Principals Report

There is a Thank you Morning Tea after the St Johns Music concert for all our sensational parent volunteers and helpers…. Which is actually nearly every parent! (invitation following, further down newsletter).

As the year is starting to wrap up it is time to start the goodbyes.

Sylvia Stephens- after many years in the office at Birchgrove Sylvia is retiring at the end of the year. I would like to thank her for her constant helpfulness, endless enthusiasm and care of the children, parents and staff. Sylvia will be visiting us when we need a casual in the office!

Sandra Miesner- after more years of dedication than most of her students can count, Mrs Miesner is retiring! She will be greatly missed by the Birchgrove community and I wish her a happy retirement that is well deserved!

Renee Gare- Miss Gare is taking a years leave next year to enable her to teach at Yeo Park and help them introduce a play based learning program to their kindergarten. It is a great opportunity for her and I’m sure she will enjoy setting up the program.

Meagan Scott- Miss Scott is off overseas and then moving up the coast. She has been a fabulous addition to staff and has enjoyed her year with 1S. Have a great time in South America Miss Scott!

Danika Hawkins- Miss Hawkins has had a lovely year with 3/4H and been a helpful, motivated member of the teaching staff. In 2016 she is also moving up the coast, looking for a sea change. I wish her well in her search for a place to settle into!

Tracy Gray
CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT ST JOHN’S CHURCH
If your child is performing at the St John's concert, this is when and where they need to arrive this Friday morning:

Concert Arrival Times:
Concert Band - St John's Church, 8.00 am
Training Band - St John's Church, 8.00 am
All Recorders (Beginner, Intermediate, Accelerate & Consort) - St John's Church, 8.30 am
Senior Strings - St John's Church, 8.30 am
Intermediate Strings - St John's Church, 8.30 am
Junior Strings - St John's Church, 8.30 am
Choir (Junior) - Miss Ussher’s Room, 9.00 am
Choir (Senior) - Mr Nguyen’s Room, 9.00 am

If your child is in more than one ensemble, they should go with the earliest start time applicable. Please be on time!!!
All groups (apart from the choir) should wear Music Uniform.
St John's Church is on the corner of Spring St & Birchgrove Road.

Help Needed:
We need help with two things music related things on Thursday/Friday. If you can assist with any of these tasks, please contact michelle_stellini@hotmail.com

1. Transporting music stands and musical equipment to St John's Church immediately after school on Thursday afternoon
2. Bringing music stands and musical equipment back to school after the concert concludes at approx. 11am

MUSIC LUNCH
Lunch for all children who participate in the music program will be held on MONDAY the 7th of DEC, where the traditional pizza and icy pole will be served.

DATES FOR THE DIARY
7/12 Music Lunch - Monday 7th of December
10/12 Music Committee Dinner - Royal Oak 7pm
Music Registrations

Band (Available for Year 3+)
If you have missed Music Registrations it's not too late! We have spots available for the following band instruments; Trombone, French Horn, Flute and Trumpet. Guitar and piano lessons are also available.

Kodaly (Available for Kindy - Year 5)
Is the ideal way to introduce your child to the fundamentals of music or as a complement to playing an instrument.

Recorders (Available for Year 2+)
Join our wonderful recorder ensembles and play at the Opera House when you join the Consort Recorder group as part of the Festival of Instrument Music.

All forms available from the office or can be emailed to you by michelle_stellini@hotmail.com

Not sure what's right for your child? Please feel free to call or email Michelle Stellini for options. 0417316725

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10/12 Music Committee Dinner - The Royal Oak 7pm

Hi All,

Just a friendly update to what OSHC done for this term at our centre. This term Birchgrove OSHC participate in tCAF (Camp Australia non profit organization) Junior Global Citizenship Program by helping out creating handmade gifts. OSHC Birchgrove made Literacy & Numeracy games for children in South Africa.

Homework Corner is running well! Children are happy to have their homework at OSHC & they enjoy working with other children

HOLIDAY PROGRAM is UP! Please visit the websites campaustralia.com.au/holidayfun & book your children in. Any question please call 1300 105 343 or call us direct here in Birchgrove OSHC on 0405 413 528.

The Birchgrove Team
We want to say THANK YOU to all the parents and carers who have helped in many different ways.

When: Friday 4th December
Time: 11.15 am approx. (after St John’s concert)
Where: On the Terrace/Staffroom

Thursday - Help with reading

Saturday morning Working Bee

Canteen Order Form

hot dog  [ ]  drink  [ ]

payment $_____

Birchgrove Buzz  Term 4 Week 9  2nd December 2015
Newsletter of the Birchgrove Public School
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Term 4 Week 9
2nd December 2015
THE 2nd HAND UNIFORM STALL

is on again at the Main School Entrance

Wednesday 2nd Dec at pick up 2:30-3:30

Thursday 3rd Dec at drop off 8:30 to 9:30

There will be loads of good quality recycled summer and winter uniform items so...

THINK GREEN & GRAB A BARGAIN!

Items $2 - $10
Monday 11 January 2016 $53.88
Mina's Majestic Murals
Mina loves colour too! Speak to the onsite Coordinator to find out what exciting fun awaits, in a specially designed program.

Tuesday 12 January 2016 $79.88
Fluorescent Fever
Ten Pin Bowling - We'll be keeping the fun rolling, leaving nothing to SPARE
Please arrive by 8:45am

Wednesday 13 January 2016 $70.38
Summer Fun
Get ready, get set - for a colour run of fun!

Thursday 14 January 2016 $68.88
Going Green
Make your own mini Green House!

Friday 15 January 2016 $53.88
What a Colourful World!
Where will we go? Speak to the onsite Coordinator to find out what exciting fun awaits, in a specially designed program.

Monday 18 January 2016 $53.88
Wild Animal Patterns
Ready for a colourful safari? Speak to the onsite Coordinator to find out what exciting fun awaits, in a specially designed program.

Tuesday 19 January 2016 $68.88
Global Construction with Texture and Tone
Build your own solar powered windmill!

Wednesday 20 January 2016 $68.88
Bright Lights
Chinese Lanterns - Paint and decorate your own traditional Chinese lantern.

Thursday 21 January 2016 $79.88
A Tinge of Time Travel
At the movies - The Good Dinosaur
Please arrive by 8:45am

Friday 22 January 2016 $53.88
Green and Gold
Who's favourite season is Summer? Speak to the onsite Coordinator to find out what exciting fun awaits, in a specially designed program.

Monday 25 January 2016 $68.88
Bronzed Bounty
Create your own Egyptian cartouches!