**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

The next GENERAL meeting of the P&C will be held on Wednesday, 11 June 2014 at 6:00pm in the Staffroom.

**Principal's Report**

10 June 2014

Dear Parents

Our Indigenous Education Team are deserving of much congratulations. Not only has the program been acknowledged by our Region in the Showcase for Excellence Awards, we were finalists in the Queensland Reconciliation Awards. I would like to thank Mrs Jo Reid Speirs, Mrs Maree Whiting, Mary Roginson, Melissa and Stephanie Harper who travelled to Townsville to represent the school at the wards presentations. Although we did not take home the coveted $20 000 award, our school should be very proud of the Bring It On program.

**Uniforms**

As the weather cools, the need for jumpers and jackets is upon us. Please remember that our school uniform is a plain black jacket or jumper. Our previous jacket with gold striped sleeves is also permitted. Plain black track pants are permitted for both boys and girls. Black tights may be worn under the school skirt. Jeans and leggings are not permitted. I encourage all students to wear their uniform with pride, promoting a sense of belonging to the Bray Park school community.

**Animals on school grounds**

Animals are NOT permitted on schools grounds either during school hours or outside school hours. This ensures that our school grounds are clean and safe at all times for our students to play freely throughout our play areas. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

**Upcoming events**

We have a busy few weeks coming up and we extend a warm welcome to all families to join in the activities.

- Monday 16 June: Years 3 – 7 800m races
- Tuesday 17 June: Years 3 – 7 Athletics Carnival
- Thursday 19 June: P – 2 Under 8’s Celebrations
  - Student Council Free Dress Day for Sarara
- Monday 23 June: Opening of Yarning Circle
- Tuesday 24 June: NAIDOC Assembly
- Thursday 26 June: Bray Park Idol Final
  - School Dance

We will also have our Gold Awards Assemblies throughout the last week of the term.

Report cards will go home on Wednesday 25 June.

**Footpath refurbishment**

Please be aware that the footpath outside the school along Hopetoun Street is being refurbished on Friday 13 June. Please use the school entrance at the bus zone on Hopetoun Street. Parking will also be impacted. I strongly advise parents to park in surrounding side streets whilst the work is being undertaken on the footpath. Also it may be helpful to delay collecting students by 5 or 10 minutes in the afternoon that day to reduce congestion. We would like to thank Councillor Mick Gillam for the enhancement to the front of our school.
Get Set for Prep
We are taking enrolments for 2015 Prep. Children born July 1 2009 to 30 June 2010 are eligible to commence Prep in 2015. Prep will commence in Term 4. Children must be enrolled in Prep at Bray Park State School to attend the Prep program.

P&C Meeting
The next P&C meeting is on this Wednesday 11 June at 6.00pm in the staffroom. I look forward to seeing many parents. Come along and find out what happens at a P&C meeting, your contributions are invaluable.

Have a great week.
Maree Mortlock
Principal

BEFORE SCHOOL ROUTINE
Please note the following information:

- The official starting time for the commencement of the school day is 8.45 a.m.
- Exception to the official starting time may occur when children attend extra-curricular activities and lessons (e.g. instrumental music lessons, choir rehearsals or staff supervised sports training or activities).
- The designated Student Waiting Area is the Assembly Hall.
- All students who arrive before the official starting time of 8.45 a.m. are to proceed directly to the Assembly Hall.
- The Assembly Hall is the central facility on the school grounds and, in the event of an emergency or lockdown situation, can become a secure area. There are also toilets facilities contained within, which students are able to access with teacher permission.

Procedure:
1) All students who arrive before the official starting time of 8.45 are to proceed (with their bags) directly to the Assembly Hall where they sit in class lines.
   Note: Prep children (who have attended the YMCA), or who have siblings in other year levels, wait as a group near single door entrance, adjacent to Sarara’s Wall of Awesome. At 8.45am, students are taken by an aide across the oval to their designated Prep class.
   Prep children, who do not have siblings in Years 1-7, and who are accompanied by parents, may wait outside the front undercover entrance of the Prep Buildings in Viscount Street.
2) When seated in class lines in the Assembly Hall, children are able to access reading materials or bring a book of their own.
3) If students are accompanied by their parents, they are required to proceed to the Assembly Hall area. There are no requirements for parents to stay once children are seated in class lines in the Hall.
4) If students have mobile phones to be logged in at the Administration office, they are to do so upon arrival and then proceed immediately to the Hall.

