

The BRASSALL BUZZ

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Rule of the Term:

Be Responsible

Thought for the Week:

It is better to fall short of a *high* mark than to reach a *low* one.- H.C. Payne

Term 4 Planner

24 Oct	Prep Grandparents' Day
28 Oct	Yr 6 & 7 ISHS Experience Day
30 Oct	Rugby League Gala Day
30 Oct	Brassall SS Soiree
31 Oct	Student of the Month
31 Oct	National Bandanna Day
6 Nov	Yr 4 CSIRO - The Super Science Show
13 Nov	Yr 6 CSIRO - Biological World
20 Nov	Musical - Seussical
24-26 Nov	P & C Christmas Stall
28 Nov	Yr 4-7 Awards Morning
28 Nov	P - 3 Final Student of the Month
29 Nov	Mayor's Carols by Candlelight - Glee
1 Dec	Yr 6 High School Transition Day
2 Dec	St Joseph's Nativity Play - Prep
2 Dec	Yr 6 Graduation
5 Dec	Level A & B Behaviour Level parties
8 Dec	Yr 7 High School Transition Day
9 Dec	Yr 7 Graduation
10 Dec	Volunteers' Morning Tea
11 Dec	Yrs 6 & 7 - Wet & Wild
11, 12 Dec	Tuckshop Closed
12 Dec	Term 4 ends

Term 1 2015 Planner

19 Jan	School Office opens
21 Jan	Book Pack collection@ Brassall SS Hall - 9am to 11am
21, 23 Jan	Uniform Shop Open - 9am to 12noon
27 Jan	School resumes
2 Apr	Term 1 concludes

N.B. Dates are correct at time of printing, and may change if deemed necessary.

Payment - Closing Dates

No money will be accepted after these dates

24 Oct	Rugby Gala Day
31 Oct	Yr 4 CSIRO
3 Nov	Yearbook Final payment
7 Nov	Yr 6 CSIRO

Finance Hours

8 am to 10am Daily

FREE AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Basketball & Athletics
for children in Years Prep - 7
THURSDAYS - 3 to 4PM - TERM 4

Finishing time is 4:00pm and supervision ends PROMPTLY at that time. PLACES ARE LIMITED TO 25 PER SESSION, allocated on a first in basis, running for 7 weeks. Children are provided with afternoon tea. Please fill in the form below and return to Mrs Pickwell ASAP.

My child/ren _____

will attend After School Activities on Thursdays until 4:00pm for 7 weeks in Term 4.

Signed _____
Parent / Caregiver

Across the Principal's Desk ...



Brassall Discipline Audit

I wanted to take the opportunity to share with you the *Executive Summary* from Brassall's recent Discipline Audit. Combined with the 5 page Profile, we are very proud of the result achieved and I believe they reflect the overall collective commitment of our entire school community in 'being the best that we can be' at Brassall!

Commendations:

- The school has a functioning Schoolwide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) Committee which is leading the behaviour improvement agenda with enthusiasm and fidelity.
- The Principal, Leadership Team and the SWPBS Committee are driving an explicit, detailed and positive approach to managing student behaviour. This agenda is couched in terms of high standards, clear expectations of student behaviour and a rigorous consistent approach to the processes of recording data.
- Behavioural expectations, which are highlighted through the consistent use of the *Brassall Bee* brand, are highly visible and engaging throughout the school environment.
- There are a variety of effective school wide reward systems in place including: *Pollen Points*, *Buzz Cards*, *Class Honey Pots*, celebration days and *Buzz of the Week Awards* to encourage all students to demonstrate appropriate behaviours in the classroom and in the playground.
- There is a consistency of practice and a commitment by teachers to the explicit teaching of appropriate behaviour using the weekly lesson plans and supporting resources which have been developed by staff members. The commitment from staff members is due to their involvement in the development and review of all aspects of the SWPBS framework.

Affirmations:

- The process for referring students to Buddy Class, the office and the Reflection Room has become more consistent and detailed, providing valuable information about student behaviour using a standardised approach.
- There is a high level of communication between parents and the school providing information to parents about the SWPBS process, expectations of behaviour and individual student achievement.
- Students, teachers and parents express a very high degree of support for the Behaviour Plan.
- There is a high level of interaction and support from external agencies to support families and students who display challenging behaviours.
- All members of staff have a current Performance Development Plan and these plans include requests for professional development related to the SWPBS framework.

Recommendations:

- Continue to provide professional development and opportunities for staff members to engage with the process of functional behaviour analysis, to identify triggers for student behaviour and target effective intervention strategies to support students with more significant behavioural issues.

- Provide opportunities to engage the full range of parent and community representatives in reviewing and refining the school's approach to behaviour management.
- Develop criteria for making judgements about A-E Effort standards for consistency during moderation.
- Continue to collect and collate data concerning behaviour and develop further processes to analyse data to drive decision making across the school.
- Ensure that all teaching staff are differentiating the curriculum to meet the needs of all learners and maximise student engagement in all classrooms.

