**Principal’s Report**

How wonderful it was to see all the grandparents and friends on Friday. It was fantastic to have so many people turn up and brave the heat! It never ceases to amaze me how large and supportive the Burke Ward family is – well done everyone!

With the weather getting warmer, please ensure your child is sun safe and also brings a water bottle to school. We encourage children to drink plenty of water throughout the day and to apply sunscreen. Remember that if your child doesn’t have a hat on, they need to play in a sheltered area or go to the library.

I was thrilled to meet so many Little Burkies last week! Thank you to Mrs Ryan for her wonderful organisation of our orientation/transition to Kindergarten program. Our year 5 students are assisting in the delivery of the program and they have also been doing a wonderful job. Great job Burkies!

Our teachers are busy writing end of year reports. It’s always a busy time of year and we’ll send more details about the reports and how they are written in the near future.

I will be attending a Principal’s conference in Mildura this week as part of the far west network of schools. Mr Stephenson will be relieving Principal from Wednesday until Friday.

Have a wonderful week.

Brad Lyne
Principal

“When your mother asks, "Do you want a piece of advice?"

it's a mere formality. It doesn't matter if you answer yes or no.

You're going to get it anyway.”
5/6 Dinner Meeting
There will be a 5/6 Dinner meeting on **Tuesday, 4th November** at 3:05pm in the 6J classroom. This meeting is to discuss final decisions on decorations.

Burke Ward P&C Shopping Spree
**Thursday 20th November**
Ladies, would you like to do your Christmas shopping and take advantage of up to 20% discount?

Our P&C “Shopping Spree” is on again!

**Thursday, 20th November.** Starting time is **6:15pm** sharp.
The event is a shopping spree with a difference. Thirteen stores in the CBD are participating, with teams of shoppers visiting each store. The teams will spend thirteen minutes in a store, then move on to the next one, visiting all thirteen stores. The P&C will be offering refreshments at each store and after we are all shopped out we will all enjoy each other’s company at the Workingmen’s Club for hot nibbles and raffles.

Tickets are $25 each ($30 if purchased on the night). Get a team together or join a team for a night of fun. Tickets can be purchased from Kerri Johnstone by phoning 0428 857 342.

SRC “When I Grow Up” Day
The SRC are holding a “When I Grow Up” day on **Thursday, 6th November**. Come along to school dressed as what you would like to be when you grow up. Please bring along a gold coin donation.

Canteen Helpers Needed
The canteen is in need of more helpers. If you are able to help out in any way please contact Sam on 8087 8403.
**Lost Property**

As we approach the end of the year please come in to the front office and check through the lost property box for any of your child’s belongings. At the end of the year ALL items of lost property will be donated to Lifeline. Please remember how important it is to clearly label your child’s belongings with their name. This includes lunch boxes, water bottles, hats and anything else that is brought to school.

**Swim School**

Notes have been sent home for our 2014 swim school. Burke Ward Swim School is offered to students in years 2, 3 and 4 who are unable to swim 25 metres using a recognised stroke. Swim School takes place at the Silver City Swim Club Pool in Newton Street. Available places in Swim School have been limited to 100 students. The cost is $30 for ten days, which covers the cost of entry to the pool. Swim School commences on Monday, 17th November and will conclude on Friday, 28th November.

**Contact Details for 2015**

Please ensure all your current details are up to date. If you have changed any of the following please contact the school on **8088 4700** to enable us to update your child’s records.

- Address
- Phone Number
- Mobile Number
- Emergency Contact details
- Medical Details
- Other Parent Details if they require copies of correspondence, reports etc.

**5/6 Dinner Cake Stall**

A cake stall will be held on **Thursday, 13th November** to raise funds for the 5/6 Dinner Dance. Students in years 5 and 6 will need to bring in some cakes, cookies or toffees to sell at the cake stall. Cakes can be brought to the AV room on Thursday morning. Thank you for your support!
Did you know?
If your child misses as little as eight days in a school term, by the end of primary school they will have missed a year of education!

Leaving Burke Ward in 2015?
In order to organise classes for next year it helps to know if your child/children will not be attending Burke Ward in 2015. Please notify the front office or ring 8088 4700 if you will be leaving at the end of the year.

Reminder

Thursday 13th Nov – PRIDE Assembly
Monday 17th to Friday 28th Nov – Swim School
        Monday 17th Nov – P&C AGM
Thursday 20th Nov – P&C Shopping Spree
Thursday 20th to Thursday 27th Nov – Life Ed Van
        Monday 24th Nov – Prefect Elections
        Friday 28th Nov – Year 6 Picnic Day
Wednesday 3rd Dec – Presentation Night
Friday 5th Dec – Teddy Bear’s Picnic (K to 2)
        Tuesday 9th Dec – Infants Concert
        Thursday 11th Dec - 5/6 Dinner
        Friday 12th Dec – PRIDE Party
        Monday 15th Dec – Talent Quest
        Tuesday 16th Dec – Class Party Day
Wednesday 17th Dec – Last day of School for 2014

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