FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The next GENERAL meeting of the P&C will be held on Wednesday, 14 May 2014 at 6:00pm in the Staffroom.

Volume 8
Principal’s Report

27 May 2014

Dear Parents,

OUR INDIGENOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM WINS!

Bray Park State School's BRING IT ON program has won the Regional Award for Excellence in Inclusive Education, in the 2014 Showcase Awards for Excellence in Schools.

The Showcase Awards for Excellence in Schools is designed for Queensland state schools and has seven categories that aim to:
* recognise, celebrate and reward excellent teaching practice in state schools;
* foster a learning culture that supports sharing excellent practices;
* create professional development opportunities; and
* promote public education.

As winners of this award, the school will receive a $1000 grant to further develop the program. We now move on to the next section of the awards and hopefully can become state finalists, with an opportunity to win the State Award and a $20 000 development grant.

We would like to thank our school community for supporting our BRING IT ON program. Tonight, the Queensland Reconciliation Award winners will be announced by the Premier at the Townsville Convention Centre. Mrs Speirs and her team will be representing our school at these prestigious awards. It is a significant achievement to be announced as a finalist with our program only in its second year.

Morning Routine

All students who arrive before the official commencement of the school day at 8.45am are to proceed directly to the Assembly Hall where they sit with their class group. Students are encouraged to bring a reading book from home so that they have something to do during the wait time. Students accompanied by their parents are also required to proceed to the Assembly Hall. This ensures that in the event of a lock down or evacuation, we know the whereabouts of all students and their families who are on school grounds. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Global Oneness Day 24 October 2014

As you are aware our school comprises students and families from many different cultures. We are hoping to celebrate such diversity through an International Food and Cultural Fair and have nominated Global Oneness Day as the date to undertake celebrations. Students have taken home an Expression of Interest flyer to ask parents what activities they would be able to contribute to our Fair. Please complete the bottom section of the flyer and return to the Office by Friday 13 June. I look forward to hearing from our families.

Have a great week.

Maree Mortlock,
Principal
MUSIC NEWS

This week, Senior choir practise will be on Friday morning 8.00am.

It has been great to receive so many nominations for 'Bray Park Idol' so far. Keep them coming! Nomination forms are available from the office and each act needs to pay a $0.50 nomination fee. Auditions will start in week 7 so keep rehearsing!

'Fanfare' is at Undurba State School on 5 June 2014, commencing at 9.30am. The Beginner Band, Concert Band and String Ensemble are all performing. All students in these groups must meet at the music room at 7.45am on 5 June 2014 for a rehearsal before leaving to attend 'Fanfare'. Please bring in permission forms and bus money as soon as possible to the Office. Parents are welcome to meet us at Undurba State School and watch.

You are all invited to attend a concert in the Assembly Hall on Thursday, 29 May at 2 pm. The Beginner Band, Concert Band and String Ensemble will be performing their Fanfare competition pieces. Most of our Beginner Band members have never performed on stage before and this experience will be fantastic for them. I hope to see you there!

Thank you,
Alison Gray, Music Teacher

A WORD FROM SARARA

Hello my lovely friends, it’s been a week or two,
Since I last chatted, with my message to you.
George, Anna and Tommy, said you’ve all been great,
Thanks for listening to them (they are my little mates)!

The rules ahead are important, to keep us happy at school,
It’s all about the games we play and where we keep the balls.
Find the wheelie bins, and put equipment away,
Then it’s all in one place when you want to play.

Don’t use them for litter, for it wouldn’t be much fun,
Taking out equipment, covered with cream bun!
When you use equipment, take good care of it too,
If we look after it, it will last as if branded new.

And when you’re playing games, challenge yourself as you go,
Try something new, not just the games you know.
When you learn something new, it can lead you to wonderful things,
Just like a little bird, spreading out its wings.

Remember these messages,
They are simple to do,
So until next time my friends,
Toodle-loo from me to you!

Sarara

MY SCHOOL GEAR – HAVE MOVED!!

