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11 September 2023

Principal's Message



The final week of Term 3 again promises to be a highlight culminating with the ever-popular Broady's Got Talent competition on Friday. After the final bell on Friday, our students and staff members will begin a welldeserved break from the regular school routine. I commend them all for the progress that has been

achieved during the term. In acknowledging this progress, I draw particular attention to the growth areas that, due to their nature, are not overtly celebrated. The "wins" that have been achieved with some of our students and their families is inspirational. I salute all involved.

Assessment is a cornerstone for informing and measuring teaching and learning. I am proud of the attention to detail to this vital aspect in our school and therefore have a high

degree of confidence in our ability to target the learning to maximise success. At the end of Term 4, we will provide report ratings against the standards expected in the Australian Curriculum in all reportable areas. Judging by the evidence to date and the history of recent years, I expect this progress to be equivalent to more than twelve months of learning.

Our second Prep information session was held last week. I appreciated the opportunity to provide information and answer questions regarding a child's first year at school. I assured those in the room for whom this was their first child at school that they would be supported by other families in the school. Please continue to reach out to our new families.

The preparation for 2024 is ramping up and I am keen to base our predictions on the most reliable data available. For this, I require your assistance. If you know that your child will be leaving at, or before the end of this year, or, that you will have a child joining the school for the 2024 school year, please email the office to let them know. Staffing, budgeting and facility management all rely on this information. I thank you in anticipation for your help.

At the recent general meeting of the P&C, the increase



of \$15 to the **Student Resource Scheme** (SRS) contribution per student was ratified. The total cost that will be invoiced for the **2024 school year will be \$280**.

Our team provided specific input about the design of the **future administration building** last week. The elements and form requested was based on the learning from current operations with safety and efficiency at the core. I am confident much of the input will be adopted and bodes well for the future.

May the time away from the school routine provide opportunities to spend time with your children. At the risk of being cliched, they don't remain little for long.

Stay safe and keep smiling.

Bruce

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

From the Deputy's Desk – Wayne Jenks

YEAR 4 CAMP:

Our final camp for 2023 will be our Year 4 Camp in either Week 2 or Week 3 of Term 4. Staff are now finalising the cabin arrangements. Please ensure you have carefully read all documentation and returned camp forms to your child's class teacher.



EMERGENCY PROCEDURES:

We regularly rehearse two important emergency responses to ensure students know how to respond should situations arise which may impact their safety.

Evacuation:

- Should students and staff need to vacate the buildings, a loud siren with the words "evacuate, evacuate" repeated will signal a classroom evacuation.
- Staff and students will quickly make their way by the most direct and safest route to assemble on the northern end of the oval.
- Teachers will then account for students.

In the event of a real evacuation, emergency services such as the police, ambulance and fire department may be onsite. Students and staff will remain at the assembly location until the 'all clear' is issued to return to class.

Lockdown:

 Should a situation arise where students and staff are required to be closely monitored, a lockdown will be issued through the PA system with the words "lockdown, lockdown" repeated.

If classes are in session the staff response will be:

- · Close and lock all windows and doors
- · Lights turned off
- Students seated away from windows and doors usually on the floor away from the direct line of sight from windows

If the lockdown is during break time P-2 students will:

- Report to Learning Block 1
- · Gates will be closed, locked and monitored

If the lockdown is during break time Year 3-6 students will:

- Report to The James Centre
- · Doors will be closed, locked and monitored

Any students involved in indoor activities such as clubs, rehearsals or the library will remain in the room with the staff member.

The school office and the Special Education building (TLC) will also lockdown.

We will periodically conduct rehearsals of both the lockdown and evacuation procedures. These are not meant to alarm students but to ensure all students and staff are aware of the various procedures and able to respond accordingly. Teachers regularly review the procedures with students in the event a real situation presents.



SCHOOL SIGNAGE:

Now that we have updated our school logo, we have commenced a review of our external signage. A number of our sign frames are reflecting their beach location with rust, with many of the images now fading or outdated.

