Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for the welcome that has been extended to me by the staff, students and parents of Brisbane Central State School. I have enjoyed my first two weeks here. I still have so much to learn and I am looking forward to working with the school community during the remainder of this year.

Art Show 2014: Tonight 5pm – 8pm

This evening is the Art Show 2014. I know that the teachers and students have been busy creating spectacular art works for you to see including some that will be auctioned off during the event. There will be entertainment provided by our talented students and food will be available as well. Thank you to the P and C for organising this event as well as to the parents who have volunteered to set up. We look forward to seeing you at this event.

Kidrepreneur Twilight Markets: Tonight 4pm – 7pm

Students in 5/6 and 6/7 have been working on a number of products to sell at a Twilight Market this Friday in conjunction with the Art Show. They will have their stalls set up from 4pm. All profits they make go toward a charity that they have selected.

Play and Stay: Wednesday and Friday afternoons until 4pm

This is a great initiative run by the school. I have been coming around to speak with the parents that take part on Wednesday and Friday afternoons. If you would like to stay and let your children play please complete the agreement form available from the office.

School Holidays

Next Friday is the end of term 3. School resumes on Tuesday 7 October. We hope that everyone enjoys the break. Remember if you see something suspicious please call the local police or School Watch on 13 17 88.

Thank you

I would like to thank the hard working staff of Brisbane Central. In the short time I have been here I have seen their professionalism and commitment to the students.

Regards,

Graham Rickuss

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**Fit n’ Active:**

- **3:00pm – 4:15pm**
  - Mondays: Year 3 – Year 7
  - Thursdays: Prep – Year 2

**Play and Stay:**

- **3:00pm – 4:00pm**
  - Wednesdays and Fridays

**Library Open:**

- **8:30am – 8:55am**
  - Thursdays and Fridays

**Mondays:**

- AFL Auskick Program: 8:00am – 8:45am
- Uniform Shop Open: 8:15am – 8:45am
- Religion: 2:30pm – 3:00pm
  - Years 4 – 7 fortnightly from 21/07/2014
  - Years 1 – 3 fortnightly from 28/07/2014

**Tuesdays:**

- Assembly: 2:30pm

**Wednesdays:**

- Senior Choir Rehearsals: 8:15am
- Ukulele Ensemble: 10:45am

**Thursdays:**

- Chess Club: 8:00am
- Senior Choir Rehearsals: 10:45am
- Science Club: 11:00am – 11:30am
- Instrumental Music: 12:00pm – 2:30pm
- Parent English Class: 1:00pm – 2:30pm
- Band Rehearsals: 2:30pm
- Gardening Club: 8:30am
- SPARK Maths Program
- UQ Sports Years 4 – 7 (from 08/08/14)

**Fridays:**

- Last school day – Term 3, 2014
- Term 3 School Holidays
- First school day – Term 4, 2014
Amart Community Kickback

Our school has been selected to participate in the Amart Community Kickbacks Program. Under this program, the school can earn 5% of your purchases at Amart Sports as in store credit to spend on our school sports programs.

All you need to do is join Team Amart (http://www.amartsports.com.au/team-amart/), select our school from the list of participating groups and swipe your loyalty card every time you make a purchase at Amart Sports. You’ll receive access to great member prices and other initiatives and the school will receive a 5% credit. Thanks for your support.

Parent English Class

Joanna and Lily have requested that we have lunch together at a Chinese Restaurant, Riverside on Thursday, 18 September (last week of Term 3).

We have decided to meet at BCSS, outside the hall, at 10:50am, to walk to the city together.

Parents who have attended Parent English Class, Term 3 this year, are welcome to join us.

Please Note: The Parent English Class will continue to meet each Thursday, 1:00 - 2:30pm in the school library in TERM 4. Our first Parent English Class for Term 4 will be Thursday, 9 October. Come along and join us.

UNIFORM NEWS

OPENING HOURS – The Uniform Shop will be open Mondays from 8:15am - 8:45am (or by appointment only).

ORDERING UNIFORMS – If you would like to order uniforms you can email Paula at uniforms@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au. The order will go home in your child’s bag once payment has been received. If you ordered the wrong size, it can be returned as long as it has not been worn.

* NEW IN STOCK* - all sizes of black zip up jackets available $35. Plus old style jackets & jumpers available at lower cost.

METHODS OF PAYMENT:

1) You can put cash or cheque in an envelope for your child to give to their teacher, or

2) You can bank the total into the P&C account

BSB: 064012, Account: 0090 4486 (NOT THE SCHOOL BANK ACCOUNT) - Detail uniform with your name (e.g. Uniform Smith).