My School Gear, our local school stationery supplier, have moved.
Their new address is Unit 2/50 Kremzow Road, Brendale. Their shop is open Monday – Friday 8.00am to 4.00pm. Ph: 3881 3100
www.myschoolgear.net.au

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN’S BOOKS

As you know, our students assemble in the Hall of a morning before the school day officially starts. We have lots of children who like to spend this time reading. Our supply of books and magazines in the hall is getting low. If any families would like to donate suitable books and magazines, perhaps ones that aren’t being read at home anymore, our students would greatly appreciate it. Thank you.

BRAY PARK STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Twilight Tours and Parent Information Evening - Bray Park State High School invites you to attend a tour of the school to see our facilities and see displays by the subjects areas from 3.15pm on Tuesday 3 June.

A parent information session for Year 6 and Year 7 students moving into High School in 2015 will be held at 6pm. Both parents and students are welcome to attend.

Enrolments for 2015 open on 3rd June. Enrolment packages will be available from the Bray Park State High School office and provided to students at your school.

CHAPPY’S CHAT

I’d just like to say a big THANK YOU to all our staff, parents and students for supporting Chappy Week so strongly. We had great feedback from all of the children involved in our lunch time activities and we had a huge turn out to our Chappy Pancake breakfast. Thanks to our sponsors: IGA Brendale and Ridgari Pty Ltd and to all our volunteers from Rivers Baptist Church for making Chappy Pancakes run as smoothly as it did.

Thanks also to the families who have already returned their reef and beef raffle tickets – they are due back at school this Friday 30 May so don’t forget to send them back to the office!

Lastly, as mentioned at the P & C meeting, our chaplaincy service has been invited to take part in a special fundraising dinner at the Coffee Club at Strathpine along with the chaplaincy services at Strathpine SS and Strathpine West SS. This dinner will take place on Tuesday 17th June and tickets are available for a cost of $40 for a full three course alternate drop meal. If you’re interested in more information please contact me through the school office.

Chappy Kirsty ☺
FREE SKATE NIGHT – TRY INLINE HOCKEY!
The Pine Rivers Dragons have a free skate night on Monday, 2 June 2014, 5.30-8.00pm at ‘Skateaway’ Albany Creek. Skates and equipment are provided. All students must be accompanied by a parent to sign the permission form before skating. For more details see the flyer in the school noticeboards (near Tuckshop, Hall or JBlock). Contact: Mark 0412 595 521.

BLUE LIGHT DISCO
Pine Rivers PCYC is holding a Blue Light Disco, Friday 13 June 2014, 6.30 – 8.30pm. The cost is $5.00 per person. The disco is supervised by Police Officers and Club Volunteers. For further information please contact Jacki Reesby at PCYC Pine Rivers 07 3909 9555.

Pine Rivers State High School
Proudly Presents

50th Anniversary
Celebration Evening

FROM 6.00pm* SATURDAY 2 AUGUST 2014

EATONS HILL TAVERN & FUNCTION CENTRE

A SPECIAL EVENT NOT TO BE MISSED

Variety of dining & entertainment package options starting from $55. To purchase tickets please visit Pine Rivers website, www.trybooking.com or call 3881 4700.

Dress Code: Smart Casual (Minimum)
*6.00pm start time canape dining option / 7.00pm sit down dining option.

($55 early bird ticket price applies until 31 May. $60 from 1 June. Price does not include small booking fee.)

PARENTING IN A SEX-SATURATED WORLD
Parenting seminar with MelindaTankard Reist

Thursday 12 June 2014
Community Hall, Eatons Hill State School

During this seminar, Melinda will alert us to the ways media is having an impact on our children and will share some practical parenting advice on how we can nurture our kids.

For more information and tickets visit mtrseminar.org.au

BRAY PARK SHS
3rd JUNE TWILIGHT OPEN DAY

Come along and enjoy an open tour of the school followed by an enrolment information session on Tuesday 3rd of June:

3.15pm to 6.00pm 6.00pm to 7.00pm
Displays, tours Year 7 & 8 2015
and activities enrolment
information session

Lavarack Road, Bray Park
(07) 3881 6666
www.brayparkshs.eq.edu.au

Moreton Bay 100

Sunday 10 August 2014
Lawnton Brisbane Qld

163 km 100 km 50 km

Electronic Timing and Result provided by Sports Timing Australia

Online Registrations: open March

www.moretonbay100.org.au

Queries: bikeride@moretonbay100.org.au
Christine: 0422 542 838

All proceeds aid Lions Youth Emergency Accommodation Centre (Pine Rivers) Inc.

