SCIENCE WITH PREP 2

We have learnt about living and non-living things in our environment. We have sung songs about how to care for animals. We cared for some real Sea Monkeys and we liked watching them swim around. We talked about our favourite animals and what we would need to care for them. We even turned chip boxes into amazing environments for animals to live in! Now we are learning about materials in our environment and we can’t wait to make our own wind ornaments.

We hope you are all having fun learning new things too!

Love, Prep 2

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.
Welcome

Another newsletter full of news, events, celebration, reminders and advertising for you to keep informed of our school. Please take time to look carefully over what is going on. Great things happen every day at Bribie Island State School.

Email Newsletter

Want to win an iTunes gift voucher? All parents who complete and return the information required so they can receive our fortnightly newsletter by email go in the draw for this prize. We want to eliminate the paper version of our newsletter. Please help us by sharing your email address. The newsletter is also on our web page.

School Grounds – Working Bee - Sunday 2nd June 7:00am till 11:00am

We have been working tirelessly to ensure our school presentation is second to none. To help this goal we would like your help for a couple of hours on Sunday 2nd June. Between 7:00am and 11:00am we will be completing a range of projects around the school. We will send a special flier out in the days before the Working Bee to confirm what projects we are looking to complete and what resources you may like to bring to help this occur. Please pencil in some time on Sunday 2nd June to join us. A sausage sizzle at the conclusion will be run by our P&C.

Attendance

Our school is strongly focussed on the initiative ‘EVERY DAY COUNTS’. Students need to be at school every day to gain the most out of the offered educational program. Our push in this area, including class awards and end of term celebrations are working. Our goal of 95% attendance is closer than ever before. School attendance in 2012 was 89.4%. This year we have improved to date to 92.3%. Please help us meet our goal of 95% attendance.

NAPLAN

Last week we held the annual NAPLAN program. Many staff went above and beyond to ensure all students were provided the best possible opportunity while sitting these tests. Well done to all who help and special thanks to students who really gave their best. Thanks too, to IGA for donating the free fruit provided for nutrition support for students.

Art and Science of Teaching (ASOT)

Over the coming weeks Mrs Roebuck and I will be attending various professional development and information days to ensure we are well advised to lead our school in our program of pedagogical reform. We want all members of our school to be part of our drive for excellence and establishing a culture of high expectations. All students can achieve and we need to support them to do so.

Enrichment and Extension

Selected students from years 5, 6 and 7 will be participating in the Academy Days at Bribie State High on the 13th June. Information for students will be sent home over the next two week.

Student Dress Code

The school P&C develops the school dress code and the school then implements this. Recently I have seen a huge increase in the number of students attending school not wearing the preferred black shoes. Please ensure your child has the regulation black shoes, black laces and white socks every day at school.

Under 8’s Day

Friday 24th May is our annual under 8’s Day celebration. The school oval is the venue of a range of activities which engage and celebrate early years learning. A lot of preparation is going on behind the scenes. Many community groups and local Kindy’s will be attending.

Donations – Tissues and Photocopy Paper

Congratulations to Lysha Sweeney who was the winner of this fortnights lucky voucher draw. Thank you to all for your donations.

School Safety and Maintenance

Our school take safety matters seriously. I wish to advise that over the school holiday period we will be having a deal of work occur around tree removal. Our school has on-going issues around trees overhanding building and walkways, root ingress to sewerage and drainage lines and on-going damage to facilities from falling branches. The storm and flood events over recent years have particularly highlighted the impact of these trees which are poorly located in the school. Tens of thousands of dollars are being spent annually in rectifying damage and problems. Our school cannot continue to meet this recurrent cost. So we can provide the safest and best maintained facilities we have sort professional advice on the removal of problematic trees. We have been guided by regional facilities staff, with advice from an arboriculturist (for advice on trees) and a fauna specialist (to monitor animal habitat disturbance). We are aware that some people will be concerned as to the removal of any trees, however, the school will be continuing to look at replacement flora in more preferred locations in the school. Anyone with concerns is welcome to contact me.

Tuckshop – Volunteers Required

Our P&C team is desperate for volunteers to work in the tuckshop. Even 2 hours once a week will help. The P&C is considering closing the tuckshop on some days should volunteers not be forth coming. Tuckshops are community facilities and we need our community to get behind this service. Please contact Anna in the tuckshop if you can help.

