

Burnside Public School

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'Omnia Pro Bono – For the Good of All'

NEWSLETTER

Friday, 30 November 2018 Week 7 Term 4

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday	4 December	Band Performance (Final band tutorials)
Thursday	6 December	Parent Helpers Thank You Lunch (1pm)
Friday	7 December	FAMILY FUN NIGHT
		Dance2BFit (Years 5 and 6)
Monday	10 December	Leadership Candidates Speech to school
Tuesday	11 December	Presentation Night rehearsal
Wednesday	12 December	Presentation Night rehearsal
Thursday	13 December	PRESENTATION NIGHT PERFORMANCE
Monday	17 December	Party Day
Monday	17 December	Talent Quest
Tuesday	18 December	Year 6 Graduation Assembly (morning)
		Year 6 Farewell Dinner
Wednesday	19 December	Students Last Day

Parent Survey

We appreciate the continued support of the school, its students and staff that our school community provide throughout the year. It is that time of year to review our practices and make adjustments for the coming year. We would appreciate your views and ideas. I ask that you spend 5 mins to complete the following survey. If you do not want to comment please place an X in the box. Survey link <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BMLTH99</u>

The results of the survey will be used by staff to improve Burnside and offer the very best programs that we can for the students.

Parent/ Community Helper Lunch PLEASE RSVP

A reminder to those that will be attending the school will be hosting a Parent/Community Helper Thank You Lunch on Thursday **6th December at 1pm.** The staff and I look forward to enjoying lunch with you on the day. PLEASE RSVP so our catering is correct by phone or email.



Christmas Charity

This year Burnside will be supporting a Charity over Christmas.

Anglicare – Toys and Tucker Appeal - donate nonperishable food and new toys, please place at the front office.



Library News

Stage 2 students and Bruce Pickworth author of The Godwits, with Mrs Spies.



Communication with Teachers

We all live in a busy changing world. At times we are busy but need to be in contact with school staff. If you are wanting to contact a staff member we recommend the following communication methods.

Low level issues or concerns e.g. not coming in for reading groups, student away, message re homework etc Call the office or email the message to <u>burnside-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> – attention to the staff member.

Moderate Issues – requiring attention within the next few days. Call the office for an appointment or email the concern attention to the staff member <u>burnside-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u>. Please be aware that during school hours staff are not always on emails as they are engaged with teaching and learning activities. Staff will attend to emails after hours and will respond within a 24-48hour period. Parents are welcome to come into the office if they require a teacher of a morning. If available the teacher will come to speak to the parent. For longer matters an appointment time will be set.

High Level of Concern – requiring urgent attention. Please call or come into the office before school. Office staff will find the staff member or an executive to assist you.

All staff are involved in meetings on Tuesday mornings and Wednesday afternoons. Staff also engaged in professional development courses after school throughout the year.

Please remember to update your contact numbers with the office if these change so we can readily access parents and emergency contacts.

Bush Fire Brigade in 4/5

As the end to the unit of work 4/5 has been completing in Geography, the local Bush Fire commander and local fire crew visited the classroom. Students presented their work to the fire officers and then asked them questions in relation to the effects of fire on the environment. A great real world experience for the students.





Awards

Students at Burnside Public School have the opportunity to earn awards throughout the year. All classes receive the same amount of rewards per student in each term. Below is an explanation of the award system.

(Extract from Welfare and Discipline Policy)

COMMENDATION CARDS - BRONZE, SILVER, GOLD

- A student may be awarded a blue card by exhibiting the following behaviours <u>consistently and</u> <u>without repeated prompting</u> (but not limited to): (Kindergarten teachers do attempt to share this more evenly between students to encourage the behaviours. From Year 1 teachers look for consistent behaviour not one off behaviours.)
- Following the school expectations
- Helping/assisting others
- Collaboration during activities
- Outstanding manners/leadership to visitors
- Classroom attitude/behaviour
- Being a good school representative
- Showing a positive attitude/mindset
- Outstanding participation
- Displaying initiative

As well as behaviours linked to classroom contexts.