Lions Australia
P&C News

**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 Treasurer Position** – The BPSS P&C is in need of a new treasurer to take over the financial management of the association. This voluntary position is a necessary part of the P&C Executive and a fantastic way to support our school community. It involves preparing an annual budget, supplying financial statements at general meetings, managing the account books, monitoring wages, preparing annual statements and keeping accurate accounts of receipts and expenditure. Please note that to fulfil the role successfully you will need to have a basic knowledge of MYOB. We would like to hear from any interested parties as soon as possible and nomination forms are available from the school office. If you would like any further information please leave your contact details with Kylie or Jane in the office, or alternatively you can email the P&C Executive at pandc@brayparkss.eq.edu.au This position will be voted on at our upcoming AGM.

**P&C June General Meeting** – The June P&C General Meeting will be held at 6pm in the staffroom on Wednesday the 11th of June. Please come along and support the work of the P&C. New and old members are always welcomed.

**P&C President** – Due to work commitments our current P&C President, Michael Griffiths resigned from his position at the May P&C meeting. We would like to thank Michael for his support and commitment over the last year and wish him well for the future. Due to Michael's resignation the position of President was declared 'vacant' at the May meeting with a call from those present to fill the vacancy. The P&C Executive committee are happy to advise that Tamara White was accepted to fill the position of P&C President. Tamara has two children at the school and currently assists in the Prep classrooms.

**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.

**The 2014 | 2015 Entertainment Books are Due Back!** – The bulk of the books distributed to families have been returned to the school and collected by the publisher, but there are some still outstanding. For the families that still have a copy please arrange for payment of $65 to be made or return the book to the Admin Office by Thursday 29th May.

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

*It is important to note that until purchased the Entertainment Books remain the property of Entertainment Publications Australia Pty Ltd and must be returned intact to the school if you do not wish to purchase the copy sent home with your child. Please ensure that all returned books are appropriately packaged and include the returning student’s name and class. Please DO NOT write on the books.*

**Parents Connect** – All parents are welcome to visit the Parent’s Room! It will be open on Friday afternoons during the school term from 1:30pm until pick-up time. Hot and cold drinks are available for purchase starting at $1.00. All drinks served with a delicious home-baked treat. Children are very welcome to attend while waiting for their siblings to finish their school day. An activity table and some toys are available for use. We'd love for you to come and meet some other parents. Please visit the school office for directions.

‘My School Gear’ Have Moved – Please note that My School Gear have moved to larger premises located at **Unit 2 / 50 Kremzow Road, Brendale**. The phone number remains the same 3881 3100. Please contact Russell if you require any stationery items throughout the year for your child’s class. As in previous years, class booklists for 2015 will be sent home at the end of Term 3.
Border Studios - Family Portrait Fundraiser

Border Studios have been booked to attend Bray Park State School on Saturday 26th July for our family portrait fundraiser. Their staff will photograph your family and you will receive a beautiful 10x13 inch canvas portrait gallery wrapped and ready to hang for only $25!

If you prefer a traditional photographic portrait, one can be substituted for only $15. This is an excellent opportunity to raise valuable funds for our school whilst at the same time receiving a memorable family portrait.

Appointments will be available from 8am until 2pm which allows for 36 bookings for the Saturday. An extra day will be booked for photos if there is enough of a demand. Full payment for either the canvas, $25, or the traditional photographic portrait, $15, will be required to secure your booking.

On the day of your portraits Border Studios will have a range of great value packages starting at $89 for you to choose from. There is no obligation for you to purchase a package, however this can be an excellent opportunity to update your current collection as well as purchasing gifts for family and friends.

Booking are not limited to families attending the school so please let your friends and extended families know of this upcoming opportunity.

Senior Athletics Carnival – will be held on Tuesday 17th June for Years 3-7. The P&C would like to hold a sausage sizzle on the day but will need the assistance of parents/carers for it to go ahead. If you are able to assist in any way, big or small, please take the time to fill in the enclosed form and return to the Admin Office. Help will be required for the cooking and serving of sausages and drinks.
We need your help!

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I am willing to assist with the Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser.

Name: ____________________________
Child’s Name and Class: ____________________________
Contact Phone Number: ____________________________

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