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YEAR 6 GRADUATION - MONDAY 4th DECEMBER

The annual Year 6 Graduation event will be held at Miami Marketta with the ticket-purchasing period expected to be closed at the time of this newsletter's distribution. We ask that Year 6 students attending to arrive between 5.00-5.30pm whereby they will be greeted at the door for ticket sign-off.

REPORT CARDS – MONDAY/TUESDAY

For all QParent subscribers the report cards for respective students will be available on Monday afternoon. For the entire school community (inclusive of QParent Subscribers) report cards will be emailed home on Tuesday.

VOLUNTEER'S MORNING TEA – TUESDAY 5th DECEMBER

The annual Volunteer's Morning Tea will occur in the school hall at 10.30am. This is an opportunity to thank all of our valued volunteers across the school and also to acknowledge our Lindsay Lockett P&C Volunteer of the Year Award which will be announced at this event.

AWARDS CEREMONY - WEDNESDAY 6th DECEMBER

The annual Awards Ceremony will occur on Wednesday 6th of December in the School Hall commencing at 9.00am. We ask that all parents wishing to attend be seated before this event commences.

JUNIOR/SENIOR CHRISTMAS CONCERTS – WEDNESDAY 6th DECEMBER

The Junior and Senior Christmas Concerts will be held after the Awards Ceremony on Wednesday 6th December. The Junior Christmas Concert is scheduled to commence at 11.30am and the Senior Christmas Concert will commence at 1.00pm.



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TENTATIVE 2024 CLASSLISTS – THURSDAY 7th DECEMBER

The tentative class lists will be provided via email on Thursday 7th December. At present our student numbers are very fluid with comings and goings, which I suspect we may require re-shuffling in 2024. Therefore I ask that parents await to see our Day 8 numbers early in 2024 before providing input into class placements.

Peter Tong – Principal



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ENROL NOW! We are taking Prep and other year level enrolments for the 2024 school year.

If you know of families planning to enrol, please encourage them to contact the office as soon as possible.

Enrolment forms can be located on our website or can be collected from the office. Appointments can be booked by ringing the school.

If you are a new family to the school then evidence of residency in the school catchment will be necessary. (However, we have been able to take students out of

catchment in Prep in past years, as we have spaces for 100 students in Prep.)

Please ensure that whether you are residing in or out of catchment as a new or existing parent, we want your enrolment forms sooner than later.

If your children will not be returning to Burleigh Heads State School in 2024, please let the office know now so we can adjust our resources and plan using accurate figures.

STUDENTS PLANNING TO RETURN TO SCHOOL AFTER DAY 8 2024

Our official enrolment census for 2024 takes place on Thursday, 1 February, 2024. All enrolled students are counted on this day and our staffing entitlement is finalised. If your child is not <u>returning</u> to school <u>before</u> this date, it is very important that you contact the school on 5568 6666. If we are unaware that a child is returning late, they are not counted in the census. This could impact negatively on the number of classes we form and the number of teachers we are able to engage. Your support is appreciated.

BOOKPACKS - 2024

Check out the link on our Webpage to order books for 2024. Once again, Sequel are our supplier. You will have the option of ordering just the workbooks or the whole package, which includes stationery. Once again, Sequel are our supplier. You will have the option of ordering just the workbooks or the whole package, which includes stationery.

You will have noticed the absence of student workbooks in some year levels. These will align with our literacy program and you will be invoiced for them.

Parents will be invoiced for Initial Lit workbooks, Mathletics and Reading Eggs.

REPORTING TO PARENTS – Understanding Effort and Behaviour

Last week in the newsletter, we looked at Report Card Achievement and what it means. This week, we look at Effort and Behaviour.

Report Cards are a great summary of your child's work over the previous six months. They contain a wealth of information but are sometimes challenging to understand. Two areas of interest are the grade for "effort" and the grade given for "behaviour" towards the end of the report.

The scale on which these are marked is: A = Excellent (independently and consistently) B = Very Good (consistently) C = Satisfactory (usually) D = Needs Attention (sometimes) E = Unacceptable (rarely). When deciding on a mark for effort, a teacher usually considers the behaviours displayed by the student as they engage with each subject. Some students have a preference for particular subjects and so find it easier to apply themselves to the learning opportunities and tasks provided. Some children find difficulty with particular ways of learning, such as working in a group.

Behaviours which promote learning are developed over the years just as children develop their content knowledge. Learning to listen and follow increasingly complex directions, choosing a positive attitude and staying focused on the job to be done,



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starting and finishing a task within a set time frame, being organised, being an active participant in discussions and group activities, asking for help or feedback and reflecting on one's work, are all skills which contribute to the "effort" grade a student receives.

When deciding on a mark for behaviour teachers firstly consider the Burleigh Heads State School Code of Conduct. Our values are exemplified by certain behaviours such as coping with change, being positive and inclusive towards others, being able to share and take turns. Children are learning to improve these skills all through their schooling.

