



# BURPENGARY NEWSFLASH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF BURPENGARY STATE SCHOOL



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Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Welcome to this week's newsletter. Congratulations go to **Lucy** (6C) who came **3rd in the 800 meters** at the Regional Track and Field Carnival on Wednesday. As a result, she has been selected in the Regional Team representing **North Coast Region in the State Championships in Cairns on the 20th of October**. Well done on a fantastic effort, Lucy! Our Choir also sang in the **Kidsing Choral Competition** today, and expect a full report next week!

Thanks to our amazing, hard-working **volunteers**, and our wonderful families for making the **2018 Fete** a wonderful event! It will be the end of the month before all the financials will be reconciled, and I will let our community know when it is finalised. Thanks to everybody who contributed to making the day a wonderful success.

At a meeting just this morning, I have signed off the commencement of works with **J&D Contracting** for Phase 1 of our school Air-Conditioning Project, valued at \$86,000. All six of our Prep classrooms (4 in the double storey, and the 2 demountable rooms) will be fitted out with air-conditioning units during the September holidays, and should be fully operational for our return to school on October 8, 2018. This is an exciting time for Burpengary State School, and I remind parents that all of our \$25 voluntary contributions are tax deductible to you and are totally dedicated to this project that will benefit every student during their time at Burpengary State School. **I sincerely thank our wonderful P&C Association who are contributing most of the funds towards this project**, and it is a great asset for our school and our children.

**Citizenship Award Parades** – NOTE an important change that **Year 5 Citizenship Award Parade will be held at 9.00-10.00am on Friday, September 21**, instead of Thursday due to the P-3 Lil' Athletics day. Families are welcome to share these **Awards Parades**. Remember that **Year 5&6 formal uniforms** will need to be worn on the **Friday. The schedule is:**

Monday – **Years 1 and 2** at 9.00am

Tuesday – **Years 3 and 4** at 9.00am

Friday – **Year 5** at 9.00am (Year 6 need to sustain full semesters to qualify for Citizenship, reflecting their growing maturity)

Please note that Preps do not participate in Citizenship Awards as they are not yet developmentally ready.

**ENROLMENTS:** We are receiving large numbers of Prep enrolments, and it is important that any families who have Prep aged children in 2019 need to have them **enrolled as soon as possible** – it is not an automatic process, even if you have children here at Burpengary SS already. Our Deputy Principals and school leaders have already been undertaking enrolment interviews all this Term. Along the same lines, **all students in Year 6 need to enrol for Year 7 in High School in 2019**...this is also not automatic, and all families need to get the paperwork from your selected high school, and follow the school's processes for enrolment in 2019.

As you may have seen in recent media reporting, there has been some commentary about alleged changes to the Education Department's ICT policy – specifically referencing **mobile phone usage in state schools**. I mention it here to provide you with clarity about the matter...please be assured that the pre-existing departmental policy position continues to apply, and that our pre-existing school policy at Burpengary State School continues to apply.

Our **Japan Study Tour Group** currently have many fundraising projects on the go. There is a competition to guess the number of lollies in the **Lolly Jar**, and **raffle tickets for a beautiful Japanese inspired quilt**. Happening this week and next week near the Tuckshop, guesses for the lolly jar are 2 for \$1, and tickets for the Quilt Raffle are \$1 for 1 ticket or \$2 for 3 tickets. A sausage sizzle, drinks and coffee van will also be available to parents on the **P-3 Lil' Athletics Day**.

## Some important date claimers for next week:

- 1) **Citizenship Award Parades - Year 1 & 2 Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Sept, Year 3 & 4 Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Sept, and NOTE - Year 5 Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Sept (due to P-3 Lil' Athletics Day)....9.00am to 10.00am.**
- 2) **Chappy's Term 3 Ice-Cream Day** at the **Hall Kitchen** on Wednesday, September 19.
- 3) **P-3 Lil' Athletics Day** on **Thursday, September 20** (Including a drinks, coffee van and sausage sizzle for parents)
- 4) **Combined Instrumental Workshop & Concert** - Burpengary State Secondary College on **Thursday, Sept 20**.
- 5) **End of Term 3 – Friday September 21**...School resumes for Term 4 on **Monday, October 8, 2018**.
- 6) **Not next week**, but keep this one ready....**HOLT BOLT Community Fun Day...Saturday, November 3, 2018!!!**
- 7) **...and Direct Funding To Our School Matters!**

