



# BRIGHTON STATE SCHOOL

## Newsletter

# 16th July 2009

### From the Principal Patrick McAuliffe

Hello Everyone

Welcome back to school for semester two. As usual the term is off to a flying start, we have our NAIDOC celebrations today, and the Blitz Music camp is next week and Sports Day the week after on 29<sup>th</sup> July.

It was a great first day back for Caitlin and Hayden who won the annual archery shoot out, each won a Dominos Meal Deal for their shots nearest the "Dots on the Box". Every year in second term we borrow the archery gear from Bracken Ridge SHS and have archery as one of our rotation activities for Friday sport. The kids learn about the sport, related myths and legends and then get to compete for the pizza prize from Dominos Sandgate. Many thanks to Bracken Ridge SHS for the loan of their gear and to Dominoes for the donated prizes.

An application to the School Sport and Recreation Facility Upgrade Program has been successful. We will receive \$12 000 from the Brisbane City Council to fix up the cricket nets.

On the student free day our staff was involved in professional development in a locally run conference. The thrust of the day was understanding the Neuro-Pathology of Adolescence by Dr Michael Nagel.

Dr Nagel is researching neurological development in children. He has published books entitled 'Boys-Stir-Us: Working with the Hidden Nature of Boys' and 'It's A Girl Thing: Schooling and the Developing Female Brain'. Dr Nagel is keenly interested in most facets of education but his primary motivation is helping to ensure that schools and 'schooling' are positive and enriching experiences for students and teachers alike. There is a lot of good information in his work and you can access it through the University of The Sunshine Coast.

### For your information....

- No Instrumental Music lesson next week.
- Music Camp BLITZ reminder – letters have been given to children today reminding families the camp is on next Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July. Please ask your child for this note ASAP so you can prepare them for it. If you need another copy please see the Office staff.
- **5, 6 & 7 Camp closing is coming close!** All camp money must be in by 31<sup>st</sup> July.
- **SPORTS DAY** 29<sup>th</sup> July 2009



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- **EinBunPin Festival Colouring Comp** – children will be given the colouring in competition to either complete in class or finish off at home – great prizes to be won so encourage your child to hand it into the Office before Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July.
- **EinBunPin Magic Carpet Competition** – flyer at the office foyer – feeling creative????
- Industrial Action Teachers on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August – we will keep you informed as it gets closer.

AUSKICK Term 3 starting soon – more information coming home FRIDAY or catch parade on Monday!

### ★ ★ ★ UNIFORM SHOP NEWS ★ ★ ★

Great Second-hand stock available....

Come along on Wednesday afternoon from 2.30pm or Friday morning from 8.30am and check out our stock.

Also we now offer a lay-by service – this makes budgeting easier – start now for 2010 uniforms – also avoid missing out on sizes lay-by now!

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION – PLEASE READ**

HEAD LICE is around the school at the moment – parents please check your child's hair and treat if required. It would be worthwhile to make this a weekend job – checking your child's hair every week would help keep this problem under control.

**School Banking** – children are encouraged to put their banking into the PINK BOX in the Office every Wednesday and Janet our lovely volunteer will get it back to you ASAP. Due to personal illness some weeks it may not be done – if you are concerned please give Judy a call to check on it.

#### **HAVE YOU RETURNED YOUR CHOCOLATE MONEY????**

### CHOCOLATE MONEY STILL OUTSTANDING

There are still around 20 families who have not returned chocolate money.

The prize draw will not go ahead until all money is returned – please support the school by doing this by tomorrow.



#### **JUSTYNE'S FRIDAY SPECIAL**

**Pasta Carbonara – \$5 - YUMMY!**

We would love your help in the tuckshop – pop in and see Justyne.

**TUCKSHOP DAYS - MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY**



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### CHANGE OF DATE FOR PREP ENROLMENT

#### MORNING

**NOW\_– Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

- parents are welcome to fill in their Prep 2010 enrolment form now - see Judy or Jeanita at the Office.
- Please let neighbours, friends know about this morning and ask them to contact the office.



 are invited to a 'Chaplaincy High Tea' For Bracken Ridge SS & Brighton SS

On Saturday, 25th July at Bracken Ridge Baptist Church  
 Tickets must be ordered and paid for by 20th July 09 / Contact Rachael (School Chaplain) on 0403 724 122

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**P&C Meeting next Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2009**

**6.30pm in the staffroom – all welcome**

If you have anything you would like to put on the agenda and present please email Judy at [jmear5@eq.edu.au](mailto:jmear5@eq.edu.au) or pop it into the BLACK P&C Box.

**SECRETARY POSITION STILL OPEN** – if you would like to be part of the school P&C committee this is the job for you – we would love your help!

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**Community News**

SHAKE AND STIR DRAMA LESSONS WILL NOT GO AHEAD THIS TERM

**WANTED** – boy/girls, 7 year old up for HAIR MODEL please phone 3269 2228 if you're interested.

**Are You the Parent of a Toddler? Are You Tired and Stressed?** Parenting a toddler can be extremely rewarding and enjoyable. Yet it can also be demanding, frustrating and exhausting particularly when dealing with challenging behaviour in everyday situations. Researchers from Triple P, at the University of Queensland, are conducting a study into the important area of parent-child relationships and the ways in which parents deal with difficult child behaviour. All children misbehave at some point and parents have different styles or ways of dealing with this. We want you to tell us what works for you and what doesn't. This could be your opportunity to contribute to the ongoing development of Triple P helping us to deliver the best possible parenting solutions to parents of toddlers world-wide. If you have a child aged between 2 and 4 years and you are interested in participating please go to <https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/parentknowledge/> for more information or contact Leanne Winter at [leannewi@psy.uq.edu.au](mailto:leannewi@psy.uq.edu.au).

**Scott Smith Drum Tuition** – all ages, all levels, all styles – dip of music – located in Sandgate – 0432 030 278