Being able to demonstrate effort and behaviour to a "C" standard (usually) is satisfactory. If your child receives a "D" or an "E" for effort or behaviour, this indicates that conversations need to be had (if they haven't been had already) with the student, with their teacher and if necessary the appropriate person on the Admin team to ensure that a plan is in place to help a child develop the skills which are necessary for being a successful learner.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

It is no secret that our Burleigh students have an affinity with the water with our proximity to the beach. This is our students learn to appreciate the cool blue water and the joy of swimming from a very early age and our kids are strong swimmers.

This week's carnival definitely is an extension of all that we love.

Congratulations to all our swimmers. It was so great to watch the kids pushing their personal limits, cheering each other and barracking for their house.

There is no doubt about it, Kyeema is a house of strong swimmers. Looks like they have again marked themselves as a house to beat in the water in 2024.

Age champions were:

- 2011 Girls 1. Poppy RICHARDSON, 2. Stella JONES, 3. Mia BOWN Boys 1. Cruz SUTTON, 2, Jai LONSDALE, 3. Bernard JUODELLE
- 2012 Girls 1. Jordyn SYMONDS, 2. Akayla HOARE, 3. Lilly MILLER Boys 1. Zac BERRISFORD, 2. Shannon MITCHELL, 3. Jack GRIGG
- 2013 Girls 1. Shelby POLS, 2. Poppy SMITH, 3. Kalanni HURREY Boys 1. Alex CONRAD, 2. Louis GRANT, 3. Mitchell EADS
- 2014 Girls 1. Lexi MCRAE, 2. Zara KENNEDY, 3. Marley ANEHAGEN Boys 1. Mack ARNEL, 2. Jaxon TECARR, 3. Milo ALBERTS

A very special thank you to our PE teacher, Mr Sam Askin, and his band of helpers, who made the carnival such a success.



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YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR YOUTH



Please find inside a poster detailing how all registered teachers and qualified early childhood educators can enjoy free of charge entry into the David Fleay Wildlife Park thoughout the Christmas holidays!

You will also find an updated Pocket Guide of our updated educational programs.

Don't forget to attend our online *Spotlight on Education* TEAMS meeting with our Education Supervisor on **Monday the 27th of November from 3.15pm – 3.30pm**. We have emailed out the invitations, but please contact us if you did not receive one. If you attend this short meeting and book a Wild Ed program before January 31st 2024, you will receive a 20 percent discount!

FREE ENTRY AT FLEAYS

We would like to invite all registered teachers and early childhood educators to enjoy a day at the David Fleay Wildlife Park during the Christmas school holidays! You will have the opportunity to see our amazing native wildlife up close and find out how we can support your student's learning with our newly designed educational programs.

You will simply need to present evidence of your teacher registration, or a letter of employment, or your name badge with a form of identification on arrival to claim this offer.

All teachers and educators will receive a special giftbag that will include our School Excursion Information Pack and some nature-based activities and resources that you can share with your students.

This offer is valid from Saturday the 9th of December 2023 to Sunday the 21st of January 2024.

David Fleay Wildlife Park
Loman Lane, Burleigh Heads QLD 4220, (07) 5669 2051





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Term 1'24 Robotics club!

DAYS: WEDNESDAYS 3PM -4 PM

LOCATION: STEAM ROOM

COMMENCING: 31ST JAN'24

9 WEEKS*60 MIN WORKSHOPS

PRICE: \$215 + GST PER TERM

3 pm to 4pm workshops designed for kids aged Prep - Y 5.

Children will learn how to build robots and apply robotics programming logic with Lego Education Spike Essential and Spike Prime



Please, book online: www.littlealphas.com.au email us littlealphasgc@gmail.com 0414 670 335



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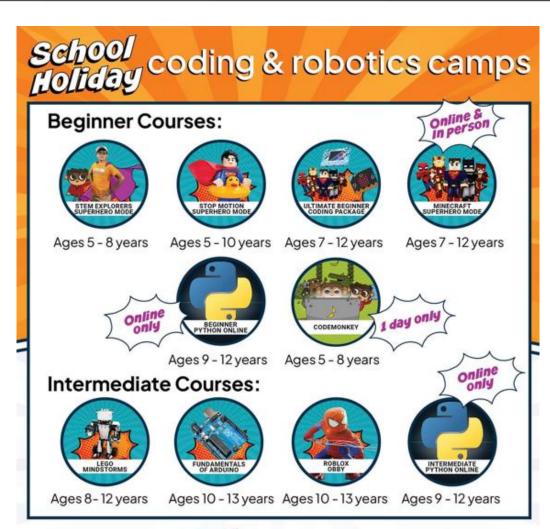
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1-day pre-Christmas
Minecraft & CodeMonkey
courses available.