- 2. Teachers will be allocated a quota of Blue Cards to be distributed each week to their class. This quota will be equivalent to approximately one quarter the number of students in their class. It is expected that this number will be distributed each week or carried over to the following week (all Blue cards to be handed out each term). Teachers on occasion may issue more than their quota of blue cards for special reasons with approval from executive.
- 3. Students should store their Blue Cards in a safe place and place them in the awards box at the front office when five (5) cards have been collected. These 5 Blue Cards will then be "traded" for a Bronze Award. Ten blue cards can be traded for a Silver and fifteen blue cards qualify for a Gold Award.

Burnside Achievement Cards (Yellow) may act as 1 Blue Card. These yellow cards are handed out 2/3 per class each week during assembly. These cards are to award one off attainment or ongoing improvement.

- 4. The Principal or delegate will present the Bronze and subsequent Silver and Gold Awards at the weekly School Assembly each Friday. Students receiving these awards will appear in the following week's newsletter.
- 5. Students receiving two Gold awards in a year will also receive a Burnside Medallion.
- 6. The designated teacher will keep a school record of all Bronze, Silver and Gold awards distributed. Blue cards are the responsibility of the child.
- 7. Blue cards and achievement awards can only be used to progress to higher awards in the year they are issued.

White Academic Achievement Cards are given 1 per class each week during assembly. Students who receive 7 in their schooling will be awarded a Principal Pennant.

Mobile Phones/ Devices/ Smart Watches

Christmas is fast approaching. If you are considering to buy your child a SMART Watch for Christmas, please consider our school Mobile Phone and Device policy. These devices, as with all other devices that can message, take photos or connect to the internet cannot be carried by the child or be in their bag during the day.

(Extract from Mobile Phone and Device Policy Burnside Public School)

Students

Students are not permitted to have mobile phones/ devices or watches that receive messages, take photos or access the internet on their person nor to use mobile phones/ devices/ Smart Watches during school hours.

Several issues arise in regard to this matter.

- Inappropriate use of mobile device e.g. nuisance calls or texting, bullying filming or photographing then uploading to the internet.
- Inappropriate use of device during class time both for calls and use of games or cameras.
- Sending or receiving a message



• Security of device. As with other electronic games, etc, their security from theft or breakage can be an issue.

At Burnside Public School students may only bring mobile phones/devices/ SMART Watches to school if there is a need for them to be able to contact their parents either before arriving at school or in the afternoon after leaving school. Upon arrival at school the phone/ device/ SMART Watch is to be checked in at the school office where it will be turned off and kept securely for the day. It is the child's responsibility to collect the phone/ device/ SMART Watch at the end of the day.

Parents with an urgent need to be in contact with their child during the day should contact the school office and appropriate steps will be taken to pass on the message or arrangements will be made for the child to return the call on the school phone.

School Shoes

Please remember that when purchasing new school shoes for the end of year or next year that they must be black – no white soles. They should be a supportive shoe that supports the foot and appropriate for 35hours of wear each week.

Correct Footwear and Socks for School



Incorrect Footwear







Showcase – Open Classrooms

On Thursday, 29 November, Week 7 parents were invited into the rooms prior to home time to view work that the students have recently completed in their rooms. Students proudly displayed their learning.



















Assembly Awards

Week 7











Please remember to encourage your child to hand in their Blue Awards in order to achieve the awards that they are entitled to.

P&C Family Fun Night

A reminder that the Family Fun Night has been postponed until next Friday, 7 December 2018. You may continue to purchase pre-order wristbands until next Thursday. Also, a reminder to send in any sold or unsold raffle tickets to the office letterbox.





URGENT

Students Leaving or Returning Late to School in 2019

If any families know their child/children will be leaving at the end of 2018 or returning late to school in 2019 please contact the office or complete the form below as soon as possible.

