

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As we come to the end of term 3, I take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and safe holidays. School resumes on Monday 11th October for staff and students.

We are actively seeking committed parents to join the Burbridge School Board. The role of the Burbridge School Board is to provide strategic guidance and monitoring of the school's performance. It supports the school in increasing effective autonomy and flexibility to further improve the quality of whole school programs. The last Burbridge School Board meeting and AGM was unable to be held and has been rescheduled due to the lack of a quorum.

In 2021 School Board meetings occurred week 5 of each term on Monday morning 9am - 10am. Parent representation on the Board is integral to our IPS status. The **Burbridge School Board Annual General Meeting (AGM) will now be held Monday 18 October 2021 at 9 am** in the Burbridge School Conference Room.

This term has been full of many great events, achievements and change. One big change is that the Burbridge uniforms are now being outsourced to Tutor Uniforms in Wangara.

As you may have heard, all Western Australians aged 12 to 15 are now eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine. The Department of Health has also announced it is offering allocated times for school students aged 16 years and over and school-based staff to access WA Health clinics. More information about clinic locations can be found on the HealthyWA website. If you have any questions or concerns about vaccinating your child, please visit the HealthyWA website.

Thank you for your support in keeping our students, staff and community safe.

Joanne Gordon - Principal

Dancing, dancing dancing!

A special mention to Burbridge student Kaitlin and one of our teachers Annabel Lindsay-Smith.

Kaitlin and Annabel will be dancing together at Telethon on Sunday 17 October this year. They will also be competing together the following weekend on 23rd October in the West Australian Dance Sport State Championship. Good luck girls.



SunSmart Schools recognise that UV levels peak in the middle of the day and that as the UV Index rises, the associated risk of skin damage also increases.

Burbridge School is a Sun Smart school and we have recently revised our Sun Smart Policy in-line with the recommendations from the Cancer council of WA and Sun Smart.

Please make sure to always pack a hat in your child's bag, this helps us to be Sun Smart. If you would like a copy of the schools Sun Smart policy please contact us or visit our website.

IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE

- Friday 24 September 2021: Last day of Term 3, and Footie Colours Dress Up & Sausage Sizzle.
- Monday 11 October 2021: Term 4 commences.
All students back to school today.
- Friday 22 October 2021: Area C2 Assembly.
- Thursday 4 November: Parents Morning Tea & Immunisation catch ups year 7.
- Monday 08 November 2021: 9am to 10am Final Board Meeting 2021.
- Thursday 11 November 2021: Area B Excursion—AQWA.

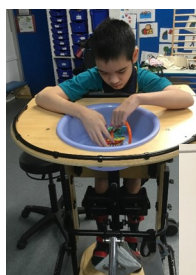


On Tuesday 7th September, C2 participated in the annual Education Support North Junior Sport carnival. It was a lovely warm day, clear skies with a slight breeze, just perfect for running around the oval. It was very impressive seeing the students, who pushed through the hot afternoon with all their might, complete the races. It was an added bonus to see so many of our families come and support their children. A huge thank you to Beldon Education Support Centre for hosting this event. We can't wait for next year!

Hazel Kelly

AREA E MOVE PROGRAM

In Area E we work very hard on our "Mobility Opportunities Via Education" (MOVE) program trying hard to meet and exceed our goals each day. Here is a sample of what we have been doing each day.



Jim Barber



Uniforms are now ordered On-Line with Tudor Uniforms

Tudor will open exclusively for Burbridge School on Saturday 29th January from 2.30pm to 4.30pm. This will allow you to shop in a calm quiet environment ready for 2022. A reminder will be sent out in term 4.

Make sure you visit the Burbridge School Website:

<https://www.burbridgeschool.wa.edu.au> or Go to: "For Parents / School Uniforms".

You will find: How to Order sheet, Catalogue, Price List and Uniform Shop Location guide to help you with your orders.

To order go to: www.tudoruniforms.com.au and Click: *Shop My School, and follow the prompts.*

There are still a small amount of older stock (discounted) here on-site. Be quick before it all goes.



R U Okay Day!

Area A participated in R U OK Day on Thursday 9th September. We watched a song on YouTube and children sang about different feelings. When asked "Are you ok today?", students discussed different feelings using their AACs and glued different emotions onto blank 'person' templates to show that we all feel different every day and that this is ok. Finally, we asked students how they were feeling and we wrote their responses on their sheets.

Jenny Doubikin

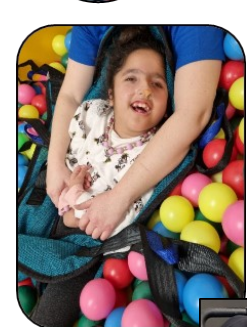
AREA B



Area B has had many exciting events in Term 3. We have started to visit Area C on Friday mornings for MOVE, Story Time and Sensory Activities. During Science Week we did 2 different Science experiments together in Area C.

Now that the ball pit has moved into the MSE room, the students enjoy the sensory aspect of the ball pit feeling the balls move around them. Other events which Area B have been involved in was visiting the chicks at the beginning of term along with recently dressing up for Book Week.

