NEWSLETTER
Thursday 5th November, 2015
Week 5 Term 4

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

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

Assembly Awards – Week 4 term 4

Late Arrival
It is a requirement that if a student is late to school a parent must sign the student in. Otherwise this absence is an unexplained absence and is recorded against the child. Students with numerous unexplained absences will be referred to the Home School Liaison Officer. For the safety of our students we need to know why they are late to school. Lessons commence a few minutes after 9am. Many students are missing vital learning experiences on a regular basis.

Transition to High School
An information evening will be held for parents regarding preparing your child for the transition to high school. This session will be run by Mrs Annette Coleman in the staffroom on Wednesday 11th November 7.00 - 8.30pm. All parents are welcome.
Clothing Pool Shop
The Clothing Pool Shop is open every Friday morning from 8:45am to 9:15am (new & second hand). Also 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 NEEDED:
There are two positions available for parent representatives with the Burnside School Council. These placements are for two years and are a great opportunity for parents to get involved and be a part of the education of our children and the education development of Burnside.
I have had the privilege of being a School Council parent representative and thoroughly enjoy being actively engaged in my children’s academic future. If you have any inquiries in relation to the parent representative roles, responsibilities and the benefits of being part of the School Council at Burnside, please feel free to ask either myself of Principal Bromwich.

Regards
Donna Kelly

School Council Parent Representatives – Thank You
On behalf of the school community, I would like to thank both Donna Kelly and Tracey Allison for their service to the Burnside School Council over the past two years. Their commitment to instigating change and providing feedback and support to the school is commendable. Without parent and community support this school would not be the wonderful educational institution it is today. If you would like to sit on School Council please contact the school office.

Kindergarten ‘Coming to School Program’
Our final orientation event will be held next Wednesday. The orientation program has again been a great success and I thank the teachers and office staff for their efforts in helping organize this program. The support of the current kindergarten parents and the P & C is also appreciated.

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 will be coming out next week. Please look out for the pack in your child’s bag. Alternately you can register online at www.helpinghandsnetwork.com.au or Central Office: 1300 612 462.

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.

Gae Bromwich
Acting Principal
STUDENTS LEAVING

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

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☐ 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)

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7th December  Year 6 Farewell Dinner
Tuesday 8th December  Rehearsal at Kings School for Presentation
Wednesday 9th December  Presentation Night at Kings School  K - 6
Monday 14th December  Talent Quest
Tuesday 15th December  Class Parties
Wednesday 16th December  Final Assembly
Thursday 17th December  Staff Development Day
Friday 18th December  Staff Development Day
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

WESLEY GIANT GARAGE SALE
Where: In the Wesley Uniting Church grounds at 32 Showground Road, Castle Hill.
Dates/Times:  Friday November 6th 2015 (operating from 8:00am to 1:00pm) and Saturday November 7th 2015 (also operating from 8:00am to 1:00pm)
Sale items/Stalls will include Books, Records, CDs, DVDs, Christmas, Clothing, Electrical, Jewellery, Plants, Toys, Furniture, Manchester, White Elephant, Fine Art and China etc. We will also be providing tea and coffee during sale hours, together with a Sausage Sizzle for lunch on both days, and Bacon and Egg rolls for breakfast on Saturday morning.
Enjoy the friendly atmosphere, and pick up a bargain (or two) knowing you are helping those families who need our assistance within the Hills area.