If students have Tuckshop Orders, and are accompanied by parents, they are to lodge these with the Tuckshop which opens at 8.30 on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings. If students are not accompanied by parents and have a Tuckshop Order, they are to place these when their class is collected by their teacher.

Thank you
Peter Orphanides

POLICE PATROLS
Last week the Police were actively patrolling the drop off zone on Hopepetoun Street. It is very important for the safety of our students that parents and carers abide by the signs posted in this zone. It is strictly a 2 minute standing area and cars are not to be parked there prior to 3pm and wait for students to finish the day. The Police have advised that fines will be issued to any driver who does this.

MUSIC NEWS
The Junior Choir will be performing at assembly on the 18th of June (last week of school). Assembly starts at 2:15, so give Grandma and Grandpa a call to see if they can come too – the children are keen and ready to go!

All beginner brass, woodwind and percussion students are expected at band rehearsal on Thursday mornings. The band is like a sports team – if you don’t turn up for practice you don’t know what to do come game day! As a group they are really starting to make a great sound – it won’t be long before they make their debut on assembly and if you aren’t here for rehearsal you won’t be able to play. If you have difficulty getting your child to school for rehearsal at 7:30 on Thursday mornings, please contact me either by email agray19@ec.edu.au or through the office 3480 7333.

Alli Gray
Music Teacher

STUDENT OF THE MONTH
Congratulations to the following students on being chosen as ‘Student of the Month’ for May. 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 Wednesday, 11/6/14 at 2.30pm in the Assembly Hall.

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SPORTS DAYS
Sports Day for students in Grades 3-7 will be held across two days
- Monday 16/6/14 (9.00am – 10.00am)
- Tuesday 17/6/14 (All day 8.45am – 2.40pm)

Mr Flannery will be sending home more information, along with an event program. The Junior Sports day (Prep – Grade 2) will be held in Term 3 during August.
A WORD FROM SARARA

Well g’day my friends from our great school, It’s me from the gum tree standing tall. I’ve watched you as you work and play, And I’ve been delighted every day! You’ve been respectful across the term, And there were many rules you had to learn. So well done everyone, I’m proud of you, You make our school great in all that you do!

Our final rule for the term, Is a very easy one to learn. Being responsible when you play sport, Is something that has to be taught. A good sportsman doesn’t yell, With words that aren’t so nice to tell. They don’t shout ‘it’s unfair’, Or poke out their tongue and say they don’t care.

They respect the umpire and decisions made, They thank the team who they’ve played. They congratulate winners and wish loosers well, So remember this with that final bell. When the line is crossed, or the try is scored, A good sportsman is truly adored. I’ll be back next term with more to say, Until then – be respectful each day!

Toodle-loo from me to you!

Sarara

YMCA BRAY PARK
OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE NEWS

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‘Playing Safe and Having Fun’

IMPORTANT MESSAGES FROM THE COORDINATOR...
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ARE FAST APPROACHING AND OUR WINTER HOLIDAY CLUB FORMS ARE AVAILABLE NOW. OUR EXCURSIONS AND INCURSIONS ARE ALWAYS A HIT SO BOOK IN FAST TO SECURE YOUR SPOT. DON’T HESITATE TO PHONE OR COME AND VISIT IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.©

THANK YOU, FELICITY

IMPORTANT INFORMATION...
PLEASE MAKE SURE IF YOUR CHILD IS BOOKED IN AND IS NOT GOING TO BE ATTENDING A SESSION THAT YOU ADVISE US BY PHONE OR EMAIL AS IF WE CANNOT GET IN CONTACT WITH YOU OR EMERGENCY CONTACTS WE ARE REQUIRED TO CONTACT THE POLICE FOR FURTHER ASSISTANCE.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK FOR SOME WONDERFUL EXPERIENCES AND LOTS OF FUN...
CRAFT, DUSTER HOCKEY, BALL SPORTS, SOCCER, HANDBALL, SANDCASTLE BUILDING, PUPPETS, SPACE, GAMES & MORE...

