

BURRA COMMUNITY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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'Quality Teaching - Quality Schooling'

DIARY DATES

August

9 Choir rehearsal @ Jamestown

10/11Exeat Weekend UniSA excursion

- 14 RYDER presentation @ Clare HS
- 15 Yr 10 EIF @ Regency TAFE
- 16 Whole School Assembly
- 19 Yr 8-12 Legal Services Workshop

19-23 BOOKWEEK

23 Bookweek Parade @ 9am

29/01 Royal Adelaide Show: Steers

30 SAPSASA Athletics @ Clare

31/01 Exeat Weekend

September

- 2-6 International Science Fair Yr 10/11
- 3-5 Royal Adelaide Shows: goats/sheep

04 SCHOOL CLOSURE

- 09 Gov Council mtg @ 7pm
- 11 Choir FINALE @ Pt Pirie
- 12 Whole School Assembly

Government of South Australia Department for Education

Term 3 - No.10

08 August, 2024

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hello again!

As we sink our teeth in to Term 3, we continue to work on our vision of a thriving whole-school culture with a focus on our school value of **RESPONSIBILITY**. From previous newsletters, you will know that we are collaborating with the Department for Education's Self-regulation Service to ultimately build both teacher responsibility and student responsibility for learning:

- staff better understand emotional regulation and sensory needs so they can create environments and programs for learning where students feel safe, included and happy.
- **students** develop self-awareness for their 'triggers' and distractions from learning, and strategies to better manage their emotions so they **can learn** because they are focused and in control.

This is slow and challenging work that requires a team effort from students, parents, staff and community supports. Of course, feeding in to this is the <u>requirement for</u> students to:

- attend school every day the school is open.
- participate in learning in a focused and respectful manner.

The start of Term 3 has seen concerning *unexplained* absences and routine *lateness*. Research indicates that poor attendance is not only a strong indicator of lower levels of achievement, but increases risk of problematic social skills and difficulty in forming and maintaining relationships.

In relation to late arrivals, the morning homegroup session is *critical* for students to set up for their day of learning – important notices are provided, the day's schedule and relevant requirements are presented, and your child is supported to be organised and settled for the day.

Improving attendance is a whole community endeavour, contributing to not only a thriving school but a thriving community! And the fact of the matter is, teachers cannot teach your child if they are not at school.

With the pending implementation of *Daymap*, with a parent portal to enhance communication between home and school including the notification of absences, the school's absence procedure and attendance improvement plan is currently under review. You will shortly receive an email seeking parent/carer feedback. In the meantime, if you are having trouble with your child's attendance or their morning routine, please reach out for assistance.

Regards,

Bri

OLYMPICS FEVER

On Monday 29th July, our Reception to Year 6 students were entertained by Mr Gus Wenzel who talked about his experience in carrying the Olympic torch for the 2000 Sydney Olympics.

Mr Wenzel showed the torch he carried as well as some other souvenirs that he has collected.

Mr Wenzel shared information about the Olympics which are currently being held in Paris.

Our students asked some great questions and we sincerely thank Mr Wenzel for coming to talk to us.





Welcome Sophie to Burra



Hi! My name is Sophie Bubner and I am currently in my final year of a Bachelor of Secondary Education with Honours at UniSA.

My major is Design and Technology and my sub-major is HaSS.

I live on a farm just outside of Hamley Bridge, but am staying

in Burra for the duration of my placement. I currently work at STARplex in Evanston Park as a lifeguard, squad coach and

supervisor. I have two younger siblings, a sister who works as a Veterinary Technician for Adelaide Uni and a brother who works as a metal fabricator at Sharmans.

Questions we want to ask Sophie

- I. Favourite Colour: Green
- Do you prefer working with wood or metal? I participated in all Design & Technology classes throughout school and completed the Material Solutions (Woodwork) course in year 12.
- Favourite thing to cook? Desserts. I make a very good sticky date pudding!
- 4. Do you have pets? I have a 5 year old kelpie at home. Her name is Willow and she loves chasing toys and exploring places when we go hiking. We also have 2 other dogs at home, Gemma (Kelpie) and Bluey (Blue Heeler), a ginger cat called Marvin, and a Possum that my brother rescued called Rocky.
- 5. Pineapple on Pizza yes or no?
 Pineapple on pizza is a yes from me!

In my spare time you can probably find me hiking with my dog, rock climbing, surfing, snorkelling or doing pretty much any activity outside.

I also love reading books, building puzzles and listening to music when the weather is less friendly.

After I graduate I will be taking some time off to solo hike the Walk the Yorke trail and travel to other parts of our great state. Next year I am hoping to work in a country school around the Mid-North teaching Tech.

Sophie is working with Mr Mark Inglis in Tech Studies and with Ms Danna Cooke in HASS. She will be with us at Burra CS until the end of term.



1/2 class Happenings

Things can't move by themselves. The way to start something moving is to give it a push or a pull. Pushes and pulls are called forces. Something that is sitting still will stay still unless a force makes it move.'

