NEWSLETTER

Thursday, 12th November 2015

DATES TO REMEMBER

Week 6 Term 4

Wednesday 18th November
- Debating Team to Parramatta Public School (Stage 3)
- Outside School Hours Care Parent Information Session (7pm)
- P&C Meeting (7:30pm)

Thursday 19th November
- Yr 6 Farewell Decoration Meeting (Yr 6 parents)

Friday 20th November
- Family Fun Night – 5:30pm – 8.30pm

Tuesday 1st December
- Band Concert – commences 3:30pm (band tutorials finish)

Wednesday 2nd December
- Combined Scripture Service

Thursday 3rd December
- Parent Helpers Thank You Lunch – 1pm - 2pm
- High School Orientation Day for most of Yr 6
- Reports home

Please Note: Newsletters and Notes can be downloaded from our website: www.burnside-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Toys ‘n’ Tucker Collection
Burnside Public School is again participating in the Toys ‘n’ Tucker collection. All contributions will assist Anglicare in helping families in need this Christmas.

What’s needed:

- Gifts for children and teens
- Toys
- Board games
- Sports equipment
- Retail gift cards

Please bring any items that you wish to donate to the school office.

Family Fun Night - Friday 20th November. 5.30 – 8.30pm Bring the family and join in the fun!

Be sure to bring the whole family for some great fun! Fun rides for the whole family! Great raffle prizes to be won! Sausages and chicken skewers on the BBQ! Sand Art and Plaster Moulds!

Assembly Awards – Week 5 term 4
Year 6 – First Aid and CPR

Dance2BFit

Clothing Pool Shop – Closed this Friday (13th November)
Forms (with payment) may be given to the school office and clothes will be sent home with your child.

Helpers Lunch
The Helper’s Lunch is Thursday 3rd December. This is an opportunity to thank parents, friends, scripture and ethics teachers who have helped the staff and students throughout the year. It is a time to acknowledge those parents who may be leaving the school after a long association. The luncheon will be held in the school hall between 1.00pm and 2.00pm. Please keep this day free if you have been a helper at the school this year.

School Council Parent Representatives
If you would like to sit on School Council as a parent representative please contact the school office.

Helping Hands Out of Hours School Care
Our new Out of Hours School Care provider, Helping Hands, will be able to offer care on the two School development Days at the end of the year – 17th and 18th December. The enrolment forms for the new provider went home yesterday. Please look for the pack in your child’s bag. Alternately you can register online at www.helpinghandsnetwork.com.au or Central Office: 1300 612 462.

A Parent Information Session will be held on 18th November at 7pm. Please RSVP Helping Hands (1300 612 462) by 16th November if attending.

Classes for 2016
In order to assist with planning classes for 2016, please complete the form below. This information helps identify students that will be leaving the school (other than Year 6) and students that will be returning late to Burnside Public School.

School will commence for students in Years 1 to 6 on Thursday, 28th January, 2016. Kindergarten students will commence on Wednesday, 3rd February.
**Presentation Night – Wednesday 9th December at the King's Preparatory School**

Plans for the annual presentation night are underway. This is a major event of the year and attendance by all students is strongly encouraged. If for some reason you are unable to attend this event, it is important that teachers are informed as soon as possible. More details will be provided closer to the event.

**Sickness - Whooping cough alert - advice for schools**

There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children. Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies. Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and may be worse at night. Your local public health unit can provide advice about whooping cough on 1300 066 055 or visit the NSW Health website.

**Out of School Achievements**

On the October long weekend Thomas competed in the 2015 NSW BMX State Titles at Lake Macquarie. In the 11 year old boys class he competed against 65 riders from all over NSW. He achieved 8th place in the final which gives him the right to race with an '8N' race plate for the next 12 months.

**State Touch Football Team** – Kahla and Alex competed in the state touch football tournament.

**Gae Bromwich**

**Acting Principal**

Ethics classes have been running successfully at Burnside for many years now. With the support and skills of wonderful volunteer teachers (current parents at Burnside), we have been offering and delivering carefully designed ethics classes over this time.

Thank you to Jane Wallace, Donna Barlow, Jolene Thorn and Mandy King for their involvement and dedication over the years. Unfortunately we must say goodbye to Jolene, who had been teaching years 5 and 6, and we need another fabulous teacher to take on the role. Thank you to Jane for filling in this past term also.

Please send your expression of interest attention to Donna Kelly via the Burnside School office, by phone, email or in person. We are happy to answer any questions you have in relation to the Ethics classes and look forward to continuing to provide this wonderful program.

**Regards,**

Donna
Carols by Candlelight at Old Government House, Parramatta (Parramatta Park)
Saturday 12 December 2015
Time: 7.00pm to 9.00pm Gates open 6.00pm
Start the festive season with a night of carols played by Parramatta City Brass Band. Enjoy performance from Model Farms High School and a visit from Santa Claus.
Entry is via a gold coin and all funds raised go to support Old Government House and Experiment Farm Cottage (two of our most precious heritage properties)
There will be a sausage sizzle, ice creams, candles, drinks for sale.
Please bring rugs or low chairs for seating at the front of Old Government House.

STUDENTS LEAVING

Students name(s): .................................................................................. Class: ........

Students name: .................................................................................. Class: ........

☐ My child/children will not be attending Burnside Public School in 2016.
Moving to: .......................................................................................... (New school)

Signed: .......................................................................................... (Parent/Carer)

STUDENTS RETURNING LATE

Students name: .................................................................................. Class: ........

☐ My child/children will be returning to Burnside Public School on: ....................... (anticipated date)

Students name(s): ..................................................................................

Signed: .......................................................................................... (Parent/Carer)

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Thursday 3\textsuperscript{rd} December Parent Helpers Thank You Lunch – 1pm – 2pm
3\textsuperscript{rd} December High School Orientation Day for most of Yr 6
3\textsuperscript{rd} December Reports home
Monday 7\textsuperscript{th} December Rehearsal at Kings School for Presentation Night
7\textsuperscript{th} December Year 6 Farewell Dinner
Tuesday 8\textsuperscript{th} December Rehearsal at Kings School for Presentation
Wednesday 9\textsuperscript{th} December Presentation Night at Kings School K - 6
Monday 14\textsuperscript{th} December Talent Quest
Tuesday 15\textsuperscript{th} December Class Parties
Wednesday 16\textsuperscript{th} December Final Assembly
Thursday 17\textsuperscript{th} December Staff Development Day
Friday 18\textsuperscript{th} December Staff Development Day