



Berserker Street State School Newsletter 19th August 2014

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SCHOOL WEBSITE & QSCHOOLS APP

As mentioned in our previous school newsletters, our new school website went live at the end of June. Our new website feeds into a fantastic new application called **QSchools**. This application can be downloaded for free on all smartphones and android phones and allows you to access school specific information quickly and easily. As new information is added to our website it feeds directly to the QSchools App so you have up-to-date information at your fingertips. The QSchools application gives you immediate access on your phone to school notifications, contact details, a calendar of school events, school newsletters, the school 'Twitter' feed, tuckshop information (including the tuckshop menu) and other school forms and documents. It is an extremely user-friendly application and will help you to stay up-to-date with what is happening at our school. **Download it today and find out just how great it is!**



FREE DRESS DAY!

The last Free Dress Day is next **Tuesday 26th August** – please bring in a bottle for our bottle stall (Examples: bottles filled with hair ties, clips, wrapped lollies). This is part of the preparation for our School Fair which will be held on Thursday September 4.



6/7 SCHOOL CAMP

Our year 6/7 students have just arrived back from their annual school camp to Tallebudgera. The students enjoyed participating in various activities like tobogganing, mountain walk, disco, tandem bike riding, canoeing etc. I am certain that every student has returned from camp with a new found confidence from the activities that they participated in.

MOBILE EDUCATION (MET) VISIT RESCHEDULED

The Mobile Education Trailer (MET) will be visiting Berserker on Wednesday 27th August, 2014. The MET is a classroom on wheels that travels to schools to showcase university life to students. The aim of this program is to assist students to better understand a range of career opportunities from high profile role models and age-appropriate goal setting resources. Students from Years 6-7 will attend a one hour presentation in their class group and will have the opportunity to interact with their presenter, classmates and technology.

LOST AND FOUND

There is a mountain of named and unnamed jumpers, lunchboxes, hats and drink bottles in the large box outside of the tuckshop. Please take the time to search for any lost items your child may have misplaced. We would again ask that you name all items belonging to your child, and when needed, rename in a permanent marking pen.

ADMIN CAR PARK

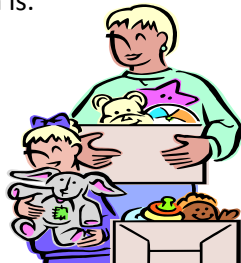
Parents please be aware that this car park is **ONLY** for the Admin Staff. It is not a drive in drop off point for your children. It is dangerous as we have students entering and leaving these gates. Parents need to park outside the school grounds at all times.

SPRING FAIR

Our annual Spring Fair is fast approaching. It is on Thursday 4th September. We have numerous stalls, hot food, multi draw raffles and rides. It will be a great family night so please come along and support it. Unlimited ride passes can be pre ordered from the office at \$28.00.

'DONATIONS NEEDED FOR 2ND HAND STALL'

We would love donations of good saleable items for our 2nd hand stall at the Fair. Items that can be donated are books, toys, games, puzzles, household items, bric a brac and clothing. Please leave goods at the 3rd roller door of the big shed where the P & C donation sign is.



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.

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!

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**

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.

TUCKSHOP

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

Monday	18/08/14	Val Noffke
Tuesday	19/08/14	Karla Dixon & Caroline Osborne
Wednesday	20/08/14	'Volunteers needed'
Thursday	21/08/14	Tameeka Kanak
Friday	22/08/14	Jackie Kanak & Melisa Smith
Monday	25/08/14	Val Noffke
Tuesday	26/08/14	Karla Dixon & Caroline Osborne
Wednesday	27/08/14	'Volunteers needed'
Thursday	28/08/14	Tameeka Kanak
Friday	29/08/14	Jackie Kanak 7 Melisa Smith

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

Tues/Wed/Fri		"Volunteers needed"
Thursday	21/08/14	Karen Allen
Thursday	28/08/14	Karen Allen

We are looking for extra volunteers to help out, particularly on Mondays. Please see Cherie in the tuckshop if you are available to assist.

If you can't do a full session, or a regular day, we still appreciate any help you can give. Please pop in and let us know anytime.

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

Apple slinkies 1st break only, 70 cents an apple. If you bring your own apple it is 20c.

Reminder to check the new tuckshop menu when placing orders as some prices have changed.

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 6: Honour

Honour is living with a sense of respect for what you consider to be right. It involves showing respect for yourself, for others

and for the rules you live by. When you act with honour, you do the right thing regardless of what others are doing and set a good example for others.

Week 7: Assertiveness

When you are assertive, you are positive and confident. You think for yourself, you ask for what you need and you have the self-confidence to tell the truth about what is just. You set boundaries, you share your true feelings in a tactful way and you stand up for what is right.

SCHOOL RULE FOCUS:

Use Kind Words

At our school all students are expected to treat all members of our school community with respect. Part of this expectation is that students use kind words when speaking to other students or adults in our school. At Berserker Street State School we encourage our students to always communicate with others in a way that allows everybody to feel good about themselves and not use words to hurt others. Please reinforce this rule with your child.

HATS



As we are a sunsafe "no hat, no play" school, caps are not a part of the school uniform. Hats must be a full brimmed style. If your child does not have a hat there are a few undercover areas they can choose to play in. Please make sure hats are **CLEARLY LABELLED** as we are unable to return them to their rightful owner without a name.

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.



SCHOOL SAFETY



Slow down around our school

To keep our children safe we as parents and caregivers need to slow down around our school zone. From 7.30am-9am and then 2.30-4pm 40km/hr speed limits are in place.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2014

19 August	Instrumental Music Festival
26 August	Free Dress Day
27 August	Mobile Education Trailer visit
4 September	Spring Fair
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

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
- 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

COMMUNITY NOTICES

FRENCHVILLE FALCONS CRICKET CLUB

Junior Sign on/Training Session
Cricket Nets, Frenchville Sports Club,
Clifton Street, North Rockhampton.
2pm to 4.30pm Saturday 16th August



LOST

If found please contact Kerry-Lee on
0411 458 623
REWARD OFFERED

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