FROM THE PRINCIPAL
The P&C meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the Staffroom at 6.00pm

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Principal’s Report

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Dear Parents,

Schoolwide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) - SWPBS is a process for teaching expected social emotional behavioural skills so the focus can be on teaching and learning. It involves all students, all staff and all settings in the school. SWPBS is a process to change the social culture of the school through decreases in office discipline referrals and increase in positive school climate.

Schoolwide: durable changes involving all student, all staff, all settings.
Positive: explicitly teaching and acknowledging expected social behaviour and emotional self-discipline.
Behaviour: focusing on what we do, how we do it, when we do it and how we feel about it.
Support: ensuring that our interventions improve the quality of life for the whole school community.

Schools implementing SWPBS spend a lot of time focusing on what is important and relevant to the local culture. I extend an invitation to all of our community to the launch of the renewed SWPBS. This year we have Sarara Koala as our mascot. She represents the three pillars of our universal school rule: Safe, Responsible, Respectful.

The assembly will be held on Tuesday 3 September, at 2.00pm in the Hall. I look forward to seeing many families here for our launch and to hear all about SWPBS.

As part of our SWPBS, the school will be adopting our own real life Sarara Koala from Australia Zoo. A representative will be attending the assembly to present us with the adoption papers. To support this cause, the Student Council have organised a Crazy Hair Day for Friday 6 September, with gold coin donation. If you are colouring your child’s hair, it must be done at home – no aerosol cans are permitted at school. Students are permitted to wear a wig if they do not wish to colour their hair, or perhaps a crazy hair style for the day.

Teaching and Learning Audit

Last week, our school underwent a teaching and Learning Audit. This process ensures that the school programs and practices are aligned to Education Queensland’s strategic plan. The Auditor spoke with the Admin team, teachers, students, teacher aides and parents. Thank you to the group of parents who spoke with the Auditor last week. As parents you provide a different perspective to curriculum delivery. We will be provided with a report of commendations and recommendations in the next two weeks. This will be published on the website.
Prep Enrolments
I have commenced 2014 Prep interviews. If you know of families with Prep age children, please remind them to come up to the Office and enrol for Prep. Pre-Prep will commence in Week 1 of Term 4. Children must be enrolled at Bray Park State School Prep to be eligible to attend the Pre-Prep program.

Have a great week.
Maree Mortlock
Principal

P&C NEWS

Cookie Dough Fundraiser
For those that purchased cookie dough, it will be available for pick up this Friday, 30th August between the hours of 1pm and 3:30pm. As it is a refrigerated item, the cookie dough MUST be collected on this day. The cookie dough will be delivered to the school frozen so it will keep for a few hours. If you have purchased a few tubs an esky or cooler bag may come in handy on the day for transporting home. From the orders received, it looks like there will be lots of baking going on this weekend 😊 Prizes are currently being sorted and should also be available for pick-up on Friday with the cookie dough.

Father’s Day Stall
The father’s day stall will be open this Thursday and Friday for students to purchase a gift. A timetable has been done up so all students get a chance to go ‘shopping’ over the two days. Please check with your child’s teacher if you need to know when their class is scheduled for purchasing gifts.

Tuckshop
Just a reminder that the tuckshop is open on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays at first break only. New items currently on the menu are shepherds pie, tacos and burritos. Donations to the tuckshop are always gratefully received. We always need Jelly Crystals / Dishwashing Liquid / Ritz Biscuits / Tinned pineapple, beetroot, two fruits and tuna / SAO crackers and Rice Cakes.

Election Day Fundraising BBQ
The P&C is running a sausage sizzle to help raise much needed funds for our school. If you are available to help on Saturday, 7 September in any way please fill in the pink forms handed out to students last week, and return to the Admin office. Spare forms are at the office if you didn’t receive one. Even if it is only for an hour, it will be greatly appreciated.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH
Congratulations to the following students on being chosen as ‘Student of the Month’. You are a great example to the other students at this school and should be very proud of your achievements.

