Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a great start to the school year! We have many activities and experiences planned for this term. Make sure that you find our Term 2 School Calendar at the end of this newsletter and put it on the fridge! Don’t forget we will be closed on Thursday April 25 2013 due to the ANZAC Day Public Holiday.

**ANZAC Commemoration Service:**

We will be holding our ANZAC Day Commemoration Service on Tuesday April 23 at 9.10 am. We invite all our parents to join us for the ceremony and for morning tea afterwards. We will be welcoming Mr Bruce Mc Cleary from the New Farm RSL, and Mr Robert Cavallucci, State Member for Brisbane Central to our ceremony. Following our Service, our Year 6/7 students will be representing Brisbane Central State School at the Students’ ANZAC Commemoration Service in ANZAC Square. My sincere thanks to Mrs Annette Somerville and Mrs Wendy Fitzgerald for their organisation of this special event.

**Sustainability at Brisbane Central State School:**

You may have noticed some “green” changes around the school! To reduce our ecological footprint, we have established the following:

- School vegetable patch
- Worm Farm - fed by our left over food scraps every Friday
- Paper and cardboard recycling, with recycling bins in every classroom and a main recycling bin
- Weekly “Green Globe Award” for the class who demonstrates exemplary recycling behaviours
- Garden Club on Friday mornings to involve students in the watering, weeding, planting and care of the vegetable patches
- Class seed growing

A GINORMOUS thank you to Mr Brendan Stock, who has led and established all of the above green initiatives around the school. A BIG thank you also to the P&C for the donation of the worm farm, and to parent, Greg Hunt for his time, energy and resources towards starting and maintaining the vegetable patches.

---

**Term 2 School Calendar**

**23/04/2013**
- ANZAC Day Commemoration Service at 9:10am

**26/04/2013**
- Year 6/7 Students’ ANZAC Commemoration Ceremony ANZAC Square
- Gala Day

**10/05/2013**
- P&C Mothers’ Day Stall
- Gala Day

**14/05/2013 – 16/05/2013**
- Year 3/5/7: NAPLAN Tests

**21/05/2013**
- P – Yr 2 Cross Country: 9:30 – 11:30am

**24/05/2013**
- Gala Day

**28/05/2013**
- Yr 4 – 7 Cross Country: 8:45 – 11:30am

**05/06/2013**
- ICAS Science Test

**12/06/2013**
- Fete de la Musique School Concert: 6:00pm – 7:00pm

**19/06/2013**
- Report cards distributed to parents

**21/06/2013**
- Last school day - Term 2, 2013

**22/06/2013 – 07/07/2013**
- Term 2 School holidays

**08/07/2013**
- First school day - Term 3, 2013

**Year 6 and 7 Cybersafety Presentation - Friday April 26:**

The Department of Education, Training and Employment’s Cybersafety and Reputation Management team (CSRM) advises, investigates and supports schools to manage online behaviours and digital reputation issues. Within this scope, the team's in-house social media specialist provides presentations
to Queensland schools on various facets of positive
digital media use.

The upcoming session titled ‘Maximising Your Digital
Reputation’ will cover subjects such as:

- understanding digital footprints and responsible
digital citizenship
- building a positive online reputation
- navigating the vast range of privacy options
- appropriately responding to cyberbullies, trolls and
other negative content
- proactive uses of social media for study, career
advancement and self-promotion
- current and developing trends in social technologies,
and
- matters relating to online security and cybersafety.

All Year 6 and 7 students will attend this session on
Friday April 26.

Cross Country:
We will be holding our first Cross Country events on the
following days:

- Tuesday May 21: Prep to Year 2 at Brisbane Central
State School
- Tuesday May 28: Year 3 to 7 at Stafford State School

Before school training sessions are also available for
students in Years 3 – 7. Interested students can meet
Miss Paton on the school oval on Tuesday mornings at
8.30am and Mr Waugh on Wednesday mornings
8.30am. We are looking forward to hosting our first
Cross Country events and hope parents come along to
cheer along their school and their team! A HUGE thanks
to Miss Anna Paton and Mr Darren Waugh for their
support and organisation of these events.

Gala Sports:
The first of the three Gala Days will be held on Friday
April 26. Eighteen of our Year 5-7 students will be
playing a number of Tag League games against local
state schools students. A BIG thank you to Mr Darren
Waugh for his organisation and coordination of our
schools’ involvement in the Gala Days, in addition to his
dedication to training students every Thursday morning.
Our thanks also to Ms Maree Lewis for her ongoing
support of the Gala Sports program.