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS – The uniform shop also has second-hand uniforms for sale. If you are leaving the school or have old uniforms at home please donate them to the school office.

ENQUIRES – If you have any questions or would like to volunteer in the Uniform Shop please email Paula uniforms@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au or TEXT ONLY to 0449 017 711.

Parenting with the Brain in Mind: Raising Great Families.

John Joseph “The Brain Man” @ Windsor State School

A City Cluster Schools Initiative

Constitution Rd, Windsor Qld 4030

20th October 2014

7:00pm-9:00pm (Tea & Coffee available on arrival)

Cost: $10.00 per ticket (available at school’s office)

John Joseph is a former teacher, a former university teacher-educator, tradesperson, businessman and trainer. He grew up in Adelaide South Australia and left school before completing his Year 10 studies. After working in the family business for 11 years, he returned to formal education and graduated with a Masters Degree in Mathematics and Science Education. John is a leading authority on education and has worked with more than 300,000 delegates from more than 3,500 schools across 26 countries. John has a real passion for neuroeducation. His focus is on learning: how it happens; how to maximize it; how to inspire it in students; and practical strategies to enhance it. John is a parent of two young adults.

Parents are crucial partners in the learning process because they are children’s first and most important teachers. ‘Parenting with the Brain in Mind’ is designed to achieve three broad goals: 1) Provide parents with an understanding of what the school is seeking to achieve with their children. 2) Give practical strategies for supporting
children's academic learning and emotional development at home. 3) Describe the conditions necessary to raise great families.

- Weighted Elements: why there is an achievement gap between students and how to support your child to engage with school.
- Motivation and Confidence – developing ‘I can do it’ concepts with your children.
- Allostasis – why parents and their children get stressed! Managing family stress when times are tough.
- The Four World Model – creating and education for the heart, the hands, the intellect and the future. Creating the conditions for harmonious families.
- Brain Care – the critical role of sleep in learning and behaviour. Developing healthy sleep patterns for the whole family.
- Emotional Intelligence – exploring the role of emotions in learning and relationships.
- Creativity – teaching our children how to develop thinking skills, creativity, group skills and entrepreneurial skills.
- Learning and Career Profiling – assessing each child’s strengths and career interests. Building personal learning plans with the future in mind.
- Making homework more productive – ways to work smarter, gain better results from study in less time and create balanced approaches to study, family and leisure time.
- Conversations with our kids – using questions to engage our kids in conversation.

It is with great pleasure that we welcome John Joseph to our cluster and in turn we would like to welcome you to join us as a member of a very special audience. Event details are above. For further details please contact the school office. A limited number of tickets are now available from the school's office. Seats are limited so we encourage you to book your tickets early to this premier event so as to avoid disappointment.

http://www.focuseducation.com.au

THIS IS A PARENT SESSION ONLY…PLEASE DO NOT BRING CHILDREN TO THIS SESSION.

Windsor Seawolves Swimming Club
The Windsor Seawolves Swimming Club provides a safe, fun and challenging environment in which every child can improve their swimming capabilities. The Seawolves organise a program of events directed to all levels of ability so that all can participate and enjoy the sport of swimming, together with their friends and family.

Club nights are held every Friday night from 6:15pm in school terms 1 and 4.

Details for the 2014/2015 season are:

Membership is open to all children from pre-prep to high school age. You don’t have to attend Windsor State School to join. A ‘tadpoles’ event is held at the beginning of each club night for those children not yet able or confident to swim 30m.

You can join the Seawolves at the Club Sign-on Night, Friday 10 October 2014 6pm - 8pm (free swim and BBQ) or at any time during the season. Registration cost is $80 per family.

For further information, please see the website: www.windsorss.eq.edu.au/Ourcommunity/PandC/Pages/Seawolves.aspx or email: seawolves@windsorsspandc.com.au
On our off newsletter weeks, don't forget to check out Facebook, Twitter and the QSchools app for all the information and updates!

KIDS COOKING CLASS @ PEEL ST KITCHEN

Let the kids be young chefs during the school holidays and have loads of fun making, baking, cooking their own meals. Peel St Kitchen proudly presents their first Kids Cooking Class.

**PRICE**: $15

**WHO**: Children aged 4 – 12 years old

**WHEN**:
- Tuesday 23rd September 2014 (Pizza Cooking Class)
- Tuesday 30th September 2014 (Brownie Cooking Class)

**TIME**: 9:45am for a prompt 10am start.

**HOW TO**: Contact us on 07 3846 2760 or 0449 800 635 or email info@peelstkitchen.com.au

**PAYMENT**: To be paid on the day of the class.

Parents & guardians have a complimentary coffee.