



# BRIGHTON STATE SCHOOL

## Newsletter

### From the Principal Patrick McAuliffe

Hello Everyone

We had great NAIDOC Activities last Thursday. Many thanks to Lorna Cobbo who was the driving force behind the day. The totem poles look good and we'll look at putting another eight of them on the other side. When the School Pride money is spent, we will have a new entry and path in that area.

Last term we applied for a Sport and Recreation Grant from the Brisbane City Council. We have been successful and will receive \$11766 to upgrade the Cricket Nets. Unfortunately, our application for Woolworths Community Grants was not as successful.

Q Build maintenance money has been increased from \$20 000 to \$38 000 for the 2009 – 2010 financial year. These funds are for repairs to the school and any urgent health and safety issues that may arise.

We have draft plans for the new library and hall. These plans are in the office for you perusal. The BER (Building the Education Revolution) funds are for Libraries, Multipurpose Halls and replacement of demountable classrooms.

Swine Flue has been down graded to protect. Queensland Health will advise schools of the need to close due to Swine Flu. Each case is individual and doesn't automatically mean a whole school closure.

We have been notified about our inclusion in Round 2 of the Solar and Energy Efficiency In State Schools project. This will be a combination of a state and federal program to put solar power on our roof. We will feed the power back into the grid and use this to minimise our power bill.

The Junior Beginner Instrumental Music Camp will be held from 14 - 17 September at the Old Museum, Gregory Terrace. This camp will accommodate students who began learning their instrument this year. Usually we organize buses to transport our kids and the local cluster of schools.

### BOOKCLUB

The next issue of Bookclub will be handed out today with the Newsletters. The items in



this issue cover a wide range of reading levels and interests. If you would like to place an order, please return the completed order form and money, in a sealed envelope, to the Library by the -

**Closing date-Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2009**

You may pay by cash, cheque (made out to Brighton State School) or credit card. If you are paying by cheque or credit card please combine your orders and make one payment for the total amount.



After closing date we will collate the orders and forward them to Scholastic. Orders are returned to the school approximately 1 week after the closing date and then distributed to the students.



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### Chaplaincy News - Rachael Bhatnagar

I hope you all had a great holiday. In the last week of the holidays myself, Nicola Saad and 6 students went on an SU camp. It was a great week and we all had so much fun. Some things we did were: Archery, Team Initiative, Glider Possum, Canoeing, Climbing Wall, Leap of Faith, Flying Fox, Giant Swing, Orienteering and Abseiling. The kids were so brave as some of the activities were really scary as they involved a lot of strength, getting out of their comfort zone and heights!! We also had some great nights with an army based scavenger hunt, the illusionist Christopher Wayne, a carnival night and a dance party. The camp also included Super U, touch footy, paper machete, beading and scrap booking and making new friendships. We are very tired but it was so worth it!

Also, just a reminder that the **CHAPLAINCY HIGH TEA FUNDRAISER** is this Saturday 25th July so if you would like to come please contact me ASAP. It is \$15 and at B'Ridge Baptist Church from 2-4pm.

### For your information...

- **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
- **PREP ENROLMENT MORNING DATE CHANGE** – NOW Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2009

### 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.

## SPRING FAIR 2010

Hi, my name is Cassandra White. I am Dane's mum from Year 1B and I am the new SPRING FAIR CONVENOR for 2010. To get the ball rolling I would like to have a meeting with all interested parents to start making some plans. I hope you can come along on Saturday the 8th August 2009 at 9.30 am in the hall at the school - kids are more than welcome to come.

With today's newsletter you will find a FAIR HELPER REQUEST FORM. Please fill this in and return it to the BLACK P&C BOX. If we all work together our Fair will be a success!

### **WITH TODAY'S NEWSLETTER – YOU WILL FIND**

- SPORTS PROGRAM – SPORTS DAY NEXT WEDNESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JULY
- FAIR HELPER REQUEST FORM – PLEASE SEND BACK ASAP
- NEW TUCKSHOP PRICE LIST

### **DATES TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR**

- TEACHERS INDUSTRIAL ACTION PLANNED FOR WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST
- PREP ENROLMENT MORNING – 6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST
- EKKA WEDNESDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY – 12<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST
- PUPIL FREE DAY – 13<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST
- FATHER'S DAY STALL – 4<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER – more news next week!
- SCHOOL PHOTO DAY – 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER
- SCHOOL HOLIDAYS START – 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER
- PUPIL FREE DAY – 19<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER
- TRIVIA NIGHT – 14<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

