



Berserker Street State School

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AWARDS CEREMONY

We welcome the Berserker school community to our annual Awards Ceremony and Year Six and Seven Graduation tomorrow, Tuesday 9th December starting at 9:15am in the Stadium.

Following the ceremony there will be a special morning tea for our graduating students and their parents. Year 6 and Year 7 students attending are asked to bring a plate of food to share.

GRADUATION DANCE

The Year 6 & Year 7 Graduation dance will be held tomorrow night, Tuesday 9th December, in the Stadium from 6pm until 8.30pm. This event is open to all students in Grades 6 and 7 only! Photo opportunities will be available between 5.30pm and 6.00pm outside the Stadium. Students and staff only will then move into the Stadium for the dance. There will be a sausage sizzle provided for the students and their teachers. Students are to be collected at 8.30pm.

WALKATHON PRIZES 2014

Thank you to all the students, staff and sponsors for the support for our annual Walkathon. This event was a spectacular success with over \$5000 raised.

Our P&C were very impressed with the great fundraising effort by our students and provided some fantastic prizes.

Open Prize Draw

Mini Samsung Tablet – Reece PK
EB Games Gift Card – Miley 1LM

Movie Gift Cards – Ahn 3L, Hollie-Marie 5L, Jake 3L

EB Games Gift Cards – Mia 3L, Tran 2F, Michelle 4/5H

Wendy's Vouchers – Ahn 3L, Joshua F. 4M, Kyin 2F

Highest Fundraiser

\$25 EB Games and \$50 Coles Myer Voucher – Ernest 3E

\$40 Coles Myer Voucher – Hollie-Marie 5L

\$30 Coles Myer Voucher – Dakota 3L

\$20 Coles Myer Voucher – Kyin 2F

\$10 Wendy's Vouchers – Jake 2C, Jake 3L, Rhiley 4/5H

Year Level Winners – Highest Boy and Highest Girl

Prep – Lucas PJ (16 laps), Sharna PJ & Kailani PK (12 laps)

Year 1 – Jack 1CS (15 laps), Jaihan 1CS & Alyse 1MM (12 laps)

Year 2 – Jacob 2F (14 laps), Kimmy 2G (12 laps)

Year 3 – Josh 3E, Anh 3L & Emilee 3L (12 laps)

Year 4 – Hien 4F & Caleb 4M (14 laps), Soraya 4F (13 laps)

Year 5 – Lachlan 5L & Jayden 5P (18 laps), Ebony 5P (15 laps)

Year 6 – Lester 6S (18 laps), Tahli 6S (15 laps)

Year 7 – Moise 7H (20 laps), Shantae 7H (13 laps)

CLEAN UP DAY

This Friday 12th December is our annual clean-up day. It is recommended that students bring a spare set of clothes as they may get wet.

GET INVOLVED IN OUR P&C IN 2015?

Getting involved with a Parents and Citizens Association (P&C) can be a rewarding and enjoyable experience, but many people may be unsure of how it works. If you've never been involved in a P&C before, then it is a great way to meet people, assist with fundraising and other important projects and develop a better understanding of how the school is run. The P&C has fundraised over \$10000 this year from our various fundraising campaigns such as discos, raffles, spring fair and walkathon. The P&C Association have some new ideas for fundraising and continue to build a better, brighter school for our children. Hope to see the familiar faces and welcome new ones in the New Year.


Our P&C meet every month in the staffroom located in the Admin Block. Our first meeting for 2015 is the 19th February at 6:30pm. All parents are welcome to come along and contribute to the fantastic work the P & C Association do for our school.

Billie-Jean Ryals
President

SCHOOL WATCH

With the school holidays commencing from this Friday 12 December, we would ask that you again **look, listen** and **report** anything untoward that you may see happening in our school grounds over the holidays.

Our staff would like to take this opportunity to wish you a safe and happy Christmas break with your children. School will resume on **Tuesday 27th January 2015.**



School Watch
YOU CAN HELP!
Your Eyes and Ears are Our Security

• LOOK • LISTEN • REPORT

Phone 13 17 88

LIFE EDUCATION

The Life Education van recently visited Berserker Street State primary school. Harold and I thoroughly enjoyed our time at your school and we were made to feel very welcome.