ICAS:

The 2023 ICAS assessments are now completed. It is anticipated an ICAS Awards Ceremony will be conducted mid Term 4 for students who received CREDIT or above awards.



2024 Class Formation Form:

The formation of class groups is a complex process. Teachers and leaders use their professional judgement and a range of data sources to consider the academic, social and emotional needs of all students and how these needs might be met. Should you have information about your child that is **not** already known to the school, you can complete a Class Formation Form, however, please note, this form is not intended for specific teacher requests. Additional information will be considered, however please be aware class groupings must be reflective of the best possible educational environment for all students. Forms are available from reception and must be submitted by Friday 4 November.

From the Deputy's Desk – Peta White

From the Associate Deputy's Desk – Kristi Klarenbeck

Prep – 2024 – Have you enrolled your child?

If you know someone who has a child due to start school in 2024, please ask them to contact the office to enrol as soon as possible. We are planning our Prep Experience Days for Term 4 and we can only include those who have enrolled.

Parents who have enrolled their child for Prep next year would have received the Prep Experience Days via SMS permission slip sent on 29 August 2023. If you have enrolled your child and are yet to receive the text, please email enrol@broadbeachss.eq.edu.au.

We encourage all future Prep Parents to <u>visit our website</u> – Prep.

Prep Vision Screening

Prep Vision Screening was meant to happen in **July 2023**, however Queensland Health had to cancel those bookings. We have now secured **new dates in Term 4**, **Week 3**. If you registered last time, you **do NOT** need to do anything. However, if you have not done so already, **please complete the** online consent form.

The Primary School Nurse Health Readiness Program will be screening at your child's school commencing on **Monday**, **16 October 2023.** We are a Queensland Government service that offers Free Vision Screening to all children enrolled in Prep. The following video explains the benefits of having your Prep child's vision screened- "What is Prep Vision Screening?"

Please click on the following link to access the <u>Online Consent</u>
Form and Parent Information Letter

Arts Gala

We are gaining momentum towards our annual Arts Gala event, taking place on Friday 27 October, 2023 at the Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre. Performing on the night will be our Choirs, Concert Bands, String Ensembles, DanceXcel Troupes, selected Rock Bands and BGT 1 st to 3rd place getters. Information and permission letters will be released in Week 1, Term 4. Please ensure they are returned promptly to allow the Performing Arts team to plan accordingly.

Information on how to purchase tickets will be included in the information attached to the permission forms. The school will not be accepting money for the sale of tickets and deadlines for ticketing (through a third party) must be enforced – so get in quick to avoid disappointment!

DanceXcel Term 4

Invoices for Term 4 have been sent to the nominated email addresses of enrolled families. We are not accepting any new enrolments for our 2023 program. Keep your eyes peeled for information relating to Expressions of Interest for our 2024 program.

Eisteddfod results

The latest results are in! Our Beginner Band submitted a digital entry for this year's competition given the size of the band and in line with requirements stipulated by GCE. Late last week we were informed that our Beginner Band were awarded 2nd Place – Silver Award. An excellent achievement for their first submission!

Road Safety - ALERT

Many drivers who use the James Centre Kiss 'n' Go zone on Old Burleigh Road would be aware that the road was recently resealed. As a result, road markings have also been adjusted to maintain safety of drivers and cyclists.

Please note: U-TURN'S ARE NOT PERMITTED

across the single continuous line along Old Burleigh Road when exiting from the Kiss 'n' Go zone. Drivers needing to travel south after dropping / collecting their children must continue to the roundabout at Margaret Avenue and safely continue on their journey.

Uniform Reminders:

Our Uniform Policy is available on the Broadbeach SS website (search Uniform Policy).

Please ensure your child/ren are wearing:

- · White socks
- · Plain black shoes
- Plain black shorts/skirts/skorts must be similar style and length to school uniform. Please note: short running shorts/bike pants or items with logos or stripes are clear breaches of our Uniform Policy.

Parent support is required to ensure all students meet the uniform expectations as agreed upon on enrolment.