Pedagogical Framework and Professional learning
at Brisbane Central:
Much of our professional learning and discussion this
year will be focussing on the collaborative creation of a
school Pedagogical Framework. A Pedagogical
Framework acknowledges the impact of quality
teaching and the evidence that research validated
pedagogy – implemented with consistency across a
school setting and supported by instructional leadership
– improves student performance and develops
successful learners. A Pedagogical Framework:

1. It describes the school values and beliefs about
teaching and learning that respond to the local
context and the levels of student achievement.

2. It outlines processes for professional learning and
instructional leadership to support consistent whole-
school pedagogical practices, to monitor and
increase the sustained impact of those practices on
every student’s achievement.

3. It details procedures, practices and strategies – for
teaching, differentiating, monitoring, assessing, moderating – that reflect school values and support
student improvement.

4. It reflects the core systemic principles- Student-
centred planning, High Expectations, Alignment of
curriculum, pedagogy and assessment, Evidence-
based decision making, Targeted and scaffolded
instruction, Safe, supportive, connected learning.

We have already developed some aspects of our
Pedagogical Framework through our focussed work on
Reading Comprehension, Vocabulary Instruction, front-
ending of assessment and data analysis throughout
2012. Much of our professional learning this term will
be focussed on other aspects of the Pedagogical
Framework. In particular, staff will be looking at
developing Action Research projects over the next three
terms, focussed on improving student achievement in
Reading, drawing on the work of Helen Timperley.
Throughout the year, I will be providing updates on how
we are progressing with our Pedagogical Framework
and our Action Research and Learning.

Change of date for P&C meeting
Our next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday May
8 at 8 am, not Wednesday May 1 as originally
scheduled. We had a fantastic turn up at our AGM, and
we look forward to welcoming everyone back at our
next meeting. New members are welcome at any
meeting! So come along, and be involved in our
wonderful school community!

Thank you:
Thank you to the Behera family for the donation of
books to our school library- your generosity is greatly
appreciated!

Have a great week!
Melissa
INSTRUMENTAL BAND NEWS

The band is very excited about performing for the School ANZAC Day ceremony this Tuesday! Students are reminded to bring their instruments on Tuesday and to meet Mrs. Davidson in the Hall for a brief rehearsal and tune up at 8:50am Tuesday April 23. Elizabeth Bell is performing the Last Post and Reveille, and I guarantee it will be one of the most moving performances you have ever heard – we are so lucky to have such a talented student to perform this difficult piece!

Band will still be held next Wednesday morning before school at 7:30am, but there will be no lessons as I will need to rush back to Kelvin Grove College for their ANZAC service.

Band students in year 6 and 7 (not the beginners) will be required to purchase their next method book as we are just finishing up on book 1. The book you will need to purchase is called "Essential Elements 2000 book 2" published by Hal Leonard (red cover). They are available from most of the local music stores.

Regards,

Laurinda DAVIDSON

MUSIC NEWS

Welcome to Term 2!

After a very busy and exciting Term 1, we’re settling into the business end of the semester. Students in Prep-2 are continuing their exploration of voice, body percussion and untuned percussion. Year 3-4 students are working hard towards their recorder performance and score reading assessments, and years 5-7 are wrestling their ukulele fingers back into shape for a group performance task. We are continuing to expand our musical vocabularies using both Italian and English nomenclature and discovering new words all the time.

Ukies are settling in very nicely and are, along with choir, preparing their repertoire for Fete de la Musique on the last day of term. Choir have also started preparing for SingFest, which was a huge success last year.

This term on assembly, prepare for a weekly treat as the Music Department give you a weekly showcase of talent from our Band, Choir, Ukies, and individual students. Make sure you get your seat in our assemblies to catch these special performances!

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Miss McGowan
Classroom Music

FIT ‘N’ ACTIVE

We will be starting on the 29th of April and finishing on the 13th of June. The children will be playing AFL. Forms will go home today with the newsletter.

If your child’s name is down and he/she has a sibling, I am happy to look after them, this saves you coming twice for a pick up.

A REMINDER that if your child/children do not make it into this term’s event, they will be placed in one of the other two term’s events. We can only take 25 children per session.

