



ISSUE 6, 2026



The Bribie Buzz

Bribie Island State School

Happy PRINCIPAL Appreciation Day!

Today we celebrate the incredible leadership, care and dedication of our amazing leadership team!



Karena Aczel
Deputy Principal
SENIORS

Leah Mullane
Principal

Rob Lyons
Deputy Principal
JUNIORS

Thank you for all the countless hours, hard work and heart you put into our school every single day.

We appreciate you more than words can say!

Be Safe

Be Respectful

Be an Active Learner

[School Website Access here](#)

Important Information



BRIBIE ISLAND STATE SCHOOL *An Enriched Education for All*



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8 May 2026

Dear Families,

I'm writing to provide an update on the global security incident affecting Instructure, the third-party provider whose online platform is used for staff and student training.

You may have seen media stories about the incident and how approximately 9000 educational institutions across the world are implicated by the data breach.

Here are some important updates for you about the impact on the Queensland Department of Education:

- The affected platform is currently unavailable in schools. We have removed all access for staff and students.
- The third-party provider has provided assurances that passwords and financial data are not affected.
- All staff and students dating back to 2020 – whether they used this specific platform or not – are affected. Our current understanding is that the data in question is names, email addresses, and schools.
- There is still no indication any data has been released. This remains a threat only.

We again advise you to be extra vigilant online. The department has established a dedicated webpage for parents with the latest advice and resources for how to be esafe.

We must stress, if your child receives any suspicious communications:

- DO NOT click on the links and attachments.
- DO NOT respond in any way.

Please urgently advise the school if you receive any such contact.

I do understand that this incident may cause concern. Your child's safety is our number one concern and I am providing you with the latest, verified advice in what is by its nature a fast-changing situation.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have specific concerns.

Best regards,

Leah Mullane
Principal





BISS Bus Line Expectations

- Inform office of any changes to bus routine
- Go to the toilet before the bus line
- Move straight to the bus line after school
- Follow instructions of the bus line monitor
- Sit down and stay in the line (not playing games, or in other lines, going for walks)
- Listen quietly when the roll is being marked
- Keep your hands and feet to yourself
- Use respectful language to students and staff
- Walk safely with bus line to front of the school
- Pick up phone when you get to office (not before you go to line)
- Phones straight into bags and not used in bus lines
- Safely enter bus
- Follow Code of Conduct for school students travelling on buses





Bus Travel Code of Conduct



Student Responsibilities and Expected Behaviour

The **role** of students is to be a safe and responsible passenger and respect the driver, other passengers and property.

Your Responsibilities

You must do your part too. We have listed what you need to do to make the trip safe and fair for others. You must:

- do what the bus driver says
- follow the bus rules
- listen and learn when your parents/guardians, school or bus driver explain the Code
- respect other people and their property – for example, no stealing things, no damaging the bus, no hurting people or calling them names, and remember to be polite
- make sure you have your bus pass, smart card or money to pay your fare. This includes:
 - showing your bus pass to the driver when asked
 - not using someone else's bus pass
 - having money on your smart card and tapping on and off if the bus has electronic ticketing
- don't distract the driver when driving or touch any of the bus controls or safety equipment (like fire extinguishers or the bus emergency hammer)
- accept what happens if you do the wrong thing

Understand the Code

Following the Code is easy. There are four main things to do:

Be prepared

Behave while waiting at the bus stop and hail the bus as it gets closer. To do this put your arm out while standing safely back from the edge of the road as the bus approaches. This lets the bus driver know to stop and let you on. Have your bus pass, smart card or money ready to pay the fare before getting on the bus.

Be respectful

Treat the driver, other people on the bus, and other people's things with respect. This means no calling names, mean teasing, kicking, punching, prodding, tripping, shoving or pushing. Don't touch other people's things and talk nicely to the driver.

Be safe

Do what the bus driver tells you to do. Follow the safety rules. If the bus has seatbelts, put your seatbelt on when you sit down. Don't move around the bus while it is moving. Be calm and polite.

