

Burnside Public School

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'Omnia Pro Bono - For the Good of All'

NEWSLETTER

Friday, 1st December 2017 Week 8 Term 4

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 4

Thursday 7th December

Friday, 8th December Monday, 11th December Tuesday 12th December Wednesday, 13th December Thursday 14th December

Friday 15th December Tuesday 30th January 2018 Parent/Helpers Lunch

Reports Home

Presentation Night Rehearsal Presentation Night Rehearsal

PRESENTATION NIGHT

Party Day

Year 6 Graduation (Approx 9.30am)

Year 6 Farewell 6pm

Last Day of the school year

Years 1 – 6 First Day of School 2018

Library Stocktake

Stocktake of all books has commenced. Could you please ensure that all books, including home readers and library books, have been returned to school.

Invitation to Parent Helper Thank You Lunch - Thursday, 7th December 2017

We would like to invite all of our Parent/Community volunteers to The Helper's Lunch on **Thursday**, **7th December**. This is an opportunity to thank parents, friends, scripture and ethics teachers who have helped the staff and students throughout the year. It is a time to acknowledge those parents who may be leaving the school after a long association. The luncheon will be held in the school hall between **1.00pm and 2.00pm**.

Presentation Night Information - Tuesday, 12th December 2017

Our annual Presentation Night will be held at The Kings Preparatory School on Tuesday, 12th December at 6.30pm. Students will need to be at The King's School at 6.15pm. Parking will be available on The Kings grounds on the night. It is expected that all students will wear their **SUMMER SCHOOL UNIFORM** to Presentation Night. Please label all clothing as students will be getting changed into costumes during the evening.

In preparation for this evening the students will engage in two rehearsal days. This opportunity will allow for students to become familiar with performing on stage and allows the school to practice together and watch each other's items. There is no cost for this activity.

We will be walking up to The Kings School on Friday, 8th December and Monday, 11th December. We will be leaving school at 9am and returning to school by approximately 1pm each day. Students will be asked to take their crunch and sip and recess with them.

Family Fun Night

Thank you to the outstanding job done by our P&C committee and all our magnificent volunteers on Family Fun Night. The students, staff and families had a wonderful evening.





















The winners of our raffle are:

FAMILY FUN NIGHT RAFFLE TICKET PRIZES FOR 2017

SAMSUNG Glaxaxy Tablet A (8 inch, 16 GB, 4G) \$ 294.00 Mikhael (Donated by Ms Wyson)
CODE RED LASERTAG voucher (20 Games) \$ 260.00 Crystal H
(Donated by Lollipops Rosehill - conditions apply) 3RD CODE RED LASERTAG voucher (20 Games) \$ 260.00 Samuel C (Donated by Lollipops Rosehill - conditions apply) 4TH LOLLIPOPS 10 visit pass \$ 150.00 Neil (Donated by Lollipops Rosehill - conditions apply) 5TH LOLLIPOPS 10 visit pass \$ 150.00 Niji (Donated by Lollipops Rosehill - conditions apply) 6TH HAMPER \$ 150.00 Alex C (Donated by Spar Supermarket North Parramatta) 7TH HAMPER \$ 150.00 Jill K (Donated by Spar Supermarket North Parramatta) 8TH CUPCAKE MASTERCLASS VOUCHER - Value up to \$ 149.00 Doreen (Donated by Cake Decorating Solutions, Northmead) 9TH NERIUM BEAUTY HAMPER \$ 125.00 Charley (Donated by Nerium Australia) 10TH LASERTAG x 4 games & BOWLING x 4 games vouchers \$ 116.00 Rachel P (Donated by Strike Bowling - Macquarie) 11TH VOUCHER \$ 100.00 Riley A (Donated by Auspresso Wholesale Coffee Shop) 12TH ULTIMATE 4 X 2hr passes \$ 100.00 Janice
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(Donated by Ultimate Northmead)
13TH FAMILY MOVIE PASS \$ 84.00 Jill K
(Donated by EVENT Cinema Parramatta)
14TH 1hr MASSAGE \$ 70.00 Anika
(Donated by Burnside Beauty Oatlands)
15TH PEAK PURSUIT VOUCHER \$ 50.00 Leonardo M
(Donated by Peak Pursuits Castle Hill)
16TH VOUCHER \$ 30.00 Nathan
(Donated by 3Sis Hair & Beauty - conditions apply)
17TH VOUCHER \$ 30.00 Vishal
(Donated by 3Sis Hair & Beauty - conditions apply)
18TH VOUCHER \$ 30.00 Tamara
(Donated by 3Sis Hair & Beauty - conditions apply)
19TH VOUCHER \$ 25.00 Jacob
(Donated by Canton House - conditions apply)
20TH VOUCHER \$ 25.00 Eleni
(Donated by Canton House - conditions apply)





