Our Cultural Journey in 1C

Indigenous Flags and Boomerangs

Indigenous Artwork

Dot painting

The Torres Strait Island Flag and the Australian flag.

Sharing Dreaming Stories

 Diary Dates:

Assembly 2:10pm
4th Sept

Semester 2 Term 3

AUGUST

30 Pre Prep Induction Sessions 9:30-10:45
30 Interschool Sport - Home
30 TUCKSHOP CLOSED

$2 Sausage Sizzle

SEPTEMBER

3 Pre-Prep Playgroup
5 Breakfast Program
5 2014 Prep Information session 5pm in Prep 4
5 Yr 4 Travel Safe Program
6 Pre-Prep Induction #3
6 Interschool Sport - Home
9 Parent Teacher Meetings
10 Pre-Prep Playgroup
11 Yr 1 Excursion Planetarium
11 P & C Meeting 9:30am
12 Breakfast Program
12 Yr 4 St Helena Excursion
13 Student Leader

2014 Prep Information/Enrolment Session

All parents are invited to attend the 2014 Prep Information/Enrolment session from 5pm on Thursday 5th September in Prep 4 Classroom.

Student Absence Line: 3400 2366 Every Day Counts
Welcome
I hope this newsletter finds you well. Our seventh week of term three finds the school deeply involved in many projects, events and activities. The last few weeks in particular there have been many celebrations. Thank you to all staff, parents and volunteers who have helped in any way. All these events make for a deeply enriching learning environment at Bribie.

LOTE Success
Congratulations to the students and their teacher Mrs Lee for the outstanding effort at the Regional Indonesian Speaking competition. Bribie Island State School won every category we entered. Look at these results:
Year 5: Gold - Dylan Woods  Highly Commendable - Xanda Schomberg
Year 6: Gold - Wyatt Chinn  Silver - Hannah Dadswell  Bronze - William Munday  Participant - Jazmyne Haas
Year 7: Gold - Lachlan Alleyne  Silver - Brandon Leach
Bribie students can excel and we expect and get high results from all.

Attendance
EVERY DAY COUNTS! Our goal is 95% attendance each and every day. We are taking this goal seriously as we sit at around 90% attendance. Many parents are presently receiving letters seeking explanation as to their child’s extended absence.

Parent / Teacher Feedback Sessions
Please be advised the next formal opportunity for parents and teachers to meet on student progress, our Parent/Teacher Feedback Sessions, are planned for the week commencing 9th September. Parents should have already received information from class teachers. If you have not please see your child’s teacher.

Student Leaders 2014
If your child in Year 5 or 6 is interested in a school leadership role in 2014 please ensure their completed nomination forms are sent to the office by Friday 13th of September. In 2014 we will be offering leadership positions to all students in Years 6 and 7 (this Year’s 5 and 6) students. 2014 will be the last year at primary school for both cohorts, as in 2015 all Year seven in Queensland will be part of secondary schools.

School Environment—Trees
At our recent school Environment Team meeting we considered the recent Arborist report and independent report on targeted trees at our school. We are looking at the second phase of our efforts in making our school facilities safer and more efficiently managed. 35 trees were considered and the result is that 14 of these trees have been recommended for removal. Five trees will be trimmed and/or have deadwood removed. The other trees will be considered in our committees work on developing a long-term Environmental Plan for the school. I am currently working on consulting with local environmental groups and regional facilities staff to smooth the passage of completing this work. Phase three of this project is the replanting of trees in more appropriate locations.

Vietnam Veteran’s parade
Thank you to our school leaders, Daniel and Kiarna and Mrs Woodham who accompanied me to the annual Vietnam Veteran’s parade. We always try to be present at all community events and show our respect.

Teaching and Learning Audit
To culminate our process of Teaching and Learning Audit I hosted a meeting with our Regional Assistant Director. Mr Enright commented most favourably about the massive impact our school is making on student achievement. He highlighted the Teaching and Learning Audit report that recognises the many first class practices at our school. He particularly highlighted the deeply committed and passionate staff. There is no disagreement there. We have great staff at Bribie who are making every effort to help all children improve.

