

# **GEORGE BASS SCHOOL**

# NEWSLETTER

Week 5 Term 4 2018

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We have reached the middle of Term 4 for 2018. At this time our teaching staff are preparing school reports and completing their final assessments of student learning for the year. Also at this time we are beginning the preparation for a number of key events, including our presentation day and school graduation. It is a very busy time.

Our school athletics carnival was held in week 3, giving our students an excellent opportunity to engage in track and field events representing their houses. Each of our students performed really well, supported by some of the senior students from Bass High School. Thank you to the organising team who put together such a great event, and to the parents who dressed their children in house colours.

Our school swimming carnival took place on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. I was particularly pleased to be able to participate in each day of the carnival supporting our students in the water during each of their activities. The activities included races, searching and diving activities and communication opportunities. I can honestly say each of our students had a wonderful time competing with each other and working with their teams. The staff did a great job putting together our first swimming carnival and the overwhelming feedback is that we need to have this event each year.

Our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual trivia night was also a huge success. Thank you to everyone who attended the event to raise funds for our 'Immersive Room'. It was a great event that was supported by our local community offering donations for prizes for the night, and for the raffle. Our P&C played a particularly large part of the night by cooking the food throughout the day and the evening. They are such a committed and hard working group that contribute exceptionally to our school. Our whole team and community raised over \$12000 that will go to the overall costs of having the room installed. Thank you to everyone for your contributions, particularly the organising team and sub-committees who made it such a fun evening for everyone to enjoy, and for me to host.

## **BURRU CLASS**

This term, Burru class wants to celebrate! We have achieved so much this year and both I and Athena are so proud!

Alex has become a champion with his independent walking! Wah Eh has become a brilliant dancer, Amal a champion soccer player, Peter a brilliant explorer, Jad a creative chef, Imad a brave performer and Rayhan a great communicator! And Burru a class of stars!

Our final term will be active! We have already excelled in the athletics carnival. Leading the yellow house onto a courageous 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Last week we had the swimming carnival where we once again shined!

We still have a few more surprises in store for the class and lots of fun games to play!

Thank you to all the parents of Burru class for all your support this year. Our great successes couldn't have happened without your ongoing understanding and commitment to our programs!



#### A reminder to download the **Skoolbag App**



#### IMPORTANT DATES

Thursdays @ 9:45 School assembly

Tuesdays School banking

Wednesday 14 Nov @ 9:30 P&C Meeting

Friday 23 Nov Schools Spectacular

Wednesday 5 Dec Yr 12 Graduation & Formal

Thursday 13 Dec @9:30 Presentation Day

Wednesday 19 Dec Student last day Term 4 2018

Wednesday 30 Jan Students return Term 1 2019



#### **BURRA CLASS**

We are in Term 4 already! There has been an abundance of energy and enthusiasm from our students in Burra who have displayed endless interest in participating in the wonderful activities we have had on offer at George Bass. Burra had a wonderful time participating in the athletics carnival; being part of the winning house colour, Freeman. They enjoyed discussing throwing, javelin, sprints and the egg and spoon race. We went trick or treating with Mogra class and the students loved exchanging sweet treats. Last week we had the opportunity to partake in the swimming carnival at George Bass.

The students are becoming more independent in the classroom which has encouraged a harmonious class group of extremely active learners. We have set up a wonderful sensory area that Burra students are encouraged to visit after their set tasks are completed. They are creating wonderful art pieces, exploring sensory items like sand and plasticine and simply having a time in the day where they are able to explore their sensory needs. This has been a fantastic addition to our program.

Until next time...

Sarine, Aljaye, Marvin, Ari, Fatima, Omar, Sean, Mariam, Elvis, Tina and Rita.

#### KARUK CLASS

What a fantastic start to Term 4. Now that Louise has become Relieving Deputy Principal (in Toula's absence), Mel is happily teaching Karuk class 5 days a week, which is jam packed full of fun activities.

Yusuf enjoys the sports program, especially bicycle education, and follows the safety rule to wear a helmet when riding a bike. Rafay and Robert are continuing to use their iPhones and iPads to communicate, focus on tasks, and make choices to enhance their learning experiences. Ricky and Lachlan are working hard to earn PBL stars and are learning all about the George Bass School Positive Behaviour for Learning Values with fun mini lessons throughout the day.

A busy term lies ahead and everyone is looking forward to the exciting activities and events to come.



# **KULA CLASS**

What a fantastic start to Term 4 for Kula class! Students have been enjoying our hands-on activities and settling back into routines and class programs.

We have been starting the day with our breakfast program, where students choose what types of foods they would like to have for breakfast, what spreads they would like and even how they would like their food to be cut up!

In English, we have been reading the storybook of 'I'm Green and I'm Grumpy' and re-enacting the story using props

In mathematics we are learning about geometry and how we are surrounded by geometrical shapes in our everyday lives (round plates, rectangular egg cartons and milk cartons, heart-shaped chocolate boxes, triangular clothes hanger).

Students loved taking part in the swimming carnival with lots of our classmates earning medallions!











# **P&C NEWS**

Move-a-thon was a great day and raised \$1045. Without the support of our very generous families that would not be possible. Thank you all so much. To the staff that organised the equipment to ensure the event ran smoothly, very much appreciated as always.

Thank you to all our superstar volunteers that contributed towards making the kitchen run smoothly on Trivia night. We can't thank you all enough for delivering as promised with your generosity of both high quality ingredients and your valuable time. George Bass School is very lucky to have such amazing volunteers. Eagerly awaiting the total raised at the event.

If you have any questions/concerns or suggestions please feel free to email them to <a href="mailto:gbspcc@hotmail.com">gbspcc@hotmail.com</a>

Next **P & C meeting** is on Wednesday the **14th of November at 9.30am,** it would be great to see everyone there, all parents and carers are very welcome. ©