Click here to visit our school's website https://broadbeachss.eq.edu.au/

From the Special Education Team

"Inclusive Holiday Programs: Empowering Students with Disabilities"

The school holidays present a wonderful opportunity for students with disabilities to engage in holiday programs, socialise with peers and engage with their community.

Participation in these programs facilitate the creation of lasting friendships as well as providing your child with a supportive network of friends who understand and appreciate them. It also offers a safe space for students to hone their communication skills and develop independence.

Don't forget to look at the Gold Coast City Council Holiday Program or give Mermaid Nippers a try.



Click here to read the Spring Holiday Program



From the Guidance Officer

R U OK? DAY

September 14 is R U OK? DAY, an important day when we remind ourselves and each other, that every day is the day to ask, 'Are



you OK?' and start a meaningful conversation whenever we spot the signs that someone we care about might be struggling with life. We don't need to be an expert - just a good friend and a great listener.

Got a niggling feeling that someone you know or care about isn't behaving as they normally would? Perhaps they seem out of sorts? More agitated or withdrawn? Or they're just not themselves. Trust that gut instinct and act on it.

By starting a conversation and commenting on the changes you've noticed, you could help that family member, friend or workmate open up. If they say they are not ok, you can follow the following conversation steps to show them they're supported – this conversation could change or even save their life. If they are ok, that person will know you're someone who cares enough to ask.

Old Mental Health Week is also running from the 7 to the 15 of October 2023 (Week 2, Term 4) which is an annual event that aims to improve community awareness and interest in mental health and wellbeing across the state. Research shows there are six simple actions we can all take to improve our moods, build resilience and boost wellbeing. These simple actions are based on the internationally recognised *Wheel of Wellbeing*. They are:



Broadbeach State School will be hosting a range of activities at school throughout the week for our students and staff that focus on the six areas above.

For more information go to: https://www.qldmentalhealthweek.org.au/

Click here to visit the RUOK website https://www.ruok.org.au/

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Information adapted from the R U Ok? Day and QMHW websites.



From the HPE Department

- Congratulations to our amazing students competing at South Coast Track and Field trials.
- Year 6 students in the surf program are undertaking their swim proficiency test on Friday 8 September and successful applicants will take home a letter of invitation next week.
- Term 4 events include swimming carnivals for our Year
 3-6 students, our learn to swim program for Prep Year
 4 students and our beach safe practical program with
 Surf Lifesaving Qld for our Year 5-6 students.
- The South Coast Aquathlon trial will be held in Term 4 (date TBA). If your child was born in 2013 or 2012, is an experienced open water swimmer and representative level runner, please let Ms Roberts know. The event is a 1km run/300m swim/1km run and the top ten athletes will head to State Titles in Hervey Bay early 2024.

From the Japanese Department

MLTAQ GOLD COAST SPEECH CONTEST

On Sunday 20 August, 16 Broadbeach State School students participated in the 2023 MLTAQ Gold Coast Languages Speech Contest. These students had to perform a speech in front of 2 judges and were then asked questions relating to their speech. Congratulations to all students who participated in the contest, you represented our school extremely well and it was wonderful to see the passion and dedication you have for language learning. A special mention to our award winners.

Yui achieved a bronze medal in the Year 6 Sakura division.

Verona and Carmen both achieved silver medals in the Year 5 and 4 Sakura division respectively.

Across all Year levels, Broadbeach students were awarded 5 Highly Commended ratings and 8 Participation awards.

We are incredibly proud of all of the students who represented Broadbeach State School and participated in this contest. All of these students devoted a great deal of their personal time to prepare for this competition. Their hard work paid off!





From the Library

Book Review

Look Said the Girl by Tania Norfolk

Tania Norfolk has written a captivating story that makes the world come alive though senses. Like a poet she uses similes to elevate how we absorb the world – and I am not talking old cliched



similes but bright refreshing ones that pop in the eye and zing in the ear.

