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14 October
Yr 5/6 Nudgee Beach Excursion

15 October
Years 3, 5 & 6 Swimming

16 October
Morning in prep Tour for 2016 preps 9am—10.30am

19 October
Pupil Free Day

21 October
Yr 5/6 Nudgee Beach Excursion

22 October
Years 3, 5 & 6 Swimming

28 October
Yr 4 Nudgee Beach Excursion

29 October
Year 3 Swimming

30 October
Brave Hearts Show 12pm Prep to Yr 3

From the (Acting) Principal ...

Welcome back to Term 4!

As I consider all of the wonderful upcoming events that Term 4 holds – it really will be a blink of an eye before the end of year festivities are upon us. However, we have already made a busy start to the term with our Preps having had their excursion to Nudgee Beach last week. Next week it is Year 5’s turn followed by Year 6 on Wednesday of week 3 (21 October).

Term 4 Swimming Program has also commenced and will continue for the next four weeks on Thursdays for students in Years 3, 5 and 6. All participating students have paid – please see the office if you have not yet paid, but would like your student in these year levels to participate in school swimming this term. The last day of the program is Thursday 29 October.

We will be welcoming our 2016 Preps and their families next Friday morning for a walk through of the Prep area and a school tour to help them familiarise with the Nashville school layout. I am sure our friendly Prep students will be very welcoming and show our newcomers what great learners they are!

Mrs McKenzie has been very busy with our Prep extension program that is now underway on Wednesday’s in 2nd break. This is a robotics program called “Bee-Bot” for those Preps participating to extend their problem solving skills. What a great opportunity that both Mrs Pawsey and Mrs McKenzie have put in place for our youngsters!

Another great opportunity for our younger students is the commencement of a Junior Choir on Friday mornings at 1st Break. This is for interested students in Years 2 and 3 who would love to participate and become introduced to the ways of being in a choir. Mrs Grant is hopeful that our Junior Choir will make their debut performance at the end of year school concert.

Our Year 4 students are once again busy in the garden and the kitchen with the help of Mrs Keates, Mrs Lewis and many keen parents. Mrs McKenzie and Mrs Stiler also make a huge contribution to the ongoing wellbeing of our school gardens which is necessary for the long term maintenance for our produce to flourish. We will soon have a date for a garden working bee where all parents will be invited to share the care for our gardens – before the weather becomes too hot!

Year 5 students are very busy getting themselves ready to become leaders at Nashville in 2016. Over the coming four weeks they are looking at demonstrating their abilities and skills in leadership to the teaching staff. The students collect signatures from teaching staff on various aspects of leadership. These include their participation in making an effort to support school activities, wear appropriate uniform and and their commitment to working hard with their learning.

If you are up in the office area, please take the time to view the wonderful poems from our ½ class (Mrs Lyndon). I am sure you will be very impressed with the great work our students have created. It won’t be there for long until the Year 5s have their display up in a fortnight’s time.
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Last term I presented a series on Reading and how to support your child at home. I hope you found this information useful.

I am looking forward to presenting a parent information session on reading with Anita Dodd, our Learning Support Teacher and Master Teacher and Jeanette Pawsey, our Teacher Librarian. Although this is planned to occur later in the term, I am hoping that the summer break might give families the opportunity during this more informal time to spend some time doing some useful and fun activities that will maintain established reading skills through the long break.

Nashville is committed to Education Queensland aims to support student progress. Our region, Metropolitan, has chosen reading as the skill to invest time and money in with the aim of progressing reading results. This aim is important to support improve both academic achievement in all learning areas, particularly in Maths disciplines, but vital for future life outcomes of our students. All teachers at Nashville are working within the region’s frameworks and pedagogies to deliver stronger results and improve student outcomes in this area.

Our team looks forward to continue to work together with you, our parents to listen to your input about your child as a reader – as well as provide useful information and strategies for home as we share the goal of each child having both high expectations – and accessing the support that is required for these to be achieved.

