



Berserker Street State School Newsletter 21st July 2014

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WELCOME BACK

I would like to extend a big welcome back to all of our families. I would also like to take a moment to welcome the many new families who have chosen to join us at Berserker Street State School.

PARENT CONTACT DETAILS

Some of the contact information we have for parents is not currently up-to-date. A staff member from the school will be in contact with each of our families over the coming weeks to confirm or update contact details. Please assist the school by providing the necessary details to the staff member who phones or, if you know your contact details have changed, drop into the front office and update these.

SCHOOL WEBPAGE UPGRADE

We have recently upgraded our website. The new site now allows parents/caregivers to use the "QSchools App" from their mobile devices to keep updated with school events, newsletters and news. The website will feed dates, calendar items and newsletters to the QSchools App making it really easy to keep informed. Please be aware that as the website has a different format there are a few minor changes to the tabs and menu items but all required information is still available. Our website can still be accessed at the same address www.berserkerstreetss.eq.edu.au



STUDENT ABSENCES

Our **Student Absence Hotline** is **49990366**
This number is contactable 24hrs a day

When using our Absence Hotline, please follow these simple steps by stating:

- **1. Student's name**
- **2. Class**
- **3. Date of absence**
- **4. Reason for absence**

NAIDOC DAY

NAIDOC celebrations are held around Australia in the first full week in July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. NAIDOC stands for the National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee. Our annual Berserker Street State School NAIDOC DAY CELEBRATIONS will be held next Wednesday 30th July 2014. Students will be engaged in a number of activities that will build an awareness and appreciation of the history and culture of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Some activities will include weaving, dancing, listening to elders and food tasting.

Parents/Carers are welcome to come along and be a part of this day. To end the day we encourage parents to come in and play a friendly game of Basketball.

BOOK FAIR

Our annual Book Fair will be from Wednesday 30th July through to Friday 1st August in **B7**. This is our annual fundraiser for the Library so please come along and support it. Students who purchase books will be able to put their name in the draw to win one of three \$20.00 vouchers to be spent at the fair.

BOOK FAIR TIMES:

Book Fair will be open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 8.15am till 8.45am, first lunch each day and after school on Wednesday and Thursday till 3.15pm. On Friday the Book Fair will close after 1st Lunch.

P&C MEETING

Our next P&C meeting will be held this Wednesday 23rd July at 6.30pm. These meetings take place in the staffroom located in the Admin Block. We always welcome parent involvement with the P&C so please join us on Wednesday evening.

REGIONAL SHIELD

Berserker students "better and brighter" at the Regional Shield

Last Thursday and Friday our Berserker students swapped school books for the sporting field and truly lived up to the school's motto. Although neither team were overall winners, their efforts, participation, sportsmanship and team work brought out the best in each student.

A big thank you must go to the teachers and supporting staff for their assistance over the two days. Thank you also to the parents/carers who came along and cheered our teams on.

GET SET FOR PREP 2015!

Enrolments and Information Packages are now available from the office for children who wish to commence Prep in 2015 and beyond. If your child turns five by June 30th 2015, they are eligible for Prep next year. The table below is a guide to assist families to determine their child/ren's Prep eligibility.

Birthday	2015	2016	2017	2018
01/07/09 to 30/06/10	Prep Year	Year One	Year Two	Year Three
01/07/10 to 30/06/11	Kindy	Prep Year	Year One	Year Two
01/07/11 to 30/06/12		Kindy	Prep Year	Year One
01/07/12 to 30/06/13			Kindy	Prep Year

Enrolments always welcome!

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE



Our School is once again participating in the Premiers Reading Challenge for 2014. Prep to year 3's will need to read 20 books and 4's to 7's, will need to read 15 books.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE AT BERSERKER



Berserker Street State School offers before and after school care here at Berserker. This is run by PCYC in the Hall located near the Berserker Street Entrance of the school. Times are 6:30am till school starts and 2:45pm till 6pm. For more information please contact Toni on 0418116481. PCYC coordinate this wonderful service and now also provide before school care for other schools and will do drop offs to these schools as well.

LATE ARRIVALS/EARLY DEPARTURES

All students must obtain a late slip from the office if arriving at school after 9am. This slip needs to be handed to their classroom teacher. If parents need to collect their child/ren early, they must firstly report to the office to sign them out. Students WILL NOT be allowed to leave the classroom without producing the early slip.