Be responsible

Take care of your things and keep the bus clean. Don't damage the bus, drop or leave rubbish on the bus or let your things spill out of your bag.

There are lots more things you should not do on the bus, these are just some.



Important Information



BRIBIE ISLAND
STATE SCHOOL

A friendly reminder ♥

OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATION REQUIRES A LABEL



EXAMPLE LABEL

Doctor: Dr. Jane Smith

Directions: Give 1 tablet
every 6 hours as needed
for pain.



A label with the **doctor's name**
that has given **directions** for the
administering of this medication.



EVEN WHEN OVER THE COUNTER,
IT MUST HAVE THIS LABEL
to be provided to students at school.



♥ *Thank you*

for helping us keep our students
safe and well at school. 😊



Important Information



All BISS students are now registered for Sora, and can access over 180,000 eBooks, audiobooks, read-along books, and magazines until the end of February 2027

Getting started with Sora



Get eBooks and audiobooks with Sora!

1

Install the Sora app
from your app
store or go to

<https://soraapp.com>



2

Search for and select
**Education
Queensland**

Is this your school?



Education Queensland

Level 10 Education House
Brisbane, Queensland, Australia

This is my school

My school isn't listed →

3

Sign in with your
MIS-ID, tap 
& enjoy!



Weekly Events

[Click here to view all activities available to students throughout the day.](#)



BISS Supported Transitions



Transition Time	My teacher will	Students will
Before school to class	Meet me at 8:50am in the undercover area.	Line up in class lines quietly. Listen to the morning messages. *Specialised Transition students follow own process
Transition to first break & second break	Walk my class to the undercover area at 11:00am.	Be prepared for play break - what am I doing? what will I need? hat, etc Line up in the activity you have chosen.
Transition home from class	My teacher will release the class using their regular dismissal routine at 3:00pm.	I will walk quietly from my class to: • meet a family member • line up for a bus • walk or ride home

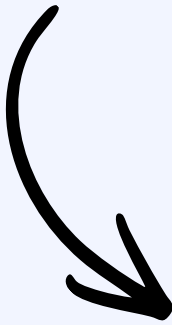
**Brisbane State School** 
 Brisbane State School - Original audio

What do kids at BISS do during their play times?

SAFE, RESPECTFUL, ACTIVE PLAY

Weekly Events

Click here to view our Junior School



Weekly Events

BRIBIE ISLAND STATE SCHOOL

Percy's Playgroup

Fridays 8:50-10:00

In our ECDP building

Ages: 0-5



With Miss Nicky
& Miss P

Percy's 2nd
Birthday

Spreading our wings to learn and connect!



Weekly Events



BRIBIE ISLAND STATE SCHOOL

Home Reading

REMINDER:
Homework and Home Reading Trackers are due every Friday



How are you tracking with your reading?



BRIBIE ISLAND STATE SCHOOL

Home Reading

We have many opportunities to develop reading favourites at Bribie Island State School!



Class Home Reader Favourites
Books that I can borrow from our class kit!



Personal Favourites
Books I enjoy reading in my collection at home!



Library Favourites
Books I borrow each week from the School Library!



Online Favourites
Books I have borrowed from the Sora app that I read or listen to on my personal device!

soraapp.com



Upcoming Events



**PHOTO DAY
IS COMING ...**

Friday 5th June

MSP Photography will be visiting our school soon!

- ❑ Each student will receive an Ordering Envelope with their unique Shoot Key and instructions for ordering school photos.
- ❑ Order online at **www.msp.com.au** or by placing cash inside the envelope. Please enclose the correct amount as no change will be given.
- ❑ Orders close shortly after Photo Day, please order early to avoid additional fees.
- ❑ Sibling photo envelopes are available at the school office on request.

