DUE BACK
23RD JULY

Our Prep students back at school and enjoying group reading time and writing.
Thoughts for the fortnight:  
Your attitude, not your aptitude determines your altitude. Small deeds beat grand intentions.

Welcome back to our third term of 2012. Our fortnightly newsletter is packed full of information for you.

Spirit of Bribie
It was tremendous to see so many students receive their Spirit of Bribie badge at the end of semester one. Over 400 students have been able to demonstrate exemplary behaviour and be recognised for their efforts. I look forward to a vast increase in this number for semester two.

Twitter
In keeping up with modern communication and technology the school has started its own Twitter page. In this way we hope to advance the image of and share information about our school.

Student Uniform Code
I would like to remind all parents of our school’s uniform code standard. This code is included in our school handbook. Please ensure your child/children meet/s the expected level of dress.

In meeting the code we promote pride in the school, maintain safe practices and limit competition between students in clothing.

Recently some students have begun wearing excessive jewelry. In particular facials studs and numerous bangles and necklaces have appeared. Please be aware such jewelry is not acceptable and should remain at home.

Road Safety and Bus Travel
It seems that not a month goes by without me speaking to students about the need for care when traveling to and from school. In particular students’ bus behaviour is concerning.

I would like to make it very clear that a code of behaviour exists for all students who travel by bus. Failure to comply could result in the student being refused bus travel. Students who misbehavior on the bus cause great distraction for the driver and place safe travel at jeopardy.

Please take time to remind your child/children on safe travel to and from school.

School Financial Audit
Our first two weeks back has provided us a very busy start to term three. In week one we completed a full financial audit which has provided us direction to ensure efficiencies and accountabilities are maintained at Bribie Island.

Some other brief points and information
- School Enrolment is now 637 and stable.
- School has made fledgling steps with a twitter page. Get on and follow us.
- Wakakirri continues for Year 2 class.
- Global Care Breakfasts continue each Thursday morning.
- SWPBS – Blitz – Next fortnight - hats
- LCC Meeting held and meeting endorsed 2013 PFDs. Staff to Attend two full days in January on Tuesday 22nd January and Wednesday 23rd January, before gazetted Pupil Free Days (Thursday 24th January and Friday 25th January) and attend two by two and a half hour after school sessions on Thursday afternoons in Term One (21st March) and Term Two (30th May).
- New Teacher - Daniel Wallace has commenced on Year 6/7 class.
- Whole School Assemblies now being held fortnightly
- Year 2’s events: Bugs Ed incursion 25th July and Seaside Museum excursion 26th July.
- Caboolture District Track and Field Tuesday 31st July and Wednesday 1st August.
- Year 2A Wakakirri heats Wednesday 1st August
- Year 1’s to Science Centre 18th September.
- Robocup Wednesday 8th August Morayfield East SS.
- Show Holiday – Public Holiday **Monday 13th August.**
- WPH&S and LCC meeting Tuesday 14th August.
- LOTE students to attend Sunshine Coast Speech Competition – 26th August (8 students)
- NAIDOC event day set for 3rd August
- Work on 2012 School Magazine has commenced.
- Literacy and Numeracy Week celebrations - 27 August to 2 September
- Vietnam Veterans Day – Saturday 18th August 3:45pm
- Next P & C Meeting Wednesday 15th August

Paul Pickering  
Principal
From the Deputy Principal’s Desk

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to all and a very special welcome to our new families who have enrolled at Bribie School. Many thanks to all of you for ensuring that our students were ready for their learning as we have had a great start to our school this term. It was fabulous to see so many parents join us for our assembly Tuesday afternoon. Our school leaders set a great example for our students in their ability to lead our assemblies.

I would like to ask for your assistance with a few reminders so we can keep going with this great start. The first has to do with bringing toys to school to play with during the lunch breaks. We have asked students not to bring toys to school. This reduces the number of disputes that students, particularly in the younger year levels, have regarding who can play with the toys. Please assist us by reminding your child to leave their toys at home and by telling them that they can look forward to playing with them when they arrive home.