TUCKSHOP

TUCKSHOP ROSTER: Tuesday - Friday
(8.30 to approx 12 -12.30.pm)

Tuesday	22/07/14	Karla Dixon & Caroline Osborne
Wednesday	23/07/14	Samantha
Thursday	24/07/14	Tameeka Kanak & Janette Moulder
Friday	25/07/14	Jessica Warren
Tuesday	29/07/14	Karla Dixon & Caroline Osborne
Wednesday	30/07/14	Samantha
Thursday	31/07/14	Janette Moulder
Friday	1/08/14	Jessica Warren

Tuckshop Breakfast Roster: Tuesday - Friday (8 – 9 am)

Thursday	24/07/14	Karen Allen
Tuesday	29/07/14	Caroline Osbourne
Thursday	31/07/14	Karen Allen

If you are unavailable to work on your rostered day please contact Cherie on 0407 375 015 or contact the tuckshop.

New “Volunteers” are always welcome, drop in for a chat.

Reminder:

Tuckshop opens at 8am Tuesday to Friday for uniform or tuckshop bag purchases and orders. Orders must be written on a paper bag which can be provided from home or purchased for 10c. Orders are to be in by 9am and students can only purchase at 1st break.

Apple slinkies 1st break only, 50 cents an apple.

THANK YOU! to the students, families and teachers for supporting our Berserker Street School Tuckshop.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club is available to all students every Monday at the Stadium. We are in need of helpers from 8am to 9am on Monday mornings. If you would like to join us please give the School Office a call on 4999-0333 and leave your name and phone number so we can contact you.

VIRTUES

These are the virtues that students will be learning about this fortnight. Please take the time to talk to your children about these.

Week 2: Justice

Practicing justice is being fair in everything you do. It involves standing up for your rights and the rights of other people. Being just is also taking responsibility if you make a mistake and making amends. Justice means that every person’s rights are protected.

Week 3: Gentleness

Gentleness is acting and communicating in a considerate way. It involves using self-control to make sure you do not hurt or offend anyone. When you are gentle, people and things stay safe.

SCHOOL RULE FOCUS:

Wear your school uniform with pride

At our school all students are to be in school uniform at all times and to wear it with pride. Our school uniform is the Berserker shirt, bottle green shorts, bottle green wide-brimmed hat and shoes suitable for sport. In the colder months, a bottle green jumper and/or bottle green tracksuit pants are acceptable. We have had a number of children turning up in jumpers which are not bottle green. Please ensure that your child has a bottle green jumper and is wearing this as part of their school uniform when required.

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

Establishing good routines around school can assist with regular attendance. These include:

- Have a set time to get out of bed
 - Have uniform and school bag ready the night before
 - Have a set time for starting and finishing breakfast
 - Rebecca Hack
 - Principal
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- Set a time for daily homework activities
 - Speak about school positively
 - Send your child to school every school day including their birthday and the last day of term from Prep.

If you are experiencing difficulty in sending your child to school, contact the school principal for advice and support. www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2014

21-22 July	District Sports
24 July	School Performance 'Thoughts have Feelings too'
30 July – 1 August	Book Fair
6 August	Mobile Education Trailer visit
15 September	School Performance 'Crossing Bridges'
20 September- 5 October	Spring Vacation
6 October	Labour Day Holiday
20 October	Pupil Free Day
12 December	School Finishes

COMMUNITY NOTICES

DEXTER PARNELL SMASHING PERFECT PARENTING

'A Practical parenting class for parents with children from 0-10'

As psychologists we are able to access and implement a range of programs, interventions and theories. Rather than reinventing the wheel we have gathered together a range of interventions that we find most helpful when working with parents.

Headspace Rockhampton
155 Alma Street
Rockhampton 4700
6 week program 1.30-2.30 pm
30 July

6 August
13 August
20 August
27 August (9.30-10.30 this day only)
3 September

Cost: \$60 Gap Payment (\$10 per session), with a Mental Health Care Plan (details provided at registration)

For more information please contact (07) 49211224. Registration forms can be collected from the office, these can be faxed to (07) 49212487 or scanned and emailed to dexterparnell@yahoo.com.au

North Rockhampton High School
Presents
The Prince Street Players, Ltd.
Production of
TREASURE ISLAND
A Musical Adventure Freely adapted
from the novel by Robert Louis Stevenson
PILBEAM THEATRE
FRIDAY 15 AUG 7PM
SATURDAY 16 AUG. 1.30PM & 7PM
DIAL N CHARGE 49274111
seeitlive.com.au
Book and Lyrics by Jim Eiler
Music by Jim Eiler & Jeanne Barge
by arrangement with Hal Leonard Australia Pty Ltd. Exclusive agent for Music Theatre International (NY)

Adults \$30
Students \$18
Children \$12

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