Burnside Primary School

Creating intellectually stretched, self-directed, powerful learners

NEWSLETTER

Term 1 - Week 3 - 13th February, 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to the following new staff –

Gabby Dimasi Room 3 year 2, Victoria Smith Room 4 year 3, Tamika Pepper Room 7 year 6, Steph Glezos Room 11 year 7, Emily Easling Room 26 year 1, Sam Cox Room 32, Jon Belton Room 32, Zeik Cham Resource Centre SSO, Olivia Forbes, Chloe Jones and Meagan Crewe Classroom SSO. We wish them all the best as they settle into Burnside. Sarah Walters has taken on the role of Assistant Principal for the term whilst Athena Ladas remains on leave.

Acquaintance Night

Thank you to the many parents who attended the acquaintance nights last week. We trust you found these sessions informative and that you have greater insight into how the learning environment is structured in your child's classroom.

Pupil Free Days and School Closure – Available on School Stream

The following dates were approved during the final meeting of the Governing Council in 2019; please add these to your diary.

Pupil Free days:

- Friday 6th March – Brightpath- Persuasive writing assessment
- Tuesday 9th June – Learning Design Assessment and Moderation – Partnership Schools
- There are 2 remaining pupil free days, dates are yet to be determined.

School Closure:

- Friday 13th November

Site Improvement Plan

Our Site Improvement Plan for 2020 outlines the key priorities for the year which contribute to the school's vision '*to create intellectually stretched, self directed and powerful learners*'.

This year we are continuing the focus on our two goals:

1 - increase student achievement in writing and **2 -** increase the number of students in the higher bands mathematics. Teachers would have discussed the actions that are taking place in their classroom to contribute to these whole school goals.

Our first pupil free day for the year on March 6th will be dedicated to writing. On this day we will be involved in the assessment and moderation of student work samples using the persuasive genre.

Susan Copeland ~ Principal

Don't Forget

Pupil Free Day – 6th March, 2020

Junior Primary Swimming Program - Week 3

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents for their terrific support throughout the JP Swimming week.

The weather was in our favour and the Junior Primary children enjoyed learning about how to be safe in and around the water.

The water safety program continues with year 7 students attending Aquatics in week 11 and years 3-6 attending their water safety lessons in term 4.

Susan Copeland ~ Principal

Self Portrait Study

Throughout week one room 28 developed a sense of community by creating self-portraits. We began by looking closely at what makes each of us unique through an art technique called blind continuous line drawings. We were asked to draw a friend using one continuous stroke and we were not allowed to look at our page. This enabled us to explore the different shapes in each person's face. We then created self-portraits using the knowledge and techniques learnt in previous activities.

Erin Donoghue – Year 1/2

Resource Centre - Term 1 - Updates

Welcome back to the Resource Centre 2020. We look forward to an exciting new year of reading and activities in the Library.

Borrowing & Opening Hours
All children at BPS have one borrowing session each week with their class. Parents are welcome to pop into the library with their children in the mornings from 8.30am until 8.45am and after school between 3.10 and 3.30pm except on Wednesdays due to school chess.
Borrowing limits are as follows:
Reception - two books
Year 1 - two books, Year 2 - three books, Year 3 - three books, Year 4 - four books, Year 5 - five books, Year 6/7 - six books

Borrowing Timelines are - three weeks
If books are not returned in this timeline an overdue notice will be issued. Three overdue notices will be issued before parents are requested to pay for missing items.
Please ensure your Junior Primary Students have a library bag when borrowing. You can bring your own from home or buy one from the uniform shop for $2.
Parent Shelf
Did you know we have a Parent Borrowing Shelf?
The library will create a borrowing card for parents if requested. There is an extensive range of books available, please come in for a look.
Premier's Reading challenge
We are excited to be taking part in the Premier's Reading Challenge again this year. Please encourage your child/ren to read and fill in the PRC Chart, which their teachers will issue to them in week 3. You have until September Friday 4th to complete. A lot of children are excited to be receiving their first medals this year.
Reception and Year 1 students are completed as a class with their Teacher. Also please check out the PRC website www.prc.sa.edu.au for more information.
Scholastic Book Club
Scholastic Book club will continue this year and we will continue to benefit from parents and students supporting Scholastic Book Club. It generates money to spend on new books for the library. Thank you to Helen Smitham a parent volunteer who does a fantastic job.
Book week Term 3 Week 5

This year's theme is 'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds' I have secured 2 authors for this year's Book week. Year R-3 Tania Ingram and Years 4-7 Phil Cummings. *More information to follow in the year.*

Book Launch Event - 7 to 11 year olds
'Edie's Experiments' - Join author Charlotte Barkla to celebrate the launch of her book 'Edie's Experiments: How to make friends'. Charlotte will do a reading with an opportunity for Q&A and book signing at the end of the launch. Children can come dressed up as a scientist.