The second is a rule reminder called the Bribie Blitz. We are relentless with our focus on positive behaviour and learning and will continue to maintain our high expectations of student behaviour and learning this semester. To help with this, every few weeks we will have a rule reminder that we call the Bribie Blitz. This idea worked well last term in helping to reinforce our expectations around the Bees and Keys. Our first Bribie Blitz is the No Hat No Play reminder. This rule is explained in more detail for you within our newsletter. Please make time to go through this with your child and help them have a hat at school every day. This will ensure that all students will be able to participate in all aspects of school activities and to be outside during the lunch breaks.

Lastly, please remember to let the office know of any changes to contact details for students, as it is very important that we have up to date information to enable us to contact you when necessary. It is very difficult to keep you informed if we do not have an up to date contact phone number or address.

We would also like to reinforce the importance of looking after the school environment. We ask that all students put their rubbish in the bins provided to keep Bribie Island State School looking great.

As the cold mornings continue we ask that students wear school jackets or jumpers to school. We have also asked students not to wear the hood up whilst at school if they need to wear a ‘hoody’ to school.

We are pleased to see that our students are arriving on time for the start of our school day this term. We ask that students wait quietly outside classrooms or in undercover areas if they arrive early between 8.30 – 8.50am. There is no playing in the mornings.

For those students travelling on the bus, it is important to remind them of safe bus travel expectations. We have had recent reports of students showing unsafe behaviours whilst waiting for the bus in the mornings. Please remember to supervise your children when waiting for buses before school. Well done to those students who show excellent Bribie Island Bus travel behaviours. Mrs O’Mara commented on how well the students on the purple bus behaved when she travelled with that bus on Monday afternoon. Please be aware that NAIDOC week (National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee) was during the holidays. This year we are hoping to celebrate NAIDOC on **Friday 3 August**. We are planning some exciting events for that day. Further information will be sent home closer to the day. Please remember that schools in the Moreton Bay Regional Council have a public holiday on Monday **13 August 2012** for the annual show day.

Have a great two weeks.

Warm regards,

Jayn Hutchinson
Deputy Principal

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**OUT AND ABOUT WITH MRS HUTCHINSON**

I had the pleasure of visiting classes and seeing wonderful work being done:

- **English work with Prep 3**
- **Weather charts with Prep 3**
- **Prep 3 and 4, Literacy activities**
- **Getting ready for Play with Prep 4**
- **4C students learning about Similes**
- **Science with 6C**
P & C REPORT

Hi Everyone,
Welcome back from holidays, last term was fantastic. The P&C supported the school with events as well as holding their own events which included Disco’s, Under-Eights Day, Junior and Senior Sports Carnivals, Mothers Day Stalls and Friday Afternoon Sausage Sizzles. THANK YOU to everyone that volunteered their time to make these events such a success.

Upcoming Events
Every Friday - P&C and Mr P’s Sausage Sizzle
August 29th and 30th - Fathers Day Stalls
August 31st - Walkathon
September 6th - Disco
Pauls Collector Caps-Kids keep collecting as the class with the most caps gets a Subway Party.
Urgent Volunteers required, WE NEED YOU, parents and citizens please phone us on 34002308.
The P&C Executives wish everyone a fabulous fortnight.
Leisa Hudson-Bradby

MUSIC ROOM NEWS

It has been a very busy start to Term 3 with auditions taking place for both the newly formed Bribie Island State School Cheer Squad and ‘Bribie’s Got Talent’ Young Musical Talent Development Program. The standard of auditions for both groups was extremely high and I am very proud of each and every student who had the courage and confidence to try out. Commiserations to those students who were not selected this term – don’t give up – keep pursuing your goals!

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who secured a position in the Bribie CHEER SQUAD:

- Jacinta Donaldson
- James
- Katie Sultana
- Bree Newman
- Asha Field
- Olivia Munday
- Jade Taylor
- Shannon Meredith

‘BRIBIE’S GOT TALENT’ Young Musical Talent Development Program is a program designed to extend students who exhibit particular talents in the area of performing arts. CONGRATULATIONS to the following students on achieving a place in the BGT team for Term 3.

