



# BRISBANE CENTRAL STATE SCHOOL

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# newsletter

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Wecome back

We hope that everyone had a restful break and we are looking forward to a busy Term 3.

### School opinion survey

The annual *School Opinion Survey* will be conducted until 29 July 2016. All families, school staff and students from Year 4 - 6 will be invited to participate. We encourage you to take this opportunity to have your say about what this school does well, and how this school can improve.

Look for the blue survey sheet with access details sent home today with the eldest child in the family. If you require assistance with the survey please contact the office. Follow the link to the [survey](#) and enter the two codes provided.

### School Improvement agenda

*School Improvement Agenda* for this year is:

**Student Case Management in Reading to use data to differentiate for students.** Teachers are working in collaborative teams to look at student work in reading, focusing on the Big 6 of reading. The team will suggest effective teaching practices to implement to support student learning.

**Action Learning projects to gain an understanding of effective teaching strategies in writing.** Teachers used data collected from a school based writing task to find aspects of writing that needed to be worked on. Throughout the year, teachers will research, collaborate, plan and implement activities to improve students' learning in writing.

**Talk partners within the classroom to support learners.** We are continuing the work started last year, where students get opportunities to speak with a partner in lessons. This allows students to consider the question or statement posed by the teacher and have someone to speak to about this before one or two students are selected to answer the teacher's question.

**Digital Literacies as a tool to engage learners.** We are working on our understanding of how digital technology can assist with student learning. We are investigating the Digital Technologies curriculum for implementation in 2017.

### 2015 School Annual Report

Each year the school publishes an annual report for the previous year. This can be accessed from our school [website](#).

Regards,

**Graham Rickuss**

15 July 2016

### 2016 School Improvement Agenda

To improve student outcomes we will use the growth mindset strategies for:

1. Student Case Management in Reading to use data to differentiate for students.
2. Action Learning projects to gain an understanding of effective teaching strategies in writing.
3. Talk partners within the classroom to support learners.
4. Digital Literacies as a tool to engage learners.

## UPCOMING DATES:

### CALENDAR

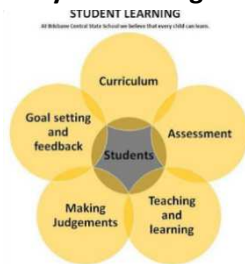
#### Upcoming Dates

26 and 27 July	District Track and Field Carnival
29 July	School Opinion Survey Closes today
3 August	P and C meeting starting at 6pm

#### Regular events

Monday	CASH PAYMENTS are accepted at the office <b>7.00AM – 9.00AM ONLY</b> Otherwise please make payment via BPoint. <i>Homework Club run by Mrs Paull and Mrs Raulini 3pm to 4pm</i>
Tuesday	<i>Uniform Shop is open: 8:15am – 8:45am</i> <i>Parent English Class 1pm to 2.30pm</i> <i>Assembly: 2:30pm</i> <i>Chinese Classes: please contact <a href="mailto:brisbanechinese.edu@gmail.com">brisbanechinese.edu@gmail.com</a> for more details</i>
Wednesday	<i>Senior Choir 8.15am in the music room</i> <i>From week 3 Junior Choir 8am in Miss Wall's room</i> <i>Play and Stay: 3pm – 4pm</i>
Thursday	<i>Chess Club: 7:45am – 8.30pm</i> <i>Debating Club 11:00 – 11:30</i> <i>MK13 Soccer After School Program: <a href="http://www.mk13soccer.com">www.mk13soccer.com</a> for more details</i>
Friday	<b>School Banking Day</b> <i>Playgroup 9am - 10am in the hall.</i> <i>Play and Stay: 3pm – 4pm</i> <i>Uniform Shop is open: 3:00pm – 3:30pm</i>
Saturday	<i>French Classes: please contact Les Petit Princes Les <a href="mailto:lespetitsprinces.association@gmail.com">lespetitsprinces.association@gmail.com</a></i>

### Do you have a growth mindset? Does your child have a growth mindset?



What is a growth mindset? Growth mindset is the power of believing that you can improve. People who believe their talents can be developed through hard work, good strategies and input from others have a growth mindset. Those who believe talents are based on gifts and cannot be changed have a fixed mindset. This is based on the research of Carol Dweck. You can find out more about growth mindset [here](#).



You can discuss growth mindset with your child by viewing the story of [The Dot](#).