**LIFE IS
EASIER
WITH MSP**

**Questions?
Contact MSP directly!**

3865 4291
admin.brisbane@msp.com.au

Upcoming Events

Student Learning Conferences

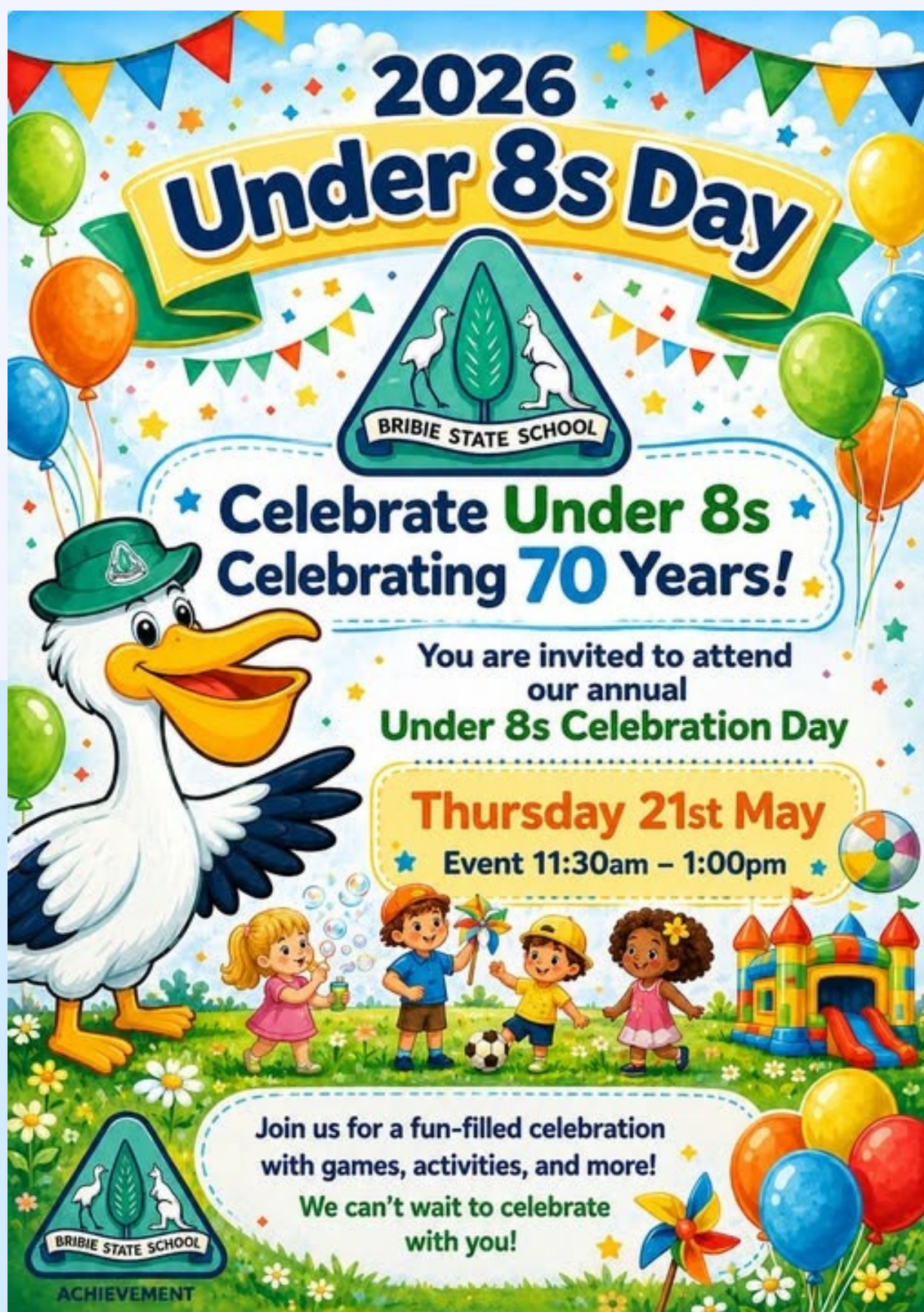
We look forward to meeting you at the school hall on Monday 11th May 2026 from 3:15 - 5:30pm.

WEEK 4 MONDAY 11TH MAY



Bookings open!