QSchools smartphone app

Can't wait every fortnight to see what exciting things are happening at our great school? Then download the QSchools app and make Brassall your 'Favourite' now! The QSchool app is a convenient way to receive up-to-the-minute information from and about Brassall.

The app is designed to integrate with Websites for Schools websites and is automatically updated when a school updates their website with the latest news, newsletters, events and information. App users can also access tuckshop and uniform shop information, class times and school social media pages that are available on the school's website.

Emergency announcements, such as information about natural disasters and school closures, are published via the app. The app is particularly useful to parents who have students in different schools, as the app manages updates from multiple schools in a single view.

QSchools Version 2.1 for iOS and Android are available for free download from the iTunes store and Google Play. QSchools Version 2.0 for Windows 8, Windows 8.1 and Windows phone 8 are available from the Windows Store and Windows Phone Store.

Supporting Improvement in Schools

The Department of Education, Training and Employment is introducing new measures to help drive and support improvement and accountability in Queensland state schools. The measures are part of a renewal strategy to improve performance and services across the department in order to lift education and training outcomes for students of all ages. They include:

- A new school performance assessment framework for state schools.
- An annual desktop audit of school performance.
- New and strengthened School Review processes with all schools undertaking a tailored review every four years.

Brassall will be 1 of only 8 schools across the State taking part in trialling the new School Review process from November 3 to November 7. Our participation in this genuine trial will provide valuable feedback that will shape the way school reviews are conducted across Queensland schools in the future.

Warm regards,

Greg Brand,
Principal

From the Deputies' Desks

School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS)

Focus lessons:

Focus for week 4: Be Responsible in the playground - Look after & return borrowed equipment.

Focus for week 5: Be Safe - Keep hands, feet and objects to self.

Congratulations to the children whose names appear below as they participated in our 'BUZZ' rewards this week.

10 Buzz Cards Sausage Sizzle:

Class	Name
PM	Hayden C, Logan W, Ngaru P, Zachary R, Dante B, Carter Q, Rubin S, Bella L, Kaylee A
PJ	Belinda A, Zoe G, Haylee J, Jethro M, Elizabeth P, Chloe R, Jaxon S, Kaitlyn S, Samantha S
1G	Chloe C, Kellis R, Lukas W, Luca D, Tyler H, Patryk K
1P	Akasha L
1W	Moses L, Luke W, Jesse P, Deklan D,
2B	Tamika H
2C	Dylan T, Eamon S, Keanan B, Jackson W
2G	Beau B, Bella H
10M	Blake W
3ZT	Jarred V, Mahaytia R, Jeremiah A, So'O T
3H	Kai C, Harry R, Tyler F, Duran B
3T	Jazmine P, Mykaela K
4J	Stevie M, Grace T, Mickeelie, Lucas S
4RT	David N, Madison L, Pearl A
4P	Caitlin W, Luke M, Bronte H, Taylor C, Natalie L, Bryonee T, Sarah W, Leah M, Braedon C
50	Tahlia M, Amber T, Ace L, Luke S, Ezra R, Jack S, Keanan L
5S	Lucie B, Breeanna S, Owen S, Emilee M, Chloe D, Chante F
5/6T	Jai G, Damien B, Bailey W, Maverick M, Stourm N
6B	Ethan L, Bryan V
6S	Nathan C, Samuel R, Nathalia B, Kiya V, Sarah M, Klarence B, Kye H, Georgia O
6W	Lily M, Dylan D, Dylan C, Connor A, Kane P, Lara B, Ashleigh H
7G	Lakeisha A, Katie Z, Kody L, Helena P, Ryan H, Aaliyah A, John B, Sasha C, Tehneya S, Tiana K, Lyta R, Jacqueline C
7B	Dakota M, Michaela H, Ian E
7M	Tysen R

15 Buzz Cards Ice Cream:

Class	Name
1G	Tilly J, Elizabeth H,
1J	Tyler D, Jake F, Thomas W, Jonathon B
1V	Manni G
1W	Mystique W, Ariana W, Jesse P, Nelson M
10M	Oscar G, Tahlia S, Taneisha N, Noah R, Bianca M
2G	Kirsty F
2T	Tanaya M
2C	Keyarn B, Emilia B, Zayden P, Dylan T
3M	Tommy A
3H	Blake N, Sean A, Seth T
3T	Lianna D, Tarni T, Allirah M
3ZT	Kyle S, Willow H, Italia E, James H, Dylan G, Mia C, Samantha B, Bonnie H
4L	Cadence P, Tyreece W
4J	Mackenzie H
4RT	Ethan S
4P	Declan C
5H	Ethan C
5S	Chloe F, Davin H, Talaylin B, Xander H, Rose M, Breeanna S, Kyra C, Kody N, Charnt'e F, Tristan C
50	Imarni D, Amelia W, Kane M, Mikael S
5/6T	Brock M, Oliver H, Kai B, Tess M, Jai G
6B	Keneshia C, Ethan L, Tyler W, Abbey K, Tori S
6S	Callan C
7B	Hayden W, Ebony P, Casey K, Charli G, Jasmine L, Jasmine M, Kaitlin S, Kate A, Adelaide G
7G	Emma O, Jarred C, Lachlan W, Tysen W, Lakeisha A, Aaliyah A, Helena P, Kody L, Katie Z
7M	Kiara B, Tijana B, Caitlyne C, Hope H, Brendan N, Chris P, Tyson R, Jah R
5/6/7Y	Sarah T, Cheyenne T, Braydin V, Justin M