‘BRING IT ON’

Our BRING IT ON program was officially named at the reconciliation assembly last Friday. BRING IT ON is an acronym for Building Reconciliation for Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Generations through Inclusivity, Truth and trust, Opportunities and New pathways.

Our program has been on operation for 15 months and includes activities that help to bring students together. Activities include the extensive ukulele program that is open to all students from yrs 1-7. The ukulele program is run during lunch breaks under the direction of Mrs Speirs and Mrs Gray. The BRING IT ON program also welcomes students into the Indigenous Education Room during lunch breaks to be involved in art activities and games. Many students use the room as a relaxing place to gather with friends. Many of the programs are run by staff and parents as volunteers who give up their time to provide opportunities to our students. We welcome any new volunteers into the program. With more volunteers we can extend our afternoon homework club and art club to involve more students.

Students and community members have also designed and built a Yarning Circle and native garden for all to enjoy. This garden has been named ‘Moongalba’ meaning resting place. Already it provides a wonderful setting for students to sit and talk or play their ukuleles. Classes also use the place for circle time. The official opening of ‘Moongalba’ will take place on Monday 23rd June at 9:30. The opening will include a traditional smoking ceremony.

Our BRING IT ON program has received accolades in recent weeks including Finalists in the Premier’s Reconciliation Awards and a Regional Winner in Education Queensland Show Case Awards. We have also launched an original song called ‘BRING IT ON’. The song reflects our vision to have children of this generation united as Australians on the journey toward reconciliation. Our song has been entered into a national song competition and features our advanced ukulele group and our choirs. If you would like to view our children singing, please google ‘Reconciliation Sing Loud contest’. We apologise for the lack of enthusiasm on faces – we had thought this was just a sound take. Our students are usually smiling!

We will be celebrating NAIDOC week commencing on Monday 23rd June. It would be wonderful for parents and community members to join us for the ‘Moongalba’ opening on the Monday morning and our NAIDOC assembly on Tuesday 24th June. Each event will feature some of our ukulele players and our choirs.

We look forward to your presence.

Jo Speirs
Focus Teacher – Indigenous Education

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.
Update to Newsletter 10th June - Music News

My apologies, the information in the newsletter is incorrect – please read below for current info.

Wow – a lot has happened in the last two weeks! The choirs and ukulele group combined to sing Bring It On at our school Reconciliation Assembly which sounded beautiful, in the same assembly the Advanced Ukulele group led the school in singing I am Australian – what an amazing experience, having the whole school singing so beautifully together. We also recorded the song and it can be found on the Reconciliation Week website in the Sing Loud! Competition section.

Last Thursday the Beginner Band, Concert Band and String Ensemble all competed at Fanfare. All the children played their best and were a credit to our school. Each group received a Silver Award, well done!

This week Bray Park Idol semi-finals are being held. Your child has been given an audition time and place. Please check with them and remind them to take their equipment (music, instruments etc) to school on the correct day.

Finals will be held in Week 10.

Please note there will be no Junior Choir rehearsal on the 17 June as we will be rehearsing with the Senior Choir at 8 am on Wednesday 18 June.

The Choirs will be performing at the opening of the Yarning Circle which will be held on Monday 23 June at 9:30 am. Parents are more than welcome to attend. Both choirs will wear the music uniform (music polo shirt, long black pants, black shoes and black socks). I would love some help making sure we have enough black pants for the Junior choir to wear – if you have some spare time next Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday please come up to the music room. If your child already has long black pants (not jeans or leggings) please send a note to school.

There will be no choir rehearsals in the last week of term – please enjoy the sleep in!

Thank you for your support of the music program this term, hearing and seeing children participate in music and enjoy making music is the best part of my job!
P&C News

Senior Athletics Carnival – will be held on Tuesday 17th of June for students in years 3-7. As there was no response to assisting with a sausage sizzle on the day this will now not go ahead as planned. Instead, sausages will only be cooked to orders received back to the P&C by Friday 13th of June.

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 fulfill 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.

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.

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 are 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.

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.

Border Studios - Fundraiser

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

If you prefer a traditional photographic portrait, one can be substituted for only $15.00. This is an excellent opportunity to raise valuable funds for our school whilst at the same time receiving a memorable family portrait.

