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From The Principal  - Bruce Robertson

It was another very successful Athletics Carnival. Students will reflect on these events in the future with fond memories of dressing in their house colours and participating in the track and field events. Thank you to Dan Mathers, our School’s Officer, who prepared the oval surface beautifully and also Libby Work who organised a very smooth and efficient carnival. Students shone once again, demonstrating outstanding sportsmanship and giving their best. The presentations for the winning house and age champion medals for 9-12 years will be presented this Thursday at our whole school assembly in the hall from 2pm. You are welcome to join us.

Unfortunately, I was called away just prior to the staff versus parents relay and as such the parents notched up another win. Boot camp will begin earlier next year for our staff team. It was a wonderful day, so thank you to everyone who contributed to its success.

Semester One Report

Semester One Reports will be handed to students on Thursday afternoon in a sealed envelope. If you wish to make another arrangement to collect the report, please contact your child’s teacher.

Students generally look at their achievement rating in each learning area with little consideration for their effort and comments on their progress. As parents, my wife and I will sit with our son and discuss each learning area to consider what has been successful and what can be addressed looking ahead to second semester.

Students should be proud of their achievements and I congratulate them on their improvement throughout Semester One. They have earned a well-deserved break from the school routine.

QParents

Brookfield will be one of the first schools in Queensland to offer QParents. This web and mobile application provides a more convenient, easier way for parents and legal guardians of Queensland state school students to interact with their child’s school. Parents will have secure, online access to their child’s student information, anytime, anywhere, through a smartphone, tablet or computer. QParents allows parents to connect instantly with the school to access and manage student information, including:

- Attendance and absence details, as well as the ability to notify the school of an absence
- Behaviour information
- Academic report cards
- Class timetables
• Viewing unpaid invoice details, payment history, and making payments online
• Viewing and updating personal student details, including medical conditions and address
• Enrolment details

QParents will assist both staff and parents in sharing and responding to information in an efficient and effective way. We will be sending out invitations for parents to register for QParents next term. QParents won't replace the traditional ways you communicate with our school, but it will provide another way to communicate with us. More information about QParents can be found at [https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/about](https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/about)

**Flooded Creek Crossings**

If your child rides their bike to school, please discuss a plan for them to follow when creek crossings are flooded. It should be a reminder to all of us to model safe behaviours to young and impressionable children.

**Long Service Leave**

I will be away in Launceston watching the Australian U18 Mens Hockey Championships for the first week of next term. Mrs Barb Christie will be the acting principal in my absence. I hope everyone has a safe, relaxing and happy vacation. School will resume on Monday 11 July.

**Thought for the Week**

*I am an ordinary man who worked hard to develop the talent I was given.
I believed in myself, and I believe in the goodness of others.*

Muhammad Ali

Bruce
brobe66@eq.edu.au
Belong - Strive - Succeed

**From the Deputy - Tracey Campbell**

**Final Week of Term 2**

Hasn’t the final week of term 2 come around fast, can you believe we have nearly completed 100 days of learning! It has been a productive semester.

The last week of each term will see our students participate in the school’s Athletics Carnival and finish off any remaining tasks. Our Preps will hopefully get to enjoy an excursion to Pullenvale Environmental Education Centre too, weather permitting.

Regular classes will run until Friday afternoon of the final week, some classes will be enjoying free time on Friday afternoon though to celebrate the end of a full and dynamic term of work.

Report cards go home Thursday, if you have any questions about your child’s report card, please make a time for a parent-teacher interview with your child’s teacher for next term.

**Holidays**

As this is our last *Banter* for the term, I would like to wish you all a safe and enjoyable winter school holiday. If you are traveling during the break, stay safe on our roads.

If you are around over the break and would like to help with the BBQ on Election Day here at the school, please drop me a line via email with the time you are able to spare. Otherwise, come down and buy a drink and a sausage whilst you vote.

**OUR SPONSORS:**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!**

Kalani R
Ronan H
Angus P
Rory R
Harry W
Jessica D
Beth H
Scarlett H
Ava Z
Max S
Codell S
Daniel A
Scott Mc
Xavier W
Bridget R
Molly B

Erica M
Madison Mc
Ronan K
Joshua B d E
Thomas D
Anastasia H
Mason M
Joseph M
Daniel F
Leadee W
Ezekiel W
Erasmus K
Emma O
Letizia C

**OUR SPONSORS:**
I am already looking forward to the term ahead, and to meeting some of the 2017 Prep age children at our Prep Orientation Morning in August. What adventures in learning we have ahead of us!

As a last word, I would like to thank all the volunteers that help keep our school running smoothly, from those in the tuckshop each week to those taking reading groups.