- Breena Newm
- Bella Woodham
- Zane Storey
- Tiffany McErlane
- Mckinley Travers
- Matt Weir
- Jake Hearn
- Jamie-Joe Thomas
- Lachlan Alleyne
- Adam Hodge-Menzie
- Caydon Wesley
- Breanna Hans
- Zahara Vlotman
- Kiarah Lawson-Pearson
- Xanda Schomberg
- Sarah Luck

- Crystal Kondor
- Alex Duck
- Maddy Ellen
- Hannah Dadvall
- Edie Lizzasoin
- Montana Govorko
- Cheyenne
- Upritchard
- Emma Varcoe
- Chloe Crouch
- Jessica Manuel
- Amelia Wilkins
- Maddie McElhinney
- Katie Sultana
- Jacinta Donaldson
- James
- Jemma Gilloway

\[ \text{Uniform Donations for Mr P.} \]
Mr P, our school Chaplain is asking for donations of all size uniforms to help keep his supply of pre-loved uniforms going to help our students when required.

\[ \text{Student Banking} \]
Student Banking Day – every Wednesday 11am – 12pm
Any queries please contact our School Banking Coordinator, Kylie McDonnell, between 11am – 12noon Wednesdays at the P&C room 3400 2308.

\[ \text{Pre-Prep Playgroup} \]
Every Tuesday morning throughout the term, a group of excited parents run a Pre Prep Playgroup 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.

\[ \text{UNIFORM SHOP} \]
Wednesday: 12.30 – 3.30
Thursday: 8.30 – 11.15
Winter jackets now in stock
ALL SIZES AVAILABLE
Winter Rugby tops available only in size 6 & 8
For any inquiries regarding uniforms please contact Vicki on 3400 2308 on the above days and times mentioned.

\[ \text{Student Absence Line: 3400 2366 (24 hours a day)} \]
**COLES Sports for Schools**

From now until **August 15th** you can collect sports For Schools vouchers, by shopping at any Coles, Bi-Lo or Pick’n Pay store or at Coles online. **Bribie Island State School** is participating and collecting vouchers for much needed sports equipment again this year. Our target is to **collect 50 000 vouchers** to provide our school with new sporting equipment. We are appealing to parents and guardians to collect as many vouchers as you can. By donating and encouraging friends and family to do the same, you are helping to provide a healthy and active education for our children. Please visit [coles.com.au/sportsforschools](http://coles.com.au/sportsforschools) for more information about the program and you can also browse the sporting gear available to see what equipment we are aiming for.

A collection box is located beside the student window at the front of the office.

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**Woolworths Earn & Learn 2012 Update**

Keep the sticker cards coming in!! Great Job Bribie Island State School - So far 52 090 points!!!

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**Bribie Blitz**

Our blitz for the next fortnight will be

**NO HAT NO PLAY**

- Students need to have a hat on during play times.
- Students not wearing a hat will need to sit quietly at the picnic tables near the 6/7 undercover area or go to the library.
- Students without hats **DO NOT PLAY.**

**Be Respectful  Be Safe  Be an Active Learner**

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**Helping Hands Outside School Hours Care**

**Bribie Island State School**

0488 446 320

bribiesland@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au

Dear Parents and Families of Bribie Island State School,

Welcome back to Term Three. We hope all of the Children and their families had a great June/July holiday and kept warm and dry out of the cold conditions.

The children attending our Helping Hands Vacation Care were treated to a wide variety of activities and experiences over the holiday period. During the first week we painted and decorated masks, piggy banks and picture frames. We cooked up a storm making Pizzas from scratch, and jumped and bounced on a 5 & 1 Combo Jumping Castle. During the second week we were treated to Dr. Joe’s Science Show experimenting with liquid nitrogen and exploding balloons. We satisfied our creative talents Paper Tufting, decorating Chinese Lanterns, Making Stained Glass Tropical Fish and our own Olympic Flags.

Over the next few weeks we will get into the Olympic Feel, and enjoy Multicultural activities discovering other countries, and explore the various sports played during the Olympic Games. If you would like to enrol your children for the next holiday period, or for Before or After School Care, please see Cathy at the Helping Hands office in D Block or Amanda at the office has a supply of enrolment packs, for your convenience.

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**Catholic Parents**

**Catholic Parents** whose children have been baptised and wish them to receive the **Sacrament of First Reconciliation** are invited to attend one of the following Parent information sessions to be held at the Church of the Little Flower, First Ave Bongaree on **Mon 23rd July at 7pm or Thurs 26th July at 4pm**.