Paul Pickering
Principal
From the Deputy’s Desk
The last fortnight at Bribie is a perfect example of the great school that we are. The whole school was fantastic in supporting all students during their NAPLAN tests. Thankyou to everybody for accommodating timetable changes and meeting these needs and also the P&C for the fresh fruit prepared each day for years 3, 5 & 7. This week the school has participated in Walk Safely to School Day, District X-Country in Caboolture and our Under 8’s Day is on this Friday 24th May 11:30am-1:30pm. Also on Friday 31st May, we have Deception Bay High School performing at our school hall with a Marching Band, Dancers and Strings Performance. Performance begins at 10am, please feel welcome to attend.

On Tuesday 21st May over 60 students and parents from Bribie met outside the Bongaree IGA to show support for Walk Safely to School Day. This was a great opportunity for our community to get together and show our support. It was extremely enjoyable catching up with students and parents on the way to school. A huge thankyou must be given to our P&C who provided fresh fruit, pancakes and drinks to the students who participated when they arrived at school. All the fresh fruit was donated by Fresh Fruit Service, thank you!

Under 8’s Day is on this Friday 24th May beginning at 11:30am on our school oval. Our local playgroups have been invited and all Prep to Year 3 students will be attending. This will be a great event with teachers running a large variety of activities and the attendance of our emergency services teams, such as, Police, Fire and Volunteer Marine Rescue. Thankyou to Allison Lutton for the huge amount of work she has put into organising Under 8’s Day. Amanda from the front office will have a table set up on the day for those families interested in finding mor eout about our school.

Our year 7 students are also visiting the High School this Thursday 23rd May and from this will start thinking about Academy programs they are interested in for 2014. Over the next few months there will also be fliers detailing information about the programs on offer at the High School and interview times. Please take the time to discuss with your child the importance of these choices and taking the time to go to the interviews and meet with the High School.

Earlyact Rotary – Will be presenting students Earlyact Club Badge at assembly on 29th May 2013. Parents are invited to be in attendance.

Have a great week and look forward seeing you on Friday at Under 8’s Day!

Yours in Education,

David Lawton
A/Deputy Principal

FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICER

Children GROW with LOVE and CARE

From the time they are born children need to know they are loved, and that people will care for them. Healthy food, warm clothes and a comfortable home are very important to help children grow – but they are not enough in themselves.

It is important to help make ALL children feel SAFE and secure. This is a very important part of caring. All children need to be treated as individuals in their own right. We should respect their feelings and encourage children to talk about them. We need to be aware that the way they feel may be different to the way we feel. We also need to set good examples to children in our everyday lives – as they grow, children learn from adults how to behave.

Some Good Examples

♦ Adults who show respect for others and for children in their care have set sensible limits that are in line with the child’s age and stage of development.
♦ Talking with children and listening to their joy and problems is a good way to show children we care.
♦ Parents showing affection for each other provides a good lesson in living.
♦ Sharing our thoughts with our children makes them feel needed, but be cautious of exposing school – aged children to your problems - they do not necessarily have the capacity nor resources to cope with another’s problems.
♦ All children love to have their say – sharing meals at the table is a great way to encourage discussion (Turn the T.V. off).
♦ Supporting children in their chosen sport or activity shows we care.

EVERY CHILD has the right to be loved and cared for and to feel safe in and out of the home environment.

Source: NAPCAN FOUNDATION www.napcan.org.au
Hello Everyone!
Great things have been happening over the past couple of weeks & lots still to plan.

**MOTHERS DAY STALL**
Our Mothers Day Stall was a great success, we hope all our mothers were happy with their gifts, students were very careful to pick out just the right gift for mum!
Thankyou to all that sold & returned raffle tickets for our Mothers Day Raffle. Results of the raffle were: 1st Prize: Jan Williams
2nd prize - Kate McAlliffe, 3rd prize - Kyesha Nyitral, 4th prize - Jayden Ephraims. Class that sold the most tickets - 1B, Most tickets were sold by Isaac Lee 3D & Tina Jappe 4C

- Walk to School was held Tues 21st with a great turnout. 30-40 students met at Cornett’s IGA at Bongaree & walked along the passage to school.
- Mobile Phone Drive finishes next **Wednesday 29th May**. Any unused mobile phones can be returned to either the office or parent room. We also have a collection box at the Ningi Pharmacy. **We will earn $3 per phone for the school.**
- **Under 8’s Day** is coming up on Friday 24th May 11:30am - 1:30pm, great activities planned for the day. We will be selling food & drinks on the day, any volunteers would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the parent room ASAP if you are able to spare some time 3400 2308.
- **Disco** coming up **Thursday 13th June**. Again volunteers would be greatly appreciated on the door, in the kitchen & selling products on the evening.

