The next meeting of the P&C will be held on Wednesday, 23 April 2014 at 6:00pm in the Staffroom. The P&C AGM has been postponed until Term Two.

Volume 5 Principal’s Report

25 March 2014

Dear Parents

We have almost reached the final week of Term 1 and it is an extremely busy two week period ahead with Pine Rivers State High School visiting our Year 6 and 7 students, Gala Sports Day, Gold Assemblies, and our Easter Hat Parade and raffle.

Cross Country Fun Run
Thank you to all of the students who participated in the Cross Country Fun Run – a wonderful time was had by all! Our Student Leaders were outstanding in their roles leading their Houses and encouraging participation of all students. I was particularly proud of the way they helped at the P-3 events, leading the children in their races and helping to keep them on the track so that they did not get lost. Also thanks to Mr Flannery for organising the event which raises money for the school.

Pine Rivers State High School
Staff and student leaders from Pine Rivers State High School will be visiting our Year 6 and 7 students on Thursday 27 March at 9.00am. There are still a number of students in Years 6 and 7 who are unsure of the high school they will be attending in 2015. From 2015, all Year 7 students will move across to the high schools. It is important that parents have the discussions around which high school your child will attend next year so that transition fears are minimised.

Gold Assemblies
Our Gold Assemblies recognise the outstanding behaviour of our students across the term. Students who have upheld the universal school rule “Act in a manner that is safe, responsible and respectful to all” in all circumstances, are awarded a Gold Certificate. These students are to be congratulated for such an excellent effort. Silver and Bronze certificates are awarded to students who have followed our rule in most situations.

Prep Gold Assembly: Monday, 31 March 10.30am
Year 1 Gold Assembly: Monday, 31 March 12.45pm
Year 3 Gold Assembly: Tuesday, 1 April 9.30am
Year 4 Gold Assembly: Tuesday, 1 April 10.15am
Year 2 Gold Assembly: Wednesday, 2 April 10.30am
Year 6&7 Gold Assembly: Wednesday, 2 April 12.45pm
Year 5 Gold Assembly: Thursday, 3 April 10.30am

Please come along and celebrate the achievements of our students across Term 1.
**P-3 Easter Hat Parade**
The Easter Hat Parade will commence at **2.00pm** at the Hall on Friday 4 April. Throughout the Parade, the P&C Easter Raffle prizes will be drawn. Come along and join in the fun of the Parade.

**P&C AGM**
Due to unforeseen circumstances, the P&C AGM that was scheduled for Thursday 27 March, has been postponed until Term Two. Nomination forms for Executive Committee members and general P&C membership are available at the Office.

**Early Arrivals**
Over the past three weeks we have continued to monitor student arrival at school. On a regular basis, we have more than 120 students at school before 8.30am. For most students this is unnecessary. The only students who need to arrive prior to 8.45am are the students participating in choir rehearsals on Tuesday and Wednesday, band practice on Thursday or those students who catch a bus to school where there are no later options.

Students sitting and waiting for extended periods of time causes restlessness and an unsettled start to their day. I recommend that students delay their journey from home to school so that they are not arriving prior to the commencement of instruction at 8.45am.

**Mid Semester Vacation**
Our mid semester vacation runs between 5 April to 17 April, followed by the Easter weekend. Term 2 resumes on **Tuesday 22 April**.

I wish you a happy and safe vacation period. Please remind children of the safety rules around crossing the road, riding bicycles and scooters, swimming and Stranger Danger. We want to see all of the beautiful smiling faces back here at Bray Park State School after the vacation.

Have a great week!
Maree Mortlock
Principal

**ENSURE A GREAT START TO THE DAY...**

Our students here are kept very active, and with this beautiful weather we are having, they are out exercising every day at break times and burning a lot of energy!

Mrs Smith, our wonderful Teacher Aide in Sick Bay, has had a lot of visits from students lately, who state they are either not having breakfast or they don’t have enough food in their lunch boxes to eat throughout the day. Most are feeling unwell because they are running on empty! Parents and carers, can you please ensure your students have a good breakfast every morning, and also bring enough food to get them through their busy days, maybe an extra piece of fruit to fill the gap.

**A WORD FROM SARARA**

Our rule for the week is simple, It’s something we all can do, Looking after property, Whether it’s old or new.

Property means all things, From buildings, desks and chairs, Pencils, pens and rubbers, Books or teddy bears!