This term in Physical Sciences with Mrs. Hutchings, the 1/2 class scientists are investigating forces and energy. Through play, students explored the big question of: 'What makes things move?' Using different toys, students were challenged to explore which direction the force was going and whether it was a push or a pull.

Can you work out the direction of the force and identify whether it was a push or a pull that made the object move in our photos?

























Do it for Dolly

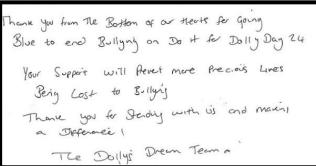
This week the school received a hand written thank you note from the Dolly's Dream foundation. This is something that wasn't expected, but the result of our hard work and fundraising.

This is just an example of how a good deed can lead to something more!

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the day and donated money, it was greatly appreciated.

- SRC





Lifeguard Opportunity

We are currently recruiting for Lifeguards at the Burra Swimming Pool for season 2024/25 and hoping you could pass the below info on to include in upcoming school newsletters and promote to students where possible. I6 is the minimum age requirement for Lifeguarding but preferably they are 17.

"Are you looking for a new and exciting job where you know and feel you're making a positive difference?"



Belgravia Leisure are currently recruiting for Lifeguards at the Burra Swimming Pool for season 2024/2025.

Our lifeguards provide the community with a safe and enjoyable atmosphere whilst providing an exceptional customer experience. We will help you become qualified! No experience needed, just passion!

Interested or know someone that might be? please contact Craig Wilson directly at: cwilson@belgravialeisure.com.au



Sports News — Year 7-9 Girls Football

Wednesday 7th August, Burra hosted round one of Knock Out 7-9 girl's football.

We completed under the BEARS banner with students from Riverton and District High School.

Results were:

Game I:

BEARS 2.6.18 lost to CLARE HS 3.6.24

Game 2:

CLARE HS 0.0.0 lost to MNZ ONE 7.1.43

Game 3:

BEARS O.I.I lost to MNZ ONE 14.6.90

Congratulations to Mid North Zone who will move through to the next round.



Well done to BCS students Marissa, Sophie, Abby, Anna, Annabelle Q, Annabelle H, Emmylou, Darcie, Kaidance, Lacey, Gemma, Emma, Shanae, Aalyah for their team spirit, sportsmanship and giving it a go. Great job girls!!!

Thanks to Jaxson, Finn and Lucas for umpiring all 3 games!!

SAPSASA Basketball at Balaklava

Our school provided 2 teams to compete in the SAPSASA Basketball Competition Wednesday 7th August.

Students from years 4-6 enjoyed a day of healthy competition participating in at least 5 games against other schools from Blyth, Snowtown, Koolunga, Clare, Manoora, Riverton and Balaklava.

Congratulations to the BCS girls team who managed to win their pool B draw to score a place in the Grand Final berth. The girls went down by I2 points against St Joseph's Clare in the end and earned a well deserved silver for the day.

Our boys played well and ended up placing 3^{rd} in their pool A draw.

A Big thank you to Leonie Taylor for Coaching the girls and Mel Cooper for Coaching the boys. Thank you Digger Thompson, Justin Webster and Emily Schuppan our awesome umpires on the day. As always, we are grateful for the parent support with many picking up extra jobs on the day such as scoring and team managing. Thank you!!



Term 3, 2024

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	W/E
1 Jul	22	23	24	25 R.A.P. @ 1pm BCS	26	27/28
2	Olympic Unleashed visit Sheep & Cattle Education Day @	Yr 7-12 Flinders Uni	31	01	02	03/04
3 Aug	Jameslown 05 Governing Council Mig	06 Australian Maths Competition	O7 SAPSASA Backetball @ Balaklavo Yr 10-12 Career Expo @ CHS	08	Choir @ Jamestown	10/11 Exect Weekend UniSA Open
4	12 Canteen Mig @	13	14 RYDER @ CHS	Yr 10 EIF Regency TAFE	Whole School Assembly	17/18
	3:30pm		SAP		PSASA State Soccer	
5	Legal Services Workshop Yr 8-12	20	21	22	9am Bookweek Parade	24/25
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6	26	27	28	29	SAPSASA Athletics	31/01 Exect Weekend
		OSHC Mtg		Rough	Adelaide Show STEERS	System Street Co.
7 Sept	02	03	SCHOOL CLOSURE	05	06	07/08
			Sheep Judging	Goal Judging		
			toyal Adelaide Show STE	ERS		
		Internation	onal Science Fair ASMS Y	r 10 / 11		
8	Governing Council Mtg @ 7pm	10	Choir FINALE @ PI Pirie	Whole School Assembly	13	14/15
	SAPSASA State Hockey					
9	SAPSASA State Athletics	17	18	19	20	21/22
	Parent/Teacher Interviews					
10	23	24 Yr 10 Immunisation	25	26	LAST DAY OF TERM 3	28/29
	Canberra Camp Yr 6 / 7					
	Contain Comp II v 7					