From the Principal...

Dear parents and carers,

Since our last newsletter we have commenced interviews for prep next year. Our numbers are looking very similar to this year. I think we may still have some siblings in the community that haven’t registered for prep next year. Please don’t leave it until the last minute.

Year 6’s have been attending Bracken Ridge State High School on Wednesday afternoons to participate in their science lessons in the science labs. One of the high school science teachers, Mr Quad, has been taking the students through their races and familiarising the students with some of the equipment that they will be expected to use in high school.

Some of our P-2 classes also recently watched a Year 10 drama class performance at Bracken Ridge State High School. They all reported that they enjoyed the show and the teachers said the efforts of the students was of a very high standard.

Year 3 to 6 have been participating in a Choices program on Thursday afternoons. The students had a choice of a variety of outdoor games, gardening, golf and craft activities.

This week we have had a number of students across the school participating in the Brainways program at Aspley State School. The program this time included Patterns in Problem Solving, Toys in Motion, Mathematical Patterns and Brain Power.

We are trying very hard to ensure all lost property is collected before the holidays. The very large collections of jumpers and tracksuit pants is now much smaller, but there are still many unnamed items that we need to find the owners for. Please keep checking and encourage your child to check the lost property.

The students from Ritsumeikan Uji High School in Kyoto have made it back home safely and are back at school. On their last day they went to Mt Cootha and the Gold Coast on the way to the airport. By all reports their cultural experience in our community was very successful and met their expectations and beyond. Of the 10 schools that hosted students from this school, Nashville had the highest percentage of host families from the school. Many of the involved schools were much bigger than our school. Thank you to the host families and the enthusiasm shown from the whole community. We are hoping to host again next year. If you are thinking about being a host family and have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

The Premier’s Reading Challenge has finished for the year and we once again had 100% participation. We look forward to receiving our certificates very soon. What Nashville style!!
Last week we celebrated Staff Support Week. We took the opportunity to thank all of our support staff for their great efforts – without them we wouldn’t have clean work areas, the phones wouldn’t get answered, the bills wouldn’t be paid, the students wouldn’t be playing on mowed grass and working in maintained buildings and the students wouldn’t be supported in classes with their learning. Thank you to all of our support staff – we can’t do our jobs as teachers without you all.

For Active School Travel, this Friday is ride your scooter to school day.

Thank you for the P&C for the fun night last Friday night. We sure did “Let it Glow”

Next term commences on Tuesday 6 October, due to a public holiday on the Monday. There is also a Pupil Free Day on Monday 19th October. I will be on Long Service Leave for the first two weeks of next term, and Mrs Allison Christian will be acting principal during this time.

Have a great holiday,
Tracey

Hoc News...

Thank you for a great term of learning. Have a fun holiday and I will see you next term.

Allison

Chappy News ...

Hello Parents/Carers!

I hope you have had a lovely school term and that you have a safe and restful holiday! If you are looking for something for your children to do, Bracken Ridge Baptist Church is running a school holiday club which runs from 29th September to 1st October. Cost is $10 per day per child, and runs from 9am to 3pm. Events include a disco, sports, a carnival. I will be attending all three days. Please note, as a church is running this event they will be discussing topics relating to Christianity.

See you next term!
Leanne
The Prep 1 Wise Owls had a very busy time last week. On Tuesday, along with the other Prep to Year 2 students, we walked up to Bracken Ridge High School to watch a Clown presentation by the Year 10 drama students. We were thoroughly entertained by acts ranging from juggling, gymnastics, hoops, ribbons and slapstick comedy. It was a polished and professional performance that was enjoyed by everyone.

On Wednesday the Fun with Maths Show was a great chance to explore mathematical problems in a fun, hands on way. We enjoyed solving a range of challenges with the help of a partner.

On Thursday we went outside and enjoyed the beautiful Spring weather by participating in the annual Skipathon. It was a fun way to exercise with lots of music and laughter.

Finally on Friday evening we got our “Glow On” and danced the evening away at a school disco. A great way to end the week.

This week we have lots of class members at the Brainwaves program at different times, so we will be celebrating the end of a great term of learning and hard work with a Teddy Bear’s Picnic on Wednesday.
P & C News...

Next P&C Meeting

Please note that there will be NO P&C meeting in September due to school holidays. The next meeting will be on Monday October 19th, which coincides with the pupil free day.

Fundraising Update:

Thank you to all families who have supported our fundraising efforts lately.

Our fabulous Fathers’ Day stall raised more than $1200 and despite smaller numbers than usual, our Let It Glow dance raised about $1250, so we’re really grateful to all of those who have donated goods, wrapped presents, manned stalls, helped in the kitchen, cooked food, and just generally been there to lend a hand.