Parents and Friends 2020

The P&F had a great start to the school year with some new faces to our committee at the first meeting.
Active discussions around what events we have planned for 2020 gave us the following list, with some yet to be confirmed.

Event Dates Discussed-

- 29th March - **Working Bee & BBQ this date is - TBC**
- 8th April - **JP Easter Bonnet Parade**
- 9th April - **End of Term 1 BBQ** (Year 7 has aquatic day).
  Money raised will be given to Red Cross - Bushfire Appeal
- 8th May - **Mothers' Day Stall**

Our next meeting is on Friday 13th March at 2pm in the staff room. Younger siblings are welcome to come along. We would especially love to see some class representatives come along to our meeting, it's a great way to see what is planned for our school community and to make new friends. We look forward to seeing you there.

- T1 Week 7 - Friday 13th March at 2pm
- T2 Week 2 - Thursday 7th May at 9am
- T2 Week 7 - Friday 12th June at 2pm

Rob Jurd ~ P&F President

Adventure Day Fun

Year 3, 4 and 5 Excursion

This week, students in Years 3, 4 and 5 took part in an Adventure Day at Woodhouse Activity Centre in the Adelaide Hills. This extended day trip is an opportunity to strengthen friendships, build teams and develop connections with other class members in a fun-filled, action-packed environment. Students crawled, climbed, swung and slid their way around Challenge Hill obstacle course, tried their hand at Disc Golf, weaved their way through The Labyrinth and whizzed down the Tube Slides. The day concluded with a delicious barbeque dinner. The weather was perfect and the students had an amazing time!

Jo Porter – Assistant Principal

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Le Coin Français

Chers Parents,

Bonjour et bienvenue tout le monde à BPS 2020 (Welcome everyone !)

Our French teachers for 2020 are:

- Madame Zoe Cole, teaching all the R-2 classes (Mon Tues Wed)
- Madame Lydia Herman, teaching all the Yr 3, 3 / 4 & yr 4 classes (Thur, Fri)
- Madame Marianne Aardenburg, teaching all the 5-7 classes (Mon, Tues, Thur)

We know it will be another action-packed year for French, and welcome all new and continuing students. As part of our exciting programme, we will incorporate everything from art, craft, design, cuisine, music, ICT and dance, as well as French language and culture (*bien sûr,* of course!) to make learning fun for your children.

In Term 1, we will be exploring some *fêtes*, such as *La Fête des Rois* (Epiphany), which was celebrated in early *janvier* (January) and the hugely popular *Carnaval*, in February.
The recipe below is fun and easy to prepare with your children. *C'est délicieux!*

Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday) is also coming up on Tuesday 25th February, and at this time *les crêpes* (pancakes) are eaten as a special treat. Perhaps you can make some at home together!

We always encourage our students to share their interest in French with their peers by bringing in relevant cultural items for discussion.

Since a French fluency can only be achieved with lots of practice, we highly recommend the following French language learning and games sites and apps, which can be accessed at home to help support class learning:
duolingo, languagesonline, Learning French with Alexa, bbc.co.uk.
Plus type in any topic you want, e.g. numbers in French, and there will invariably be a helpful You Tube clip which models correct pronunciation!

The Alliance Française-sponsored French Film Festival, which comprises more than 50 films this year, a few of which are especially made for children, will take place from 17th March to 14th April, so feel free to visit www.affrenchfilmfestival.org for further information.

S'il vous plaît (please) feel free to drop us a line via our pigeonholes should you wish to contact us or clarify anything about the valuable language and cultural skills we are teaching your *enfants* (children).

Looking forward to another great year,

Amicalement, (regards),

Madame Marianne Aardenburg, Madame Lydia Herman et Madame Zoe Cole

LA GALETTE DES ROIS

2 sheets puff pastry
1 egg
3 tablespoons sugar
4 tablespoons almond powder
Milk for glazing

Lightly grease a pizza tray and place 1 puff pastry sheet on it.
Mix egg, sugar and almond powder in bowl.
Spread this mixture on puff pastry right to edges.
Place 2nd sheet carefully on top of lower one.
Use a fork to secure all edges.
Lightly trace oblique lines on the top, with a knife, to decorate.
Brush the *galette* with milk to glaze.
Cook for about 20-25 mins in a pre-heated 210ôven.
Remove and cool before eating.
BON APPÉTIT!
N.B. The French version contains a little porcelain object called *un sujet/ une figurine* , as well as *une fève*, a bean. Whoever finds either in his/her portion gets to wear the crown which is usually sold with the *galette*. (Try using a whole almond instead, if you want to follow then tradition, but chew carefully, like the French do!)