Book Week
Did you miss our Book Week dress up parade last Monday? Well you missed some fantastic sights. Over 70% of students and 90% of staff dressed up to celebrate books and reading. Check out our website for images.

Working Bee
Thank you to the small but dedicated team who came to the Working Bee on the 18th of August. We completed a range of tasks around the school. We look forward to future work on our welcome garden near the library.

Teacher Aide Day
Next Friday 6th of September is Teacher Aide Day. Please stop and thank our hard working and dedicated Teacher Aides on the day.

Spring Fair
Our Spring Fair is definitely on. A range of information around this event will be coming home this week. Come along and help us by donating some time or items for our stalls.

Leave
Please be advised that I will be on Long Service Leave over the last three weeks of this term. Mr Lawton will be stepping up as Acting Principal for the period. Mrs Woodham, Mrs Aczel and Mrs Ward will be filling in for one week each as Acting Deputy Principal.

Have a great fortnight.
Paul Pickering
Principal
Bribie State School Students wipe out the Indonesian category medal tally!
2013 MLTAQ Sunshine Coast Speech Competition.
This year’s Sunshine Coast Annual Foreign Language Speech Competition organised by the Modern Language Teachers of Queensland, was held on the 25th of August at the Sunshine Coast University.
Bribie State school contingent of 8 students, competed in their grades among other schools in the district.
The speakers were given a set speech which they had to recite without any notes. Questions were asked in Indonesian to which the competitors had to reply in Indonesian. Contestants were assessed on their fluency, expression and understanding of their speeches by judges. The results are as follows.

Year 5:
Gold - Dylan Woods 5A
Xanda Schomberg 5B
(Highly commendable)

Year 6:
Gold - Wyatt Chinn 6B
Silver - Hannah Dadswell 6A
Bronze - William Munday 6C
Jazmyne Haas 6A (participant)

Year 7:
Gold - Lachlan Alleyne 7B
Silver - Brandon Leach 7A

We are extremely proud of these students’ accomplishments which is a reward for their persistence, resilience and their tenacity given the short time they had for their preparation this year. Learning another language is not easy and this opportunity has not only opened up the students learning environment but it has also connected them to other students in other schools in a competitive context. Well done to our students.

Bribie Island State School Book Character Parade 2013
Bribie Island State School kicked off Book Week celebrations with a Book Character Dress Up Parade on Monday. Hundreds of students, staff and families met in the school hall dressed as their favourite book characters, for a fun morning promoting a love of reading.

The Bribie Bolt - Fun Run
Congratulations to our students: Shannon Meridith, Kyla Wall, Kiarna Patterson, Harvey Lew, Lochi Alleyne, Caydon Wesley and Adam Menzies along with our fantastically fit teachers who went along a run with the students Mr Lawton, Mr Waugh And Mr Piva our School Chaplain. All students came across the finish line in less than 30mins with the run starting from the Car Park across from Savige’s Seafood and finishing at the back of the Bribie Island Surf Life Saving Club, a 5km run! Our school put in a team of 10 and their was also some students from Bribie Island State School who ran as individual runners. A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS to all the participants.
Super Sports – Games on the oval with Mr Waugh.

Classroom Visits — Fun with the 2013 Prep Teachers.

SOAR INTO SCHOOL
Rotational Activities in the Hall.

Magical Maths – Play and learn with Mrs Aczel.

Awesome Art – Drama, and Art Activities with Miss Thornley and Mrs Lutton.

Fabulous Fine Motor Skills – Complete a little project with Miss Linda.

Classroom Visits - Fun with the 2013 Prep Teachers.

Lunch with the Deputy Principal – Come and meet Mr Lawton, tour the school and order tuckshop.

Spectacular Science – Investigate with Mrs Roebuck.

Bribie Island State School
A Great Place to Be!

Come every day!

Attendance Awards
Every fortnight, the class with the BEST attendance receives a certificate and a trophy on parade!

Every fortnight, the class with the MOST IMPROVED attendance receives a certificate and trophy on parade!

