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Almost The End of the Year No Parents No Parents Dearly Christmas DISCO!! P.Year 2::::5-6.15pm Year 3-6::::6.30-8pm This Friday 20th Nov

A Year 6 run event held in the School Hall Teachers supervising \$7per student includes sausage in bread and limitless drinks Buy tickets at WWW.trybooking.com/JRZM Tickets for sale at pickup Thursday 29th & Friday 20th. Cash and EFTPOS only

READ NIGHT DUDT

P&C BNO

After all the rain and the hall flooding it was a great evening. Thanks to the organisers who had the place looking great. The tarp was a lifesaver and did an excellent job. Food was fantastic. It looked like everyone was enjoying themselves. I know that a lot of people participated to make the evening work but I would like to specifically thank Susan Bannister, Jacinta, Rob Kailey & Paul Angus. All of the work means more fundraising for the school and our kids. I would also like to thank Tracy Gray & Rob Cormack for attending on the night and on Saturday afternoon when we cleaned up. We do appreciate this.

Thanks again Matthew Garvey P&C President

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<mark>2015</mark>	Dates to Remember
	Parent
	Music
	Sport
	Student Parliament
16/11-26/11	Swimming School Years 3-6
17/11	Preschool Orientation
18/11	P&C AGM 7pm Staffroom
19/11	Preschool Orientation
20/11	School Disco
24/11	Music Committee AGM 7pm staffroom
27/11	Preschool Red Concert
2/12	Stage 3 Recognition Ceremony
4/12	St Johns Christmas Concert & Hired Instrument Handback
4/12	Volunteers Thank you Morning Tea
8/12	Preschool Concert
8/12	Year 6 Farewell Dinner
9/12	Stage 2 Recognition Ceremony
10/12	Preschool Concert
10/12	Stage 1Recognition
10/12	Music Committee Dinner
11/12	Preschool Party
11/12	Kindergarten Graduation Ceremony
11/12	Year 6 Picnic Day
15/12	Preschool Party
15/12	K-6 Parsley Bay Picnic Day
16/12	Year 6 Farewell Assembly and Arch/ Clap out
16/12	Preschool Cleaning Day
16/12	Last Day of 2015 School Year for students

Principals Report

BNO- It was a nice relaxed night, where people had lots of time to chat (& drink). I enjoyed catching up with so many of our parents. The venue looked incredible and reflected all the hard work and preparation that had gone into making the night run so seamlessly. Thank you to the amazing parent team who made this possible.

2016 is rapidly approaching. We are looking at classes and teachers for next year. If your child won't be attending Birchgrove in 2016 and is not in Year 6 please fill out the form on our website and return it to the office.

Disco- Don't forget to buy your child/children's tickets for the disco on Friday night. It sounds like it will be a lot of fun. <u>www.trybooking.com/JRZM</u>

It looks like the **hot weather** has settled in for the next few days. Please make sure your child has a water bottle with them. They are allowed to keep it on their desk when it's hot weather.

The end of year events are all on the calendar, I've had to move Stage 3's Recognition Ceremony to the day before, due to a clash with a starting high school event. Recognition Ceremonys commence around 9:30.

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Library News



This is the last week of book borrowing in the Library. Please look at home for overdue books. As soon as the Redgum book orders arrive I will distribute them to the children. Mrs Christine Ilieff



Senior Soiree

Congratulations to our four ensembles (Consort Recorders, Rock Band, Senior Strings and Concert Band) on a wonderful afternoon of music!



Music Registrations

If you have missed Music Registrations it's not too late! We have spots available for the following band instruments (2016 Year 3 +); Trombone, French Horn, Flute and Trumpet. Guitar and piano lessons are also available.

Not sure what's right for your child? Please feel free to call or email Michelle Stellini for options. <u>michelle_stellini@hotmail.com</u> 0417316725

Music Dates;

24/11 Music Committee AGM 7pm Staff Room - come along and join a great group of people from across the school who all contribute to keep music alive and thriving at Birchgrove. No need to take on a fixed role, plenty of ways to become involved. Current Vacancy : Instrument Co-Ordinator

4/12 St John's Concert and Music Instrument Handback - End of 2015 Music Program **10/12** Music Committee Dinner - Venue TBA

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Canteen Christmas Stall

The canteen will be holding its annual Christmas stall again this year on Monday 30th November.

If you're not familiar with this, the idea is that children come and buy gifts for their parents, siblings, grandparents, and friends and loved ones etc. Karen runs this every year and it's extremely popular.

Instead of donating items from the wish list in term 4, we would be very grateful to receive your donation of gifts for kids, Men & Ladies etc. to sell. Please consider buying something to donate as soon as possible to ensure that we have enough time to have all the gifts wrapped ready for sale in time for the stall.

Your support for the canteen is much appreciated, without fundraising events like the Christmas stall the canteen would not meet its obligation to be self-funding and therefore couldn't keep going. Be aware also any money left in the canteen coffers at the end of the year reverts to the school, this just ensures that we keep our school canteen going.

LETS MAKE THIS YEARS CHRISTMAS STALL A GREAT SUCCESS AGAIN IN 2015.

All gifts must be brand new. We cannot accept any used, damaged or broken items.

Gift ideas include (but are not limited to)

Toys, Books, Puzzles, Footballs, Soccer Balls, Tennis Balls, Golf Balls, Games, Stationary, CD's, DVD'S, SMIGGLE ITEMS, Aftershave, Hats, Caps, Wallets, Key Rings, Socks, Drink Holders, Perfume, Bags, Candles, Cups, Mugs, Bowls, Plates, Platters, Sporting Goods etc. Christmas Cakes, Christmas Puddings, Chocolates, Lollies and other Christmas food items, Christmas Decorations, Christmas Tea Towels, Stockings etc.

Handmade craft items are also always very popular as well.

...... Or any other gift item you think would make a nice Christmas gift.

MOST GIFTS WILL BE PRICED AT \$5.00, \$10.00, \$15.00 & \$20.00 but there will also be some items priced higher due to quality of the gifts.

Cups & Mugs filled with chocolates and lollies were extremely popular last year and all the smiggle packs sold out on the first day.







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