From The Principal

Education Week 2014

Last week we celebrated Education Week at Briar Road Public School. Education Week is an important week on the NSW Department of Education and Communities calendar and we certainly enjoy the opportunity to showcase the many things happening in our classrooms. Education Week was celebrated through Open Classrooms on Wednesday 30th July. It was great to see so many parents and community attend classrooms to see and hear what is happening. As a special end to the day the whole school celebrated Briar Road’s birthday by having a MASSIVE birthday cake and releasing blue and red balloons. The students had a wonderful afternoon at the Briar Birthday! The only thing that could have made it better would have been if Mr Thompson had been there but I guess we will have to wait until next year! We had a wonderful day and we are looking forward to next year’s celebrations.

This week I leave you with one of my favourite quotes from Nelson Mandela ‘Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world’.

Yours in partnership,
Ms T Anderson

Briar – the Musical

(40th Birthday whole school performance)

WHEN: Wednesday 10th September 12pm
WHERE: Events Cinemas Macarthur Square
TICKETS: $8 per person (2 ticket limit per family. More tickets may be released at a later date)

Get ready for the celebration, it’s going to be awesome! Briar Road Public School is turning 40!!! It’s happening in Week 9 of this term and everyone is invited. Every child in every class will be performing in a birthday celebration extravaganza.

40th Anniversary Updates

There are many events planned to celebrate and acknowledge 40 years of education at Briar Road PS. Many parents and community have enquired about the events we are hosting over the next 2 months. Our events include:

- 40th memorabilia gallery. A collection of memorabilia will be on display until the end of the term.
- Cocktail evening for past students and teachers – 22nd August at Campbelltown Catholic Club. Tickets for the evening are $35. Further information can be obtained from the front office.
- Whole school 40th musical at Event Cinemas. Tickets are available for $8.00. Notes for the event have been sent home. Further information can be obtained from the front office.
- 2014 Athletics Carnival

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Last Friday we held the annual athletics carnival and I was very pleased to see the enthusiasm of students when participating in the events. Their enthusiasm was supported by the parents and community that came along and supported this wonderful event. I look forward to 2015 when we hold the carnival at Campbelltown Athletics Track. It will be a great opportunity to see the skill and abilities of students when utilising a high performance venue such as the Campbelltown Athletics Track. Thank you to all the staff for their dedication and commitment in ensuring the event.

Term 3 Dates

August

Tuesday 5th: Kindergarten excursion
Briar’s Got Talent 2014 Auditions begin

Thursday 7th: Primary assembly 5/6H 2.10pm

Friday 8th: Gala Day
Infants Assembly KG 1pm

Friday 14th: Whole School assembly 2pm
Book week parade (whole school)

Wednesday 20th: Father’s Day Stall

Friday 22nd: Gala Day

Wednesday 27th: Briar – the Musical

Book Week

Book Week will take place in Week 6, and to celebrate children will take part in a Book Week Parade in the Hall on Friday the 22nd of August from 2-3pm. Children are to come dressed to school as their favourite book (or movie) character, with prizes awarded for the best dressed. We encourage you to come along and enjoy the Parade. We will also be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair in the library from Wednesday the 20th of August to Tuesday the 27th of August. Please visit the library and support the Fair as your purchases contribute towards new books for the Library. Miss Cross

Parent Conference “Creating Tomorrow’s Leaders”

When: Friday 29th August 9am – 2.30pm
Where: John Warby PS
Who: 3 parents representing Briar Road PS are invited to attend. Schools across Campbelltown and Macarthur areas will be present on the day. If you are interested, please see Jess Jones (closing date is Friday 15th August however if you are interested please see Jess as soon as possible).

Read and Feed

Read and Feed has begun for Term 3 and is open to all students K-6 on Monday and Tuesday mornings. Students must be on the brown seats before 8:45am if they would like to attend. Read and Feed is a program that encourages students to begin their day with a healthy snack and a focus on learning. We hope to see lots of you there!

Whole School Assembly

When: Thursday 14th August
Time: 2pm
Note: Parent meeting in the community room will be at 1:30pm before the whole school assembly. If your child will be receiving a ribbon, banner or medallion at the assembly, a note will go home by Monday 11th August.

Mrs Hughes

Kindergarten Orientation Days

We have begun to plan for Kindergarten Orientation in Term 4 this year. Please try and keep the following dates free: Tuesdays 14th October, 28th October and 11th November. Orientation is a wonderful opportunity for children to get a bit of an idea about what kindergarten is all about. It also gives us time to talk to parents about what to expect and how you can help your child make a smooth transition to ‘big school’. More information will come closer to the events! Mrs Johns and Miss Griffths

Safety – Walking to and from school

It is timely that I remind parents about the dangers of students walking to and from school alone. I encourage parents to take the time to discuss with children what stranger danger is and to identify the actions that children can take in the event that they are approached by someone they may not know.

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Briar Road Preschool

Briar Road Public School preschool is located on the premises of the school grounds. We have two preschool groups: Wombat Friends operates Monday and Tuesday 9.00am-3.00pm and Wednesday 9.00-11.30pm and Kangaroo Friends operates Wednesday 12.30-3.00pm, Thursday and Friday 9.00am-3.00pm. Preschool is for children who are currently 4 and will be attending Kindergarten next year.

At Briar Road Preschool children are involved in a large range of experiences that help to develop their skills ready for school.

We are also taking enrolments for 2015 now. If you are interested in coming and seeing us at the preschool for your own child or know of someone else who has a child ready for preschool just come in and pick up the required forms. Look forward to seeing you at Briar Road Public School Preschool.

**Weekly Good Fun Program**

When: Every Monday during term 3

Time: 9am - 11am

Where: Briar Road Public School - Community Room

FREE Morning tea is provided for the children attending.

Tea/Coffee available

Playgroup is a fantastic way for your child to develop their social skills, fine and gross motor skills. It also helps the transition to preschool and big school!

Great for parents too!

For more information, please see Mrs Jones.