Dear Parents/Carers,

Life Education Team
In the first week of next term, the Life Education Team will be visiting. Earlier this week we sent an email with some information about this visit. Thank you to the parents that have already returned the permission slip for the students to participate. Payment will form part of the term account which will be emailed home at the beginning of next term.

Rising Damp work
The contractors have put in place the temporary fencing around the area where they will be working. This has created some narrow pathways around the school so we need to be mindful of others when we are using them.

Some major works will occur over the holidays to limit disruptions when we return in July. It is anticipated that this work will be completed by the end of the year. We appreciate your understanding during construction.

End of term
Today is the last day for this 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.

We have some teachers taking some extra leave after the holidays and we will have some new staff to cover this leave.

Mrs McKeans is taking all of Term 3 as leave. Mrs Carol Baker will be taking Prep M.

Mr Stock is taking Week 1 as leave. Mrs Jo Bartholdt will be taking 2S.

Miss Wall is taking Week 1 and 2 as leave. Mrs Trudy Callaghan is taking 2W. Miss Wall will be getting married over the holidays. We wish Miss Wall and her partner a wonderful day.

Mrs Somerville is taking Week 1 and 2 as leave. Ms Caitlin Ritchie is taking 6S.

Mrs Struzik is taking Week 1 and 2 as leave. Miss Luci Johnson will be assisting Mrs Duncan in the office.

Please watch our school during the holidays and report any suspicious behaviour to School Watch on 13 17 88.
School resumes on Monday 11 July.

Regards,
Graham Rickuss

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.

Calendar

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Regular events

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<td>Otherwise please make payment via BPoint, Homework Club run by Mrs Paull and Mrs Raulini</td>
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Saturday
French Classes: please contact Les Petit Princes Les lespetitsprinces.association@gmail.com
Report Cards - What does the report card tell you?

The report card reports on the Australian Curriculum achievement standards. The standards are a combination of knowledge and skills. For more information about the Australian curriculum go to: http://v7.5.australiancurriculum.edu.au/curriculum/overview

Report cards provide 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 dependent 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.

How can I find out more?

ACARA (The Australian Curriculum) provides many online resources, including online work samples for teachers, parents and students to use to direct teaching, learning and assessment. You can google ACARA year level portfolio above to find out more information. Some examples are:

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Happy learning,
Leesa-Maree Jedras
ljedr1@eq.edu.au
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 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

Queensland Academies Partnership School Term 2 Outreach Program

Year 4 and 5 students enjoy a celebration and presentation ceremony as part of the Queensland Academies Partnership School Term 2 Outreach Program. The students participated in a 6 week course, Forensics – Crime Scene Investigation (Years 4-6 ) at QASMT Queensland Academies Science Mathematics and Technology Campus.

CSIRO Scientists in Schools Partnerships

We welcomed Mr Rob Kenyon to our school on Thursday, through our CSIRO Scientists in Schools Partnership. Mr Kenyon spoke with the Year 4 students about the life cycle and environmental impacts on the survival of protected species, enhancing their learning in their current focus of study. He also shared many interesting facts. Ask your Year 4 children about the Red Finned Blue Eye fish of the artesian springs in Queensland or the ancient unicorn of middle Europe.

Maureen Kelly
Advanced Learner Program Coordinator

ICAS Assessments

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On Tuesday 14th June 32 students from Years 3-6 sat the ICAS Writing Test. We expect to have the results available to send home with the students in the week beginning 15th August. The students will also receive their test papers with their results.

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
Rewards program for homework reading
Our lucky winners in the Term 2 Bee Readers Rewards Program will be announced early next term. The students have been busy reading at home as part of their homework and hopefully learning to love reading as well as learning to read. Thanks goes to the parents and students for their commitment to reading. I encourage you to enjoy some books over the holidays!

Maureen Kelly
Literacy Coach

Dragon Boat Festival and Poet’s Day
The traditional Zongzi sold by our Chinese Community for the Dragon Boat Festival and Poet’s Day last week was very popular with the Zongzi sold out in 20 minutes! Zongzi is made from sticky rice and red beans carefully wrapped in bamboo leaves to make a triangular-based pyramid shape. Many thanks to all the mums and helpers for their time and enthusiasm to make and sell the Zongzi, and their efforts raised $220 for our school.

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 9: 1F
Week 10: 4/5Y

Social Media sites
Download the app
iTunes
Google Play
Windows Phone
Become a fan
Follow us on twitter
School Banking Program

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.

Our banking specialist Tina Eisenmenger will be visiting our school on Wednesday 13 July from 2:30 and Thursday 14 July from 8:30 to help you sign up to get accounts for your children.

Jennifer Collingwood is our parent volunteer running this program. Jennifer needs some people to assist her on banking days, which will be on Fridays.

Please email Jennifer jennifercollingwood@hotmail.com to let her know if you are able to help.

P and C News – contact us pandc@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au

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

Election Day BBQ: Saturday 2 July
Brisbane Central State School is a polling booth for the upcoming Federal Election on Saturday 2 July. The P&C will be holding a BBQ to raise funds for the school from 8am to 2pm.

Tony Holcroft is organising the BBQ.
If you are able to help cook, serve, set up or pack up please email pandc@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au
Any help during 8 – 2 is appreciated.

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 if you require more information.

The Uniform Shop has some stock of red and purple short sleeve polo shirts which students can wear for the school sports event days. Rogers Red and St Pauls Purple! There are limited sizes and stock available so please see Mahtab at the Uniform Shop to check. Prices range from $8 to $15.

Buy an Entertainment™ Membership and support our School!
With the school holidays approaching, now is the perfect time to buy a 2016 | 2017 Entertainment™ Book or Entertainment™ Digital Membership. All you need to do is choose which Membership suits you»

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

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!

Here are just a few of the many offers to enjoy with an Entertainment™ Membership:

Thank you for your support!
Community News

KGSC ENROLMENTS: Enrolments 2018 (Current Year 5 students)

Please be aware that applications for enrolments for 2018 will open on Monday 11th July, 2017. Expressions of Interest (EOI’s) can be found on the College website. It is recommended that this is done sooner rather than later.

A DAY MADE BETTER

NOMINATE A GREAT TEACHER TODAY.

Do you know a teacher you’d like to thank? A Day Made Better gives you the opportunity to thank a primary or secondary school teacher who is making a difference. If chosen as one of 10 winners, they’ll receive $5,000 worth of supplies and an Apple iPad for their classroom. Help us recognise these inspiring people by nominating them today.

NOMINATE A TEACHER YOU’D LIKE TO THANK BEFORE JUNE 17TH
Great teachers are worth celebrating.
ADAYMADEBETTER.COM.AU

make
weekend

This program is great for beginners to electronics and robotics aged between 8-17.

Learn skills like wiring, working with motors, LED lights, sensors and more while working on a project that you design yourself and get to take home.

Where: Chermside library
When: 2nd of July 9:30-11:30
Cost: $30 (Including Arduino kit)

Registraton opens on Saturday, June 11 9:00 AM

www.coderdojo.io

limited spaces available!

North Regional Business Centre
960 Gympie Road, Chermside
Under and Over 8s Day