PLEASE RETURN TO THE OFFICE

K – 5 STUDENTS <u>NOT</u> RETURNING TO BURNSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOL IN 2019				
The Principal, Burnside Public School				
My child / children will not be attending Burnside Public School in 2019.				
Student Name:	Class:			
Student Name:	Class:			
Student Name:	Class:			
Last day of attendance:				
Name of new school:				
Signature:(Parent/Caregiver)	Date:			

STUDENTS RETURNING LATE TO SCHOOL IN 2018				
To:	The Principal, Burnside Public School			
	My child / children will be returning late to Burnside Public School because:			
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The anticipated date of return is:				
	nt Name:	Class:		
Student Name:		Class:		
Student Name:		Class:		
Signat	ture:(Parent/Caregiver)	Date:		



35 BOREDOM BUSTING creative writing challenges over summer!



- Beat boredom and become a better writer
- Sign up anytime
- 1st challenge available from December 1st
- New challenges unlocked daily
- Access challenges online anywhere, anytime
- Improve creative writing skills while having FUN
- Awesome Christmas Gift idea
- Sign up at www.juniorwritersclub.com.au
- Only \$14.95 for the entire holidays

www.juniorwritersclub.com.au



Over the past 6 years, we have developed a sound boys program with many State Gymnastics Champions, including 2018 State Champions: Lucas Rogers (Level 3), Oscar Haugerad (Level 3 O), Daniel Chalabov (Level 6), Max Langdon (Level 7)

Gymnastics is the best competitive sport for boys to develop Strength, Flexibility, Agility, Coordination, Spacial Awareness, Discipline and Focus. An ideal sport for boys of small stature, who have energy, strength, and loves to flip, hang and run, Gymnastics is the best way to develop multiple personal and physical qualities for life.

Sydney Hills Gymnastics would like to call for a Talent ID day to trial young boys to be selected into our 2019 Competitive Men's Program.

Calling for boys born in 2013, 2012 ONLY. No prior gymnastics experience required!

Date: 8th Dec 2018 2:30 - 4:00 pm 1/4 Gladstone Rd., Castle Hill Time Place:

Selection will be based on the outcome of tests and observations made on the day. FREE session with fun gymnastics activities for the boys

Where time is not suitable please contact club director, Vassili Trofimov, to book an alternative time for a trial. We hope to see you there!

Vassili Trofimov: 0421895803 (M) www.sydneyhillsgymnastics.com.au Facebook: Sydney hills gymnastics 3/4 Gladstone Rd. Castle Hill







Registrations Now Open

Northmead Uniting Netball Club

Northmead Uniting Netball Club is a member of the Gooden Reserve Netball Association. This is a local community competition held on Saturday afternoons at Gooden Reserve in Baulkham Hills. We are committed to maintaining a low-cost competition, that has a friendly, safe and welcoming environment where girls, ladies / mums of all skill levels can participate. Boys under 12 years of age are also welcome. Please note this is a non-graded competition.



1st North Rocks Joey Scouts (6-8)

Baden Powell Place, North Rocks

Every Tuesday 6-7pm during school term

Free 4 weeks tryout

adventure

Do you know how to cook chocolate spiders or make frog puppets? Can you build monsters and spaceships from scrap items? Have you ever grown a plant or hiked in the bush? These are all things you can learn when you are a Joey Scout!

friends

Joev Scouts are boys and girls aged six and eight who like having fun and making friends!

When you join Joeys you'll be part of a Mob. You'll play games, read stories, sing songs and do craft activities.

nature

You'll find out about nature and learn about native birds and animals

You might fly a kite, go bushwalking, go to the beach or visit a fire station, zoo or farm.

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The Joev Scout motto is HOP - Help Other People! You'll learn to jump in and HOP, and to share with

You'll also learn heaps of useful stuff, like what to do in an emergency.

When you join in different activities and learn new things, you and your mates in the Mob can earn special badges to sew on to your Joey Scout shirts.

Contact: Kai Xue (Water Dragon) MP: 0405 760 216 Email: joevs.northrocks@gmail.com

More info: http://www.northrocksscouts.org/











