Dear parents and carers,

Last week we celebrated Chaplaincy Week by raising awareness of Chaplaincy through some special activities throughout the week. Ms Leanne organised a disco and lunch time games as well as the very popular pancake breakfast on Friday, which culminated with an amazing effort from everyone to walk to school safely on Friday. Thanks to everyone who made an effort to walk together to school from Peace Park on Friday.

The Bracken Ridge State High School senior students are running athletics training sessions on the oval before school for year 4-6 students with parent permission for five weeks on Wednesday and Friday mornings before school. This will greatly assist the students skill development leading up to our sports day early next term.

The Year 4’s participated in the Food Revolution Day, a registered project with Jamie Oliver where they made a very healthy recipe with classes all over Australia at the same time.

Today is the Metro North Cross Country and we wish Zavanna well as she competes for our school in the Bramble Bay representative team.

We had a very successful Open Day on Saturday 16 May. If you have any children at home who will be prep age for 2016, please ensure you have contacted us and we have their details on our list. We are looking forward to Under 8’s Day on Friday as there are many activities that our Prep to Year 3 students enjoy and we also look forward to welcoming young children from the community into our school for the morning.

This Wednesday we have the State of Origin Free Dress Day – Fundraising for the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal and it’s the Simultaneous Storybook event which will be held at 9am in the hall.

Next week there will be a mystery active travel day. This means that Friday isn’t the only day that students can earn a stamp in their Active Travel Passport for travelling to school actively. One other day will be selected, but students won’t know until school commences on that day. Try and travel as many days actively next week to ensure an extra stamp in your passport.

We are very much looking forward to an amazing cultural experience in August. A group of 17 students from Japan are coming to our school for two weeks. The students will attend our school each day and participate in English lessons with special tutor in the morning and will then be integrated into our school in the afternoon. The students will attend an excursion each week as well. We are looking for 17 families to host these students. The students are approximately 14/15 years of age and as Japanese students of this age are usually very shy, Queensland primary students are a good match to support these students with their English language studies. If you are interested, there is an application form that was sent home last week with each family, or contact the office if you didn’t receive one. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Don’t forget to keep reading. We have been presenting the 100 reading club certificates and wristbands on parade over the last couple of weeks, I hope to be handing out more this week.

Last week we learnt of the passing of one of our mums. Riley A in Year 3’s mum Tania passed away unexpectedly. Tania was one of our regular tuckshop helpers and will be sadly missed. Our condolences to Riley and his family at this time.

Have a great week,

Tracey
Active School Travel

Active School Travel – Park & Stride

You’ve probably heard of ‘Park and Ride’, but what about ‘Park and Stride’?

Council’s Active School Travel program encourages students to walk, cycle, carpool and catch public transport to and from school, but some parents still need to drive their children to school as part of their journey to work or other activities. Alternatively, you may live a long distance from the school and can’t actively travel all the way from home.

Even though you might need to drive your children to school, you can still make a difference to the traffic congestion around our school, and get some exercise by Parking & Striding to school.

Our Park & Stride starting points are Wickham Street (Soccer grounds), Peace Park and Douglas Street (the park between Nashville and BRSHS). It’s as easy as parking at one of these points, and walking your child to school. Your child will receive a stamp for their passport and can earn some great rewards, as part of Active School Travel.

So don’t miss out on Active Travel Fridays, try the Park & Stride to feel alive!

Did you know?

10% of all journeys people make are 1km or less and 50% are under 5km. Consider walking or riding your bike for short journeys. It’s easier, better for you and saves on petrol!

Under 8’s Day

NASHVILLE STATE SCHOOL

Under Eight’s Week
Activity Morning

Voices of Children
Look, listen, hear and respond
Friday 29th May
9.00am - 10.30am

Activities available to purchase:

ALL ENQUIRIES CONTACT SCHOOL: 3869 7333
5 & 6 Class News …

In the 5 and 5/6 classroom we are focussed on our current learning for the remainder of the term. We are learning about Australia as a Nation, Changes in Matter, delving into Narratives and Persuasive writing, working through a variety of aspects of Mathematics, practicing for Athletics and creating Fractured Portraits. The children are pleased with their efforts in NAPLAN and are happy that the tests are done.

Below are some photos from the 6’s recent visit to Sandgate District State High School.

Class Music News…

Prep, Year 1 and 2: Continue focussing on in-tune singing, beat, rhythm as well as enjoying musical games, stories and action songs.

Year 3: Have commenced their recorder program and the goal for this term is to be able to read and play simple songs on the notes B, A and G. Students are also working on in-tune singing, rhythmic patterns and enjoy musical games and action songs.