Various Locations

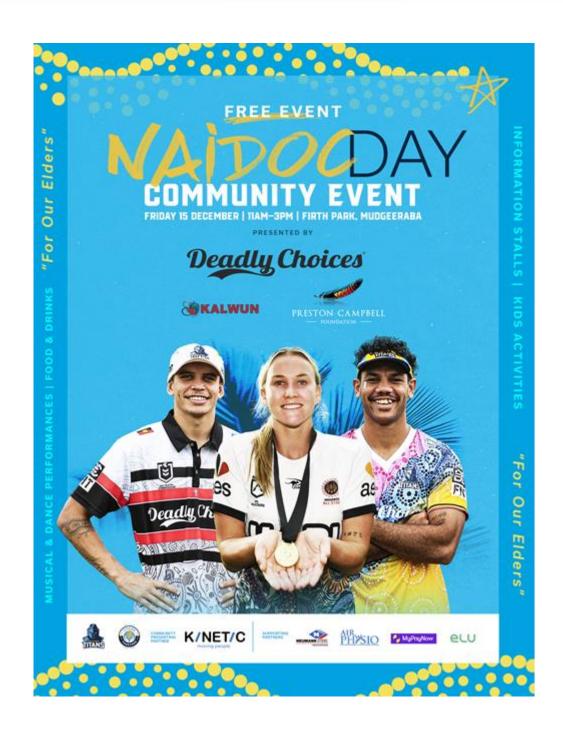
Across Queensland: Brisbane, Gold Coast, Sunshine Coast, Toowoomba and Townsville.

All classes are open to the public



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Department of Education

Transition to school

Supporting your child's transition to school

Starting school can be an exciting but anxious time for you and your child. For some children it may be the first time that they have been away from their parents. They may be going into a strange environment with unfamiliar people and things around them.

There are some simple steps you can take to help make your child's time at school more enjoyable and relaxed.

Encourage your child to be independent by helping them get used to:

- putting on and doing up his or her shoes
- opening lunchboxes, wrapping and unwrapping school lunches and drinking from drink bottles
- · caring for and putting away play things
- · going to the toilet independently
- following instructions to stay safe
- carrying his or her own bag
- · identifying his or her own belongings.



Work with your child to develop his or her communication skills. Help your child to:

- · ask for help when needed
- make his or her own needs known
- · use appropriate greetings
- · respond verbally when spoken to.

Familiarise your child with the school environment and routine by:

- driving or walking by the school a few times so that the school becomes a familiar place
- attending an orientation program or open day so you can meet your child's teacher and see the classroom
- showing your child where to put his or her things, such as a school bag and hat
- making sure your child knows how to get home from school safely or where to wait for you in the afternoon or where to go for after-school care
- visiting the school, if possible, when other children are there so that your child can get used to the number of children, the playground and the movement of children around school grounds
- introducing your child to other children in the neighbourhood who will be attending the same school
- asking the school what equipment and materials are needed such as school bag, library bag and hat (most schools will have a list). Make sure all possessions are clearly labelled with your child's name
- checking with your early childhood service about how they can help children make a smooth transition to school
- encourage children to understand that teachers are at school to help.







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THANK YOU

Massive thanks to Chris Reynolds who is concluding as Breaky Club Convenor. We're after his replacement to:

- Keep track of bread and spreads (stock),
- Organise volunteers.

Can you help?

We're the only State School Breaky Club in the state that runs every day, and we'd love to keep it up, to make sure our students have full bellies for the school day.



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The Breakfast Club would like to thank our supporters Shadow's Pies & Cakes in Miami.
Michael Hart MP.

Any donations to be dropped at the office would be very welcome. Visit us in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen before school.



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Change notification - Term 1, 2024

School bus ## 3406



What? School service 3406 timetable is changing for 2024.

Why? To improve on time running & network efficiencies.

When? From Monday 22nd January 2024 onwards.

Details Departure & arrival times have changed to reflect more accurate departure

times. Please review the below timetable to check your new departure time (additional stops can be viewed on Translink route timetables).

A full copy of the updated run sheet can be found below.

Find out The revised timetable will be available on Translink's more Journey Planner from 29th December 2023.



3406 Desto: 3406

School Service Operates via:(L) Burleigh, (R) West Burleigh, (L) West Burleigh Rd Exit, (L) West Burleigh, Straight on Tallebudgera Creek, (R) Tsipura, (R) Township, U-turn on Township using turn around indent after Bus Stop, (L) Tsipura, (R) Tallebudgera Creek, (R) St Andrews College, (L) Tallebudgera Creek, Straight on West Burleigh, (R) Reedy Creek/ West Burleigh, (R) Gold Coast Hwy

Acanthus Ave at Burleigh Heads Infants ScMor: 15:05

West Burleigh Rd at Dunlin Drive 15:14
Township Dr near Tsipura Dr 15:22
St Andrews College 15:32
Tallebudgera Creek Rd at Tsipura Drive 15:39
Gold Coast Hwy at Burleigh Heads 15:49