BURNETT HEADS STATE SCHOOL

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**Principal's Message**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

You may have noticed on our noticeboard, that it is now 30 years since we have had crossing supervisors in our schools in Queensland. In our school we have Mrs Gina Fuller and Mr Michael Thompson. Gina has been here for 21 years, starting originally as a parent. Michael was also a parent at this school, before taking over as the crossing. Their work is very important for the safety of our students and they expect and teach safe road behavior to our students. We thank them for being part of our school community and for helping keep our kids safe. Cooperation with them in all ways is essential for them to do their jobs successfully, and their only focus is road safety for all.

In the time I have been at this school, there has not been a day when Gina or Michael have not been on the crossing at the required time.

That week we also take time to thank our Cleaners, Mrs Phyllis and Mrs Adams for the work they do in keeping our school clean. School Cleaners' Day is this Friday and we do appreciate the work that both of these women do, not only in cleaning, but also keeping an eye out for any areas of the school that need attention.

We have some good news on our student learning front as well, with Rotary Readers and classroom teachers reporting that some students are making great progress. Our Rotary Readers are willing and dedicated volunteers who are reliable, well trained (thanks you Mrs Strube) and an asset to our school.

For all students to make the best of their learning time, they do need to be at school every possible day.

Regards,

Pamela Lidnell (Principal)
Focus in each classroom this week is Getting Along with others by being respectful of them in how you speak to them, and how you respect property belonging to the school or other people.

INTERHOUSE SPORTS DAY
Our 2014 Interhouse Athletics Carnival will be held on Thursday, June 26th. This is the second last day of Term 2. The 800m will be held on the preceding Wednesday. Tracks are marked thanks to Mr Steele and Athol, and the Council of Students are starting to work with House Leaders to begin practices. We are running Athletics as part of AASS and hope all students will start to prepare for the day.

LIBRARY NEWS
Continue reading for the Premiers Reading Challenge. As the Term is fast approaching we need to call for the return for all overdue books.

CHAPPY NEWS
Congratulations to Sky Barrett who received the True Friend Award last week for being friendly to others and helping them feel included. Thank you Sky!

It Pays To Keep Your Cool!
On Monday my football team played in a grand final against a team who is very physical and sometimes aggressive. Although we enjoy these physical battles, we prefer to let our skill and quality of play do the talking. In 20 years of playing football I have not seen a player act in such a disrespectful and violent way as one of the opposition players did. Our team was clearly upset but instead of responding by getting back physically, we continued on and played our normal style of football. As much as possible, we put the incident out of our minds and moved on. When the final whistle blew we had won 7-0. The scoreboard showed we were the stronger team on the field and the way we conducted ourselves proved that we were stronger in character as well. It was a very sweet victory! I challenge you to keep your cool this week. Don’t let your feelings control you – be the boss of your feelings and stay in control.

Thanks for your support.
God bless, Chappy Tanya.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE REWARDS
Prep - Loukas Goulding
Yr 1 - Ashlin Bullock
Yr 2 - Tristan Hall
Yr 3 - Jake Whiting
Yr 4 - Tobias Riley
Yr 5 - Summah Allen
Year 6/7 - Gypsy Foley

SCHOOL AWARDS
Year 2: Home Reading Award - 40 books - Maya Dwyer, Nadiniha Street, Jedda-Westbrook, Finn Sugars, Styra Dooley, Carter Parrott, River Voltoud, Rommy Lee
True Friend Award - Sky Barrett

HELPING YOUR CHILD TO LEARN
- Read to them.
- Let them read to you.
- Encourage them to tell you the same story in their words.
- Ask them to talk about what they have learnt today at school.
- Ask them to talk about something that interests them (sport, music, a TV program, a drawing).
- Talk about community activities.
- Talk about religious festivals and their meaning.

GETTING INVOLVED
- Communicate regularly with your child’s teacher.
- Read the school newsletter and other school notices.
- Attend school open days, family events and other special activities at school.
- Help out with fundraising activities, excursions, sports days and other events.
- Be involved with the Parents and Citizens Association

WALKING TO SCHOOL
Walk to school with your child-particularly during the first two years - so you can point out the dangers. Young children have limited side vision and difficulty judging the speed and distance of traffic. They also have difficulty working out the direction of traffic sounds. Tell your child that the footpath is the correct place to walk.

Teach your child the safest route with the least traffic and the fewest road crossings. This is not always the shortest.
Show your child that parked cars, buses, busses, poles, bends, hills and other things block their view of vehicles and a driver’s view of the child. Ask your child to point out dangerous traffic situations and safe places to walk and cross the road.

TUCKSHOP WILL BE CLOSED TOMORROW DUE TO LACK OF VOLUNTEERS.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER
Wed - NO TUCKSHOP
Thurs - Sheree Doorley, Linda Portelli, Catrina Payne
Fri - Kim Phillips, Tanya Jessop
Sam Petersen, President, 0478 640 668

COMMUNITY NEWS

BHSS School Disco
Black and White ... with something BRIGHT.
Thursday 19th June
$5.00 Price includes
Prep to Grade 3 4 pm - 5:45 pm
Grades 4 to 7 6 pm - 8 pm

Use the kerb drill of looking to the right, looking to the left, then looking to the right again. Get your child to look and listen to locate traffic sounds. Whenever possible, cross with a School Crossing Supervisor at a school pedestrian crossing or at traffic lights. Explain to your child why there is still a need to look and listen for traffic even in these situations.

P AND C NEWS
We are calling on donations for raffles for our Senior Class camp fundraiser at the V8 Ute Pub Raffles on the 12 July.
We really need more volunteers to help in our Tuckshop. We appreciate any help that is offered.
Thank you to the Madden family for your continuing donations to support our Breakfast Club

This Friday is Black Friday and Tuckshop will be selling an assortment of Friday the 13th themed foods and treats.
Don’t forget to order your birthday cupcakes through the Tuckshop - only $10 and delivered to class. Your choice of flavour and colour.

School Wide Positive Behaviour Expectations
 Contentious >> Getting Along >> Organization >> Persistence >> Resilience