Year 4 and 5: Continue their recorder program and can read and play simple tunes with the notes B, A, G and low E (Year 4) with the addition of high C and D for Year 5. Students are also working on their in-tune singing and basic musicianship i.e. rhythmic dictation, note recognition on the treble clef staff, bar lines and time signatures.

Year 5/6: Have commenced their ukulele program and can play simple songs using the chords C and F. They are working towards a performance for assessment which involves singing and playing a song with those two chords. If students have a ukulele at home they are welcome to bring it on a Thursday for their lesson.

Choir

Congratulations to our wonderful choir which performed a set of songs at Eden Gardens on Wednesday of last week. The function was part of Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea to raise money for cancer research. Thank you to parents and carers who came along to support the students and the morning tea.

Our “choristers” are now working on the repertoire for the choir component of the Bramble Bay Schools Music Festival in week three of term three. The students will attend a choir day on Thursday 30 July at Bald Hills and participate in a concert in the evening at the same venue. More information will be given closer to that date.

Annette Grant
(Classroom Music Teacher)
KITCHEN GARDEN NEWS

A huge 'Thank you' to the Cunningham, Stone, Barfield, Ewart-Morgan, Steele, Lang and Fry families for contributing to our kitchen and pantry. Your generous donations and support are greatly appreciated. We have had many people asking what we still need.

DONATIONS

Our pantry is growing well, we have enough flours and sugar for now. We still require salt, pepper and spices such as cumin seeds, coriander seeds, cinnamon sticks, ground cinnamon, baking powder, dry yeast and rice. Our kitchen still requires hand graters or microplane, a set of kitchen scales (not digital), a small food processor and storage containers (all sizes). We are in desperate need of cutlery- butter knives, forks and spoons. We want these so we do not have to use plastic.

Garden donations are also welcome- seeds, seedlings, pavers, sand, pots and bags of potting mix will all be put to great use.

A warm welcome and thanks must also go to our wonderful volunteers- Kellie Brisley, Meagan Hultgren and Jennifer Cowley. We could not have achieved what we have without your time, patience and assistance. We are ALWAYS looking for more helpers to join our team. If you are interested please pop in to the Year Four classrooms and speak with Jacqui or Simone.

Our Kitchen /Garden lessons are going well. The students of Year Four are learning and developing many new skills each week. Check out our new Facebook page- Nashville Kitchen Garden for news and photos.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 2015

Next week Nashville will celebrate World Environment Day on June 5. The theme for this year is ‘SEVEN BILLION DREAMS. ONE PLANET. CONSUME WITH CARE.’

The Eco Council have planned a range of activities to take place next week including lunchtime gardening, garden art and craft and class activities.

Eco Council will be holding a ‘Go Green’ Theme Free Dress Day on Friday June 5. Gold Coin Donation for wearing green/free dress. All money raised will go straight back into our garden to purchase seedlings, soil and mulch.
School Banking Rewards now available! Term 2

These new rewards have just been released for Term 2, and are available while stocks last:

- Invisible Ink Martian Pen
- Rocket

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dolarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for these exclusive School Banking reward items in recognition of their continued savings behaviour. There are 2 new items to come in Term 3 as well!

Remember our school earns 5% commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit).

If your children are not currently involved in the School Banking program and you would like to know more, please ask for a 2015 School Banking program Information Pack from the School office.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and don’t forget that Wednesday is School Banking.

The rewards items available during 2015 are:

- ET DVD, released Term 1
- Planet Handball, released Term 1
- Invisible Ink Martian Pen, released Term 2
- Intergalactic Rocket, released Term 2
- Glow-in-the-Dark Solar System, released Term 3
- Cosmic Light Beam Torch, released Term 3
- Outer Space Savers Money Box, released Term 4
- Lunar Light Band, released Term 4

Skoolbag app...

To receive all up to date information on alerts and events regarding our school, please follow the instructions below to download our NSS skoolbag app.

Please note parents and carers that for student absences, please call our new number 3869 7366. For all other matters, please call 3869 7333.
School News...

“Be safe.
Be a Learner.
Be Respectful.”

HOST FAMILIES

URGENTLY REQUIRED for
JAPANESE STUDENTS
Ritsumeikan Uji JHS (from Kyoto) 14-15 y.o.