Mrs Allison Christian
Be safe. 
Be a Learner. 
Be Respectful.”

Library News …

Our well-resourced library is always a hive of activity. Students flock to our Resource Centre during first and second break to use the computers, read books, create and share ideas. This term we have our yearly Book Fair which starts in week 3. Please see the table below for details. Everyone is welcome. We accept cash and Eftpos payment.

Class Timetable to view Book Fair Books and complete Wish List
Friday 23rd October : Library

| Year 1/2          | 8.40-9.00 |
| Year Prep B       | 9.00-9.20 |
| Year Prep /1      | 9.20-9.40 |
| Morning Tea       | 10.20-10.40 |
| Year 1B           | 11.20-11.40 |
| Year 4B and 4Y    | 11.40-12.00 |
| Year Prep Y       | 12.00-12.20 |
| Year 3Y and 3B    | 12.20-12.40 |
| Year 5 and 5/6    | 12.40-1.00 |

2015 Book Fair Sales Timetable

Library

| Thursday 22nd October (week 3) | 2.40-3.30pm |
| Friday 23rd October (week 3)   | 8.00-8.40am  |
| LIBRARY CLOSED during first and second break. Students can purchase books if they bring money to school. | 2.40-3.30pm |
| Monday 26th October (week 4)   | 8.00-8.40am |
| LIBRARY CLOSED during first and second break. Students can purchase books if they bring money to school. | 2.40-3.30pm |
| Tuesday 27th October (week 4)  | 8.00-8.40am |
| LIBRARY CLOSED during first and second break. Students can purchase books if they bring money to school. | 2.40-3.30pm |
| Wednesday 28th October (week 4) | 8.00-8.40am |
| LIBRARY CLOSED during first and second break. Students can purchase books if they bring money to school. | 2.40-3.30pm |

Pack up Book Fair Books
P & C News...

Next P&C Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday October 19th, at 7pm in the Teacher’s Lounge. This coincides with the pupil free day. Please do come along, as we will be starting to talk about plans for 2016 (already!). We look forward to seeing you there.

Movie Night – Save the Date – Friday November 13th:

We’ll be having our Term 4 Movie Night on Friday November 13th. The movie title is still a secret, and we’ll let you know closer to the time. The P&C will be providing food and movie snacks on the evening, so please bring your families along and support the school. Any donations of desserts and treats will be gratefully accepted.

Christmas Movie at Einbunpin Lagoon for ‘Christmas in Sandgate’ – December 5.

The Christmas in Sandgate team will be holding their annual event at Einbunpin lagoon on Saturday December 5. The movie will be Paddington, which will screen at 7.15pm. Festivities start from 4pm. The Nashville P&C will have a stall as part of the event, to sell our jams, preserves, chutneys, cookbooks, and any other Christmas goodies that we can bake and make between now and then. Please let us know if you’d like to bake some Christmas goodies for us to sell. Contact any of the P&C members about your ideas.

Cookbook update

A reminder that you can purchase copies of the Cookbook at the office, or at the uniform shop or at selected local businesses - for you or for great gifts - $20 for one or two, $17.50 for three or more. Cookbooks now available at The Guardian Pharmacy, Venus Skin and Beauty, Sar Hair, Generations Coffee Shop, and Everybodies Physio near Brighton IGA.

A big THANK YOU to these fantastic local businesses for supporting us in this way.

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is open Monday 8.30am - 9.00am and Wednesday 2.00pm - 2.40pm. Chenani is also looking for some assistance - someone to train who can fill in for her. If you can spare a couple of hours per week, then we’d be most grateful.

Stay tuned for more news after our October meeting next Monday ….
Year 3 Class News...

Term four is proving to be another busy and exciting term with new units to cover in our key learning areas, book fairs, testing, swimming, report cards and end of year concerts.

This term we are continuing to work with new slides in our English and Mathematics warm ups and are looking forward to a focus on spelling and developing our compound and complex sentence structure in our writing.

