**Late Arrival/Early Pickup/Notified Absence**

Parents, it is important that when your child arrives late to school that you sign your child in at the school office. The child will be given a late slip to take to the teacher. If you need to pick your child up early for an appointment you must see office staff. Parents are not to take themselves down to the classrooms to collect children. The teacher will be contacted and the child sent to the office.

Parents have been emailing their child’s teacher if their child is unwell. Unfortunately teachers are extremely busy in the morning and may not have time to check their emails before the SMS notifications are sent regarding unexplained absences from school. If your child is absent please email penoggera@bne.catholic.edu.au.

Parents can notify student absences through the Parent Portal.

**The Story that Screens Your Child’s Vision**

OPSM has created a resource that allows parents to screen their child’s vision. The book, Penny the Pirate, is a book which enables you to screen for vision issues such as distance vision, colour vision and depth perception. The kit is available in the school library for any parent who is interested.

**Fathers’ Day Stall**

What a great result for the Fathers’ Day Stall – it was wonderful to see the looks on the children’s faces as they were keenly choosing gifts for dad. We made a profit of about $2,400 which I’m sure the P&F will put to good use. Thank you to all who donated gifts, there was a tremendous selection. I would also like to thank the group of mums who have helped me with the stall they did a fabulous job. Thank you to the staff and teachers for their support. A special thank you to Leesa Cooke for her guidance and passing on her experience – the stall is the result of all her inspiration.

Congratulations to the following winners of the Fathers’ Day raffle which was drawn on Friday at assembly:

- **First** Ryan Long 6DR
- **Second** Alexandra Campbell 5P
- **Third** Ocea Stoddard 1H
- **Fourth** Dan Newland 6AR

Thanks again
Mara Fachin
**LIBRARY NEWS**

**BOOK FAIR**  Come in and catch the reading bug at our Book Fair. The Book Fair will be open for business before school from 8am, at first break and after school until 3:30pm. Book Fair dates are: Friday 12 September, then the following Monday 15 September, Tuesday 16 September and Wednesday 17 September. On the Tuesday the Book Fair will be open all afternoon as it is the OLA Arts evening. Our Book Week dress-up day is on Friday 19 September. Prep children will be dressing up as ‘Doctors and Nurses’, Year One - ‘Favourite Book Character’, Year Two - ‘Weird and Wonderful Scientists’, Year Three - ‘All things Asian’, Year Four - ‘African Animals’, Year Five - ‘Character from their Play Script’, Year Six - ‘Favourite Movie Character’, and finally year seven - ‘All Time Favourite’. It should be a fabulous day! Thank you in advance for your wonderful support with our Book Fair!

Kim Urquhart
Teacher-Librarian
kurquhart@bne.catholic.edu.au

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**Enoggera State School Amateur Swimming Club inc.**

Sign on day will be on Sunday the 14th of September at the Enoggera State School Grounds from 12.00pm-2.00pm. Come down and meet a Commonwealth Games Gold Medalist with his medal, buy a snag on bread and have a chat. The club is open to all ages and run by volunteers every Friday night In summer. I hope to see you there.

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**Boot Camp at OLA 6 Days Per Week**

Why not reward yourself this semester and join many other OLA Mums and Dads by benefiting from increased energy, fitness, and a leaner body composition by Xmas. Boot Camp Enoggera has established itself over the last few years and is now conducting 6 fitness sessions per week at OLA.

Our former military trainers goals are simple....

*Create a supportive environment where all fitness levels are welcomed by existing Boot Campers*

*Program each exercise session for maximum return on investment*

*Have lots of fun training and acknowledge all achievements from Boot Campers*

The 25 week initiative "Spring into SUMMER" allows plenty of time to create a healthy, fit, and energetic YOU just in time for summer.

All new boot campers receive 1 FREE week of training (go to the website below to take advantage) to ensure that the environment and training suits your needs. There is no obligation to sign up after your free week.

Contact: **Mat Skate**  Mob: 0414474040
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Website: http://www.fearlesshealth.com
12 friendship skills every child needs

Friendship skills are generally developmental. That is, kids grow into these skills given exposure to different situations and with adult help.

Kids can be picky about who they play and mix with. Popularity should not be confused with sociability. A number of studies in recent decades have shown that appearance, personality type and ability impact on a child’s popularity at school. Good-looking, easy-going, talented kids usually win peer popularity polls but that doesn’t necessarily guarantee they will have friends.

