FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK...

Dear Parents/Carers,

Semester Reporting

Reports will be emailed home on Wednesday 24 June.

School Review: School Improvement Unit Report

We have received our report from our recent school review. The highlights were:

• Positive learning culture amongst students, staff and parents
• Number of outstanding pedagogical practices evident
• Strong alignment between curriculum, assessment and reporting
• Differentiated curriculum delivery is evident in classroom
• The school has an experienced team of staff who are working in a collegial manner to deliver the best outcomes for students.

The report can be found on our website and as a separate email attachment with the newsletter.

To assist us in planning for the next four years, please review the report, select 3 areas you think we need to focus on and email me at principal@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au. I will collate this information and it will be used when considering our strategic plan.

3 – 6 Athletics carnival

Next Thursday we are holding our athletics carnival at Newmarket State School. Students need to pay for the bus transport. All teachers from Years 3 – 6 will be at the athletics carnival so it is expected that students participate. Please write a letter to your class teacher if there is a medical reason they can not participate.

End of term thanks

As we draw to the end of another term, I would like to thank the hard working staff at Brisbane Central State School. Every day our dedicated staff work to improve the learning outcomes for all students. Enjoy your holidays.

Please watch our school during the holidays and report any suspicious behaviour to School Watch on 13 17 88.

School resumes on Monday 13 July.

Regards,

Graham Rickuss
From the Head of Curriculum

Report Cards

Semester 1, 2015 reports will be emailed to parents this Wednesday, June 24 at 2pm. Many thanks to the parents who have provided me with their updated email addresses.

Please add OneSchool.application@dete.qld.gov.au to your list of safe senders to ensure the report is added to your inbox. If you cannot see the report card in your inbox please check your junk or spam folders.

If you have any problems receiving your child’s report card please email me and let me know. Your report will be sent to you in the first week of next term.

What does the report card tell you?

The report card provides achievement levels, effort levels and comments outlining what knowledge and skills have been covered throughout the semester. Comments about behaviour and overall effort and work are also provided.

Each year level uses a five point reporting scale, with different year levels using different reporting scales dependant on their developmental abilities. Please refer to the table below.

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Students achieving *working with*, *sound* or *C* are working at year level expectations.

Read reports with your child

We encourage you to actively engage your child in the reading and discussion of their report cards. Look at:

- their strengths
- what they have achieved
- areas they have found challenging.

Research tells us that it is important that children are active owners of their learning. So encourage your child to talk with you about their achievements and any suggestions their teacher has made about how they may improve.

Chess Club

Every Thursday morning we have chess lessons from 7:45am – 8:30am in the community room. Chess at Brisbane Central is open to all students from prep to year six with a cost of $100 for the next term. For further information please contact Ms Connie Pizzato on 0409 794 745.

Happy learning,
Leesa-Maree Jedras
ljedr1@eq.edu.au
Join us for an Under 8’s Day celebration at Brisbane Central State School!
Friday June 26th at 9.15am – 10.30am.

Theme: Voices of children—Look, listen, hear and respond.

The event will consist of a range of exciting exploration stations. Students will have the opportunity to learn, explore, create and get active! There will also be a range of delicious cakes and biscuits for sale at morning tea.

If you would like to donate biscuits or cupcakes to assist with our fundraiser, we would appreciate your generosity. All money will be donated to the charity ‘Beanies for Brain Cancer’. We encourage our school community to participate on the day and have lots of educational fun!

Please bring your donated biscuits or cupcakes to Miss Wall’s room in A block.

PE/Sports news

The fun and exciting annual Brisbane Central SS Year 3 – 6 Track and Field Carnival will be held on Thursday 25 June. Students have been practising for this carnival during PE lessons in Terms 1 and 2. Events include: Long Jump, High Jump, Shot Put, Sprints, Relays and Ball Games/Novelty Races (time permitting). Parents are encouraged to come along to support their children on the day.

Please refer to the following information about the Track and Field Carnival:

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What to take to the carnival:
- Appropriate sports gear (students are encouraged to wear a t-shirt in their house colour and black school shorts)
- Running shoes and socks, hat and sunscreen
- Drink bottle, lunch and snacks (Tuckshop is not available)
- Medication if required

Our primary objective is to provide all students with the opportunity to participate to their level of ability. Let’s all enjoy the participation of the students and encourage performance to the best of their ability. Enjoy your sport!

Debating Team

Congratulations to our debating team who won their first debate last night defeating Villanova College. Our team Jeremy, Emily, Ed and Karida did an amazing job. Thanks to Mrs Gawne for the work she has done with them. Our debating team have three more debates during this year.
Music News

Congratulations on a great Concert!