20 Buzz Cards Games & Music in Hall:

Class	Name
1G	Calen B, Sophie G, Krystal M,
1J	Riley G, Dyce G, Sienna H, Layla D, Jordan H, Tyler B, Summer W, Siatuvai T, Zyisha W
1V	Joy B, Cianne C, Jack D, Tarni D, Olivia E, Katie G, Sophie H, Jessica H, Brooke S, Tiah W
2C	Jackson W, Kodye P,
2G	Stacie N, Georgia C
2B	Seth O, Kiara M, Braidyn L, Mattila V
2T	Joshua B, Brandon D, Alice S, Charlie M, Madeline G, Louise H, Alannah H, Tyrone R, Hannah S, Hunter Q, Jedt A, Miah S
3ZT	Phoenix R, Dyna C, Kyle S
3/4/5W	Jordan P, Cody F, Ethan S, Tanasia C

4L	Jordan V, Ariana C, Joel E
4J	Jenna M
4RT	Michael H
4P	Declan C, Breeanna K
5S	Timothy P
5/6T	Kai B, Oliver H, Jordan L, Rhiannon H, Maliyan T
5/6/7Y	Leah M, Theresa S, Leah B, Thomas N, Ben W, Cassandra J, Tommy J, Sarah T, Mickayla H, Riannan G, Brock S
7B	Madison W
7G	Bella S, Lachlan W, Luke W

Rayne Penny, Deputy Principal

School News

Women in Sport Breakfast

Last week Miss Woods, Mrs Todd and 5 of our talented Year 6/7 female students went away to the ACHPER Women in Sport breakfast conference. During our yummy breakfast we had the privilege of listening to some of Australia's most famous sportswomen talk about their hard work and dedication to their sport. A lot of fun was had. A special mention goes to Madison Wells who was the recipient of the ACHPER rising star award which recognises young athletes who have been identified for their talent and encouraged to continue working hard so one day they can be a sporting great. Great work Madi.

Heart Foundation

Jump Rope for Heart



Our school is participating in the Jump Rope for Heart program. You can help your child support valuable research into heart disease by registering them online. It's easy, safe and secure. Send emails to family and friends asking for sponsorship.

www.heartfoundation.org.au/sites/jumpropeforheart

We hope students have started collecting funding for this great cause. Miss Woods has seen some great improvements during Year 1 and 2 skipping in PE lessons. A special mention to Jack D, 1V, for skipping 32 single bounce skips in a row.

School Swimming

School Swimming has started and we have had a successful first week with lots of students making great progress already. These classes are for students at any ability and I would like to commend all Year 3 and 4 students for their efforts and their behaviour. I have heard great feedback from our instructors already. A special mention to David N, Harry R and James H for being brave and having a go at something they had not previously done before, and succeeding.

We would like to thank Stewart Swim School for supporting our school with swimming lessons for our Year 3 and 4 students this term. Stewart Swim School now has swimming classes held at Ipswich State High School including: Learn to Swim, Development Squad and Senior Squads. If you are interested in continuing to develop your child's swimming ability, contact Keryn from Stewart Swim School on 0433932268.

School Sport

Interschool Sports - Please see the table below for game information:

FRIDAY 24 October 2014				
Sport	Location	Team	Opposition	Time
AFL	Limestone Park	Senior Boys	Silkstone	1:40pm
		Junior Boys	Silkstone	1:00pm
Basketball	Silkstone SS	Senior Boys	Mt Crosby	12:45pm
		Junior Boys 1	Mt Crosby	1:15pm
	IGGS	Senior Girls	IGGS	1:05pm
		Junior Girls 1	Brassall	12:40pm
	Ipswich Central SS	Junior Girls 2	Brassall	12:40pm
		Junior Boys 2	Central	1:50pm
Touch Football	Jacaranda St	Inter Girls A	Brassall	1:30pm
		Inter Girls B	Brassall	1:30pm
		Senior Girls	IGGS	12:40pm
	Len Johnson Oval	Inter Boys	Karalee	1:30pm
		Senior Boys	Karalee	12:40pm

Please note the draw for Friday 31 October is not currently available for Basketball. The game time and location for AFL and Touch Football will be the same each week. The Basketball teams could possibly change location and time from week to week.