Those children and young people who develop strong friendships have a definite set of skills that help make them easy to like, easy to relate to and easy to play with.

Here are twelve essential skills that children have identified as being important for making and keeping friends:

1. Ability to share possessions and space
2. Keeping confidences and secrets
3. Offering to help
4. Accepting others’ mistakes
5. Being positive and enthusiastic
6. Starting a conversation
7. Winning and losing well
8. Listening to others
9. Starting and maintaining a conversation
10. Ignoring someone who is annoying you
11. Cooperating with others
12. Giving and receiving compliments

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In past generations ‘exposure to different situations’ meant opportunities to play with each other, with siblings and with older and younger friends. They were reminded by parents about how they should act around others. They were also ‘taught’ from a very young age.

Arrested development

The NEW CHILD grows up with fewer siblings, fewer opportunities for unstructured play and less freedom to explore friendships than children of even ten years ago.

A parenting style that promotes a high sense of individual entitlement rather than the notion of fitting in appears to be popular at the moment. These factors can lead to delayed or arrested development in these essential friendship skills, resulting in very unhappy, self-centred children.

Here are some ideas if you think your child experiences developmental delay in any of these essential skills or just needs some help to acquire them:

1. Encourage or insist that kids play and work with each other: Allowing kids the freedom to be kids is part of the message here but parents have to be cunning with the NEW CHILD and construct situations where kids have to get on with each other. For some kids “Go outside and play” is a good place to start!!

2. Play with your kids: Interact with your kids through games and other means so you can help kids learn directly from you how to get on with others.

3. Talk about these skills: If you notice your kids need to develop some of these skills then talk about them, point out when they show them and give them some implementation ideas.

Kids are quite ego-centric and need to develop a sense of ‘other’ so they can successfully negotiate the many social situations that they find themselves in. As parents we often focus on the development of children’s academic skills and can quite easily neglect the development of these vitally important social skills, which contribute so much to children’s happiness and well-being.
Pizza Day – Friday 19\textsuperscript{th} September

If you would like to purchase a slice of Pizza Hut pizza ($2.00/slice) on the last day of this term (Friday 19\textsuperscript{th} September) please complete the slip below and return it and payment to school by \textbf{WEDNESDAY 17\textsuperscript{th} SEPTEMBER}.

\textit{(Please note – No Hotdogs or toasties will be available to purchase for lunch. Afternoon tea menu as per usual)}

Child’s Name - _________________ Class: _____

\textbf{Type of pizza-} (Please tick)

BBQ Meatlovers- No. of Slices - 
Super Supreme - No. of Slices- ___
Hawaiian - No. of Slices- ___
Veggie Delight (Gluten Free) No. of Slices- ___

Total Paid $_______
Bush Dance volunteers needed!

Families, to make this dance an event to remember we need your help.

We are looking for volunteers to help with:

- Catering (prep and service)
- BBQ (set up and operators)
- Meat tray raffles
- Popcorn & snow cone set up and operators
- Games coordinators
- General helpers

Do you have any of the below items we could borrow?

- Pie servers
- Bain marie / food warmers
- Chequered and coloured tablecloths
- Fairy or festoon lights, 20metre+ lengths
- Picnic blankets
- Star pickets
- Country props for decorations e.g. barrels, wagon wheels, saddles etc

Do you have any old bed sheets to donate for us to sew into decorations?

Please email Tash nathan.tash@yahoo.com.au or Leona rheslehurst@iprimus.com.au to sign up.
Ticket Prices
Adults: $15 per head (14 years +)
Child: $5 per head (4 years - 13 years)
Littlies are free

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Please note your child's class beside their name

Don't forget Grandparents!

Total Adults

Total Children (4+)

If you have 10+ people in your group, would you like to reserve a VIP dining table?

Total = $

If yes, whose name will we book this under?

Payment Details
I am paying via
(a) EFT to the P&F bank account 'Enoggera OLA P&F BSB 064786 A/C 006325100'
   Use reference 'Bush Dance' and your surname. The amount should match the total on this form.
(b) Credit Card in the OLA Office - please complete below form

CARD # ___________________________ NAME OF CARDHOLDER ___________________________
EXP DATE ________________________ SIGNATURE OF CARDHOLDER ________________________ SECURITY CODE (back of card) ________________________

Scan/email this form to rheslehurst@iprimus.com.au or return it to the OLA Office.