Click here to visit the How to Raise a Reader webpage

Click here to visit the How to Set Up Screen Time webpage

Click here to visit the Childrens Book Week webpage

A **free** School holiday activity! - Visit one of our amazing Gold Coast City Council Libraries.

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank you for continuing to return lost readers and library books to the school.

All books need to be returned to the library this week 11–15 September (week 10).

If your book is damaged or lost (overdue) you will receive an invoice from our finance office payable by BPoint.

Book character Dress up day is Monday 11 September.

(Send their school uniform in a bag to change into if they get too warm in their costume)

Attach a pic of the book your child has chosen to their costume.

We have a lot of lovely new books that are now covered and in circulation.

We are most grateful to Liz, Dana and Heather for their efforts with the book covering.

Finance 2023

| Due Date | Activity | Amount |
|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 31 March | SRS 2023 | \$265.00 OVERDUE |
| 08 Sept | Year 4 camp | Final payment due |
| 15 September | Prep Street Science | \$13.00 |

Preferred payment method is by BPoint. The BPoint link is on all invoices and statements.

Payment plans can be arranged via Centrepay or BPoint eDDR. Click here for BPoint eDDR parent information.

Contact us at: finance@broadbeachss.eq.edu.au for assistance.

QParents

QParents is a secure, online portal that has been created by the Department of Education to provide parents of Queensland State school students with 24-hour per day access to their child's information.

The portal allows you to securely access information about your child and communicate directly with your child's school.

- · Attendance and absence details
- Notify the school of an absence
- · Academic report cards
- View invoice details
- Payments online
- · View and update personal student details

If you haven't yet registered, <u>please do so</u> and reap the benefits of the app.

Are you new to Broadbeach State School? Your child needs to complete their first day at Broadbeach State School to be able to send you the QParents code.



P&C Community News

P&C Important Dates

| | September - October | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Bread Tag Collection Day | Tuesday 12 September | Tuckshop |
| P & C General Meeting | Tuesday 10 October 5:30pm | The Conference Room |

^{*} Read sections below for more detailed information

Community Updates

If you have any queries or feedback, please email us directly at pandc@broadbeachss.eq.edu.au

P & C Facebook Page

Stay connected and up to date with our **P&C FACEBOOK PAGE** and Facebook groups. These pages are set up for our community to connect with one another and find out information regarding P & C Events and Initiatives. For all school events or information, please refer to the Qschools

app, school website, or contact the school directly.

If you have any questions, please email us directly at pandc@broadbeachss.eq.edu.au

The P & C Broadie Bite & Uniform Shop

Important updates

Product pricing changes

As mentioned in the previous school newsletter, due to increasing costs across the board to provide services in both the tuck shop and uniform shop, the P & C have conducted a cost analysis across all products. The results have indicated that it is unsustainable for the P & C to maintain the current price point on multiple product items, and therefore new pricing will come into effect from **Monday 02 October 2023**. These changes were endorsed by the P & C Committee at the General Meeting held on Tuesday 29 August.

The P & C have a positive relationship with the school's family support team, and will continue to communicate with the team about ways the P & C can continue to help support families experiencing hardship.

The Broadie Bite

End of term Sausage Sizzle - Term 3 cancelled

Unfortunately the end of term sausage sizzle will not be going ahead this term due to other school activities being held. Our students have an exciting last day scheduled with the Broadie's Got Talent show and other activities, so we are confident they are still going to have a great end of term.

Last day of term operating hours

The tuck shop will be open for regular lunch orders via Flexischools on the last day of term. However, it will be closed during the second break due to our end of term stocktake.

The Uniform Shop

The last day to place orders for a Term 3 uniform delivery

is Wednesday 13 September, and orders received after Wednesday will be delivered in Term 4. Please note the Uniform Shop window will be closed on Thursday 14 and Friday 15 September due to our end of term stocktake.