Upcoming Events



Upcoming Events



YOU'RE INVITED! TRIVIA Night

A FUNDRAISING NIGHT FOR
BRIBIE ISLAND STATE SCHOOL



FRIDAY
the 22ND MAY



DOORS OPEN
5:30PM

**6PM
START**



UP TO 8
PLAYERS
EACH TABLE



SNACKS AND
BEVERAGES
WILL BE AVAILABLE
TO PURCHASE



ALCOHOL:
AVAILABLE
TO PURCHASE

While it's a family friendly event
trivia format is **better suited to adults.**



**TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE
FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP OR AT THE DOOR**

\$80

A TABLE OF
UP TO 8 PEOPLE

OR

\$12

PER HEAD

Upcoming Events

Reading Rocks is back!

The first competition we are sharing is our Year Level Competition. It's elective only and Mrs Aczel will be taking names on Monday morning at before school messages ★



Practice opportunities will be offered during the week at break time where possible, with finals held on the Friday - we will schedule a showcase event later this term to announce year level winners and celebrate our champions



The students will be reading school provided texts that are part of their regular classroom weekly learning for this experience



**BRIBIE ISLAND
STATE SCHOOL**

READING ROCKS

YEAR LEVEL COMPETITION



**CALLING ALL
READING ROCKSTARS!**

Students from **any year level** can register their interest in the **Year Level Competition!**

 **REGISTER YOUR INTEREST**
Before school in the undercover area with Mrs Aczel on **MONDAY!**



Students will be given a practice passage each week that is part of their regular classroom curriculum.
You can bring it home to practise!

 In finals, you may be asked to read a similar unseen text as well (except Prep students).

WEEKLY BREAKDOWN

WK 2	★	PREP	Your week to shine!
WK 3	★	YEAR 1	Your week to shine!
WK 4	★	YEAR 2	Your week to shine!
WK 5	★	YEAR 3	Your week to shine!
WK 6	★	YEAR 4	Your week to shine!
WK 7	★	YEAR 5	Your week to shine!
WK 8	★	YEAR 6	Your week to shine!

STUDENTS WILL BE JUDGED ON:



FLUENCY
(pace, smoothness)



ACCURACY
(word reading)



EXPRESSION & INTONATION
(voice)



VOLUME & CLARITY



PUNCTUATION AWARENESS



YEAR LEVEL CHAMPION!
Be the champion of your year level!