ARRIVAL DATE: 23rd Aug (SUN) 2014
DEPARURE DATE: 4th SEP (FRI) 2014
ATTENDING SCHOOL: Nashville SS

HOST FAMILY REQUIREMENTS:
- No other Japanese person staying with the family
- Provide 3 meals per day
- Own bed, but can share a room with a host child
- Over 18’s hold a Blue Card or willing to apply through us
- Safe travel to & from school

Families with children in ANY GRADES are welcome to host

*Single Placement, Remuneration ($490) paid
AUSTRALIA JAPAN STUDY PROGRAMME ( AJSP)
Email: ajspkeiko@gmail.com Ph: 0466 547 549(Keiko)
Website: www.ajsp.net.au

moving Nesby mentors
Next P&C Meeting

A reminder that our next P&C meeting is **Monday June 15 at 7pm in the Teacher's Staff Room**, so do please come along! We will be ramping up our Einbunpin planning and activities, so if you’re interested in getting involved, please attend.

Our Fundraising Goal so far...

Thanks again to all the people who helped make this year’s Mothers’ Day stall a great success – in particular Julie Hamilton and Melina Wales. As a result, we’re now sitting at about **$4410 raised** for the school so far this year (not counting our fabulous Uniform Shop and Tuckshop).

We have many more activities in the pipeline to assist in meeting our Fundraising total, including:

- Entertainment Books (now in June)
- Movie night (see below)
- Last Day of Term Sausage Sizzle (see below)
- Einbunpin Stall (July 26)
- Cookbook sales (up to and including July 26)

and more planned later in the year (Fathers’ Day stall, Japanese Group visit...).

Entertainment Books delayed – new delivery date is June.

Due to overwhelming demand, we’ve been advised that our Entertainment Books have been delayed. They’ll be delivered in June and we are still waiting for a date. We’ll post on the Facebook page, and also on the Skoolbag App when we know more.

Paddington Bear is coming to Nashville...

Well...at least the movie!

**Friday June 19** – put it in your diary. **FOOD from 5pm, and Movie starts at 5.30pm.**

Get those PJs on and get rugged-up and ready for some YUMMY winter food as we watch Paddington Bear the movie for our Term 2 Movie Night. The P&C welcomes donations of desserts and cakes, which can be brought to the hall prior to 5pm. Should you be able to help in cooking meals for the evening, please contact Abby Harvey, Janine Brush, Kirrilly Goodall or Lynda Bundock to let us know. We’ll need helpers to serve on the evening as well. We’ll even have a special Bear as our Lucky Door Prize, so save your coins for raffle tickets.

Celebrate the last day of Term 2 on **Friday June 26** with a P&C Sausage Sizzle! We’ll send a note home so that you can pre-order a YUMMY lunch on the day, and celebrate the end of Term 2 and the start of mid-year holidays! Any volunteers available to assist on the day, please contact Lynda, Abby, Janine or Kirrilly.

Chappy News...

Hi Parents/Guardians

Thank you so much to everyone who supported the pancake breakfast last week! The event raised **$200.80** for Chaplaincy at our school.

Leanne
Cookbook update

We now have more than 125 recipes, and even more up our sleeves in case we need them! What a FANTASTIC response from our school community to make our first-ever Nashville State School Cookbook a success.

The good news continues with generous advertising support from local businesses, so that we have almost covered the costs of production. This means 100% of sales goes directly to school fundraising for computers and iPads – a terrific result. A big thank you to Nick James for his assistance, and also to Jacqui Lindsay for her design skills.

**PRE-ORDER YOUR COPIES NOW!!**

Please visit the P&C Facebook page, or check out the Skoolbag App to download your Cookbook order form.

To ensure we print enough copies, we’d love to know how many you’d like to buy for your family and friends. There is also a discount for 3 copies or more.

Please share the Cookbook order form with your social media contacts, so that we can sell out our first print run!

Einbunpin Festival - Sunday July 26, 2015 – Jams, Chutneys and Jellies Stall

The Einbunpin Festival Committee has chosen the theme: “A Little Bay of Sunshine” for this year’s festival, so we’re hard at work to bring that creative vision to life! If you want to contribute to the jam-making activities, please contact Abby Harvey via the Facebook page, or call her on 0422 355 033 or email on styleline_roofing@yahoo.com.au. **Keep bringing in to the school office:**

White Sugar, Brown Sugar, Pectin (Jam Setter), Apple Cider Vinegar, White Wine Vinegar

Nashville State School gets a new 3 x 6m Marquee just in time for Einbunpin!

Well done to Regina Gleeson for preparing and submitting our Sun Smart grant application, which gave us more than $300 towards the cost of a new Marquee. We’ll get lots of use out of that!

Tuckshop and Uniform Shop News

We’re very pleased to announce that our Tuckshop and Uniform Shop are about to go on-line for your convenience! We recently met with OFFICIAL, who are suppliers of uniforms to our school. They offer the online ordering option across both of these valuable services, which means you’ll also be able to place orders outside normal hours, and also pay using their E-Wallet facility. We’re planning the launch for Term 3, so more information to come!