The Broadie Bite Team updates

We are pleased to announce Cherie Clayton has joined our Broadie Bite team as one of our new casual staff members. As a dedicated P & C volunteer for over four years Cherie is a welcome addition to the team, and a familiar face for many of our families and staff. As a qualified chef and barista, the P & C are confident she will provide positive support to Ingrid and the team while Fee (tuck shop convenor) is on long service leave in Term 4.



Position vacant - Casual retail operations assistant (1)

We are seeking someone with the following skills and attributes:

- A positive 'can-do' attitude
- · Ability to be a team player
- Become a positive representative of our P & C team for our community
- · Hospitality and/or retail experience highly regarded

Remuneration will be \$30.21 per hour.

Successful applicants must be available to work shifts that fall between the hours of 7.00 am - 3.00

pm Monday to Friday, during term time.

To apply, please email Clara directly at bbss.pandc.operationsmanager@gmail.com with your resume and a brief outline as to why you believe you are suitable for this role.

Lost Property

With less than two weeks until the school holidays please remember to check lost property and collect your items. We will be doing our end of term clear out. Any unclaimed items after Wednesday 13 September may be donated, resold, or disposed of.

P&C Events and Fundraisers



Father's Day Stall

Thank you to everyone who supported our Father's Day Stall this year, especially our volunteers on the day. A special thank you to our Father's Day Stall working group for all their efforts behind the scenes so this event could go ahead.

Scholastic Book Club

Issue 6 is now closed; we are awaiting the orders to come in and then these will be distributed to your child's class.

If you have any questions about the book club, please email Pauline and Ranu our Scholastics Book Club Coordinators at:

P & C Sustainability News

Bread Tag Collection Day



After school care

P C Y C Gold Coast at Broadbeach State School

0417 754 241

KDV

After school kids club at KDV Sports info@kdvsport.com
(07) 5596 0404

After school programs – External facilitators

A range of after school programs exist to support families. In many cases, school facilities are hired to support these offerings. Families opting to participate in the programs do so under the conditions outlined by the providers. **Broadbeach State School recognises that many of the programs have been well-received by parents, however cannot and does not endorse them or those employed to deliver them.**

Term 4 2023

Little Alphas Robotics & Coding

Days: Tuesdays

Time: 3:00pm - 4:00pm - Robotics with Lego Education

Where: Art/Science room Age: Prep to Year 4

Time: 4:00 – 5:00pm - Drone coding workshops

Where: Art/Science room

Age: Year 4 - Year 6

Registration: www.littlealphas.com.au

Email: littlealphasgc@gmail.com

Days: Thursdays

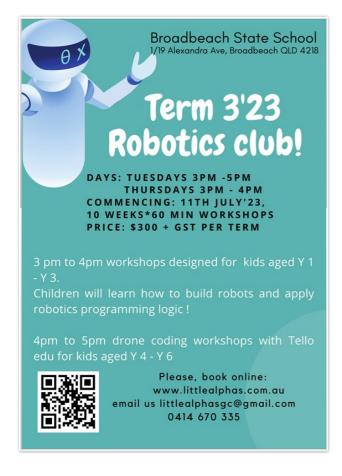
Time: 3:00 – 4:00pm - Robotics with Lego education

Where: Art/Science room

Age: Prep to Year 4

Registration: www.littlealphas.com.au

Email: littlealphasgc@gmail.com



Soccer X

Day: Friday

Start Date: 13th October 2023

Time: 3:00 - 4:00pm Where: School oval

Ages: Prep – Yr 6 (boys and girls) **Registration:** www.soccer-x.com

Due to the Public Holiday Friday 1 September, we will provide

a make-up session in the following format:

September 15: 3pm-4:30pm

(An extra 30 mins added onto each of the above sessions).