Appointments are available from 8am until 2pm. Border Studios have recently advised that they will provide a second photographer for the day if there is enough of a demand.

Booking forms for Border Studios were sent home early last week with the youngest in the family. If you did not receive the booking form there are spares available from Kylie or Jane in Admin. Bookings are not limited to families attending the school so please let your friends and extended families know of this upcoming opportunity.
Bray Park State School Years 3-7 Athletics Carnival 17th June 2014
Sausage Sizzle and Popper Day Order Form (Years 3-7 Only)
RETURN WITH PAYMENT BY: Friday 13th June 2014

CHILD’S NAME ........................................................................................................
CLASS ...............................  TEACHER ........................................................................

Please select you and/or your child’s requirements as per the order form

SAUSAGE ON BREAD with POPPER x Qty____ @ $3.50ea = $

Sauce: Tomato / BBQ  Popper: Apple / Tropical / Sunshine Punch
  x____  x____  x____  x____  x____  x____

ADDITIONAL SAUSAGE ON BREAD x Qty_____ @ $2.50ea = $

TOTAL PAYMENT enclosed = $

Please enclose order form with payment in an envelope clearly labelled with your child’s name and “Sausage Sizzle” and return to Admin.
Fancy Dress

Disco

Thursday, 26th June

Prep – Year 3

5:00pm – Sausage Sizzle

5:30pm - 6:30pm Dance

Years 4 - 7

6:30pm – Sausage Sizzle

7:00pm – 8:00pm Dance

Entry $3.00  Sausage Sizzle $2.50  Soft Drink $2.00

Juice Popper $1.00  Water $2.00  Lolly Bag $0.50

A parent or carer must remain on site for all children in years Prep to 3
Tuesday 10 June, 2014

Nationally Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Dear Parents/Carers,

Collecting data on school students with disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without disability.

All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability.

In 2013, 10% of Queensland state schools participated in the first year of implementation. In 2014, two thirds of Queensland schools will participate and all schools will be collecting data from 2015. Our school will be involved in the nationally consistent collection of data from this year.

Please be reassured that the Department will not provide on to another organisation any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you.

While only data that cannot identify your child will be submitted outside of the Department, if you do not wish for your child’s details to be included, please contact the office and we’ll ensure data related to your child is not submitted.

Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the:


Alternatively, if you have any queries about the collection or use of this data I encourage you to contact the school and speak to Mrs Jeanette Ware.

Maree Mortlock
Principal
Playgroup

This playgroup welcomes both Defence and non-Defence families.
All welcome from pregnancy & newborn to older children or empty nesters.
Lots of indoor and outdoor toys and equipment.
Great fully fenced outdoor play area.

Bring a plate to share and food for your child.

When
Tuesdays

Where
Alf Shaw Community Centre
190 Stanley St
Strathpine

Time: 10am to 12pm
Cost: $2

More info
Contact Sarah on 0433 320 979
or Mel on 0439 142 822

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Thursday 19 June:
8.00am - 7.00pm

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Skills for resolving teenage behaviour problems
A series of three seminars for Mums, Dads and Carers
Each session builds on the last – it is anticipated that participants would attend all 3 sessions
Bray Park State High School
Wednesday 11th, 18th & 25th June 2014
6.30pm to 8.30pm

Learn:
- Some common ground & reasonable expectations held by parents of teenagers in Australia
- New understandings of adolescence
- A model for decision making
- Skills for building relationships with your teenager
- Making the best of your non-crisis conversations with them
- Skills for tough conversations - handling those problems you just can't ignore
- Aimed at future-proofing parents for the teenage years, these seminars are preventative in nature

Registration Fee: $30 per family (for one set of resources to Frances Window - Sharon Rassett - prior to event.
Venue: Library
Registered at: FRowbar@iPEGSSS.QS.edu.au

What parents have said...
A single Mum who had presented as quite anxious at the start of the group, in week 3 that she had made an appointment with her 15 year old son during the week and had had a far more enjoyable discussion with him than she had previously had been the case.

The trainers for this course are Julie Holmes & Joy McLay
Behaviour Support Consultants – Pine Rivers District
Both licensed and experienced practitioners.

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