A special mention to Kelly Brown for the amazing job she did with photographing a handful of our current Preps. Kelly volunteered her time, equipment and skills to help us create some amazing Prep flyers. We are truly grateful!

Whole School Assembly

The final assembly for the term is a Whole School Assembly. Usual time, 2pm to 2:30pm. We hope you can join us!

Last week’s Most Respectful Class went to Year 1D. Awesome effort 1D; what a great example you set with walking quietly around the school.

The class that received the most brookie bears over the course of last week was Year 1C- congratulations 1C. Brookie Bear is sure to have a great time at your 100 days at school party!

100 Cans for 100 Days - Finishes this Friday

The count stands at 521… please help us reach our goal of 751. Soup, spaghetti, baked beans, fruit and vegetables are particularly needed. Thank you.

Robin Kerr

Music News

Our wonderful Intermediate Choir will be singing on our whole school assembly tomorrow (Thursday 23/6, 2pm). I hope that some of our parents will be able to come along to hear them as they have been working hard all term to perfect one of our favourite songs for performance.

Our annual Senior Citizens Concert has been tentatively booked for Tuesday, August 30. Our Junior and Senior Choirs, Senior Band, Senior String Ensemble, and Yellow Marimba...
group will all be performing. Keep an eye out for further details about the day and how you can help to make it a success.

Just a quick request from our Music staff to finish off. If you have changed your email address during the year, please let our staff know so that we can alter your details on our mailing lists. Recently, a few emails have been bouncing back to us without being delivered. Thanks for your help with this.

Musica Viva in Schools Program

As part of our school music program, all classes attend a concert brought in by the Musica Viva in Schools program. Each year, a different group of live musicians comes to Brookfield to perform for our students and over the years at our school children will be exposed to a wide variety of instruments, musical styles and activities.

This year, we will be visited by Pastance, a group specialising in Celtic music. All classes have begun preparatory activities in their weekly music lessons and are looking forward to our concert on Monday July 18 (Week 2 of Term 3). These concerts and lead up activities are always well received by our students and they are always keen to find out who our visitors will be each year. The cost for this event will be included on your Term 3 account.

Melissa McMillan
Classroom Music Teacher

District Athletics

The District Athletics Carnival will be held over two days, Tuesday 19 July and Thursday 21 July. The Brookfield Team will be finalised in the first week back after the holidays and students will be notified accordingly. Private transport is required for students to participate in the carnival at the State Athletics Centre, Nathan.

Libby Wark
PE Teacher

Lost Property

This Friday all named items will be returned to class, all unnamed school uniformed items will be resold at the uniform shop as 2nd hand items and all non-uniform items will be put in the Lifeline bin.

Office Staff

School Banking

There will be no school banking this Friday 24th June being the last day of term. Banking will begin again Friday 15th July.

Kim Bristow
School Banking Coordinator

Friday Morning Soccer

Soccer training is cancelled for this Friday morning.

Shameem Khan

Burger Bar News

Due to winter holidays, there will be no Burger Bar on Friday 1st July. The Burger Bar will resume in August. Hope to see you then. Happy Holidays!

Many thanks,
Andy Dart
PCYC News

Hi Everyone!

Thank you to all the families and children for another great term at PCYC! We have had a great term introducing lots of new activities including sewing, cooking and drama club!

Vacation is just next week! We have lots of exciting days planning including a trip to Serendipity Farm, Event Cinemas, a Game Show day and a visit from Professor Jelly bean who will be doing some cool and freaky science experiments with us!

Book as soon as you can! Our vacation care program and booking forms are attached.

Please ensure all PCYC fees are up to date before end of term. We will not be accepting Vacation Care bookings until all fees are up to date.

Lost Property

We have a large amount of lost property at the moment, mainly hats and jumpers. If you’re child/ren are missing any of these items, please come and have a look. Our lost property is located in the pink bin in the PCYC room.

Cancellations

If you require cancelling a previously made booking, please ensure you give staff 48 hours’ notice so you are not charged. You can do this by emailing Liz at brookfieldspcy@pcyc.org.au, writing in the bookings and cancellations booklet at the service or calling 3374 2107 (leaving a message is fine).

If you are interested in enrolling your child, you can do so at https://brookfieldspcy.hubworks.com.au or by visiting us (we are in A block under the music room). We love to see new faces at PCYC! Here are a few things we offer:

• Breakfast provided until 8:00am and afternoon tea provided at 3:00pm - our menu is healthy and nutritious and negotiated with the children and families of the service
• Life skills programs- cooking, baking, sewing and gardening are all on our program regularly
• Sports and outdoor games every session with our recreational leader
• Art and craft

Please come visit us, call 3374 2107 or email brookfieldspcy@pcyc.org.au for more information.

We would love to meet you!

Thanks!

Liz Gordon-Brown

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