**TUCKSHOP**
We are desperately in need of Volunteers in the tuckshop, a couple of hours per week would be greatly appreciated if anyone can spare the time. Unfortunately if we are not able to get more volunteers we will have no option but to close the Tuckshop one day a week. We really do not want to have this happen, so if any parents/carers/grandparents can spare anytime to come in & help with preparing food, selling the food & of course the inevitable dishes that would be a great help.
P&C would also like to thank the following businesses for their continued support of our school:

- Bribie Screens - for their donation of screens for the Tuckshop
- Cornett’s IGA - for their donation of fruit for the Fruit Platters prepared for NAPLAN students.

Please support those that support us.

Chris Giffin
P & C President

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**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.

**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 of Week 3 & 4 Term 2 Tidy Turtle was **3D**
Very clean outside their classroom.
Well DONE!!

**Global Care Breakfast Program**
Global Care is an organisation which successfully provides a healthy breakfast meal for free for our students every **Thursday morning** from 8am-8.50am in the hall.

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**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.

**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 Outstanding Attendance in week 3 & 4 is 4B**
**Most Improved Attendance for week 3 & 4 is 3D**
Keep up the great work with your attendance students.

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**Student Absence Line:** 3400 2366 (24 hours a day)
LATE PAYMENT REMINDERS
Please note that the office will be no longer be able to accept late payments for excursions – sports, camps, performances etc. Buses and venues need to be booked well ahead of time. Internally we also require time to produce payment reports. Thank you for your assistance.

Reminder to the school Community
Police have been issuing fines to parents that are parking in the incorrect parking zones around our school. Please read and obey all parking signs around the school, these are for your children's and your own safety.

BRIBIE SCREENS & THINGS
• SECURITY DOORS & GRILLES
• FLYSCREENING
• BLINDS - Vertical, Venetian, Roller, Timber
• AWNINGS
John Curley Ph: 07 3408 0500
First Ave, Bribie Island

THANK YOU TO JOHN FROM BRIBIE SCREENS AND THINGS FOR INSTALLING THE NEW SCREENS IN THE TUCKSHOP.

Be a Movie Star and Perform on Stage!
Beginning in Term 2
Star in a stage performance of a modern version of a well known fairy tale! Helping Hands is pleased to be able to offer this unique opportunity for all the children at Bribie Island.
Happy, Grumpy, Sleepy… Which dwarf are you? Snow White has missed her friends the dwarfs! The Evil Queen is sick of boring fairytales. She wants to be entertained!
Come play and explore the unspoken tales of the seven dwarfs or be an Evil Queen or King. Learn about drama and role-playing while having fun. We will peek into the hidden world of your imaginations, unlocking new stories and characters. Learn how to use drama to present your own creative thoughts and characters. Come join us as we write and perform the modern day fairy tale.
On the final week family and friends will be invited along as the children present their modern day fairy-tales, with the guidance of our professional actor.
For more information or to book into this exciting 5 week program please contact Helping Hands Bribie Island on 0488 446 320 or email bribieisland@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au
Booking forms are also available from the school office and the Helping Hands Bribie Island

KIDS LOVE DRAMA
PARENTS LOVE THE RESULTS!
Affordable Fees! No Hidden Costs!
Lower Primary (5–8), Upper Primary (9–12) and Youth Theatre (12–18).
Helen O’Grady Drama Academy
Please phone the Principal Margaret Treuel B.A., Dip. Ed.
Ph 3353 0555

Donations for Mr P
Black school shoes and second hand uniforms
Do you have any pre loved black school shoes still in good condition or second hand uniforms? Mr P, our school Chaplain, is asking for donations of all sizes of black school shoes and uniforms to help keep his supply of pre loved shoes and second hand uniforms going. If you can help Mr P in donating black school shoes or second hand uniforms he would be very grateful. Thank you

TUCKSHOP NEWS
Online ordering now available. Please go to www.flexischools.com.au this is a 24/7 service and advance ordering can be made.