## Coming up:

Description	Year Level	Cost	Payment Due
Kitchen/Garden Program	All Years	\$5.00	
Life Education	3, 5 & 6	\$7.00	18 <sup>th</sup> October
Voluntary Contribution – 2018 - \$25 per child	All Years	\$25.00	

## To other news...

1. **Payment Methods:** BPoint is the Department of Education's preferred method of payment. Please note that we are phasing out the use of BPay as it can cause delays in funds being applied to the correct invoice.

Advantages of using BPoint are:

- Parent controls which outstanding invoice they wish to pay, unlike BPay which automatically diverts to paying the oldest outstanding amount, requiring office staff to redirect the payment.
- It is a secure card payment collection portal provided by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA).
- Parents can make payments on school invoices from their homes and offices or from their smartphones.
- Payments made via BPOINT are auto receipted.

We encourage all parents/caregivers to give it a try. However, our Cashier window remains open from 8am to 11am every Monday to Friday for payments by cash, cheque (made payable to Burpengary State School) and EFTPOS. CentrePay deductions can also be arranged – please contact Business Manager (Paula Connolly) for further details.

If parents take up the option of joining QParents, this is a further method of securely keeping up to date, not only with payment of accounts, but also managing student absences, changes of address and more. For further information, please contact the office.

## 2. Library News

Borrowing has now finished for the term. Please encourage your children to return their books during the week. The library will still be open for quiet reading at lunchtimes.

The Reward Boards are looking very busy – lots of ice-cream (Preps) and rockets (Year 1's) on the wall. The Year 2's are busy strategically playing Pacman now that there are more creatures and Pacman on the wall.

Don't forget Year 3 students – if you wish to borrow 2 books next year, you need to complete your reading goal for this year.

For the senior school, there are lots of new books (particularly in the Year 6 Section) that will be on the shelf to start the new Term. Make sure you drop in to check them out.

DATE CLAIMER: Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Burpengary State School – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November to Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

## 3. Tuckshop News

Tuckshop now provides Brekkie Bites each morning for breakfast - \$1 each- choice of muffin, fruit, ham cheese jaffle, spaghetti jaffle.

Reminder SUSHI every Thursday - order by Wednesday 12 noon.

DID YOU KNOW all profits made in tuckshop go towards the P&C Association's major projects eg. Air-conditioning?

Our tuckshop is open and fully operational 5-days per week for your convenience. Please note that the Tuckshop is a cash only facility – EFTPOS is not available. However, families can order online using **Flexischools Online Ordering** [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au) (which is the preferred option for ordering). Free to register - quick, easy & convenient.

Until next week,

Brad Fox  
Principal

## Community Notices

Face Painting by Shanne is offering Burpengary State School families 20% off the hourly rate. PH 0411 066 053 for information.

**Helping Hands Burpengary:** Providing Before, After and Holiday Care. The service provides breakfast and afternoon Tea. **Hours of Operation:** Before School 6.30 to 8.45am; After School 2.30 to 6pm; and/or Vacation Care 6:30am to 6pm. Service Contact Details: Phone: 0458 010 433 Email: [burpengary@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au](mailto:burpengary@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au)



**BURPENARY COMMUNITY MARKETS** - ADMIN. CAR PARK, SATURDAY, 8AM TO 2PM - PH. 0415335098 FOR INFORMATION.

**Subway Burpengary** has a **Partnership in Healthy Eating Program** with our school. Not only do they support our school with weekly parade vouchers for our students, but **any student or staff member from Burpengary SS who has some form of identification of enrolment at the school** (ie, Uniform for students, ID badge for staff) **is entitled to a 10% discount on all Subs, Wraps and Salads at any time.** Available at Subway Burpengary only. Thanks to Manager, Mr Yash Lal, and Subway Burpengary for your kind sponsorship!

Uniforms for sale - 1 x boys formal shirt size 14 \$20, 1 x boys formal shorts size 10 \$10 In brand new condition  
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