These days are not for play and stay; the children will be hitting, throwing or kicking balls. I do not want to see other children or parents getting hurt.

Pick up time is 4:15. The children meet me at the lunch shed on the oval at 3pm where we have fruit and do a roll call. All children need their hat and a water bottle. If your child does not want to join in after the first session, you need to tell me so that I can replace them.

If it is raining we will be in the lower shed.

All forms need to be handed into the office no later than Wednesday the 24th of April.

Thank you

Maree Lewis

MET NORTH AUSTRALIAN RULES TRIALS

Good luck to Adrian Dzepo who will compete for City District in the Met North Australian Rules trials this week.

AN APRIL AFTERNOON CRAFT AFFAIR

AS PART OF THE CONGREGATION'S 150™ ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

WHEN:  April 20, 2013  1:00 – 5:00 pm
WHERE:  St Paul’s Presbyterian Church, 43 St Paul’s Terrace, Spring Hill

A delightful afternoon for those interested in all things crafty and artistic - silk painting, artworks, quilts, various handcrafts e.g. quilling, card making, stamping, beading - just to name a few.

Admire and/or purchase finished articles, learn from the tutors, make craft items at the work stations and purchase crafts and gifts from the various stalls. Entry fee includes admission to the quilt display, afternoon tea and three 'make and take' kits of your choice.

This event is part of St Paul's sesquicentenary celebrations for their milestone of 150 years since the congregation was formed in August 1863.

Street parking
Bus stop outside the church
No disabled access

Email: events150stpauls@gmail.com
Website: stpauls150.wordpress.com.au

Thank you, Bruce Campbell for Christine Campbell

BOOK CLUB

Please return all book club orders by Friday April 26. Remember we accept credit card and cheque payments only, NO CASH. Thank you, Mrs Gilmour
FREE “HOW TO ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD’S READING” WORKSHOP

Education starts at home and parents and families are their children’s first teachers. With this in mind, the free Parent Ready Readers training program provides parents and carers of children in Prep to Year 3 with some key strategies to use at home to support their child’s reading and to develop a love of books prior to developing their reading abilities.

The training runs for approximately 90 minutes and consists of four modules:

- What is literacy?
- Understanding the reading process
- Stages of reading
- Listening to your child read and reading to your child

Participants receive a Parent Ready Readers booklet with training notes, reading activities and additional resources, which will help to build a lifelong love of reading.

Session times for 2013: you may attend any venue that is convenient to you.

Monday 29 April 2013: 9:30 – 11:00am Albany Creek State School – Albany Creek
Tuesday 18 June 2013: 9:30 – 11:00am Belmont State School - Belmont
Friday 19 July 2013: 9:30 – 11:00am West End State School - West End
Thursday 8 August 2013: 9:30 – 11:00am Newmarket State School - Newmarket

Come along and find out how you can help your child enjoy reading!

Children are welcome to attend with their Parents/Caregivers

To reserve a place please email: sharlene.emanuel@dete.qld.gov.au

UNIFORM NEWS

OPENING HOURS – The Uniform Shop will only be open Thursday mornings from 8:30am to 9:30am.

SWIM CAPS – We have a small supply of Red or Purple Lycra Swim Caps (Rogers or St Paul’s) at a cost of $8.00.

ORDERING UNIFORMS - If you would like to order uniform you can email Amanda on bcspandc@hotmail.com and it will be put in your child’s school bag after payment is received. If you have ordered the wrong size, it can be returned as long as it has not been worn.

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).

If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer in the Uniform Shop, please email Amanda bcspandc@hotmail.com.

POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM

Tips on:

- positive Parenting to help you promote your teenager’s development
- providing a home environment that guides and supports teenagers
- finding ways to deal with conflict when the views and wishes of parents and teenagers differ

- developing your own approach to dealing with your teenager’s behaviour
- meeting the challenge of raising teens

FOR: Parents and carers of children aged 11-16
WHEN: 6:00pm – 8:00pm Mondays 29 April – 27 May 2013 (5 week program)
WHERE: The Exchange, Shop 1, Blamey St, Kelvin Grove Urban Village

COST: $35 for 5 week program and workbook (free for concession card holders)