What a great turnout of students and parents for our Afternoon Music Soiree. Students in our Senior Instrumental, Senior and Junior Choirs and Drama Club did us proud showing off all that they had learned this semester. They performed with great enthusiasm, focus and sense of ensemble. There was a great breadth of repertoire exhibited, with songs such as the band’s "Star Wars", Junior Choir's "Rockin Robin" and Senior Choir and Drama Club's "Jungle Book" selections that added to the entertainment.

A big thank you goes out to teachers Mr McIntyre, Ms Wall, Miss Ross and Miss Ashcroft for all the hard work that they have put in to making this event such a success. Thank you also to those teachers who came along to show their support for music and arts at Brisbane Central. It is much appreciated. Lastly a sincere thank you goes out to parents for their support. Getting your children to rehearsals, monitoring their practice and attending performances takes commitment. Thank you for giving your children the gift of music and the arts.

Remember all choirs and ensembles will be continuing next semester. Enjoy your holiday break!

Yours in Music,

Julie West
Classroom Music Specialist
Senior Choir Conductor

Active School Travel – Every Friday

Active School Travel Golden Boot

Great news! Brisbane Central State School won the Active School Travel Golden Boot (right) for May for the highest percentage of walkers in May.

On Fitness Fridays in May, we averaged 65% of students walking all or part of the way to school.

Congratulations to everyone that helped us attain this trophy!!

Star Class Trophy

The following classes have won the Star Class Trophy, for the highest percentage of students actively travelling to school each week.

Week 7 and 8 was 1F who achieved 95% of students actively travelling to school on Friday.

Parent English Group

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers, Allison, Sandra, and Colleen who help some of our parents learn English. Our school community appreciates your commitment and service.

Desperately seeking parents to help prepare resources on Tuesday 23 June.

I am in desperate need of some kind souls who will help cut out some words and pictures for me. I would like to implement an oral language program for Prep next term which requires masses of resources. The resources have all been laminated but now just need to be cut. If you can give up an hour or so of your time, please meet me in the Community Room at 9am on Tuesday morning. I will provide morning tea.

Thank you, Nicky Paull
Thank you to the parents that donated food and helped sell at the snack stall at the concert yesterday afternoon. This venture raised $243.70 to put towards our fundraising goals.

**Wednesday 15 July is our next P and C Meeting in the Community Room starting at 6pm.**

**2015 P&C Executive**

President: Brian Steendyk  
Vice President: Karyn Wernham  
Vice President: Alyson Fenton  
Non-Executive Vice President: Kirsten Lovejoy  
Treasurer: Colleen Tuxworth  
Assistant Treasurer: Peter Zunker  
Secretary: Tony Holcroft

**Our Fundraising Goals for 2015**

Air condition the classrooms in the lower school (along Water Street – F Block) and install another courtyard water fountain/bubbler.

Contact us at pandc@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au

**Uniform Shop News**

The normal opening days and hours are

**Every Tuesday** 8.15 - 8.45 am  
**Every Friday** 3.15 - 3.45 pm

Payment in cash or mobile banking.

Please contact Ria Wahyuni uniforms@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au or 0423 787 333 if you require more information.

**Social Media sites**

- Download the app
- iTunes
- Google Play
- Windows Phone

Become a fan  
Follow us on twitter

**Community News**

![MK13 Soccer Banner](image)

**MK13 Soccer**

**NEW FARM UNITED SCHOOL HOLIDAY SOCCER CAMP**

An exciting new soccer program is coming to New Farm! MK13 Soccer is joining forces with New Farm United and will be running a soccer clinic in the June/July school holidays for children aged 5-9 and 10-14. Sessions will be fun, creative, thought-provoking and skill developing.

All participants receive an MK13 Soccer ball, jersey and medal.

Register online now - www.mk13soccer.com

Full canteen facilities open for lunch

Where: New Farm Park  
When: June 29th - July 2nd  
Times: 8.30am - 2.00pm Daily

**NEW FARM UNITED SCHOOL HOLIDAY SOCCER CAMP**

With MK13 Soccer

**About The Camp:**

MK13 Soccer is proud to join forces with New Farm United in offering a brand new and exciting soccer program. MK13 Soccer, run by New Farm United Director of Coaching, Marty Kelly will bring a qualified team of coaches to present entertaining, exciting and highly organised soccer sessions to promote the development of core skills in a fun and all inclusive setting.

Register online now - www.mk13soccer.com

Contact Matty: 0411 502 271  
Email: info@mk13soccer.com

Why Join?

* Quality and organised training  
* Fun and exciting  
* Make new friends

Every player receives:

- MK13 Soccer ball  
- MK13 jersey  
- MK13 medal of completion

$165 per participant