

PARENT INFORMATION for STAGE 2 2017 - 2/3J, 3WH, 3/4M, 4D and 4KS

School Rules

Be Ready to Learn Be Proud Be Respectful Be Safe

All children K - 6, are involved in specific lessons surrounding the skills required to demonstrate each rule. The skill focus differs between stages.

The focus for Stage 2

Be Respectful	 ⇒Give Everyone a Fair Go ⇒Be Kind, Pleasant & Friendly ⇒Use good manners at all times
Be Safe	⇒Right place, Right time, Right behaviour ⇒Keep Your Hands & Feet to Yourself
Be Ready To Learn	 ⇒Listening and on task ⇒Ask for help when needed ⇒Prepared with all necessary materials ⇒Following instructions quickly and quietly
Be Proud	⇒Wear our Uniform with Pride ⇒Be the Best You Can ⇒Take Care of our Environment



School Values

Respect Responsibility Fairness Integrity Excellence Care

Cooperation



You Can Do It (YCDI)

This program covers the 5 keys to success of Getting Along, Organisation, Persistence, Confidence and Resilience.

Expectations and consequences for behaviour

A range of positive strategies exist in each classroom to maintain a warm, safe and stimulating environment. Records keep track of incidents that occur and the consequences given. Students, who require assistance with altering their behaviour, attend the planning room with Miss Iles (M-TH) and Mrs Whelan (F) at lunchtime to discuss suitable strategies. Parents will receive a phone call informing them of the incident. Students' names are also entered into "**The Incident Folder**". Two entries in this book will negate attendance at the You Did IT BBQ at the end of the year and also school representative functions. e.g. excursions, sporting teams. (Refer to Wellbeing Policy)

Absences

Please send a note to the class teacher the day your child returns to school following an absence. Alternatively you can use the Skoolbag App. If your child is going to be away, on a holiday for example, please inform the class teacher. (You can apply for an extended leave certificate if over 5 days.)

Appointments

We welcome parents who wish to discuss any issues or concerns with the teacher. Significant, and at times, minor changes at home can cause reactions at school. Please write a short note or phone the office requesting a meeting and suitable times that you are available. The class teacher or office will contact you to confirm a time.

Communication

Our school has a **Skoolbag iPhone and Android App** to help us communicate more effectively with our school community. To install our **Skoolbag App**, just search for our school name "Brisbania Public School" in either the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store. With this app you can:

- View recent Alerts
- Send a sick note and change your child's contact details.
- View latest School News
- Download the Newsletter directly from the App
- Turn on Alerts, specific to your child's year.

We also have a school Facebook page which is updated regularly and a school website.



Routines

Punctuality is encouraged. Vital learning time begins as soon as the children enter the room. Late arrivals must be signed in at the office. Early departures must be signed out at the office before the child will be allowed to leave the classroom. **This is a legal requirement.** Sleeping in and bad traffic are not considered reasonable reasons for lateness. An unexplained absence is recorded if either of these reasons is given.

Allergies and Medical Issues

If your child has any food allergies or serious medical issues please provide the school with a Health Care Plan.

Food

By providing your child with nutritious food at school you are supporting them in their learning. Sweet treats, in particular lollies, make it very hard for your child to be settled and to stay focused. To avoid food waste, please send food that your child likes to eat.

Due to a number of students having severe allergies, we ask that you do not send nut (including tree nuts) or egg foods (products) to school.

Crunch and Sip Break

Daily at 10am. Please provide fresh fruit or vegetable sticks, and water.

Lunch Orders

Please make sure all lunch orders are at the canteen before school. Online orders may also be placed using http://www.flexischools.com.au/



Drinks

The children are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school. A water-only filled bottle is allowed on the child's desk for them to drink when thirsty.

Uniform

Green school hats are to be worn in the playground at all times. Please ensure they are named and washed regularly. Shoes should be black and sturdy. Hair ribbons and bands should be in school colours.

Jewellery

Only sleepers and a watch may be worn. Necklaces, rings and bracelets are **NOT** to be worn or brought to school.

Toys

Please do no send any electrical toys or expensive items. Items such as balls and toy cars may be brought in for playground use but must be named.

Head Lice

Unfortunately, head lice are enormous problems. Please check your child's head regularly. Often the lice are difficult to find. If your child is scratching this should ring alarm bells!

Homework

Sent home Monday, and to be returned Friday please. Students should complete spelling, maths and reading, as well as reflect on their learning throughout the week. Homework handed in on the wrong day may not be marked until the following week. We understand it is not always possible to bring in homework on the set day but it is still valued! Hands on practical activities such as cooking, monitoring growth (height, weight), writing shopping lists, handling money, comparing masses and volumes using formal units of measurement (L, mL, kg, g) and discussing things such as shapes or patterns seen in the environment are wonderful learning opportunities.

It's very important your child reads each night.

Banking Tuesday



Scripture / Ethics Wednesday (starts Week 5)

Friday Library TBA Fitness



Term 1- Fundamental Movement Skills focus Sport Sports days

2/3J- Friday 3WH- Friday 3/4M- Friday 4KS- Thursday 4D- Friday

Class Reading

Teachers provide appropriate differentiation of class activities to suit individual reading needs. If you are concerned with your child's progress please make an appointment with the class teacher.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Students can register online and enter the books that they read from the list. More information will be sent home by Mr Lemmon or Mrs Whelan, our Teacher Librarians.



NSW University Competitions

These competitions are an independent, skills-based assessment in spelling, mathematics, science, technology and writing. Students may pay and enter for all or some of the above. Watch for a separate note later this term.

We are delighted to be teaching your children this year and look forward to an amazing 2017.

Many thanks

Jo Whelan, Charmaine Huisman, Kylie Iles, Deanne Simpson, Mitzi Self, Merran Woodard-Knight, Deb Strickland and Mrs Chapman

USEFUL WEBSITES:

http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/

Great site to help with homework. Lots of useful information.



https://au.ixl.com/ Some great maths activites.