### Want to try and break a world record?

Would you like to break a world record and code? All of our Year 4 to 7 students have used the Scratch program to create their own program using code. Some Year 3 students have done this as well. It is lots of fun, develops your computational thinking and best of all it is free!

This Wednesday, Code Club Australia will attempt to break a world record by getting the most number of children coding at once using Scratch! Get involved and register at [www.codeclubau.org/moonhack](http://www.codeclubau.org/moonhack)



Happy learning,  
Leesa-Maree Jedras  
[ljedr1@eq.edu.au](mailto:ljedr1@eq.edu.au)

## Advanced Learners Reference Group

We would like to invite parents to be part of the 'Advanced Learner Program Reference Group'. This group was established 12 months ago and we invite participation on a 12 monthly basis. The group is made up of parents, teachers, a community member and the Principal. The role of the group members is to provide feedback on and input into school policies and practices for the school's advanced learners. The advanced learners' program covers the delivery of the curriculum to those students demonstrating an exceptional interest or advanced achievement in one or more curriculum areas. The group meets on Thursday mornings at 8:00-8:45am in Weeks 3 and 8 of each term. If you would like to be part of these meetings for the year please register your interest with Mr Graham Rickuss, Principal, [grick1@eq.edu.au](mailto:grick1@eq.edu.au) by 5pm Friday 15th July. As we wish to keep the group to a workable number of people a process for selecting group members from the nominations will occur if the number of people nominating is high.

Maureen Kelly  
Advanced Learner Program Coordinator

## ICAS Assessments

The ICAS science tests results are due to be released from UNSW this week. We will issue the reports to the students when they are available to us.

The next ICAS test is English (reading) on Tuesday 2nd August for Years 2-6. The English test covers reading comprehension. The EAA website provides practice options. <https://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/preparation> The test papers are labelled A-D for Years 3-6 with the Year 2 test paper labelled as Year 2 or Introductory depending on the subject area. These practice options include purchasing on-line practice tests and downloading sample tests. Please note that it is not expected that the children will practice at home before the test, however, this option is available to you.

Maureen Kelly  
Advanced Learner Program Coordinator

## Bee Readers Rewards Winners

Congratulations to the winners in the Term 2 Bee Readers Rewards Program:

Prep M - Georgina, Prep W - Ipshitha,  
1F - Jude, 1R - Theshna,  
2S - Ishanvi, 2W - Adya,  
3H - Julianne, 3Z - Isabella,  
4M - Harn,  
4/5M - Nuthana, 4/5Y - Sophia  
6S - Fauzan.

In several weeks we will have the prize books, that they have selected for the library, ready to be presented. We congratulate all the students who have continued to read regularly at home.

Maureen Kelly  
Literacy Coach

## Parent English Class

Due to ongoing building renovations, the Parent English Class continues to be held in '**F**' Block. Our classroom in 'F' Block is located on the lower (downstairs) level in **Room F16**. This room is also used for French lessons.

The easiest way to find Room F16 is to enter 'F' block from the lower carpark. Turn **left** as you enter, then **follow the corridor to the second lift**. If you have a pram/pusher or little children, please use the lift to go to the lower level. Using the **nearby stairs** is an alternate means to reach the downstairs level. The lift and staircase take you right to the entrance of the French room.

We are always pleased to welcome new parents to our English lessons.  
We meet every **Tuesday afternoon** in **Room F16** from **1:00pm - 2:30pm**.  
Please come and join us on Tuesday afternoons.

Allison, Sandra & Colleen.

## Active School Travel

### Star Class Trophy

The following classes have won the **Star Class Trophy**.  
To align with the Active School Travel awards run by the Brisbane City Council, in May the award will be going to the class that makes the largest increase in students actively travelling from the week before.

**Largest Improvement from the week before.**

**Week 11: 3H**



## Social Media sites



Download the app  
iTunes  
Google Play  
Windows Phone



Become a fan



Follow us on twitter

## School Banking Program: Banking on Fridays

We are excited to announce that Brisbane Central State School has signed up to be part of the Commonwealth Bank's School Banking Program.

The School Banking program provides children with an opportunity to deposit money into their Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account at school each week. The program is about how often your child makes deposits, not how much they deposit.