Register by contacting Heidi:
Email: heidi@community.org.au
Phone: 0448 441 299
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Week</th>
<th>Monday</th>
<th>Tuesday</th>
<th>Wednesday</th>
<th>Thursday</th>
<th>Friday</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>15-Apr</td>
<td>Choir Rehearsal 8 am</td>
<td>Band rehearsal 7.30 am</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>22-Apr</td>
<td>Religion 4-7 2pm - 230pm</td>
<td>Baptist - meeting room</td>
<td>No assembly this week</td>
<td>Gala Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>P-7 : ANZAC Ceremony 9.10 am</td>
<td>Year 6/7 at Students’ ANZAC Commemoration Ceremony ANZAC Square</td>
<td>Staff Fire Extinguisher training 7.30 am</td>
<td>Prep Newsletter Item</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Catholic - Music Room</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>6/7 Cybersafety Presentation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>29-Apr</td>
<td>Religion 1-3 2pm - 230pm</td>
<td>Choir Rehearsal 8 am</td>
<td>Band rehearsal 7.30 am</td>
<td>Spark Reading Launch</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Year 4/5 Assembly item - 2.30 pm</td>
<td>Band rehearsal 7.30 am</td>
<td></td>
<td>Year 4/5 Newsletter Item</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>6-May</td>
<td>Religion 4-7 2pm - 230pm</td>
<td>Choir Rehearsal 8 am</td>
<td>Band rehearsal 7.30 am</td>
<td>Kelvin Grove Bands visit</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>French- Year P/1 Assembly item - 2.30 pm</td>
<td>Prep Assembly item/ Year P/1 French item</td>
<td>P&amp;C Meeting 8 am</td>
<td>Gala Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Year 3/5/7: NAPLAN Tests</td>
<td>Assessment Period</td>
<td></td>
<td>French Newsletter item</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Year 6/7: Under 8’s Day</td>
<td>Assessment Period</td>
<td></td>
<td>P&amp;C Mothers’ Day Stall</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>13-May</td>
<td>Religion 1-3 2pm - 230pm</td>
<td>Choir Rehearsal 8 am</td>
<td>Band rehearsal 7.30 am</td>
<td>Year 1 Newsletter item</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Year 1 Assembly item - 2.30 pm</td>
<td>Year 2 Assembly item - 2.30 pm</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>20-May</td>
<td>Religion 4-7 2pm - 230pm</td>
<td>Choir Rehearsal 8 am</td>
<td>Band rehearsal 7.30 am</td>
<td>Year 6/7 Newsletter item</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Year 6/7 Assembly item - 2.30 pm</td>
<td>P-2 Cross Country 9.30 - 11.30 am</td>
<td></td>
<td>Gala Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>27-May</td>
<td>Religion 1-3 2pm - 230pm</td>
<td>Choir Rehearsal 8 am</td>
<td>Band rehearsal 7.30 am</td>
<td>Year 2/3 Newsletter item</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Year 2/3 Assembly item - 2.30 pm</td>
<td>4-7 Cross Country</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>3-Jun</td>
<td>Religion 4-7 2pm - 230pm</td>
<td>Choir Rehearsal 8 am</td>
<td>Band rehearsal 7.30 am</td>
<td>Year 5/6 Newsletter item</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Year 5/6 Assembly item - 2.30 pm</td>
<td>ICAS Science Test</td>
<td></td>
<td>Prep/ 1 Newsletter item</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>P&amp;C Meeting 8 am</td>
<td></td>
<td>SPARK Completion</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>10-Jun</td>
<td>Choir Rehearsal 8 am</td>
<td>Band rehearsal 7.30 am</td>
<td>Fete de la Musique</td>
<td>Year 1 Newsletter item</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Year 3/4 Assembly item - 2.30 pm</td>
<td>Fete de la Musique School Concert -6-7 pm (Choir, Band, Ukulele, IM students)</td>
<td>P-7 : Under 8’s Day</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Band rehearsal 7.30 am</td>
<td></td>
<td>9- 10.45 am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>17-Jun</td>
<td>Religion 1-3 2pm - 230pm</td>
<td>Choir Rehearsal 8 am</td>
<td>Band rehearsal 7.30 am</td>
<td>Fete de la Musique - Choir</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Prep/ 1 Assembly item - 2.30 pm</td>
<td>Report cards distributed to parents</td>
<td></td>
<td>P-7 : Under 8’s Day</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

PLEASE NOTE TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR ANY CHANGES