



Berserker Street State School

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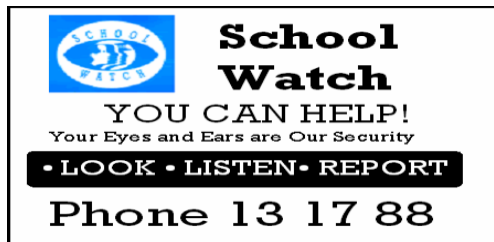
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SCHOOL WATCH

With the school holidays commencing from this Friday 31st March, 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 happy holiday break with your children. Reminder to our parents/caregivers that school resumes **Tuesday 18th April**.



REMINDERS:

The School Disco will be postponed until next term due to the unpredictable weather this week.

P&C AGM will be held this Wednesday afternoon at 3.00pm in the Staffroom located in the Admin Building. All welcome to attend.

EASTER RAFFLE

Help support Year 6 Camp by purchasing tickets in their Easter Raffle. \$1.00 per ticket or 3 for \$2.00. Tickets on sale before and after school on the rubber surface. Prizes will be drawn this Wednesday on Parade.



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 early, they must firstly report to the office to sign them out. Students **WILL NOT** be permitted to leave the classroom without producing the early slip.

ADMIN CAR PARK

Parents please be aware that this car park is **ONLY** for the Admin Staff. It is not a drive in and 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.

SCHOOL FACEBOOK



Our school has its own Facebook page. This is a great way to keep updated with all the fun and exciting things that happen at Berserker. All upcoming school events, sporting fixtures and results etc. are posted on the Berserker Street State School Facebook page.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

Please remember that minimal supervision is provided before school for students. We require students to be sitting down in the rubber area until the 8.40am bell rings.

In the afternoon the bell rings at 2.45pm. We ask that parents and caregivers are prompt in picking up their children. We have a great before and after school care

program provided by the PCYC if you require it.

VIRTUES

This is the virtue that students will be learning about this week. Please take the time to talk to your children about it.

Week 10: Tact

Tact is telling the truth kindly, with consideration for how your words will affect others. It is knowing what to say and what is better left unsaid. Tact is thinking before you speak. When you are tactful, you don't tease or point out people's differences to embarrass them. You are as careful about others feelings as you would like them to be of yours.

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.

TUCKSHOP

The Tuckshop is open before school and both lunch breaks Monday to Friday.

Tuckshop Breakfast: Tuesday to Friday 8am till 8.40am.

Lunch orders are taken each morning. Students should have their orders on a paper bag clearly named or provide 10c extra for a bag from the tuckshop. **STUDENTS NEED TO FILL OUT TWO BAGS IF THEY WANT TUCKSHOP BOTH LUNCHESES.** Orders must be in by **9am** (otherwise the tuckshop is only able to offer jam or vegemite sandwiches).

Volunteers are always welcome so please contact the office or pop in and see Cherie at the tuckshop if you are able to help out.

UNIFORMS

School Uniforms can be purchased from our tuckshop Monday to Friday during tuckshop operating hours. Full school uniform, including the Berserker shirt with logo, are a requirement for all Berserker students. All students should also have closed in shoes and a hat for play.

STUDENT ABSENCES

Our **Student Absence Hotline is 49990366** and can be contacted 24hrs a day.

It is really important to call the school or call the Student Absence Hotline on the above number, in the morning if your child is going to be away or late for school so your child's absence can be recorded correctly. 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**

Same day notification

Our school will contact parents as soon as practicable on the day if a student is not at school and we don't know why. If you are advised by the school that your child is away without a reason, please contact the office on 49990333 as soon as possible, to let us know where your child is. We will follow-up with parents if no response is received.

LIBRARY ACTIVITY CENTRE



Our school library is open both lunch breaks for students.

Library Activities (Green Room):

Monday - Movie Day

Tuesday & Thursday-Duplo

Wednesday & Friday - Quiet Reading

Activity Area:

Games and puzzles are available both lunch breaks each day.

Computers:

Computers are available both lunch breaks for all students. We encourage students to use this time as well to finish assessment work etc.

Library Borrowing:

Students can return and borrow books at lunch breaks as well.

Our school library is open and ready for students at lunch times.

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



SCHOOL LUNCHES

It has been fantastic to see the range of healthy lunches parents have been preparing for their children. Healthy food keeps kids happy and assists greatly with their ability to concentrate and learn at school. It is great to see so many children with a healthy sandwich or roll, fruit and tasty snacks like cheese in their lunch boxes.



Please keep in mind food packages as sometimes our younger students have trouble with opening commercial packaging.

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.

Operating hours:

Before School Care 6:30am – 8.45am
(open to all schools).

After School Care 2:45pm till 6.00pm
(BSSS students only).

Vacation Care **(operates from PCYC Rockhampton)** 7.30am – 6.00pm.

For more information please contact Toni on 0418116481. PCYC coordinate this wonderful service, for more information email: berserkerstsac@pcyc.org.au

NEWSLETTERS ONLINE

For the convenience of our families, our newsletter is placed on our school website to be available to all families electronically.

Our school website can be found at www.berserkerstreetss.eq.edu.au

The current newsletter can be found by clicking the 'latest newsletter' section on the home page.

FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICER

Holidays with Learning

School holidays sometimes results in the loss of learned skills acquired during the school term. Spending quality time with our children is extremely important for their development and happiness. Parents can help their children by providing age appropriate social interactions and encouraging them to apply essential skills in meaningful activities.

The following are a list of suggestions for parents to consider, which will aid in the smooth transition back to school and strengthen your relationship with your child.

* Read with your child. * Calculate grocery bills. * Keep journals and scrapbooks. * Art and craft. * Invite their friends on picnics. * Play games. * Go for a walk together. * Show interest in their activities. * Listen to them and ask questions. * Visit the library. * Walk around the zoo. * Visit a playground or park. * Call the local council and ask about special holiday activities. * Free twilight movies. * Learn and share knowledge at a museum. * Spend time at the beach.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2017

Fri 31 st March	Term One finishes
Mon 17 th April	Easter Monday
Tues 18 th April	School Resumes Term 2
Tues 25 th April	Anzac Day
Mon 1 st May	Labour Day

COMMUNITY NOTICES

FLIPOUT ROCKHAMPTON **AUSTRALIA'S FIRST TRAMPOLINE PARK!!**

\$5.00 OFF YOUR NEXT JUMP valid till 29th July
This promotion is not to be used in conjunction with any other offer. Valid only Monday to Friday. Can only use one coupon per day. NOT REDEEMABLE during the weekend or Holidays

\$10.00 OFF WHEN YOU BRING 3 FRIENDS OR MORE valid till 29th July
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FREE ADMISSION WHEN YOU BRING 5 OR MORE FRIENDS! valid till 29th July
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ISA CHEEKY MONKEY'S SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

ISA Cheeky Monkey's School Holiday Fun - Sport orientated programs, from 8:30am-5:00pm for \$25 per child per day. Bookings are essential, please contact 49278499 or email sports@isarocky.com.au

ARCHER PARK RAIL MUSEUM - FAMILY FUN DAY

DATE: Sunday 23rd April 2017
TIME: 9AM – 1PM
COST: \$2 ENTRY – 14YRS AND OVER
\$2.50 – TRAM RIDES

Come along and enjoy the displays and market. Ride the Purrey Steam Tram, see the Diesel and Steam engine and heritage rail carriages.

There will be morning tea and sausage sizzle, vintage, classic and ford cars, military museum stall, live music, rail memorabilia, exhibits and lots more.

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Principal