**Principals Report**

Welcome to the beginning of a new school year. I hope that everyone had a restful and enjoyable break. We welcome our four Foundation students Trinity, Kai, Toby and Arabella. They have all started their school life with plenty of smiles and enthusiasm. We also welcome Caleb in Grade 1 and Mrs Domaschenz in Grade 3-6.

This Sunday we will have a quick working bee for our school grounds. It will be from 10am to 12, with the main tasks being pruning, mowing, whipper snipping and weeding. All help would be greatly appreciated, even for a short time. Thankyou to those parents who did help with our grounds over the break!

Next Friday we have our first Group Day here at Buangor. Our theme will be “Circus Activities” with a visit from Kelly Sports. We will have a BBQ lunch for students if they wish (Teachers will take orders tomorrow), otherwise they may bring their own lunch from home.

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held on Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th February. A note with request times is attached to this newsletter. Please indicate 3 possible times to meet with your child’s teacher. Confirmation times will be sent home later.

If parents wish to meet with me at any time throughout the year, please contact the school to make a suitable time. As I will be conducting English Intervention/Support this year, I will be unavailable Monday-Thursday from 9am -11am at this stage. I will also be teaching Physical Education and Gr3-6 on Fridays.

Enjoy your week.

Marcus Murrell

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**Uniforms.**

We received a phone call this morning from Beleza informing us that our new Polo tops are now in stock.

Jumpers will not be in stock for about 1 month, we will let you know when they arrive.

Please make sure your Child’s clothing is named, especially hats and jumpers.

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

- **No Foundation Students**— Wednesday 8th February
- **Group Day**—Friday 10th February— Buangor
- **Parent Teacher Interviews**— 14th/15th February 3.50pm-6pm.
- **Marc Van**—Wednesday 15th February

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**Newsletter**

This year the School Newsletter will be published every fortnight instead of weekly.
School Fees

Buangor Primary School is funded from two sources:

- **Department of Education & Early Childhood development (DEECD) Student Resource Package (SRP)** to pay for school administration, utilities and salaries, urgent works, maintenance, cleaning and general school operations.

- **Payments and contributions provided by our parent community, which are essential components of funding.**

Locally raised funds are a major source of our educational and school program funding this is made up of school fees and fundraising. Our school fees for 2017 will remain the same as 2016.

1st Child- $140.00.

2nd Child- $100.00.

3rd Child- $80.00.

School fees include

Student Essential Items (includes student stationary, text books, readers, ipad apps, class sets and consumable materials and equipment).

Marc Van.

Group Days— Activity costs.

Reading Eggs.

It would be appreciated if school fees could be paid before the end of Term 1.

Attached to this newsletter is a information pamphlet regarding parent payments.

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**Grade 3-6 News**

Welcome back for 2017 to all the students and families in the Grade 3-6 room. I would like to take this opportunity to officially introduce myself. I am Mrs Domaschenz. I live in Ballarat with my husband and three children. I spent 2016 teaching around the Ballarat and Hepburn areas and I am very excited to be teaching your children in 2017 at Buangor Primary School. I hope you all had a fantastic time during the school holidays, and that your children have settled back into their normal routine, especially the bedtime routine! That’s wishful thinking at my house, but we’ll get there! The students have settled in well over the past few days and we have an exciting term ahead of us. I was fortunate to meet some families at the Buangor Christmas Concert and I am looking forward to meeting more families at the parent/teacher interviews and the Welcome BBQ. If you can’t make either of these events, please ring the school to organise a meet and greet session with myself if you would like.

Thanks

Terrie Domaschenz
Foundation to Grade 2

What’s on in Term 1.

Welcome to Term 1.

Firstly, I would like to say welcome to our new Foundation students, Arabella, Kai, Toby and Trinity, they are already settling in really well. All the kids have settled into the new classroom and back to routine well.

This term we will be focussing on recounts and narratives for our writing, using the VCOP to improve all writing skills. The students will be doing Big Writes again this year. Discussing the topics we are writing about with your child/ren is an important part of ‘The Big Write’ and we appreciate your help with this.

We will continue to build on the foundations of Maths, covering a variety of skills in Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry and Statistics and Probability. Each skill will be assessed at the end of the unit to gauge what the student has learned and inform my future teaching.

It is important to listen to your child/ren read every night and to fill out their reading diary to be brought in everyday – it is the students responsibility to change their reader. Listening to your child read shows them that you value what they are doing at school and forms a connection with their learning.

Our integrated studies this term will be ‘All About Me’ and ‘Taking Care of Earth Together’.

We have our first group day at Buangor in a couple of weeks. Our parent teacher interviews will be in the first half of the term. We are also having a Welcome BBQ in the first few weeks (busy beginning).

Mrs White will take our grade for Science, Health and Wellbeing and Cultural Studies. Mr Murrell will be taking our grade for PE on Fridays and a member from Kelly Sports will be coming on Tuesdays to take the children for tennis. Could all children please wear runners on Tuesday and Friday to avoid any injury through inappropriate footwear.

We love having classroom helpers, can you please let me know if you are available to help.

If you have any questions or concerns throughout the term, please catch up with me when I am free (usually before and after school are OK). You can always call me, text me, email me or make an appointment to see me.

Thank you.

Sally.

First Day

We had a fantastic first day in the F-2 classroom. I look forward to the rest of the year......
The new Foundation students, Trinity, Arabella, Kai and Toby have settled in really well.

F-2 Class working hard!
Student Personal Information.
If there has been any changes to a student's contact details (address, phone numbers, emergency contacts etc.) could you please inform Kate so that we can keep our records up to date.

Dental Van
Dental Van Permission notes are due back by Thursday 16th February. If you have any questions please contact Marcus.

No Hat, No Play
We are a SunSmart school and children not wearing a hat will be required to remain in a designated shaded area at recess, lunchtime and during outdoor class activities.

Happy Birthday to the students who celebrate their birthdays this Month:
February
3rd Rusty Fenn
14th Feebee Anderson
16th Emily Tonkin
21st Olivia Rossi
24th Tristian Coelho.

Also happy birthday to Tucker Devries who celebrated his birthday last Wednesday.

CSEF
Attached to this newsletter is an application form for CSEF. If you are eligible please complete the form and return back to school asap.
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