If YOU attend school 95% of the time, you will have your name placed in a draw at the end of the term for the chance to win an AMAZING PRIZE!

Before School
Before 8:30am
ALL students go directly to the Music room.

8:30 – 8:50am
Calm and quiet
No ball games

Activity ideas for before school
Chat to friends
Catch up on homework
Read a book
Order your tuckshop
Take notes to office

Be Safe
Be Respectful
Be an Active Learner
P&C Association

Hello Everyone!

BRIBIE ISLAND STATE SCHOOL
SPRING FAIR
7th SEPTEMBER
1 week away!!!
Get your arm bands on Pre Order now for $25 or $35 on the day.
All arm bands can be purchased from 8am – 3:30pm everyday from the Parent Room.
Don’t forget we are running a can drive & need as many cans of soft drink that we can get. The class that brings in the most will win a Pizza party.
We are also holding a Raffle to be drawn on the day of the School Fair. All tickets are $2
Major prize - 2 Nights on the Gold Coast for a family of 4 two Adults and two Children in a Resort Room at the SeaWorld Nara Resort with entry tickets to SeaWorld. The following also included
♦ One day entry for two Adults and two Children up to (13years) to Sea World
♦ $100 Food & Beverage credit
♦ $100 Caltex Card
Tickets will be available for purchase everyday from the Parent Room and on the day of the Fair.
For any inquires please contact the P & C on 3400 2308

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.
Our new tuckshop menu is now available.

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.

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.

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.

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 5 & 6 is
Prep 3
Most Improved Attendance for week 5 & 6 is
Prep 3
Congratulations what a fantastic attendance

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 5 & 6 was
7B
Keep up the great work students, WELL DONE!!

Zoo Keeper For a Day
Have you ever wondered what it would be like to work as a Zoo Keeper? Well, wonder no more because the school holidays are back, and so is Australia Zoo’s holiday program, Zoo Keeper For a Day: Khaki Discovery!
If you are aged between seven and eleven you can join the zoo crew to help feed the animals and clean enclosures, with exclusive behind the scenes access and plenty of hands-on action with some of our gorgeous animals. Children aged twelve to fourteen can step it up a notch with Zoo Keeper for a Day: Khaki Extreme. It’s a day you won’t forget! Places are booking out fast so call 07 5436 2025 to make a reserve your spot.
Ages: 7 - 11 years or 12-15 years Price: $85 Includes: Zoo entry, Zoo Keeper for a Day cap and water bottle, lunch, photo with one of our animals Duration: 5 hours Location: Australia Zoo Dates: 21 September to 6 October 2013
Further details are available at www.australiazoo.com.au/education/zoo-keeper-for-a-day

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**OFFICE NEWS**

### LATE PAYMENT REMINDERS

Dear Parents & Carers,

Thank you to all the families that have made their children’s payments on time for their excursions or sports payments. This process has been a success and the office staff appreciate your support and understanding.

A reminder 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.

### 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.

### Years 4-7 Homework Heroes 2013

Homework Heroes runs from 3pm–4pm each Tuesday during school term (9th July — 10th September).

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. A**imed at grades 4-7**

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

### 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

### Bribie Island Swimming Club

Bribie Island Swimming Club will be commencing their new season on the 8th October. With new members always welcome. See below for sign on dates and times.

**Monday 2 September:** 4 – 6 pm at Bribie Aquatic Centre
**Wednesday 4 September:** 4 – 6 pm Bribie Aquatic Centre
**Saturday 7 September:** 10am – 2 pm Bribie Aquatic Centre and Bribie Island Shopping Centre
**Monday 9 September:** 4 – 6 pm at Bribie Aquatic Centre
**Wednesday 11 September:** 4 – 6 pm Bribie Aquatic Centre
**Saturday 14 September:** 10am – 2 pm Bribie Aquatic Centre and Bribie Island Shopping Centre.

Please contact Jason on 3410 0200 for any inquires.

### Library Club Starting in November

Bribie Island library is forming a library club aimed at students aged 9-12. This club, which will centre around books, reading and games, will be held on the first Thursday of each month, between 3.30pm and 4.30pm, commencing 7 November 2013.