In addition to the lessons in the van, all students and classroom teachers received workbooks and resources to extend the lessons delivered in the Life Education classroom. Parents and carers can find out what their children learned in the mobile classroom by going to the parent section of the Life Education website <http://www.lifeeducation.org.au/parents> Click on the relevant links to also check out the 'conversation starter' ideas so you can carry on discussing the lessons at home. There are also some fun and engaging online and offline activities you can do with your children as well as articles, tips and strategies on health and safety issues (such as information on how to disable geo-tagging) and free apps to download.

Thank you for the opportunity to work with your children. I found them to be enthusiastic, attentive, well-mannered and respectful. They are a credit to their parents and carers and the staff and management of the school.

IN THE EVENT OF A NATURAL DISASTER?

As we are approaching the season when natural disasters, such as cyclones and fires, are highly probable it is important that our school is well prepared for any event. In the event of a natural disaster, access to school closure information is via

1. QSchools App

The QSchools app will provide up-to-date information about school closures, in the event of a natural disaster causing damage to the school or preventing access to the school.

Visit the department's apps page for more information and all the features: <http://deta.qld.gov.au/about/app/>

The QSchools app is available for free download through iTunes, Google Play and the Windows store.

2. Websites

Up-to-date information about school closures can be accessed on the following websites.

• School Closure Website:
<http://esc.eq.edu.au>

• DETE Disaster information Website:
<http://deta.qld.gov.au/natural-disasters.html>

• QGOV Website:
<http://www.qld.gov.au/education/schools/information/pages/closure.html>

LEAVING BERSERKER IN 2015?

If your child will not be with us for the 2015 school year we would appreciate a call or note to our office as soon as possible so that we are able to accurately plan our 2015 classes.

LOST PROPERTY

There are numerous lunchboxes, hats and drink bottles in the large box outside of the tuckshop. All lost property will be donated to charity Friday afternoon, so please take the time to check for any lost items.



STUDENT ABSENCES

Our **Student Absence Hotline** is **49990366**
This number is available 24 hours 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**
- **5. Duration of absence**

TUCKSHOP

TUCKSHOP ROSTER: Monday - Friday
(8.30am to approximately 12pm)

Monday	8/12/14	Volunteers needed
Tuesday	9/12/14	Caroline Osbourne
Wednesday	10/12/14	Volunteers needed
Thursday	11/12/14	Tameeka Kanak, Raeleen Williams & Tanya Futrill
Friday	12/12/14	Melisa Smith

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

Tues/Wed/Fri		Volunteers needed
Thursday	11/12/14	Karen Allen & Raeleen Williams

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

REMINDER: The tuckshop will be open for the sale of school uniforms on 22nd and 23rd January 2015, from 9am till 12.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2014

9 December	Awards & Graduation Ceremony
9 December	Graduation Dance
12 December	School Finishes

CHANGE OF DETAILS

Please remember that it is important to notify the office whenever there is a change in address, telephone numbers, emergency contacts and any other circumstances. This makes the process in of contacting parents easier.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

A NOTE FROM SANTA AND YOUR SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER



Christmas time is almost upon us again! This year Santa Claus has asked MSP Photography to help him with Santa photos at Gracemere Shopping World.

As MSP Photography provided your school photos earlier this year we would like to extend our thanks and appreciation for your patronage in 2014 with this exclusive offer.

Any Berserker Street State School family to present for Santa photos at Gracemere Shopping World with this newsletter item will receive a **10% discount on their total order**. **Just cut out this newsletter item and hand it to Santa's helper to receive your discount.**

Santa's visiting Hours 1st Dec – 23rd Dec

- Monday-Wednesday: 2pm-6pm
- Thursday: 2pm-9pm
- Friday: 2pm-6pm
- Saturday: 10am-2pm
- Sunday: Santa's RDO



SUMMER CAMPS ARE STARTING SOON at the PCYC Cap Coast...A fun holiday program for kids aged 9-15 years. Age specific activities, including raft building, team & leadership games, pool & beach games, circus skills, art & craft, possum glider, crate climb, flying fox, rock climbing and abseiling, just to name a few. Programs run from 8am to 5pm each day. Dates: 13 & 14 December, 2014 and 5 day blocks in January: 5-9, 12-16 & 19-23. Please call 4930 2022 or drop into the centre at 170 Matthew Flinders Drive, YEPPOON, during business hours (9-5pm – Monday to Friday), for details or to register your child/ren. Limited spaces available!



***MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY
NEW YEAR FROM OUR STAFF AT
BERSERKER!***

Rebecca Hack
Principal