Further enq Sharron Macrae (Sacramental Coordinator) 5495 1028 / 0409 877 311

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**Volunteers Wanted**

Would you like to make a difference? Do you have a spare hour a week? Join our team of enthusiastic volunteers making a difference! We now have 20 trained ready reader volunteers, come and join our friendly team of volunteers if you are able to donate a small amount of time to make a big difference here at Bribie Island State School. Please contact **Allison Lutton** on **3400 2333** for more information.

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**Apps for Education**


Apps for mobile devices are listed here that relate to the Education sector of the department. While currently this selection is small, it is expected to grow to include a range of Apps that are compatible with a range of mobile devices. These Apps are selectively developed to align to current strategic objectives and to enhance existing services provided to the wide range of clients of the department.

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**Student Absence Line: 3400 2366 (24 hours a day)**
Headlice

Complaints about headlice continue to be received at the school. Please be advised

- headlice do not live at school.
- headlice are bought to school by students.
- headlice do not transmit disease.
- having headlice is not a sign of poor hygiene. In fact most headlice prefer very clean hair.
- the only way to effectively reduce headlice is for everyone to investigate and treat at the same time.

We are sending this information in the hope all will treat this weekend as an action period for headlice. Please help our school community by checking and treating headlice this weekend.

The Facts (The following is from various research studies on headlice.)

- Nits (the eggs of the head louse) are small yellowish-white, oval-shaped eggs that are attached at an angle to the side of a hair shaft by glue.
- Nits must be laid by live lice. You cannot "catch nits."
- Once laid it takes 7-10 days for a nit to hatch and another 7-10 days for the female to mature and begin laying her own eggs.
- Head lice are clear in colour when hatched, they develop a reddish-brown colour after feeding.
- Head lice are small, wingless insects which feed on human blood and do not thrive on pets.
- Head lice are about the size of sesame seeds and have six legs with claws to grasp the hair.
- Head lice are crawling insects. They cannot hop, jump, or fly.
- Head lice off their human hosts will starve and die in 24 hours.

Head lice do not jump or fly and cannot survive longer than 24 hours off the human host.

What product should I use to treat my child?

There are no ‘safe’ pesticides, "natural" or otherwise, scientifically proven to be 100% effective against head lice, nits or nit glue. Reliance on head lice treatment products alone promotes repeated use of potentially harmful chemicals and contributes to ongoing infestations, outbreaks, and resistant strains of head lice. Parents should be discouraged from spending unnecessary time and money on "concoctions" for which there is no scientific basis for claims of efficacy and human safety. A wide variety of such "lice remedies" are vigorously marketed to consumers especially via the Internet. The result is more confusion for families already deluged with conflicting and unfounded treatment recommendations.

Manual removal is the safe alternative and necessary component to any head lice treatment regimen. Combing tools enable families to screen often, detect head lice early and thoroughly remove lice and nits.

How do you treat for headlice?

Schools and homes don’t get head lice -- people do. Head lice are human parasites and require human blood to survive. Vacuuming is the safest and best way to remove lice or fallen hairs with attached nits from upholstered furniture, rugs, stuffed animals and cars. Save your time and energy for that which benefits you the most -- thorough nit removal.

Do I have to treat everyone in the house?

Use a nit-removal comb to check everyone first! Lice treatment products have potential health hazards and should not be used ‘just in case’ a child has lice or in an effort to prevent them. Even if lice are confirmed on an individual careful consideration should be given before deciding to use a pesticide shampoo or other treatment because each person has unique health needs.

Where do headlice come from?

Head lice do not come "out of the air" or from the ground. They are human parasites and come from people. Desiccated (dried up) head lice and their eggs have been found on the hair and scalps of Egyptian mummies.

While headlice are around all year they often are more prominent in the dry winter months.

Do headlice jump?

Head lice do not have hind legs to hop or jump, nor wings with which to fly – they crawl.

What is the school doing?

- Discouraging the sharing of hats and other hair items by students.
- Discouraging students from playing too closely and making head to head contact.
- Monitoring students who complain of itchy hair and referring such to parents. Schools cannot ‘check hair’ by touching a child’s head. Observation without touching will sometimes note headlice.
- Encouraging all parents to check a child’s head frequently.
- Meeting rules on management of headlice. Basically this states that once a child has been treated they can return to class.
- Encouraging parents to have their children wear their long hair tied back.