♥ **READ WITH CONFIDENCE. SHARE YOUR VOICE. BE A READING ROCKSTAR!** ♥

COURAGE ★ GROWTH ★ ACHIEVEMENT

Upcoming Events

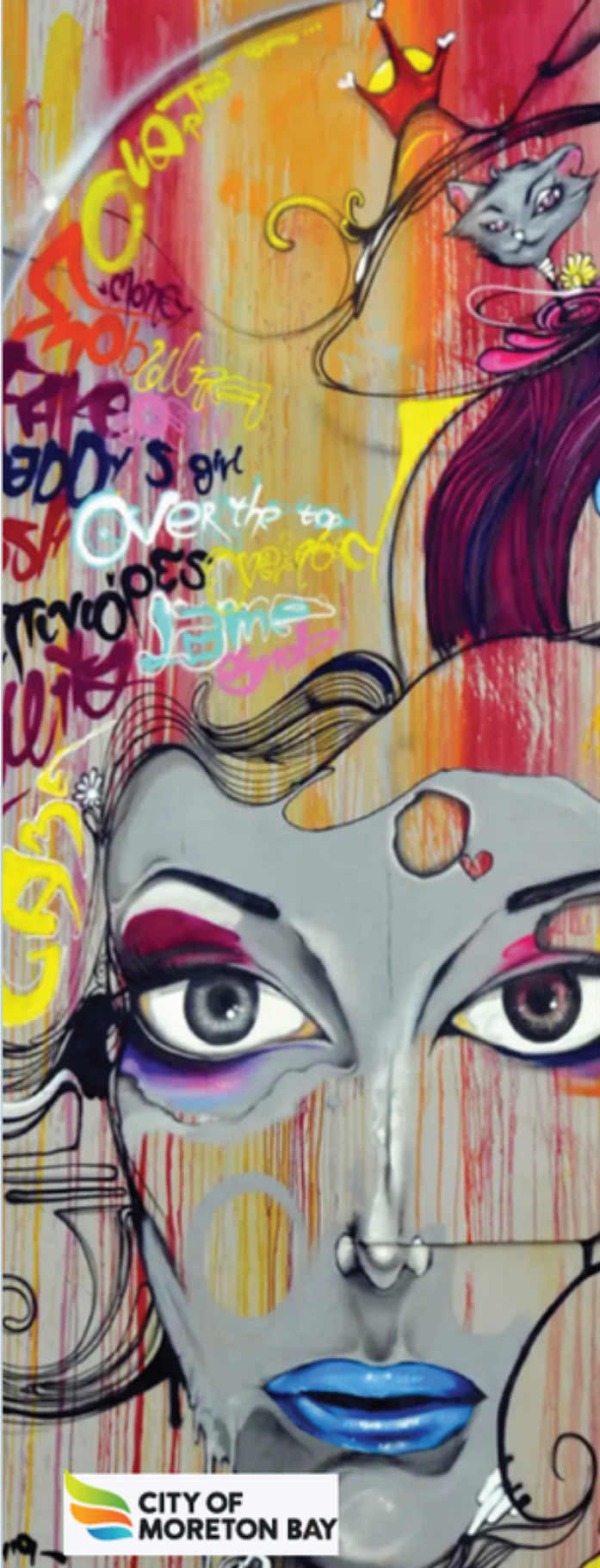
Each year UQ Health Clinics visit to provide hearing screeners to students. As we have a limited number of spots available all Prep students and students identified by teachers will receive a consent form. Please ensure consent forms are returned by Monday 11th May. Any questions please contact Miss P or the class teacher

**HEARING SCREENER
NOTES COMING
HOME TODAY FOR
PREPS AND
IDENTIFIED
STUDENTS.**



PLEASE ENSURE CONSENT FORMS ARE RETURNED BY MONDAY 11TH MAY.

Upcoming Events



Bribie Island
Community Arts
Society Inc.

Next GENERATION ART PRIZE

2 0 2 6

SAVE THE DATE
26 AUGUST - 12 SEPTEMBER
2026

ENTRIES IN BY
9 AUGUST 2026

AGES 7-18 YEARS

Celebrating
our
Region's
Youngest
Artists



WWW.BRIBIEARTSCENTRE.COM.AU



CITY OF
MORETON BAY

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[Click here to view highlights from Week 2 Assembly](#)