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 34081014 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

Follow us on TWITTER
@BribieIslandSS

SCHOOL WEBSITE
Remember to view our newsletter and all our up and coming school events on our school website https://bribislass.eq.edu.au

Brian Bee says, Remember to:
1. BEE SAFE
2. BEE RESPECTFUL
   AND
3. BEE AN ACTIVE LEARNER

Student Absence Line: 3400 2366 (24 hours a day)
**Homework Heroes 2013**

Homework Heroes runs from 3–4pm each Tuesday during school term.

Bring your homework along to the Bribie Island Library.

Afternoon tea provided as well as free Computer usage. We also like to see parents and carers. **Aimed at grades 4-7**

For more information please contact the Bribie Island Library on: 3408 1388

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**Caboolture Cluster Instrumental Music Beginner Workshop**

On Monday 6th May 2013, an Instrumental Music Beginner Workshop was held at Banksia Beach State School. Students who attended this workshop included the beginning Woodwind, Brass and Percussion students from Bribie Island State School and Banksia Beach State School.

The workshop aims to develop the technical and performance skills of beginning students, on their musical instruments, and to introduce them to the experience of playing in an ensemble. The students enjoyed the opportunity to engage in music-making activities throughout the day and presented a Concert, in the afternoon, for parents, students and staff. A variety of styles of music were performed for the audience including folk music and a rock piece. The students received much applause for their efforts.

Our beginning Instrumental Music students are looking forward to becoming members of the school Band and to participating in their first performance on Assembly towards the end of this term.

M. Peters

Instrumental Music Teacher

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**2013 Caboolture District Cross Country**

On Tuesday 21st May, 34 students represented Bribie Island State School at the Caboolture District Cross Country Trials. Each race had over 90 competitors, with many of our runners fighting it out for the top places. All students gave their all and represented Bribie with great pride. All the training paid off with **Bribie winning B Division** and overall finishing **2nd in the district**! What a great team effort.

Some outstanding race results included **Emily Watson finishing 1st in the 10yrs girls**, Brodie Friedrichs finishing **3rd** and Harry Bradford **4th** in the 11yrs boys, Beau Friedrichs finished **5th** in the 10yrs boys and Lachlan Alleyne also finished **5th** in the 12yrs boys. These students were selected to represent the **Caboolture District** at the **Sunshine Coast Regional Cross Country Carnival** early in June. We wish these students all the best at the regional carnival.

The Bribie Team had a huge amount of support from parents and family members on the day which was very motivational. A big thank you also to **Mrs Archer-Scott** for helping with cross country training.

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**WIN A $30 iTunes Gift Card**

To save money and time Bribie Island State School will now be forwarding newsletters, invoices / statements and some class notes home via emails. This will enable more money to be spent on resources for our students.

Please return the form below with your email address (clearly written), students names and classes. If returned by (one week from newsletter issued) your students names will be put in a draw for a $30 iTunes card.

All families who have already sent in their email address for the newsletter your child’s names will go into the draw. You may complete this form an for an extra chance to win!

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**EMAIL INFORMATION**

Please cut off and return slip to the office or email: amenz23@eq.edu.au

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Parents name: __________________________________________________________

Students name/s and class: _______________________________________________

Parent email address: ____________________________________________________
Some of our Bribie Island State School Students at the Districts Cross Country. Thanks to Karen McMillan for her photography.
Dear Parents & Caregivers,

As you may be aware, our school produces an annual magazine aimed at celebrating and showcasing the diverse learning experiences provided at our school.

The cost of this magazine is $12.00 per copy. To assist us in determining order quantities required this year, we are asking for payments which will secure your copy.

The following payment options are available at our school:

**SCHOOL MAGAZINE PAYMENT**

I ___________________________ parent/guardian of ______________________________

in (class) ______ wish to purchase_______ (Qty) Copies of the magazine @ $12.00 per copy.

☐ I have enclosed $     cash for the purchase of the annual school magazine.
☐ I will pay by EFTPOS directly at the office.
☐ I will be paying by credit card the details as follows:

**PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD**

☐ MASTERCARD ☐ BANKCARD ☐ VISACARD

CREDIT CARD NUMBER

(Please ensure all 16 numbers are included)

Expiry Date: 

Amount $................................. in full In Payment of: ..................................................

Name of Cardholder: ........................................ Signature: ........................................

Mrs Aczel
Head of Curriculum