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## From The Deputy Principal - Karen O'Neill

What a term it has been and it is hard to believe we are halfway through the year!

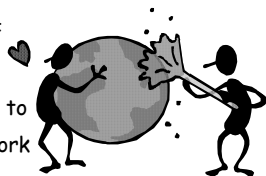
The staff at Brookfield wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and we look forward to seeing you back on the 14th of July!

### Pupil Free Day

Staff from Brookfield State School will be involved in a workshop at the Queensland Academy of Science, Technology and Mathematics at Toowong, Engaging Gifted Under Achievers in the Classroom with Susan Luus. We will remain at the Academy to reflect and revisit our identification of Gifted Children.

### World Cleaners' Day

On June 15 it was World Cleaners' Day. If you get a chance, say thanks to our cleaners who toil away before and after school to make sure we have a nice environment to work in. Thanks to John, Ross and Mohammed.



### Deputy Principal Change

As you would have read in last week's newsletter I have been invited by our Executive Director to Act as Deputy at Eagle Junction next term. Whilst this is a wonderful opportunity for me to gain skills in a more complex environment I will genuinely miss the children, staff and parents of Brookfield State School. See you in Term 4.

### Functional Grammar

Grant Stephens and Mandy Salisbury have been selected from our school to participate in a 5 day workshop this week: Language and Literacy: Classroom applications of functional grammar.

The success of the program lies in its ability to:

- create interest and excitement about language and literacy
- develop shared understandings for teachers and students about language and literacy
- highlight and illustrate, in an explicit and active way, the appli-

cation of these shared understandings inside and outside the classroom

- develop teachers' understandings of the role of language itself in learning.

By learning about language, *Language and Literacy* assists teachers to improve their students' learning. It does this by dealing with the English language in a highly systematic way and by focusing on the language patterns of the subject areas.

We look forward to Mandy and Grant sharing the program with all staff at Brookfield State School.

### Lost Property

Don't forget to come and have a look for lost property. The lost property is situated on the Library veranda.

### Canberra Trip

The Year 6 and 7's are having a wonderful time in Canberra and the weather appears to have not been too cold for them either.

So far they have spent the day in Sydney cruising the harbour and visiting Taronga Zoo and then traveling to Canberra. In Canberra they have been to the CSIRO Centre, High Court, National Gallery of Australia, National Film and Sound Archive, Australian War Memorial, National Museum and the Australian Institute of Sport. Today they will be visiting Parliament House. We wish them well for the rest of their trip and look forward to the stories they have to share.

### Help us keep our school secure these holidays

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please remember to call the School Watch number - 131788. The School Watch Program is a partnership between Education Queensland, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland Schools.



*Karen O'Neill*

**Principal: Helen Kenworthy**

**Deputy Principal: Karen O'Neill**

**P & C President: Ross Jarden**

## Voluntary Contributions To Building Fund

Tax receipts have now been issued for payments made into the building fund. The receipts were sent home with children on Thursday 11 June. If you have not received yours or you have any problems regarding them, please contact Deb Allman on 0439 755942.

## Entertainment Books

Planning a trip to a theme park these school holidays??? Purchase an entertainment book and receive 15% off admission prices to any of the theme parks just by showing your card at the ticket gate - no pre-ordering or messing around online!!! Also discounted movie tickets at Indooroopilly cinemas or why not try a drive-in movie at Yatala for a change, 2-for-1 games at AMF Bowling,

2 for 1 at Victoria Park Putt-Putt and complimentary or reduced price DVD and game rentals at Network Video. Along with vouchers for ice-cream parlours need I go on.....

Make sure you have your copy before the holidays start - either call Deb Allman on 0439 755942 or call in to Uniform shop on Friday morning from 8 - 9 am. Books still cost only \$60 but you can save a lot more than that with them!!!!

Deb Allman

## Burger Bar

The burger bar is still happening on the 3rd of July, at the Happy Hour bar from 6pm, over the holidays. So if you are not away why not bring the kids down for an easy dinner and enjoy a few drinks listening or dancing to the live music!! See you there.

Monica Wareham



# Happy Birthday

## Quiz Night

Anyone who is able to assist in the preparation and/or the evening of the Trivia Quiz Night (proposed end of 3rd term), could they please contact Ross Jarden on 3251-6311 (W) or 0407 125-275 (M).

### Tuckshop Roster

- Wednesday 15/07** Donna Peacock, Petra Jones, Carolyn Parsons, Jane Smith, Sue Tracy, Gouzel Coleman
- Thursday 16/07** Helen Westenberg, Mel McArdle, Christine Schultz, Sarah Stefanaras, Caroline Vassie

### Home Baking Roster

- Wednesday 15/07** Liz Cuffe, Jill Nicklin
- Thursday 16/07** Deb Woltman, Mel McArdle, Megan Williamson

### Donation Roster

- Wednesday 15/07** Donna Peacock, Jill Nicklin
- Thursday 16/07** Toni Goldston

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## Open Day!

982 Moggill Rd, Kenmore.  
(parking behind Uniting Church)  
"Look for the Rainbow"  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July.  
9.30 - 11 am  
Enquiries: 3378 4469



# Happy Birthday

## Holiday Fun Day

Thursday 9 July 2009, 9am - 3pm  
Holy Spirit Kenmore Anglican Church  
1036 Moggill Road, Kenmore

Cost: \$10 per child

Bring: BYO Hat, Water bottle, sandals and lunch.

Morning and afternoon tea provided.

RSVP date: Friday 3 July 2009.

To register please call Viv at the Kenmore Anglican Church office on 3378 9189.

Please advise of any special dietary requirements.