*Assembly
2026*

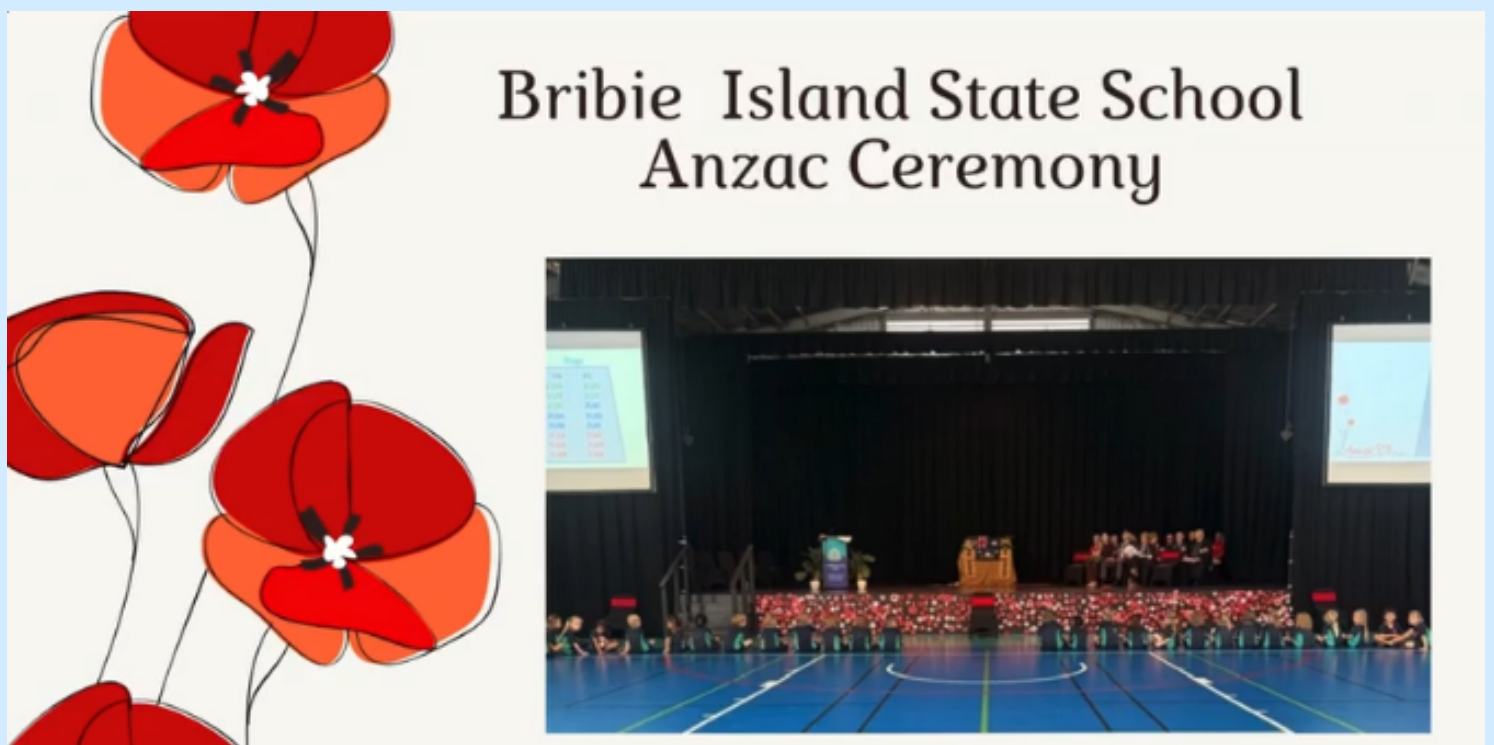
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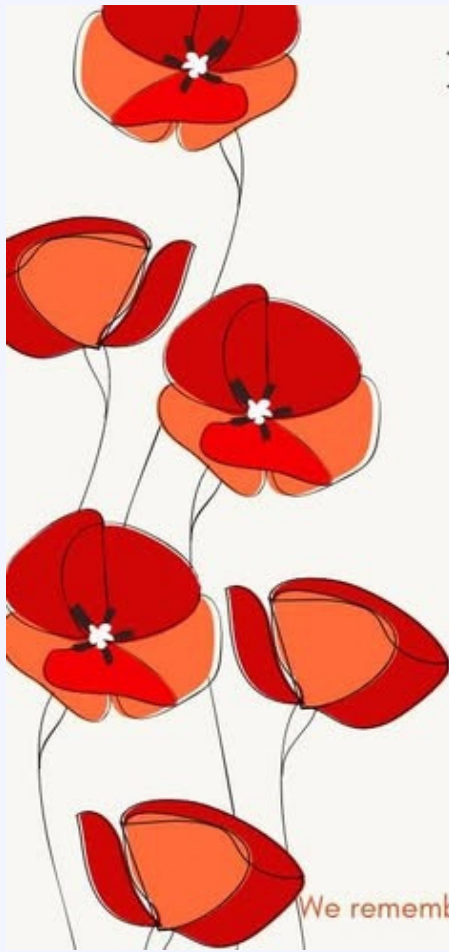
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Click the image below to view our Anzac Ceremony highlights



