Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to another school year at Brisbane Central.

Our Staff for 2016
Admin Officers: Carolina Duncan, Debbie Cameron
Grounds: Greg Walls
Cleaners: Shirley Vowles, Noriko Yamaguchi, Monica Logan.
Techs: Matt Duncan and James Price
Teacher Aides: Janet Fletcher, Jenny Gilmour, Kim Willersdorf, Maree Lewis and Maile Rauluni.

Class teachers
- Prep - Jan McKean (Prep M) and Darren Waugh (Prep W)
- Year 1 - Wendy Fitzgerald (1F) and Raehana Ross (1R)
- Year 2 - Brendan Stock (2S) and Kylie Wall (2W)
- Year 3 – Karlee Heslip (3H) and Gemma Zielke (3Z)
- Year 4 and 5 – Stacie Morris (4M), Emma Marshall (4/5M) and Andrew Yeaman (4/5Y)
- Year 6: - Annette Somerville (6S)

Specialist Teachers
- PE: Dave Johnson (Thursday and Friday pm)
- Music: Jenny Battersby (Tuesday PM and Wednesday)
- French: Rosa Maroto (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday)
- Head of Curriculum: Leesa-Maree Jedras
- Literacy Coach/Advance Learners Program Manager: Maureen Kelly
- Intervention (STLaN): Jo Gawne
- EAL/D: Nicolette Paull
- Library: Narelle Hoelzl (Mondays and Fridays)
- Instrumental Music: Colin McIntyre (Friday pm)

Class Information Nights: Wednesday February 10, 2016
Our Class Information Night will be held on Wednesday February 10, 2015.
Prep M, Prep W, 1F, 1R, 2S and 2W will hold their information sessions from 6:00pm – 6:30pm.
3Z, 3H, 4M, 4/5M, 4/5Y and 6S will hold their information nights from 6:35pm – 7:05pm.
I would like to strongly encourage all our parents to attend their child’s class Information Evening. This is an excellent opportunity to find out about the following topics:
- Class procedures and routines
- Class timetable and overview of the curriculum that will be taught
- Teaching and learning within a multi-age class
- Homework
- NAPLAN tests (Years 3/5)
- Communication

There will also be opportunities for parents to ask questions and clarify any information.

Regards,
Graham Rickuss
Welcome back
A very warm welcome to Brisbane Central to students, parents and staff. We are looking forward to a year of learning together. You can keep up to date with school activities through:

- our website https://brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au
- the Qschools app http://deta.qld.gov.au/about/app/qschools-app.html
- Twitter https://twitter.com/Bris_Cent_SS?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw
- Facebook https://www.facebook.com/brisbanecentralss

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 6 with a cost of $77 for this term. For further information please contact Ms Connie Pizzato on 0409 794 745.

Happy learning,
Leesa-Maree Jedras

Active School Travel
As part of our Active School Travel initiative, we have organised the team from RACQ to visit our school.

Our first meeting for the year is on Monday 1 February at 3.15pm.

In week 3 of this Term, the RACQ Road Safety Education program “Streets Ahead” will visit our classes, teaching us how to be safe pedestrians, passengers and bike riders. For videos explaining the content in the RACQ program, please scan the below codes using a smartphone or click the links below.

Crossing the Road  Safety Door  Bike Safety

Behaviour
Establishing our Expectations
During the first two weeks of school, the teachers will be working with their classes to establish their class routines as well as our expectations of behaviour while at school.

Our behaviour expectations at Brisbane Central are Be Safe, Be Responsible and Be Respectful.

Please have a talk with your children about the school expectations and some of the rules that the teachers and students have developed in their classrooms.

We are in the process of updating our Responsible Behaviour Plan for students. Please review our current plan and provide your feedback to principal@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au by Wednesday 17 February. You can access our current plan on our website.
P and C News

Our next P and C Meeting is on Wednesday 3 February 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

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

Uniform Shop News

The NEW 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 uniforms@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au or 0449 112 061 if you require more information.

BPOINT as the new preferred payment method at Brisbane Central State School

Dear Parents,

BPOINT is the preferred method of payment for all student invoices at Queensland state schools. To allow parents to access this option easily we will be sending all our invoices via email in the future. On the bottom of each invoice that you will receive via email, the BPOINT payment method symbol will be displayed with a website link for you to visit and process your online payment (very similar to internet banking that many of you currently utilise). You can use a credit or bank debit card to make a payment. You do not need to register for BPOINT, you simply visit the link detailed below and enter CRN (customer reference number), invoice number, student name and exact amount of individual invoice (PLEASE DO NOT PAY MORE THAN ONE INDIVIDUAL INVOICE AT A TIME). If you do not know your CRN please contact the school office for this information but the CRN will appear on the invoice.

BPOINT will issue you with a payment confirmation that you can email to yourself after making the payment or you can print or take a screen shot, for your records or if the payment is required for your child to attend an activity you can forward to the school immediately as proof of payment. If you would like an official OneSchool receipt you may need to visit the school and request for it to be printed. The school will no longer manually receipt through their OneSchool system for this payment method (BPOINT automatically talks to the school’s accounting system).

Payments will process overnight and will appear in the school’s bank account within 24 hours of making a payment. The school will receive a daily report detailing those who have made a payment.

You may still pay by cheque or cash if you wish on a Mondays only, and the Department of Education and Training is promoting BPOINT as preferred payment method from now on. If you choose to pay via the traditional payment methods, the school will issue you with a One School receipt from the office, but either way we can see from our end who has outstanding invoices and who does not. For more infoamtion please go to this site:


Social Media sites

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Google Play
Windows Phone

Become a fan

Follow us on twitter

Our Fundraising Goals for 2015

ACHIEVED!

Air condition the classrooms in the lower school (F Block)

and

Install another courtyard water fountain/bubbler.
Community News

MK13 SOCCER

MK13 Soccer After School Program
Brisbane Central State School
Comences (Thur) Feb 4th 2016
Register online now!
www.mk13soccer.com

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

Our eight week after school program will run every Thursday afternoon from 3.15-4.30pm on the school 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

Program Dates; (Thurs) February 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th, March 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th.

MK13 SOCCER
Matry: 0411 302 271
info@mk13soccer.com
Any skill level
Ages 6-8 and 9-12
$113 per participant

Week 1, 2016