Afternoon tea for these students will be held tomorrow, Wednesday 28 August, at 2.30pm in the Hall.

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WARNER VILLAGE - MY SCHOOL RULE COMPETITION
Warner Village is running a competition for primary schools in the local area to share in a prize pool of $8 000. Each school will have its own entry barrel located near Woolworths at Warner Village. Parents and friends of our school need to shop at Warner Village and they will receive a voucher for every $10.00 they spend. The vouchers will need to be placed in the school’s barrel. The more times parents visit the centre the more chances they get to support our school. The school with the most points vouchers per number of students in the school will win the first prize. So shop at Warner Village and gather points for our school.

SCHOOL SIGNS PETITION
Seath Holswich, our local State Government member, is putting together a petition to have the school zone sign on Sparkes Road changed to a larger sign with flashing lights. If you would like to put your name on this petition, please see Kylie in the Office.

ABSENCES FROM OSHC
A request from OSHC please. If you child is booked into after school care but does not attend due to being collected from school early, please contact OSHC to advise the staff. This will assist OSHC staff with marking the afternoon rolls.
CHAPLAINCY TRIVIA NIGHT
On Saturday 31st August at 7pm we will be having a TV and Movie themed trivia night here at school to raise vital funds for our chaplaincy program. It will be hosted by the local trivia king - Councillor Mick Gillam and will cost $10 per person to enter. There will be lots of raffles and prizes on the night (including a prize for best dressed for those who wish to dress to the theme). If you would like to register a team (of up to eight people) please contact Chappy Kirsty through the school office or by email: kirstyr@chappy.org.au

MUSIC NEWS
Below is a list of upcoming performances for both our choirs:
- Monday, 2 September - perform at Choral Fest - wear music uniforms
- Wednesday, 4 September - perform at Moreton Regional Council Teddy Bears’ Picnic - wear music uniform.

Senior Choir rehearsal next week will be Monday morning 8am (There will be no Tuesday rehearsal next week). Junior Choir members need to be at the music room in choir uniform by 8.30am on Monday in order to be ready to catch the bus to Choral Fest.

Our Performing Arts Night is Tuesday 10 September. More information will come out in a letter. All Choirs and Ensembles will be performing on this night.

PINE RIVERS COMMUNITY
AQUATICS CLUB
Sign on Saturday 7th September
10am to 2pm
AT
the Pine Rivers High School pool
Gympie Rd, STRATHPINE
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Starting 7th October 2013 with
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We welcome swimmers of all levels.
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Reading Comprehension Strategy
Predicting
“Comprehension is an active cycle of mental activity.” (Duffy, 2003)
The cycle begins when readers anticipate meaning by predicting what they will find in the text. As readers move into the text, they monitor their own comprehension, they ask questions, and when necessary readers abandon earlier predictions and make new ones. The thinking processes involved in predicting assist students in making meaning.

How can parents help their children to use this strategy?
Have a discussion about the book before it is read. Use the information that the book cover and title provide, combined with any prior knowledge of the topic, to make predictions about:
- what the book might be about
- what type of book it might be
- what words might be used by the author

As you read the book ask your child some questions about what might happen next. Discuss the outcome – was the prediction accurate? What gave you a clue that that might happen?

Some other questions to ask to help your child predict:
- What does this picture make you think about?
- Why did you change your prediction?
- How do you think this character is feeling? How do you know?

If you would like further information on the reading comprehension strategy of predicting, please see your child’s class teacher.

Playing Your Part in Building Resilient Children Workshop
Date: Tuesday, 3 September 2013
Time: Workshop registration and information stalls from 9am.
Workshop from 9.30am – 2.30pm
Venue: North Pine Baptist Church, Ogg Rd, Murrumba Downs (opposite Undurba State School)
Cost: $5 payable on the day to go towards the cost of the workshop.
Plus $7 for a light lunch.
Contact: Toni from Relationships Australia Family Support Service Strathpine on 1300 364 277.