**P and C News – contact us [pandc@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandc@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au)**

**The next P & C meeting is on Wednesday 3 August starting at 6.00pm. Everyone is welcome.**

### Uniform Shop News

The opening days and hours are: **Every Tuesday 8.15 - 8.45 am**

**Every Friday 3.00 – 3.30 pm**

Payment in cash or mobile banking. Please contact Mahtab Nowrouzi at [uniforms@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au](mailto:uniforms@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au) if you require more information.

### **Buy an Entertainment™ Membership and support our School!**

This is a fundraising initiative of the BCSS P&C with 20% of the proceeds from every Entertainment™ Membership we sell, contributing towards our School. The more Memberships we sell, the more we raise, so please tell your family and friends and share the link - [www.entbook.com.au/22160s8](http://www.entbook.com.au/22160s8)

The NEW 2016 | 2017 Entertainment Memberships are packed with over \$20,000 worth of valuable offers that you can use right away, valid up until 1 June 2017!

[ORDER FROM US TODAY](#)

## Community News

### **KGSC ENROLMENTS: Enrolments 2018 ( Current Year 5 students )**

Please be aware that applications for enrolments for 2018 will open on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2017**. Expressions of Interest ( EOI's ) can be found on the College web site. It is recommended that this is done sooner rather than later.



# Open Day

Saturday 23 July 1pm-4pm

- ▶ Student-led tours of our world class facilities
- ▶ International Café and Performances
- ▶ Language Lessons and Interactive Workshops
- ▶ Meet our empowered learning community
- ▶ Alumni Interviews
- ▶ eLearning and Principal Address

61 Musk Avenue Kelvin Grove Urban Village

QACI is one of three selective entry State High Schools developing highly capable young people on their preferred academic pathways.

At QACI, students study the rigorous International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program which incorporates their creative pathway, develops university research skills and enables opportunities for real life industry experience.

If you are a clever, creative learner who thrives on working with like minded people in areas like **Music, Theatre, Visual Arts, Design and Film** then come along to our Open Day.

**We Aspire to be Clever, Creative, Global**

Register for more information (07) 33779366 or visit [qaci.eq.edu.au](http://qaci.eq.edu.au)



**MK13 SOCCER**

**MK13 Soccer After School Program**  
*Brisbane Central State School*  
*Term Three Program Commences Thursday 21st of July*

**Register online now!**  
[www.mk13soccer.com](http://www.mk13soccer.com)




**Donate now at [gsdsinneed.com.au](http://gsdsinneed.com.au)**

**MK13 Soccer After School Program**

MK13 Soccer is again bringing its highly organised, unique, fun and exciting soccer program back to Brisbane Central State School.

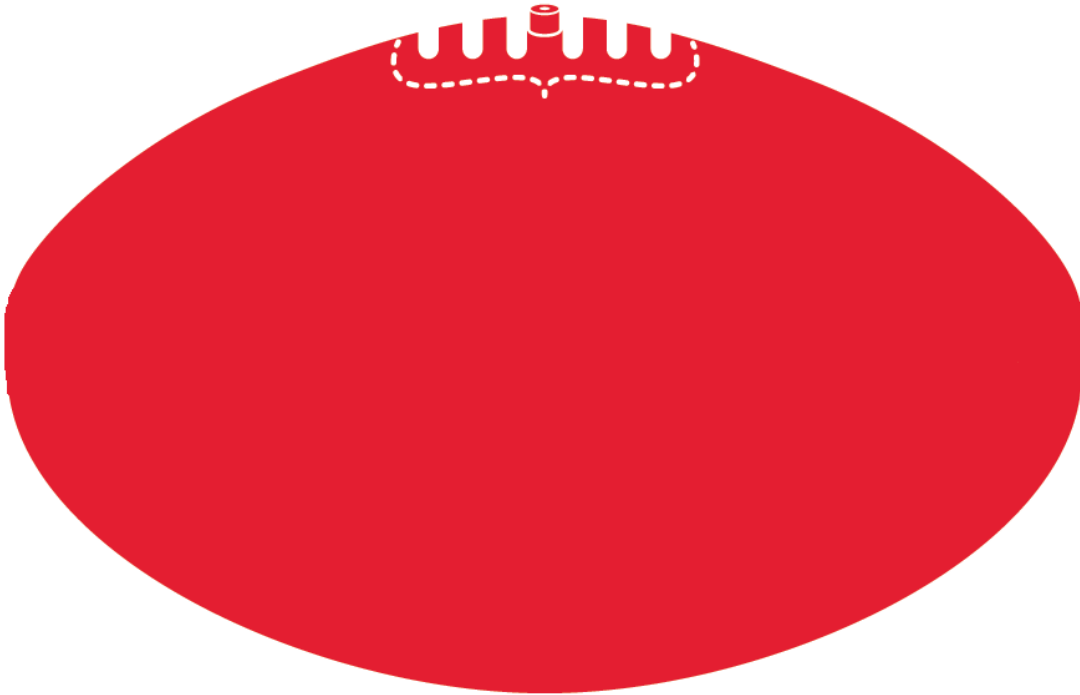
The eight week after school program will run every Thursday afternoon from 3.15-4.30pm on the school's oval and will be delivered by our qualified and experienced MK13 coaches, each with FFA qualifications, Blue Cards and first aid certificates.