Home reading has again been a focus area this term and students are all working hard to maintain the high number of home reading sessions we had last term. Many class members have read beyond 200 home reading sessions and are proudly wearing their home reading wrist bands.

We look forward to another exciting term at Nashville and are thoroughly enjoying sharing in the learning journey of your child.

Enjoy term four.

Sharon Butler and Miren Hewitt

Prep to Year 3 Braveheart program flyer

Ditto’s Keep Safe Adventure Education Program

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

On Fri 30th Oct 2015 your child will have the opportunity to experience our Personal Safety Education Program “The Ditto Show”. Bravehearts are extremely proud of this program and believe that by providing children with the basic principles of personal safety, we are providing them with the tools to stay safe.

Just as teaching children the road rules cannot guarantee our children’s safety on the roads, no program can guarantee to “abuse proof” our children. But, by teaching them the principles of personal safety we are giving them the knowledge they need to stay safe and know what to do if anything goes wrong.

The ‘Ditto Show’s live performance with ‘Ditto’ being the star attraction. The show runs for 35 minutes (and we have a 20 minute one for our under 5’s). The cost of the performance is $8.00 per child.

Our program has been delivered throughout other states in Australia since 2006 empowering over 300,000 children.

‘Ditto’, the Bravehearts mascot comes to life as the star of Ditto’s Keep Safe Adventure Education Program to ensure the program is delivered in a fun, interactive and engaging manner.

Specially written songs for the show include ‘Private Parts’ and ‘Fun and Tell Someone You Can Trust’. These catchy songs and our experience shows children are remembering them in the same way they remember common nursery rhymes. Feedback from schools and centres has indicated that children are singing the songs in the playground. Ditto’s Keep Safe Adventure Program and resources are NOT SEX EDUCATION. Private Parts are simply explained as the words (we don’t just go around kissing anywhere) the chest, between the legs and our bottoms. The main aim of the program is to enhance children’s emotional literacy.

The findings of an independent evaluation suggest that the delivery of the principles embedded in this program can reduce the prevalence of not only child sexual assault, but also other forms of abuse including family violence and bullying, in a range of settings.

Topics covered throughout the show consists of ‘Yes’ & ‘No’ Feelings. The Body’s Warning Signs, Private Parts, Secrets and what to do if you feel unsure or unsafe.

If you do plan with your child to attend the show please notify your school/centre. Should you have any questions about the program please do not hesitate to contact our Head Office on 07 5582 3000. For information on attending our Parent/Teacher Information Session, please contact your school for availability & times.

PARENTS WELCOME!

Kind regards,

Bravehearts Education Team

WWW.Bravehearts.org.au
Welcome back to term 4. This term is going to be very busy over here at Jabiru. We are going to start Fitness for Kids with Many on a Friday afternoon so if you would like to come join us please give us a call. We have a variety of different crafts and activities for the children to enjoy. Parents please remember it is a Pupil Free day on Monday 19th October we will be open for the day if you need care for your child/children. If you would like to contact Kym on 3869 3925 or Mob 0438 542 817 to book your place so you do not miss out.

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The P&C Association offers a number of bursaries to students joining the school community as Year 7 students in 2016. Exemplary achievement in the areas of Academic, Sporting and The Arts will be recognised and six (6) bursaries allocated across these areas.

If you are interested in applying for a bursary, complete the application available from the school website or school office, and return all documents to Bracken Ridge State High School, Administration Office, in an envelope clearly marked ‘BURSARY APPLICATION’ no later than Friday 13 November, 2015. Any further queries contact: Mr Ben Huxley [Deputy Principal, Junior Secondary]

Applications will be forwarded to the school panel for consideration.

Successful applicants will be entitled to one (1) bursary only. The successful applicants will be notified by 30 November, 2015. The panel’s decision will be final.

Mr M Norton, P&C President/Mrs R Garrick, Principal