Combined Special Religious Education Assembly

Thank you to our scripture teachers for the combined scripture services. The students who attended enjoyed the end of year celebration.



Thank you to all scripture and ethics teachers who give so freely of their time each week for the students.







School Disco - "Summer Time"

Thank you Mrs Barrett, Mrs Frost and Year 6 for a wonderful night. Your disco moves were amazing!!























Holiday Greetings

Kris Kringle

Our yr 2-6 classes at the school will be given the option to join in a class Kris Kringle this year. Students will be able to opt into the event. They will purchase a small gift for a boy or girl. Please refer to note sent home in classes.

Due to food allergies, we are asking that families DO NOT send in Christmas treats for classrooms. The children will not be able to have these at school. Students will be able to have a fun day of celebration on party day.

Christmas cards with an optional candy cane attached is a simple yet effective way for students to let their friends know what a great year they have had. It is also a great writing opportunity!

Attendance - School APP

Please ensure all attendance notes are updated and returned to the school. It is mandatory that all parents provide a written explanation for absences. The school APP Digital Forms – Absentee Form is a quick and easy way to notify the school of your child's absence.

Assembly Awards – Congratulations to all students!







Congratulations to all of our award recipients. Please encourage your child to hand in their awards next week in order to be able to receive the last awards for 2017.











Robotics - bought by our P&C

LEGO Robotics and Computer Coding

This week Miss Smart and Mrs Barrett combined classes to introduce WeDO LEGO Robotics and Computer Coding to Stage 1 students with the help of the seniors.

Thanks to our generous P&C, students were able to experiment with robotics equipment to create and program a fun park ride that responded to movement and sound.

Students also tried their hand at problem solving and computer coding. They were able to create code that told a story and used Scratch to code music and movement. Challenges were also set as they wrote code to deliver them through a maze.















Morning Play Time

After the 8.30am bell students are to place their bags on their class line. Students are no longer permitted to play under the COLA where the class lines are. This will hopefully prevent students falling over bags and bags and lunches being damaged. Students will still have plenty of room to play safely on the netball court and handball area. Students and parents are still able to sit at the silver chairs and tables in the morning. We welcome parents who wish to come in for a quick chat in the morning, please come to the office, where the staff will call the teacher or arrange a time that suits you to meet.

2018 Classes and Organisation

We will shortly begin our planning for the school organisation for 2018. The number of classes in our school is determined according to the Department of Education's staffing formula. Class size and allocation is also formed through this process. Due to our small school size, every student leaving or starting school affects this determination.

Therefore I ask that if you know your child will not be returning to Burnside next year please let us know in writing of where they will be moving to. Staff will spend many hours formulating classes however best laid plans will often need revising when our numbers change at the start of the year.

Staff consider many factors when formulating class lists such as academic ability, attitude and commitment towards learning, social well-being and friendships that support classroom learning. Social friendships 'best friends' are often not the best learning partners within rooms especially in years 3-6. Teachers therefore look at who makes great learning and collaborative teams while considering the resilience and wellbeing of each student.

If you have concerns regarding your child's future development that you have not raised with their classroom teacher or myself that may/will impact their future development/ class placement or social wellbeing please do so in person or in writing within the next few weeks so these concerns can be addressed and/or considered during our planning process.

