



BUNKER'S HILL STATE SCHOOL

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGES

Higher Order Thinking is our school focus for this year, with a special emphasis on reading. Ask your child about the book they are reading, what they like about it and what they would change. These conversations can help trigger deep and creative thinking.

Good Luck to all our students competing at the Inner Downs Zone Track and Field Trials today. Students who excel at these trials will be able to compete at the Darling Downs trials later this month.

Congratulations Lucas (Distinction), Lily-Joy, Sam, Chloe (Credits), Teliah, Ainslie (Merit Awards), Jye, Eloise, Chloe, Cody, Taliah, Bella, Libby, Savonne, Tyler and Owen (Participation Awards), who competed in the University of New South Wales Spelling Competition last term. We will present these awards on parade next Monday.

2018 Calendars: The Project Club is planning to produce a calendar for 2018 using photos taken from around the school. Before deciding to proceed with production, they would like an indication of how many people would be interested in purchasing them. The cost will be \$12 per calendar. If you are interested, please complete the form being sent home today and return to the office by this Friday, 11th August.

NAPLAN Student Reports have arrived at the school and are being sent home today. Please contact your child's teacher or the school if you would like to discuss these reports.

School Opinion Survey details were sent home last week. So far, 15 families at the school have completed the survey (schools are able to track the number completed, but not who has completed them or what the responses were). Please take about 10 minutes to log on and take part. Your responses are strictly confidential. Your involvement can make a difference!

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program is back for 2017 and Bunker's Hill is participating. Stickers can be collected when shopping at Woolworths and attached to the sticker sheets (stickers can also be dropped into the office). Collection boxes are located at Drayton, The Ridge and Grand Central stores and at the school office.

Cybersafety: Visit the www.esafety.gov.au website for valuable tips on keeping your children safe on the internet.

Under 8s Day will be held at the school on Tuesday, 15th August for all students in Prep to Year 2. The event will be based on a "Sea" theme. Parents are most welcome to take part. Details are being sent home today.

"We're Going on a Bear Hunt": On Wednesday, 23rd August the Prep students will be attending a musical theatre production at the Empire Theatre. Please note that **payment is due by Wednesday, 16th August** so that tickets can be confirmed and purchased.

Amaroo Excursion for Year 1 and 1/2 classes is Thursday, 10th August.

Amaroo Visit to the school for Prep Students in Mrs Thom's class will take place on Wednesday, 30th August and students in Ms Pohlman's class will take place on Thursday, 31st August. Details were sent home last week.

Uniform Shop is open **Friday afternoons** from 2:45-3:15pm. A price list is available on the school website.

Ice Blocks will be sold this **Friday** afternoon from 2:45pm for \$1 each. Proceeds go towards the School Project Club.

Miss Tracie's Tuckshop

Now offering Family Meals

Email : traciesblossoms370@gmail.com

Order by Friday in person or via email

Collect the following Tuesday

\$25.00 per meal

Payment via cash or EFTPoS

This week's Special:

CURRIED SAUSAGES, VEGE'S & RICE

Aussie Hoops Basketball is at the school Thursday lunchtimes this term. A registration form is on the school website.

Every Day Counts! Keep your children coming to school every day they possibly can! Thank you for your support!

Book Week will be held from 20th—26th August. A range of activities are planned at the school. Details are being sent home today.

Jim Tiernan, Principal

**The school website is the place to check for coming events.
Please visit www.bunkhillss.eq.edu.au and navigate to the calendar.**

P&C News

The P&C Father's Day Stall is being held on Thursday 31st August. All gifts are \$5.

The next P&C Meeting will be on Monday 14th August at 6:30pm in the school library. All Welcome!

A Succulent and Pop Up Garden Market will be held in the school hall on Sunday, 17th September. Come along and feed your succulent addiction! Hot coffee and food will be available in the gardens. Gold coin entry which will be donated to the P&C Association. Lucky door prizes every half hour. We will be calling for volunteers to assist on the day. Contact Katrina Byrd on 0409 346 435 or Toni Garrett on 0439 924 699.

Thank you,

Stewart Kings, President

Contact: 0457 922 001 or skings74@bigpond.com

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Food Bank is known as Queensland's Largest Hunger Relief Organisation. Bunker's Hill State School is participating in this program to help people who need assistance. If you can help, it would be greatly appreciated if you could place non-perishable items in our cardboard boxes which are located in every classroom in the school. They will also be positioned in the Hall at pick up time, in front of the library and at the uniform shop. Thank you for your support. For all enquiries, please see Karen Green or Natalie Joyce.

Positive Parenting by Professor Matt Sanders—Dealing with Disappointment

Despite what certain sport shoe commercials might have you believe, life isn't always about winning. It is equally important for the development of healthy self-esteem that children learn how to deal with disappointment. As a reaction to not getting what they want, such as being chosen for a team, children may sometimes put themselves down, saying things like "I'm dumb", "You hate me" or "I'm just stupid". If this happens, try to avoid being too sympathetic. Instead encourage your child to try again after the setback and to enjoy the activity or game even if they aren't the winner.

Rather than simply reassuring your child that everything will be okay, you can help your child develop their own sense of worth by letting them know that you understand their feelings of disappointment and that you are there to help them work out a reasonable way of dealing with that disappointment.

Remember too, when you're helping your child with an activity or with homework, concentrate on effort not results. Praising your child for trying and making an improvement will motivate them to continue trying at a difficult task.

Professor Matt Sanders is founder of the Triple P – Positive Parenting Program®. For more information go to www.triplep-parenting.net or speak to Chappy Kate on 0412 198 067 or email kateh@chappy.org.au

Camp La Familia aims for children to learn and value family, appreciate morality and virtues, and inculcate fundamentals of character building. The camp will take place 15th—17th December, is for 11—12 year olds and is free of charge. For further information contact the Multi-Faith Multicultural Centre on 4659 8054.

Free Plants— Any parents who don't wish to use the free plant voucher that's included in your rates notice from the Toowoomba Regional Council are welcome to drop them to the school—all donations appreciated! Mrs Byrd loves free plants!!

Family Fun Night—Woolworths Pittsworth invite you to come along to our Family Fun Night on Saturday, 19th August at the Pittsworth Showgrounds. Tickets can be bought at Woolworths Pittsworth, or at the gate on the night. Adults: \$10, Concession/Child: \$8, Under 3: FREE or a Family Pass for \$30 (2Adults + 2Children- extra child \$5). Gates open at 6pm so come along for a fun night filled with rides, live & local entertainment, food and drinks, licensed bar, mini sideshow alley, and twilight markets! All proceeds go to The Children's Hospital Foundation.

Charity Walk— Woolworths Pittsworth invite you to take part in our Disney AND Superhero Walk on Saturday, 19th August. Dress up as your favourite characters! Walk registrations kick off at 1pm at the store, with free face painting and balloons for kids. Cost for the walk is only \$2 per person! The first walk commences at 3pm! Roadblocks and games along the way! Water stations will be placed throughout the walk! Join us for our 2.5KM FUN charity walk! All proceeds go to The Children's Hospital Foundation.