Kings Cake

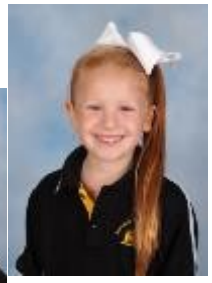
School Photo Day

Master School Photographers are on their way...

Tuesday 24th March, 2020

School Photo Day is scheduled for Tuesday 24th March, 2020.
Student personalised envelopes will be sent home with children a few weeks prior to photo day.

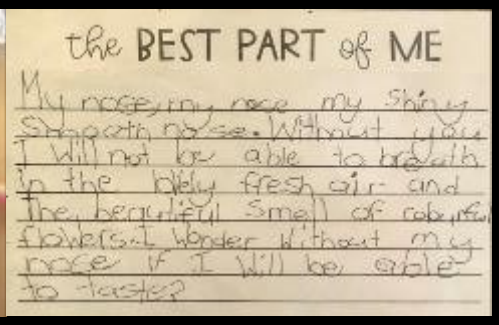
- Student envelopes and money are to be returned **ON PHOTO DAY, NOT BEFORE**.
- Student envelopes are personalised and have an Identification Code linked to your child which will enable online payments to be made.
- Please ensure you put your child's photo envelope in a safe place until photo day.
- The school does not manage change or credit card payments, it is all managed by MSP.
- Family (group) photo envelopes will be available from the front office prior to photo day.
- All family photos are scheduled for 8am on photo day and are only for children attending BPS, and an extra cost is involved.

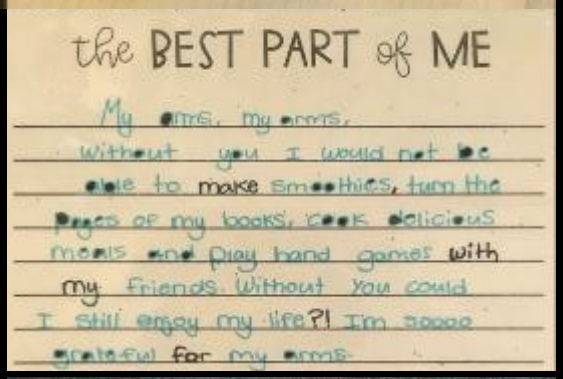


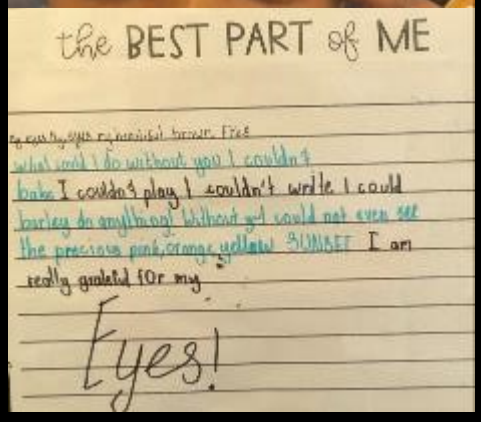
Thank you for your support with this process.

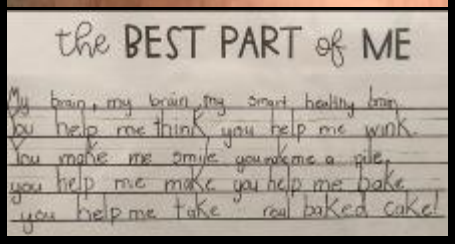
Administration

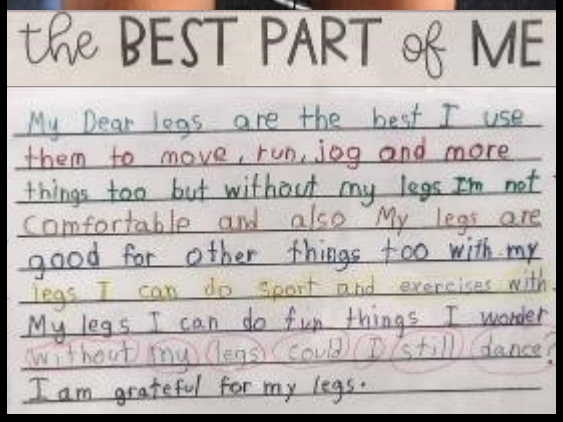
The Best Part of Me!





