



Berserker Street State School

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SPORTS DAY

Next Tuesday 13th June we are holding our whole school Sports Day and we welcome your support and attendance at this exciting event.

This is a whole day event during which every child from Prep to Year 6 will be able to compete in running, jumping, throwing and ball games throughout the day.

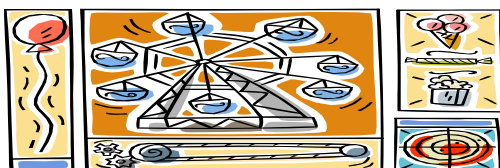
There will be **'no normal tuckshop'** as the P&C will be selling a range of hot food and other food items from the Stadium Kitchen. A 'Sports Day' menu will be sent home later in the week. If you are available to assist in the canteen on the day it would be greatly appreciated. Please see Cherie in the tuckshop if you can be of assistance.

A program of race times will be available in the canteen so volunteers can still watch their children.

There will be **'no normal classes'** and children are encouraged to wear a shirt to match their house colour or school uniform. Please also ensure your child is wearing shoes suitable for sport, plenty of sunscreen and has a clearly named water bottle and hat.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Reminder: to our Parents and Caregivers that next **Thursday 15th June** is our Show Day Holiday.



SENIOR STRINGS

Congratulations to our senior string students for their fantastic performance at the Rockhampton Eisteddfod last week.

They played well on stage, performing Gecko Echo and Sleepy Sandman. They didn't get a place but have a nice report and gained 82 marks.

Thank you to Wayne Attard for his generous donation of the use of a bus to transport students to the Pilbeam Theatre.

RACQ ROAD SAFETY EDUCATION

This week the RACQ Road Safety Education program "Streets Ahead" will visit our classes, teaching us how to be safe pedestrians, passengers and bike riders. For videos explaining the content in the RACQ program, please visit

<https://www.racq.com.au/streetsahead>
and go to the 'For Parents' tab.

CONTACT DETAILS UP TO DATE?

There are times when we may need to contact parents and carers. Do we have your most up to date contact details? If not, please contact the school on 49990333 or pop into the office so we can update our records. These details include parent/carers' name, address, phone numbers, email address and emergency contact details. Please remember to contact the school if any of these details change.



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 8: Generosity

Generosity is giving and sharing. It is giving freely because you want to, not with the idea of receiving a reward or gift in return. Generosity is being aware that there is plenty for everyone. It is seeing a change to give what you have and then giving just for the joy of giving. It is one of the best ways to show love and friendship.

Week 9: Truthfulness

Truthfulness is being honest in your words and actions. You don't tell lies, even to protect yourself from getting into trouble. You don't listen to gossip and prejudice. You see with your own eyes and make up your own mind about what is true. Being true to yourself means being who and what you are, without exaggerating to impress others or trying to look like something you are not. It is being yourself, your true self.

SCHOOL RULE FOCUS

Manage issues with others by following these steps:

- Say "Stop! I don't like it"
- Tell a teacher if the behaviour does not stop.
- Tell the office if the problem is not solved.

Students are expected to follow the steps above in any situation where they have an issue with another student. When students follow these rules situations are able to be resolved promptly and fairly. Please reinforce this rule with your child.

NATURAL MATHS

Skip Counting

Skip counting is counting in equal sized groups, for example - 2, 4, 6, 8 and so on. Counting a large number of objects in 1s can be tedious and time consuming, whereas touch counting in 2s would speed up the process. Try for yourself.



FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICER

Bullying! No way!

Sometimes people may not realise how their behaviour is making someone else feel.

The sorts of repeated behaviour that can be considered bullying include:

- Keeping someone out of a group.
- Giving nasty looks, or being rude and impolite.
- Spreading rumours or lies.
- Messing around that goes too far.
- Harassing someone based on their differences.
- Intentionally and repeatedly hurting someone.

What can I do if I am being bullied?

- Say "No!" or "Stop it!" firmly.
- Walk away.
- Try to act unaffected or ignore the person.
- Talk to a trusted adult at the school or at home.
- Ask friends, parents, teachers for their help to deal with the issue safely.

TUCKSHOP

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

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.

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).

WINTER UNIFORM

Now that the weather has started getting cooler we need families to be thinking about winter uniforms.

Our tuckshop sells school zip-up fleecy jackets which looks great with our uniform for \$25.

Alternatively you can purchase a plain bottle green jumper from a department store such as Big W, K Mart, Best & Less, and Target etc. and are generally very warm and cheap.

We do discourage the students wearing coloured jumpers as they are not part of the school uniform.

PCYC ROCKHAMPTON – BERSERKER ST SCHOOL AGE CARE



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

STUDENT ABSENCES

Our **Student Absence Hotline is 49990366**. This number is able to 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 haven't been notified of a reason for their absence. 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.

MISSING LIBRARY/HOME READER BOOKS

We have a significant amount of overdue/missing library books. All parents and carers are encouraged to remind children to search for any missing books that are clearly named and barcoded and may have found their way onto home book shelves. If any are discovered, please send them to our

library. We have a significant number of resources which, if not returned, are very costly to replace. Your assistance is appreciated.

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

LOST PROPERTY

The lost property at the tuckshop is sorted every week by Mrs Rogers in the library. We are always surprised by the amount of clothing and lunch boxes that are not named. Please make a point of checking your child's lunch box, jumpers and hats so that they are **clearly labelled**. Mrs Rogers can then deliver any items that are named straight to the classrooms.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2017

Tues 13 th June	Sports Day
Thurs 15 th June	Show Day Holiday
Fri 23 rd June	Last day Term 2
Mon 10 th July	School Resumes Term 3

COMMUNITY NOTICES

LE SMILEYS EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

Long Day Standalone Kindergarten
66 Lucas Street – Berserker

OPEN NOW – Limited Vacancies for 2017

Taking enrolments for 2018! ph.: 49223684

- Open 7am – 5pm
- Minimum of 2 days up to 5 days per week
- Same days each week
- No enrolment fees or fees to pay in advance
- Eligible for CCB and CCR fee relief
- Low or no cost to healthcare card/pension card holders
- Write 2 Spell 2 Read Literacy and Numeracy Program
- Program delivered by a Qualified Early Childhood Teacher

www.lesmileys.com.au or Email: berserkerkindy@lesmileys.com.au

YOGA CONNECT

While the kids are at school you may like to do YOGA? YOGA has many benefits which include developing more tone, strength, flexibility, balance, posture, alignment, focus and concentration. A deeper awareness and connection, better coping abilities. Stress and anxiety relief and management. Reduce pain and ailments. Increase energy well-being health and quality of life. Brings peace. YOGA works all systems of the body. For times, days and venues visit <http://yogaconnectheartmindbodysoul.com/> Inquiries phone Tarnie on 048550750 you can also find me on Facebook.

CENTRAL QLD ATHLETICS CLUB

Central Qld Athletics Club Paul Tennent Memorial Track & Field Carnival to be held on the 24-25th June at the CQ University Oval for all athletes aged from 4yrs to Masters. Online nominations at <https://cqcarfestival2017.eventdesq.com/> close on Saturday 19th June at 11.00p.m.

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