Every participant will receive a MK13 Ball and medal upon the programs completion.

Registrations can be made online at [www.mk13soccer.com](http://www.mk13soccer.com)

**Program Dates:** (Thurs) July 21st and 28th. August 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th. Sept 1st and 8th.

<b>MK13 SOCCER</b>	Any skill level
Matty; 0411 502 271	Ages 5-6, 7-9 and 10-13
<a href="mailto:info@mk13soccer.com">info@mk13soccer.com</a>	<b>\$113 per participant</b>



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## Who is keen to join me for Bootcamp?



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[mariaambuept@gmail.com](mailto:mariaambuept@gmail.com)



Monday | Bedford Playground Park  
Chr Love and Water St, Spring Hill.  
Saturday | Sunday Kangaroo Point  
Cliffs Park - River Terrace

### 1 HOUR SESSIONS

Kids Sessions \$10  
Adults Sessions \$20

Adults pay 5 Sessions Up Front for \$90

### Session Times

MONDAY	9:30 AM - 5:00 PM
KIDS SESSION	3:00 PM - 4:00 PM
SATURDAY	4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
SUNDAY	9:30 AM - 10:30 AM 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

**1 FREE SESSION**

\*When you bring a friend

Remember Your Health Is Important

## Stepfamily Realities



### Who is this course for?

This course is designed to help:

- couples who are step-parents or step-grandparents; and
- couples who are considering forming a new step family.

159 St Pauls Terrace  
SPRING HILL QLD 4000  
1300 364 277  
[generalenquiries@raq.org.au](mailto:generalenquiries@raq.org.au)  
[www.raq.org.au](http://www.raq.org.au)  
ABN 38110 01 755

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### What can I expect?

This course is run by one or two experienced facilitators, who create a safe, supportive learning environment, with respect for confidentiality and personal boundaries. There will be opportunities for you to interact and share your ideas and experiences with other participants, in order to learn from each other and better understand the material presented.

### What will the course cover?

- Identifying your expectations about stepfamilies
- Exploring stages of your journey, from fantasy or confusion to stability or commitment
- Seeing each person's point of view in your family-including caring for yourself
- Nurturing your relationship skills and the role of both the biological and step-parent
- Developing positive discipline techniques with creative, cohesive approaches
- Creating family traditions which include each member of your stepfamily
- Managing your relationships with ex-partners and extended family.

### Venue

Relationships Australia  
159 St Pauls Terrace  
Spring Hill, Brisbane, QLD 4000  
(Corner of Warren St)

### Parking

Please note that St Pauls Terrace becomes a clearway after 4 pm, and parked cars will be towed away.

Parking is available on side streets. Two hours apply to non-metered parking. p

### Bookings

To register for this course please call Client Contact Centre on 1300 364 277 to organize a time to speak with a course facilitator.

Numbers for this course are limited to 6 couples. Please book early if you want to secure a spot.

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1300 364 277

[www.raq.org.a](http://www.raq.org.a)

Relationships Australia QLD  
ABN 38110 021 755

### Cost

\$110 per person for the complete course

\*Fee reduction is negotiable

### Time:

6:00pm-8:30pm

### Duration:

7 weekly consecutive sessions

Each session runs for  
2 hours 30 minutes

Flexible delivery options are available. Please call us to organize a phone conversation with the facilitators to discuss this.

### Dates:

1<sup>st</sup> of Aug to 12<sup>th</sup> of Sep

This course runs three times per year. The dates are updated at the end of each year.