OUR COMPOSITE CLASSES

Prep-Year 1

Year 1-Year 2

These advertisers support us; always support them.

BURNETT HEADS THE BEACON

A NEWSLETTER LINKING BURNETT HEADS PRIMARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Guardians

Welcome Back to Term 1 2015. It will be a busy start to the year as always particularly so as the Election is this weekend. Our Hall will be used as the Polling Booth as normal and the P & C are busy organising a BBQ and stalls to raise funds for the school. This year our classes at this stage are Prep/1, (Ms Liston) Year 1/2, (Ms Strachan), Year 3, (Mr and Mrs Steele), Yr 4, (Mr Strandfast), Yr 5, Miss Larson, Yr 6, (Mrs Edwards).

Parents should be assured that the formation of composite classes in Prep/1, 1/2 will not disadvantage their children. The Year 1 students in both classes will be taught the Year 1 curriculum as required under the National Curriculum. If you are concerned about your child being in a composite class please see me. I can assure that they will receive an excellent education and their progress will be fed back to you on a regular basis. Both Ms Strachan and Mr Liston are experienced in teaching lower school composite classes.

Over the school holidays our Groundsman, Keith, has been hard at work painting, removing unwanted plants and trees to make our grounds wonderful and safe. He has reported to me that he did find a small snake and with the current weather we are encouraging everyone to be snake aware.

Capital works were completed in the school with new carpet in Block D, and painting upstairs in Block B as well as the Prep Room. We have also had better handicapped facilities installed.

We would like to welcome the new families and students to our school.

Kind Regards, Pam Liddell (Principal)

Date Claimers

Semester 1 Issue 1
January 21, 2015

• NO BREAKFAST CLUB THIS WEEK
• NO TUCKSHOP THIS WEEK

• Breakfast Club - Mon-Fri commencing Feb 2
• Tuckshop - Wed and Fri commencing Feb 4
• Sausage Sizzle - Thurs commencing Feb 5

SAT JAN 31: ELECTION - POLLING BOOTH - SCHOOL HALL

• Mon Feb 16 - P&C Staff Meeting
• Thurs Feb 19 - Book Club orders due
• Fri Feb 20 - Arts Council
• Fri Feb 27 - School Clean Up Australia Day

Thurs Mar 18 - Visit Frame Lessons - Author/

NO TUCKSHOP OR BREAKFAST CLUB THIS WEEK

2014 TERM DATES
Term 3 14 Jul – 19 Sep
Term 4 7 Oct – 12 Dec

2015 TERM DATES
Term 1 27 Jan – 2 Apr
Term 2 20 Apr – 26 Jun

Progress through Participation

Great state. Great opportunity.
SCOOTERS
All student scooters are to be left in the bike racks or brought to the School Administration.

CHINESE NEW YEAR/LION DANCING
A note will go home in the next few days regarding lion dancing practice.

SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISION
There has been changes to the timetable of the School Crossing Supervisors.

ROAD SAFETY REMINDER
It’s becoming commonplace about the regular routine of dropping off and picking up children from school.

Because children will always be unpredictable, being constantly alert in school zones and obeying road and parking rules can easily prevent tragedy outside our school.

Some basic things to remember when dropping off or picking up your child include:
- Watch for children riding, walking or getting out of vehicles.
- Observe school zone signs. These require you to travel at lower speeds at certain hours. Keep an eye out for children at pedestrian crossings and always stop for them.

Be alert when driving past a stationary bus as children often step out in front of and from behind buses to cross the road.

Never double park.

Never park in "no standing" zones.

When you see a School Crossing Supervisor obey their instructions. Stop if they tell you to stop, and wait until they return to the kerb before proceeding. Make sure you don’t park on pedestrian crossings. This is an offence.

For more information about road safety outside schools visit the Queensland Transport website at: http://www.transport.qld.gov.au/ / Home / Safety / Road / School /

ROTARY READERS
Do you know an older person who might like to help us?

In 2015 our school will once again be seeking community volunteers as tutors in our Rotary Readers program.

All volunteers require a Blue Card (free for volunteers) and this takes about 6 weeks for the checks to be made and the card issued. Early application means the volunteer will be able to assist us early next year. If you require and further information please contact the school.

ARTS COUNCIL
We have an Arts Council performance on Friday February 20 February. Costs have changed for the performances. Parents costs may change in the future. At Burnett Heads we appreciate the opportunity to learn from life theatre. Our students show their appreciation at each performance by their wonderful engagement and behaviour.

SCHOOL DIRECTIONS
If any of your details have changed over the school holidays please advise the School Administration. This could be a change of address, phone number, emergency contact or medical condition. It is imperative that our records are accurate should your child become sick or we need to contact you during school hours for any reason. Please help us keep our records up to date.

P & C NEWS
Welcome Back!

TUCKSHOP WILL NOT OPEN THIS WEEK.
We are calling for volunteers. Anyone who volunteers more than three times a term will go into a draw to have one of their child’s Reserve Scheme paid for the following year. This year’s Reserve Scheme payment was won by Linda Postell. Your support is greatly appreciated. Please volunteer and support our Tuckshop. The schedule for Tuckshop remains the same as last year being Wednesday and Friday. We also have a sausage sizzle on Thursdays.

Tuckshop Menu is attached to this Newsletter.

There is NO BREAKFAST CLUB THIS WEEK
We will commence next week and serve children at 8:30am. Donations of eggs, baked beans, drinks would all be gratefully received.

ELECTION DAY STALL.
We are calling for volunteers to help with a BBQ and cooking cakes to sell on the day.

P & C MEETING
Our first P & C Meeting will be on Monday, February 16 at 5:30pm in the Staff Room. Come along and voice your ideas and perhaps look at taking on a position on our Committee. It is a great way to meet other parents and join in the P & C activities over the coming year. All welcome.

UNIFORMS
Hats and school shirts (not all sizes) are available for purchase from the school tuckshop. Monday to Friday 8.30am - 9.00am
Hats $6.00 sizes SS, SM
Second hand Shirts in various sizes $2.50 upwards
Cash only, sorry no EFT on uniforms.
Unforms can also be purchased from Inn Style Mensland.

BOOK CLUB
Book Club flyers will be distributed to your children. The first Book Club Issue will be close for orders on Thursday, February 19. Please get your orders and monies into the office by this date if you wish to order from Issue 1.

CHAPPHY NEWS
Hello and welcome back to Burnett Heads State School and an extra special welcome to those joining us for the first time. I trust you had an enjoyable Christmas break and are refreshed and ready for the 2015 school year. It was nice to see so many smiling faces coming through the gates this morning. I had to have a second look at a number of students to check who they were as they had grown so much. Although we are now Prep-Year 6 I'm sure a few from our senior class will still manage to outgrow several staff in height. This morning I was with Prep/Year 1 who started things off in quite a sharp manner; they certainly are a bright bunch! I'm looking forward to seeing what our students will achieve throughout 2015. Let's make every effort to support our students and each other as we face and overcome the challenges ahead. If we do so, we will have far more stories of success to celebrate at the end of this year! Have a great week, take care.

Chappy Tanya.