We treat property with respect, Don’t damage or destroy, For what you may think is old, May be special to a girl or boy.

We don’t scribble on chairs, Or write on desks at school, We don’t graffiti anywhere, (Even if you think it’s cool).

If you treat all things as if they’re yours, Show pride, respect and care, Our world would be a happier place, Here and everywhere!

Until next time,
It’s toodle-loo from me to you!

Sarara

**ANTI-BULLYING DAY**

On Friday the 21st March, students at Bray Park State School celebrated Anti-Bullying Day by wearing the colour orange. Their goal is to make their class, school and playground environment free from bullying. Mrs Armstrong was very proud of her 2A students and their views on bullying. Here is some of what they had to say...

Elighe said "We don't want any bullies in our school because we don't want them hurting our feelings."

Jye said "Bullies are mean and we don't want them in our school."

Chloe said "I wore orange because I don't want to be bullied."

Isabella said "I say to bullies, stop it, I don't like it."
Congratulations to the following students on being chosen as ‘Student of the Month’ for February. You are a great example to the other students at this school and should be very proud of your achievements. Afternoon tea will be held for these students on Thursday, 27/3/14 at 2.30pm in the Assembly Hall.

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PARKING IN THE DROP OFF ZONE

The drop off zone in Hopetoun Street is well signed to state that you can only stop in your vehicle there for 2 minutes. Regularly in the afternoon, parents are arriving early, parking in the drop off zone and waiting in cars until 3.00pm. In the mornings before 9.00am, and in the afternoon from 2.30pm – 4.00pm, parents must not stop in this zone for more than 2 minutes.

As recently as this morning, there was an unoccupied dark blue station wagon parked in the drop off zone for at least 15 minutes. The registration of this vehicle has been noted. Parking in this zone restricts the flow of traffic and causes delays for fellow parents. Please be considerate. Police regularly patrol the streets surrounding our school and you will be fined if observed breaking the rules.

COMMUNITY NEWS

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING
AT PINE RIVERS STATE HIGH SCHOOL
YEAR 5/6/7
MONDAY MARCH 31, 2014 – 6.30pm

On Monday March 31, celebrating 50 years of quality public schooling, Pine Rivers State High School is hosting a Parent Information Evening to be conducted on the school site at the Auditorium, commencing at 6:30pm. The Principal and other key staff including Head of Department, Junior Secondary, will be presenting information about teaching, the curriculum and future pathways, behaviour management, performing arts and sport, gifted and talented programs and support for students with disabilities and those requiring learning support.

The aim is to promote public schooling and to provide assistance for decision making with regard to enrolments in 2015 and beyond.

(Parking available off Gympie Road or via Ash Court)

YMCA BRAY PARK
OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE NEWS
3205 4639
E. abp@ymca.org.au

‘Playing Safe and Having Fun’

IMPORTANT MESSAGES FROM THE COORDINATOR...

VACATION CARE IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER. PLEASE GET YOUR BOOKINGS IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO SECURE YOUR SPOT 😊

IMPORTANT INFORMATION...

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL BOOKINGS DO NOT CARRY OVER TO SCHOOL HOLIDAYS. PLEASE FILL OUT A HOLIDAY CLUB FORM IF YOU WISH TO ATTEND. WE HAVE Hello Africa and Crazy Candles COMING OUT TO VISIT.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK FOR SOME WONDERFUL EXPERIENCES AND LOTS OF FUN...

T BALL, BALL SPORTS, SOCCER, ELASTICS, , PLAY DOUGH, DOT PAINTING, CONSTRUCTION, SHAVING CREAM PRINTS, GAMES & MORE... WE OFFER HOMEWORK TIME!!
P&C News

P&C AGM - Due to unforeseen circumstances, the AGM scheduled for this Thursday 27\textsuperscript{th} March has been postponed until Term 2.

The new 2014 | 2015 Entertainment Books are almost here!

We are excited to be offering parents the opportunity to purchase 2014|2015 Brisbane, Sunshine Coast and Surrounds Entertainment™ Memberships to help us raise funds.

This year you have a choice – to purchase the popular Entertainment™ Books or the brand new Entertainment™ Digital Membership, which puts the value of the Entertainment™ Book into your iPhone or Android smartphone!

The brand new 2014|2015 Entertainment Memberships feature many of the area’s best restaurants, cafés, hotel accommodation, attractions, and activities, and are packed with hundreds of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers, valued at over $20,000 that your family can enjoy until June, 2015!