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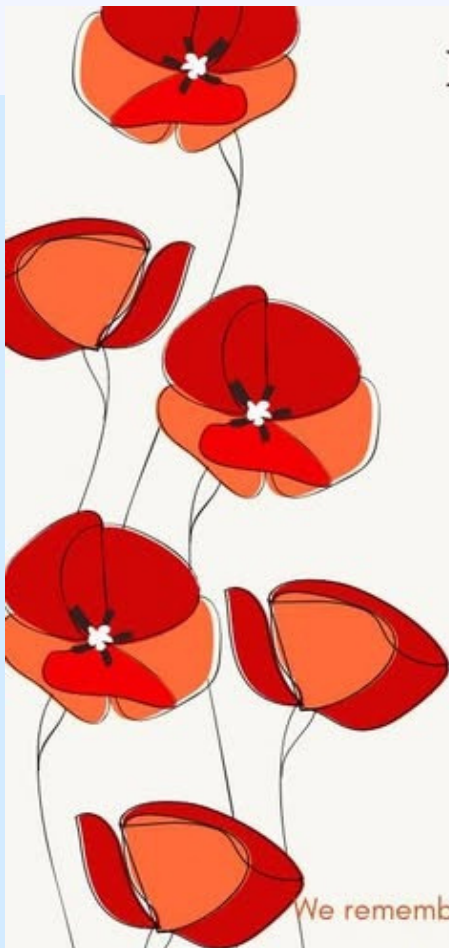


ON APRIL 25TH
Bribie Island State School
Remembers
ANZAC Day



Dawn Service

We remember heroes and what they gave for our tomorrow.



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Island And Surrounds Open Community Page
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*Community Link
Canberra 2026*

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ANZAC Day

ANZAC Day



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Community Link Canberra 2026



ANZAC Day



Community Link Canberra 2026



ANZAC Day



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1/2D News

This week in English, we began our new unit, Our Solar System. We explored what is included in an information report and read a range of examples. The students were very excited to start this topic and eagerly began researching and learning about The Sun.

We also focused on building our grammar skills by exploring adjectives, nouns and verbs. Students created noun groups about the Sun, which supported them in writing simple, compound and complex sentences.

To bring our learning to life, we completed a craft activity, creating a Sun and space background to accompany our dazzling sentences about the Sun.

Finally to consolidate their understanding, we worked together to write an information report about The Sun.



In Maths, we have been working with hundreds, tens and ones to partition two- and three-digit numbers. Students explored place value by breaking numbers apart and representing them in different ways, strengthening their understanding of our base-ten number system. We then explored an alternative strategy for partitioning, and it was fantastic to see students' thinking deepen as they made connections between different representations. It was wonderful to see the year 2's supporting the year 1's with this task.



Dates to remember

Thursday 30th April - Homework due back
Friday 1st May - Parade - Sime the teacher!
Monday 4th May - Labour Public Holiday
Tuesday 5th to Thursday 7th May - Mother's Day stall - Front of the school
Monday 11th May - Parent Teacher Conferences - 3.15 onwards in the hall
Thursday 21st May - Under 8's Day
Tuesday 26th May - Startlab Incursion
Friday 5th June - Photo Day
Friday 19th June - Sports Carnival
Thursday 25th June - Arts Showcase

Jennie Dryden - jxdry2@eq.edu.au

1/2D News

This week in English, we researched the planet Mars. Students gathered facts and focused on using noun groups and verb groups to add detail and precision to their writing, helping them to make their writing more informative and engaging.

Students then applied these skills to independently write an information report about Mars, demonstrating their ability to use factual language, and construct sentences with increasing complexity.

Students of the Week



In Mathematics, we have been exploring how numbers can be broken into parts and represented in different ways. Students have been working with both one- and two-digit numbers to understand that numbers can be composed and decomposed in multiple ways (e.g. $8 = 5 + 3$, $8 = 4 + 4$).

Through hands-on materials, number sentences, and visual models, students have investigated how the same number can be made using different combinations. This has strengthened their understanding of part-part-whole relationships and built flexibility with numbers.

Students have also been connecting these ideas to number sentences, developing their ability to represent their thinking using addition equations. They are beginning to recognise patterns and relationships between numbers, supporting their early algebraic thinking.