An exciting event that will be happening in Term 4 is our Excursion to AQWA on the 11th November. We can't wait to see the sharks swim above our heads and feel the starfish in the touch pool.



During Book Week this year, students and staff participated in a range of activities and experiences. We enjoyed a live stream incursion from Perform Education who shared stories and songs with us via our screens.

We also entered our space reading den in the library for a sensory story with Kylie and finished the week off with our annual Book Week parade celebrations which were great fun!

Thanks to everyone for being involved in our Book Week for 2021.



Declan, Firman, Heaven & Jessica had a big day when attending the NDIS Transition Expo hosted by Burbridge, on Wednesday 18th August 2021 at the John Moloney Clubrooms in Marangaroo.

The students held an amazing stall to showcase and sell their wares. The students enjoyed the entire experience and did us proud with communicating effectively with the wider community using their Augmented and Alternative Communication Devices (AAC). They were also all very excited with their sales for the day 😊



We had about 14 NDIS providers holding individual stalls which provided an opportunity for families from Burbridge School and the wider community to increase their understanding of the types of supports available to them. We were also very privileged to have Gaelen Williams from APM Communities, present on the NDIS employment and Specialised Job Customisation Approach.

A special thank you to parents and carers, Gaelen and the NDIS providers for supporting this event with your attendance and participation. We value your feedback and look forward to holding another Expo in 2022.

Colette Bailey



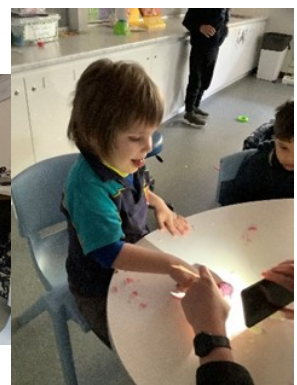
West Coast Eagles Visit

On Wednesday 25th August, Burbridge School was buzzing with excitement in anticipation for the 'All Stars' program. The blue and gold colours which took over the school on the day was impressive and provided a very warm welcome for our Eagles player. We were fortunate to have Xavier O'Neill from the West Coast Eagles visit for the afternoon. Xavier spent time kicking footballs with students and staff, signing posters and of course taking many photos!

The smiles on everyone's faces appeared endless and lots of fun was had. We will certainly be putting our hands up to do it again in 2022 should the opportunity arise.

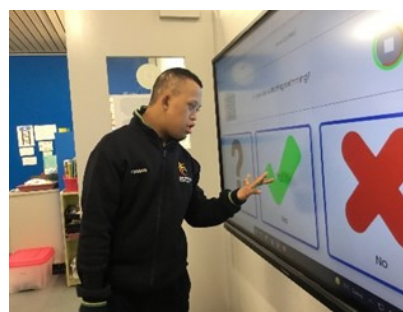


During week 5 students at Burbridge participated in Science Week. This year's theme was "Food Different by Design" and it was all about food science and technology. This was incorporated into the students cooking lessons where the students made frozen yoghurt and performed an experiment with hidden colours using bi-carb soda. In the classrooms students had the opportunity to mix ingredients to see popcorn "dance" in a cup and observe how light changes as it is shined through different colours and sizes of jelly.



AREA F

Our class enjoys a variety of activities during the week with the senior students preparing for their post school life. Students are working on daily living skills in the Independent Living Centre (ILC), in the teaching kitchen and in the vegetable garden. Some students are preparing to work in their own micro-business and others are preparing for work in the community. We followed the Olympics and Paralympics with the wheelchair racing being the favourite event. In the middle of the day we spend time working on the fitness equipment to keep our bodies active and healthy. At the end of each day we go to the MSE room and ball pit as a reward for all of the work done during the day.



Suzette Irvine

Area J has been busy this Term! We have been focusing on learning our letters and sounds. The students have been looking for objects that start with the first letter of their name and showing their classmates. Here are some of the things the students found in the class or around school.

Ali: Apple

Aby: Ankle

Blayze: Ball and book

Daniel: Door and desk

Jessica: Jumper and Jump
Jam

Heaven: Hugs and hair

Sadie: Shoes and socks

Shaylee: Shirt

Tase: Tree



Our students have been learning to talk about books they like to read and deliver news about things they do on the weekend or at school. Some of their favourite things to talk about are their visits to the ball pit, the friends they play with at lunch and going out with their family on the weekend.

We have been very impressed with our superstars in Area J. We look forward to seeing what they achieve next.

Mayor's Christmas Appeal



For two decades the Mayor's Christmas Appeal has been helping people who are going through tough times have a brighter Christmas by providing local families with hampers made up of donated goods.



Through the generosity of local schools, community groups, businesses and residents - the City of Wanneroo is able to distribute hampers to a large number of families identified by various charitable organisations.

Burbridge School will have a donation bin delivered in late October 2021 for your donations.

If you have any non-perishable foods to donate please bring them in:

Christmas cakes/puddings/fruit mine pies, cakes, cake mixes, biscuits, nuts, crackers, chips, pasta, sauce, tinned foods (sweet and savoury), Jams, spreads, tea, coffee, sugar, cereals, rice, noodles, chocolates, muesli bars etc.