PTS Multi Sports

Day: Wednesday

Start Date: 11th October 2023

Time: 3:00 - 4:00pm Where: School Oval Ages: Prep - Year 6

Register: www.progressthroughsports.com

BasketballX

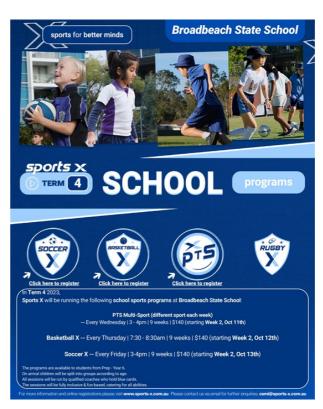
Day: Thursday

Start Date: 12th October 2023

Time: 7:30 - 8:30am Where: School Oval Ages: Prep - Year 6

Register: www.basketball-x.com.au

Term 4 Sports X



The Chroma Club

Day: Wednesday 3:00 - 4:15pm Thursday 7:30 - 8:30am

Start Date: 4th October 2023

Where: Science Room Ages: 6-12 years

Register: www.thechromaclub.com



Junior Engineers

Day: Monday

Start Date: 9th October 2023

Time: 3:05 – 4:15pm Where: Science Room

Ages: Year 2 - 6

Register: www.jnrengineers.com.au

Click here to download the Engineering Tutoring flyer



Taso's Music School

Day: Monday - Instrumental Room

Day: Tuesday - Music Room

Register: www.tasosmusicschool.com

Click here to download the Taso's Music School flyer

National Taekwondo

Two weeks free

Day: Monday 5:30 to 6:30pm Contact: 0423 349 742 www.nationaltaekwondo.net



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PH: 0423 349 742 www.nationaltaekwondo.net 14 LOCATIONS ON GOLD COAST

Matt Fiddes Martial Arts Classes

Day: Friday 3.15 to 4.00pm Mighty Matt's (3 years - 6 years) Day: Friday 4.00 to 5.00pm Juniors (7 years -13 years)

Throughout the year, including school holidays

Where: James Centre

Enrol: Kalindi 0406 254 826 or

https://fb.watch/50X0D7eS-n/



Community Notices

Wesley Kids School Holiday Workshops and Term 4 Group Programs

Wesley Kids are excited to announce their next school holiday workshops and Term 4 group programs. Registrations can be made by calling 07 5625 1901 or emailing wesleykidsgc@wmq.org.au.

Click here to download the Resilient Kids flyer

Click here to download the Mindful Kids flyer

Click here to download the Grief & Loss Group flyer

Click here to download the Bring It Together flyer

Click here to download the Empowering Parenting flyer

North Zone Monthly Construction - Update August 2023

Click here for more information about

upcoming work activities for the next month.



Miami Beach Surf Life Saving Club Nipper Sign On

For more information please click on the following link:

Click here to view more information https://www.miamibeachslsc.com.au/



Kurrawa Surf Life Saving Club 2023/24 NIPPER SIGN ON

When:Sunday 20th August 2023 Sunday and 17th September 2023 8:30am-10:30amWhere: Guardian Angels School Pool Edmund Rice Dr, Ashmore



Gold Coast Health Unit (GCHU) FLU Vaccines

Free influenza vaccines are available for anyone aged 6 months and above.

If you have any questions please contact GCHU on (07) 5629 0913 or goldcoast.health.qld.gov.au

Click here to download the Gold Coast Health Unit (GCHU) Flu Vaccines flyer

Saver Plus

Year 5/6 Camp 2024

Saver Plus will assist with saving & budgeting for next year's camp. Families that **start saving in July**, will have their savings **ready to pay their school camp fees in May 2024**.

For more information email Cath.Sweeney@thesmithfamily.com.au



Teen Triple P

Online program is available free to all parents in Qld with children aged 10 to 16 years.



National Fire Ant Eradication Program



Click here to view more information about Fire Ants https://www.fireants.org.au/

Merrimac State High School Year Seven Save the Date



ZIG ZAG Theatre

ZigZag Theatre is offering free drama classes in Term 3.

Click here to visit the ZigZag Theatre website https://zigzagtheatre.com/



ALCE Australia

The Association of Spanish Language and Culture in Australia

For more information, please visit the following website:

Click here to view more information https://www.educacionyfp.gob.es/australia/alce-australia/portada.html

or email: AnaMariaManzano3@gmail.com