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Selective High School Test
Sydney West Swimming Carnival
P & C Meeting
Family Fun Night
Life Education commences
Healthy Breakfast
Kindergarten Induction
Life Education finishes
Stage 3 Canberra excursion
Harmony Day
Easter Hat and Crazy Hair Day
Last day of Term 1

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Supervision and Attendance
Playground supervision is provided at school between 8.30am and 3.00pm. Therefore, children should not arrive at school before 8.30am and should depart soon after 3.00pm. If your child needs to be at school before 8.30am or after 3.00pm, please contact the office for information about before and after school care that is available.

It is important that students are punctual each day. Students who arrive late often miss important messages and lesson information explained at the beginning of the day. If your child arrives after the 9.00am bell or if you collect your child earlier than 3.00pm, you need to sign in at the office.

School Fees – now overdue
Thank you for the prompt payment of school fees. I ask that any outstanding accounts be paid as soon as possible as they are now overdue. Cheques should be made payable to Burnside Public School.

Family Fun Night
The first Family Fun Night is planned for Friday, 20th March. This promises to be a great event and I encourage everyone to come along. It is an opportunity for all our new families to meet others and to enjoy the Burnside community spirit. Events will commence at 5.30pm and conclude by 8.30pm. There will be entertainment for all the family and a variety of foods/drinks will be on sale. Please note that parents must accompany their children on this occasion.

Zone Swimming Carnival
Congratulations to all the children who represented Burnside at the carnival on Tuesday. Their behaviour and enthusiastic participation was outstanding. Special thank you to Jan Sansom (convener) and Donna Kelly (Team manager) for helping make the day so successful. Well done and best wishes to the following students selected to represent the school at the Sydney West Carnival on Monday 16th March:

High School Enrolment 2015
High School Expression of Interest (EOI) forms will be sent home to all students in Year 6 on Monday 9th March. These forms must be completed for every student regardless of which school selected or applied for and returned by Friday 20th March. For more information please contact Mrs. Sansom or myself.

Stewart House & Smith Family Clothing Appeal
Please support the appeal by donating good, clean wearable clothing, shoes, manchester and blankets. Bags are to be returned to school by Thursday 12th March.

Harmony Day
Burnside will be celebrating Harmony Day on Monday 30th March. This is a day when we can celebrate our cultural diversity. The message for Harmony Day is Everyone Belongs. All children and staff are asked to wear orange or dress in a traditional costume. It is compulsory to wear closed shoes. (No sandals or thongs). There will be a parade of students at 9.00am and parents are encouraged to attend this colourful event.

Selective High School Test
Best wishes to those students sitting the Selective High School test next Thursday 12th March commencing at 9.00am. Please note that the test centre is:
Cumberland High School
183 Pennant Hills Rd
CARLINGFORD NSW 2118

National Assessment Program
This year students in Years 3 and 5 will complete the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) from 12th – 14th May. The students are assessed in the following areas: Language Conventions, Writing, Reading and Numeracy

There is a website where you can find out more information about the program and obtain copies of similar assessments. The web address is www.naplan.edu.au

Congratulations
To Abigail L and Daniel W who were selected to represent Parramatta/Merrylands PSSA at the Sydney West soccer trials.

Thank you
To Marc Croker and Jane Wallace for all their work on managing the school iPads.
To Neale Rudd for rescuing a goanna/lace monitor trapped in the school building.

Peter Catliffe
Principal

Penrith Observatory Astronomy Nights in March
Saturday, 14th March 8pm-10pm Comets and the Icy Outer Solar System
Saturday, 28th March 8pm-10pm Dads & Kids Night
Cost: $18 adults, $12 child/concession and $50 per family.
Bookings Essential: book and pay online:
www.uws.edu.au/observatory
Contact: 02 4736 0135 or penrithobservatory@uws.edu.au

Sorting fact from fiction
Help your child develop their “dodgy website” antennae when doing homework. Here are ways your child can tell a good website – or any document – from a bad one. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/sorting-fact-from-fiction

Crunch & Sip
Have a look at the crunch & sip website for lots on ideas on healthy snacks for children.
www.crunchandsip.com.au
Family Fun Night

Friday 20th March

5.30pm – 8.30pm

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!

Help Needed!!

These events always need a hand to make it a great success.

Are you great on the BBQ? Can you serve with a smile? Are you just a happy helper?

If you are able to volunteer 1 hour to help on the night please fill in the slip below and return it by Wednesday 18th March.

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MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

Name: _____________________________ Phone: ______________

My child’s name (s): ___________________________ Class(es): ______________

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Burnside Public School – PARENT/COMMUNITY Permission to Publish

We are seeking permission to publish photos taken at school events which may be published in the school newsletter or the new school website (eg Family Fun Night, Healthy Breakfast, sporting events, Presentation Night).

I give permission to publish and agree to the school obtaining and publishing content.

NAME: ______________________________ (Child’s Name: __________________________

Signature: __________________________

Telephone number (H) __________________ (W)__________________ Date ________