Parents/carers very welcome

If you have any questions or would like to book in please phone Zoe or Mary on 3408 1388.

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**A friendly reminder….**

Police and been patrolling the school zones and would like to remind all parents and carers to read and obey all road signs around the school.

Please note the bus zone is NOT a drop off area.

Please remember to use the crossings at all times and teach your child/children the safe way to cross the road.

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**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

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**Reading Rocks**

On Thursday 22 and Friday 23 August, we held our first ever Reading Rocks Competition. Part of our Book Week celebrations, Reading Rocks challenged students to rehearse a piece of text to read to an audience. Students were judged on their use of expression, presentation skills, voice and reading skills. Judges from Rotary, Lions and Busy Fingers were very impressed with the students and their reading abilities. With 42 presenters this year, I can only imagine how this competition will grow.

Class Finalists:

- **Junior Hapurona** (YEAR LEVEL CHAMPION)
- Lane McWaters
- Harry Brooks (YEAR LEVEL CHAMPION)
- Kase McLaren-Thelning
- Dominique DeBruyn
- Scarlett Randall
- Amani Levings (YEAR LEVEL CHAMPION)
- Nicole Gulwell
- Chloe Woods
- Shaynnan Speirs
- Taylah McWaters
- Jai Madden
- Ella McKay
- Benjamin Roebuck (YEAR LEVEL CHAMPION)
- Evie Herring
- Dion Arnado
- Jessica McElhinney
- Haylie Ashbolt
- Byron Ashcroft
- Emilee Baker
- Katie Cutting
- Ethan Denning
- Danielle Mason
- Putri Clark
- Bonnie Carr (YEAR LEVEL CHAMPION)
- Shea Field
- Ikhin Watson
- Georgie Derriman-McWaters
- Maddie McElhinney and Xanda Schomberg
- Ellie Tew (YEAR LEVEL CHAMPION)
- Lillian Kelleher
- Jaz Haas
- Breanna Hanns
- Jayden Evans
- Marcus Gardiner
- Wyatt Chinn, Phoebe Diamond-Griffin, Viknish Murugesu and Amber Hoskinson (YEAR LEVEL CHAMPIONS)
- Ethan Goodridge
- Jacob Atkinson (JOINT YEAR LEVEL CHAMPION)
- Amelia Wilkins (JOINT YEAR LEVEL CHAMPION)
- Daniel Derriman-McWaters

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**Spelling Bee.**

The annual Spelling Bee was once again an exciting Literacy and Numeracy Week Event. Held over 2 days the Spelling Bee featured the school’s best spellers battling it out for the title of Year Level Champion. All of the students did a fantastic job, some spelling words 2 or more years beyond their current year level curriculum. Congratulations to all involved.

**Class Finalists:**

- Prep 1 – Xander Tebbutt (Year Level Champion)
- Prep 2 – Maddison-Anne Edwards
- Prep 3 – Logan Tickle
- Prep 4 – Livinia Curley
- 1A – Denzel Kibayla
- 1B – Kase McLaren-Thelning (Year Level Champion)
- 1C – Lily Togiatama
- 2A – Aanavi Raj (Joint Year Level Champion)
- 2B – Amani Levings (Joint Year Level Champion)
- 2C – Rose Howden
- 2D – Hope Daunt
- 3A- Evie Herring
- 3B- Dameeka Middleton
- 3C – Sam Collins-Thomsen
- 3D – Jessica McElhinney (Year Level Champion)
- 4A- Tahlia Riley
- 4B – Kye McKenzie (Year Level Champion)
- 4C – Putri Clark
- 5A – Lachlan Brown
- 5B – Maddie McElhinney
- 5C – Issabell Lincoln (Year Level Champion)
- 6A – Hannah Dadswell
- 6B – Jason Sculley (Year Level Champion)
- 6C – Jaimi Gray
- 7A – Glenn Stumer
- 7B – Jade Taylor (Year Level Champion)
- 7C – Jacob Atkinson