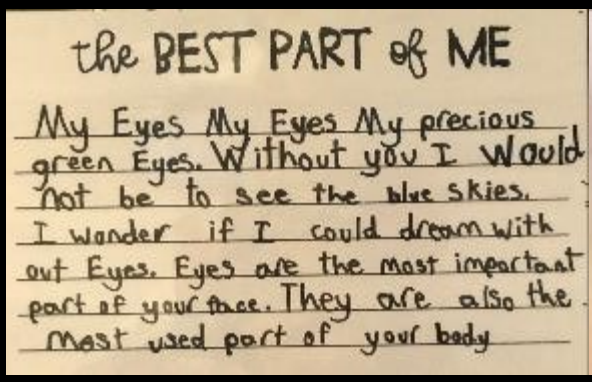






Ms. Stacey

Room 6 - Year 3/4



"The Best Part of Me"

In order to foster a growth mindset, it is important to regularly celebrate those things in our lives that we are truly grateful for.

Students in Room 6 began the year by reflecting on a part of themselves that they are thankful for.

Written in free-verse poetry style, students had the freedom to express themselves as they wished. Displayed in our corridor, these short texts provide students with a daily reminder of the wonderful, and often taken for granted, gifts that each of us possess.

Katrina Stacey - Year 3/4 teacher

GC GOVERNING COUNCIL

Subcommittees 2020

Many opportunities exist within the school for parents to participate in the management of school resources, processes and policies. Becoming a member of one of our Governing Council Sub-committees is a way you can become directly involved.
If you would like to be involved in one of these subcommittees please submit the nomination form below to Alison Bibby in the front office or email your nomination to alison.bibby847@schools.sa.edu.au
We would greatly value your involvement and look forward to your support around the development of our school over the next 12 months.

Susan Copeland - Principal

Subcommittees and Terms of Reference

Education Subcommittee

- Reflect upon and provide advice on the implementation of policies and procedures
- To provide forums to advance parent understanding of educational and curriculum matters

Two meetings per term

Budget/Finance Subcommittee

- Monitor the development of the schools' budget
- Receive and evaluate financial reports
- Supporting long term and short term financial management procedures

2 meeting per term

Asset Management Subcommittee

- Contribute to planning, management and upkeep of buildings and grounds

1 meeting per term

Canteen Subcommittee

- Establishing and monitoring guidelines related to Canteen practices and procedures
- Overall management of Canteen employees
- Communicating and promoting Healthy Eating programs

One meeting per term

Community Events Subcommittee

- To plan school/community events and activities
- Coordinate major fundraising activities

Two meetings per term - TBA

Out Of School Hours Care (OSHC) Subcommittee

- Establishing and monitoring guidelines related to OSHC practices and procedures
- Fee Structure and Budget management
- Communicating and promoting programs

Two meetings per term

Sports Subcommittee

- Coordinate and manage afterschool sports program
- Develop directions and policies for school sports programs

Two meetings per term

Burnside Foundation Board

- Works collaboratively with Governing Council to cultivate a sense of community and raise funds for vital projects

Members volunteer to be on this board

Meetings - TBA

Parents and Friends Association

- Represent the parent community
- Fundraising projects and support community connectedness

School Governance can be viewed as a system which operates under the principle that education is a shared responsibility and accountability among school community stakeholders.

GOVERNING COUNCIL *Subcommittee Nomination 2020*

Sub-Committee Membership 2020

I..... am interested in joining the .....Sub-committee.

My youngest child is ..... in Room .....

Telephone contact ..... Email Address .....

Signed.....

Please return to Alison Bibby in the front office or register your nomination by emailing alison.bibby847@schools.sa.edu.au by Friday 28th February, 2020

STARTING SECONDARY SCHOOL IN 2021

The registration of interest for secondary school form allows parents of public school students starting secondary school in 2021 to advise of their preferred secondary school.

The registration of interest for secondary school form will be **available online**.

You can access the online form from a computer, tablet or mobile phone, as long as you can connect to the internet. It replaces the old paper form referred to by schools as an ED176.

The form has a unique URL for your child and applying online is easy.

Simply follow the steps below.

STEP 1 From **Term 2** you will receive an email or letter with the unique URL for the registration of interest for secondary school form for your child.

STEP 2 Complete all mandatory fields.

STEP 3 Once you have completed a page click on the 'NEXT' button.

STEP 4 Once you have filled out all pages click the 'SUBMIT' button.

Paper forms will be available from your public primary school if you cannot access the internet. Parents of private school students wishing to attend a public secondary school in 2021 should email education.startingsecondaryschool@sa.gov.au for a form.

What do I need to do now?

Make sure my child's primary school has my current email address and my child's correct residential address.

For further information please go to:
https://www.education.sa.gov.au/parenting-and-child-care/your-childs-enrolment

Government of South Australia
Department for Education