Cookbook update

A reminder that you can purchase copies at the office or at the uniform shop - for you or for great gifts - $20 for one or two, $17.50 for three or more.

Uniform Shop

Chenani is also looking for some assistance in the Uniform shop. She currently has no back up, and needs to train someone to fill in for her if needed. The uniform shop is open Monday 8.30am - 9.00am and Wednesday 2.00pm - 2.40pm. This is a great way to give back to the school community. If you can spare time at other times, then let us know and we can look at alternate opening hours.

Toy Catalogues

Have you placed your orders for Christmas yet?

The school makes 20 cents in every dollar, so how about doing all your toy purchasing from these catalogues and help the school at the same time.

Copies will be available to view at the school office as well.

Preserves and Jams still available to order

There are still Preserves, James, Marmalades, Jelliles, Relishes, Chutneys, Sauces and Cumquats available to order.

The order form is available on the Facebook page, or contact Abby Harvey to order on 0422 355 033.

Happy Holidays Everyone! See you in Term 4
PE News...

Swimming Term 4, 2015
Year 3 students will be participating in the Swimming Program for the first 4 weeks of Term 4. Sessions will be conducted at Sandgate State School pool. Year 5 & 5/6 classes will be participating in the Water Safety & Survival Skills Program for the first 3 weeks of Term 4, also at Sandgate State School pool. Please return permission slips and make payment as soon as possible before commencement of swimming to attend.

Skipathon
Congratulations to all students, families and staff members who participated in the Student Council Skipathon. Please return your green sponsor forms and money as soon as possible. Thank you!

WILLIAMS, Susan

School News ...

Commonwealth Bank School Banking Update – Please Read
Following the decision last month to recall the Cosmic Light Beam Torch due to a potential safety issue, a decision has been made to also withdraw the upcoming Lunar Light Band reward from the School Banking Rewards Program.
To avoid disappointment there is a new reward item available for redemption in Term 4 while stocks last. Students can now test their skills with a game of frisbee with the new Galaxy Glider!
Once students have collected 10 tokens, they can simply include a note, along with their 10 tokens in their deposit wallet on banking day to advise that they would like to redeem their tokens for the Galaxy Glider reward item.
Don’t forget the Outer Space Savers Money Box is also available in Term 4.
Challenge yourself at Nashville SS this September holidays

Jabiru Kids Nashville has planned a great program of activities for the September holidays.

With a varied program of science, sport, craft and cooking fun, this will be a holiday to remember!

Look out for the special Minecraft Dance Workshop and an excursion to Inflatable World on Friday 25 September. Plus brain training, terrarium making, tournament day and a Hawaiian luau.

Jabiru Kids Nashville opens from 6am to 6pm over the holidays. We even serve breakfast!

**Try a day for free:** if you haven’t tried Jabiru before, join us for a free day of holiday fun. Just mention this article when you book.

The full program is available from Jabiru Nashville or online at [http://www.jabiru.org.au/kids](http://www.jabiru.org.au/kids)

Jabiru vacation care is cheaper than you think, especially for people entitled to Child Care Benefit: call Jabiru for a quote on 3269 0044.

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Sandgate District State High School would like to invite families who are yet to enrol their child in Year 7 in 2016, to please collect an enrolment pack, which is available from your Primary School office. Upon completion of all relevant paperwork please contact the Enrolment Officer on 3869 9888 to arrange an interview time, as places are filling fast.

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**Brighton Bulldogs Annual Gala Day**

Saturday 10 October 2015, 3.30pm - 9.00pm
Wakefield Park, Wickham Street, Brighton

- 3.30pm: Centres open - food and drinks available
- 4.00pm: Dignitaries welcomed & Club trophies presented
- 4.15pm: Rides Commence
- 7.00pm: Fireworks Spectacular

- Food, drinks, ladies, snow cones and glow products available for sale.
- Bar and Coffee Van available.
- Attractions including Train Carriage, Rock Climbing, Speed Racer, Giant Chairs. Rides assess for $12.00 on the day / individual tickets $3.00 per ride.
- Inflatable Football Field provided by Brisbane Roar.
- Face painting, Hacks Mirrors, Still Zone, and Lucky Strike - all the fun of the fair.
- A Cent Auction will be held with great family prizes including activities vouchers, toys, pamper packs and much more.
- Bring your picnic blanket and camp chairs.
- Fireworks sponsored by Dragan Ward through the Lord Mayor Suburban Initiative Fund.