Band Instrument Hire

Thank you to all the parents who have returned their expression of interest forms for band already. For those students looking to enter into band in 2018 and for students who are already in band the DET Arts unit provides instrument hire at a competitive cost. https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/instrument-hire

Students entering into Junior Band in 2018

If you wish to play an instrument that was not listed on the Directions in Music expression of interest form, it is essential that you discuss your choice with Mr De Col before the end of the year. Some instruments are dependent on the size of the student playing the instrument or, like the French Horn, will require the student to attend private lessons instead of the usual group tutorials.

Instruments will be chosen for students entering Junior Band in 2018 later in the term so please do not hire an instrument until it has been assigned.



Existing Band students

The Arts unit can also provide instruments that can further supplement the band sound particularly for students already in the band. Existing band students may wish to extend their skills by moving onto a similar instrument. If your child is interested, again please discuss this choice with Mr De Col before hiring an instrument to ensure that this choice will be a good fit for both the band and your child.



Dear Potential Primary Ethics Teachers!!

There are so many ways you can be involved in your child's education experience – why not considering being a Primary Ethics Teacher...

We welcome you to join the Primary Ethics Team at Burnside.

For any enquiries, and/or interest, please contact the office, in person or email burnside-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Donna Kelly

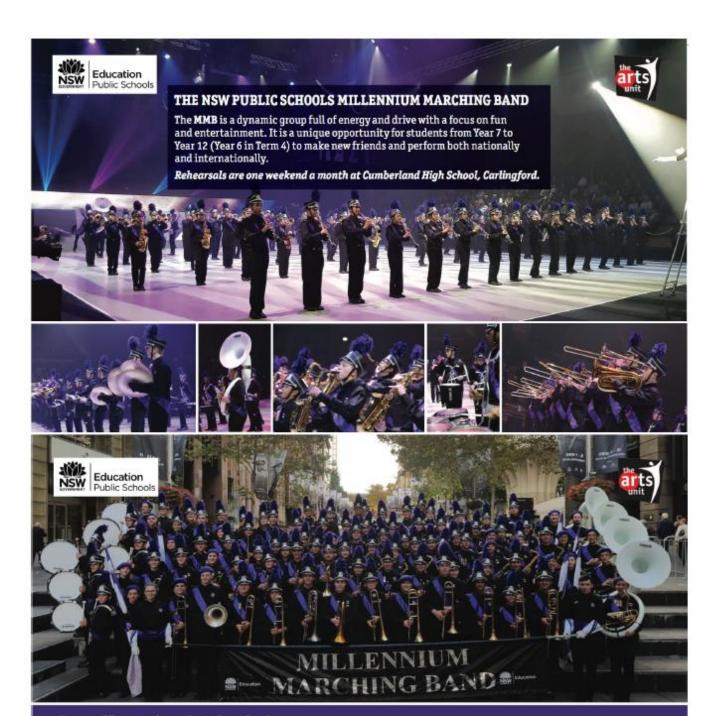
Friends of Old Government House

Santa in the Cellar – 10th December from 10am to 11am

Santa will make a special visit to the Macquarie Cellar at Old Government House (this unique space is rarely open to the public).

Bring your children and camera and take heaps of pictures in this unique setting.

Entrance via a gold coin donation



Do you like music and performing?

- . Do you want to be part of a great team and make friends from around NSW?
- Are you looking for something more than a concert band?
- Would you like to perform at events like the Sydney ANZAC Day March, NRL and Rugby Union Games, Arena Spectaculars such as Southern Stars and the Schools Spectacular, Olympic Welcome Home Parades and on tours nationally and internationally?

Then the NSWPS Millennium Marching Band is for you!

Read about us and apply online at The Arts Unit website:

artsunit.nsw.edu.au > Music > Music Ensembles



For more information email Katrina Andrus, katrina.andrus@det.nsw.edu.au or call 0409 929 908





School Holiday Gymnastics Clinics

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Full Day Sessions (9.00am-3.00pm) \$50.00 per day Half Day Sessions (9.00am-12.30pm) \$40.00 per session

18th – 22nd December, 8th – 12th January, 15th – 19th January and 22nd – 25th January

Term 1 2018

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