The best part is that for only $65 you’ll be helping our fundraising, with $13 from every Membership sold contributing directly to raising funds for much needed classroom resources. Please let your family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues know we are fundraising, as the more we sell, the more funds we raise!

A copy of the Entertainment™ Book is going to be sent home with your child on the 29\textsuperscript{th} April.

If you pre-order your Entertainment Book or Digital Membership before 31\textsuperscript{st} March you can choose up to six Bonus Offers worth $255 that you can use straight away! Entertainment Books pre-ordered and paid for before the 31\textsuperscript{st} of March will be available to take home on Wednesday 2nd April in time for school holidays.

To pay securely online or order your Digital Membership visit: [https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/225y589](https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/225y589)

If you do not have internet access please complete and return this form: Please note Digital Memberships can only be purchased through the order link above

Child’s Name: ________________________          Class: ___________________________________

I would like to order: ___ x Brisbane, Sunshine Coast and Surrounds @ $65 each (GST incl.)= $________

Method of Payment:  ☐ Cash    ☐ Visa    ☐ MasterCard

Cardholder’s Name: ______________________________________   Signature: ______________________________

Card Number: __ __ __ __/__ __ __ __/__ __ __ __/__ __ __ __   Expiry Date: __ __/____   CVV:_______

Phone:  _______________________________ Email: ______________________________________________

For those who DO NOT wish to receive a Book:

Please return this form to the office before: 1\textsuperscript{st} April 2014

☐ I am purchasing a Digital Membership; please do not send home the printed Book

☐ I do not wish to purchase a Book or Digital Membership; please do not send home the Book

CHILD’S NAME: ____________________________________          CLASS: ______________________________
Buy Mum a Flower for Mother’s Day
As we don’t have the Mother’s Day stall this year it was suggested that the children here at school purchase Mum a flower for Mother’s Day. We have a florist who is able to supply us with pink carnations for delivery on Friday 9th of May. The cost per flower is $3.00 with the order form and payment being due back at school no later than Wednesday 23rd of April. This will allow the florist enough time to place the order at what is traditionally a very busy time of year. We cannot be guaranteed of delivery after this date. So spoil your mum, grandmother, favourite Aunty or someone else special and purchase a carnation to say “I Love You!”

ORDER FORM
Buy a Flower for Mother’s Day
(Return to Admin with payment before Weds 23rd April)
I wish to order _____ carnation/s @ $3.00 each
Please find enclosed a total amount of $_________
Child’s Name: ______________________ Class: ________
Parent Name: __________________  Signature: ____________

Volunteers – The P&C is involved with various fundraising activities throughout the school year and is always looking for helpers to assist. It’s the help and commitment from the parents and carers within our school community that makes it all possible so please let the office know if you are able to assist in any way - big or small. Without enough support some activities will not be able to go ahead.

Tuckshop – Just a reminder that the tuckshop is now open at first break only on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Donations of the following would be greatly appreciated – ritz or jatz biscuits, tinned pineapple pieces, tinned beetroot, tuna, jelly crystals, dishwashing liquid, brown paper lunch bags and paper kitchen towel.

P&C April General Meeting – The April P&C General Meeting will be held at 6pm in the staffroom after the school holidays on Wednesday the 23rd of April. Please come along and support the work of the P&C. New and old members are always welcome.

Easter Raffle - As in previous years the P&C is running its annual Easter raffle. A book of 10 tickets was recently sent home with the youngest in the family. Please ensure money and ticket stubs are returned to Admin before Wednesday 2nd April. Please note that all unsold tickets also need to be returned for auditing purposes. If needed there are extra books available from the Admin office. We are seeking donations of items that can be used for prizes in the Easter raffle. It would be greatly appreciated if each family is able to assist in some small way with the donation of Easter eggs, soft toys, books or something else that can be used as a prize. All donations can be left in the Admin office. The raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on Friday 4th of April. The Easter Hat Parade commences at 2pm.

School Dance - Remember our dance coming up on Thursday 3rd April. The Prep to Year 3 dance commences at 5.30pm and finishes at 6.30pm (parent/caregiver must remain on site). The Years 4 – 7 dance will start at 7.00pm and conclude at 8.00pm. There will be a sausage sizzle along with cold drinks and lollies available for purchase on the night. Come along to this fun evening. Correction to previous newsletter - Entry is $3.00 per child.

Reminder: the school dance is only open to students enrolled at Bray Park State School.