Reading Stars



Dates to remember

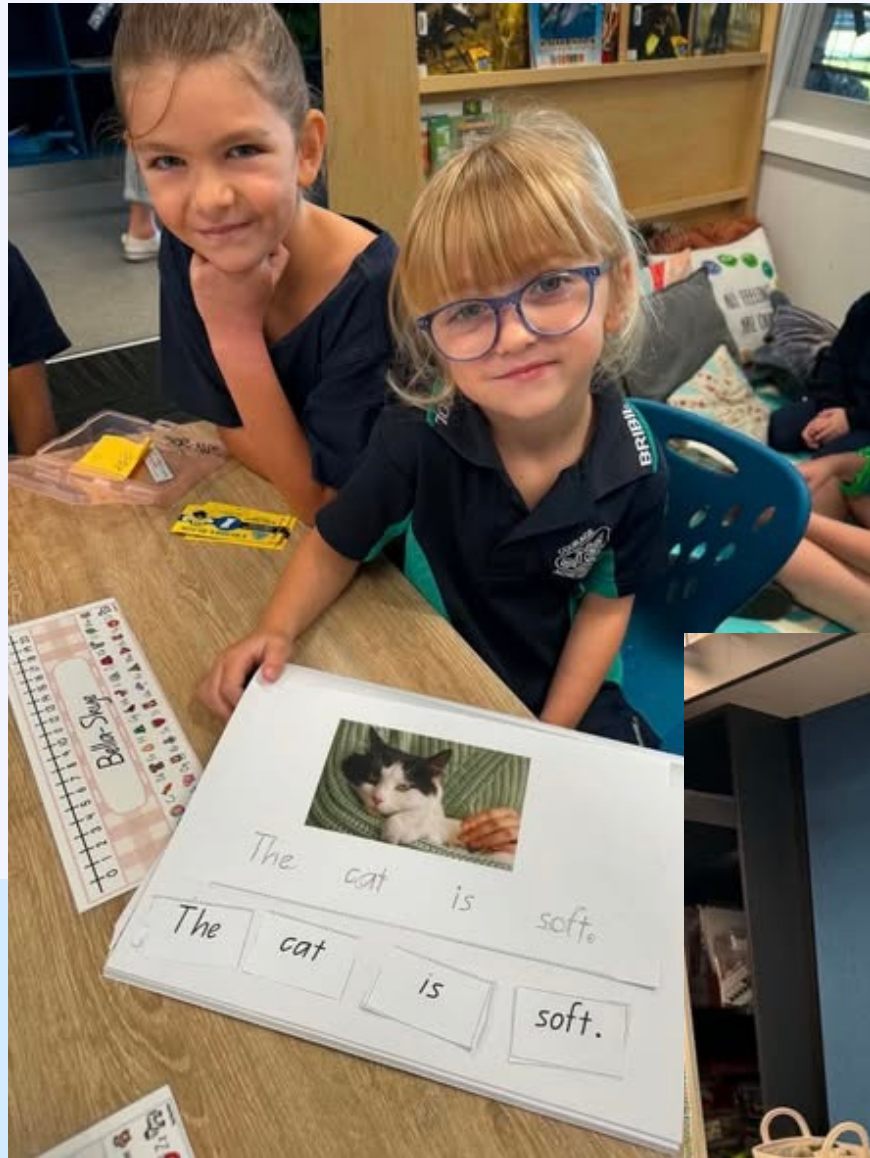
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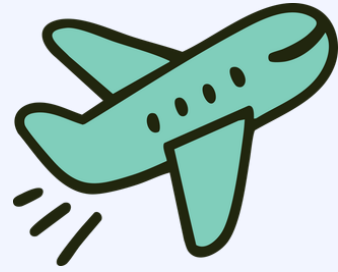
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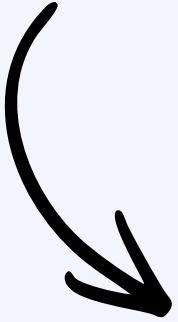
Prep C & 56E enjoying buddy class reading time together



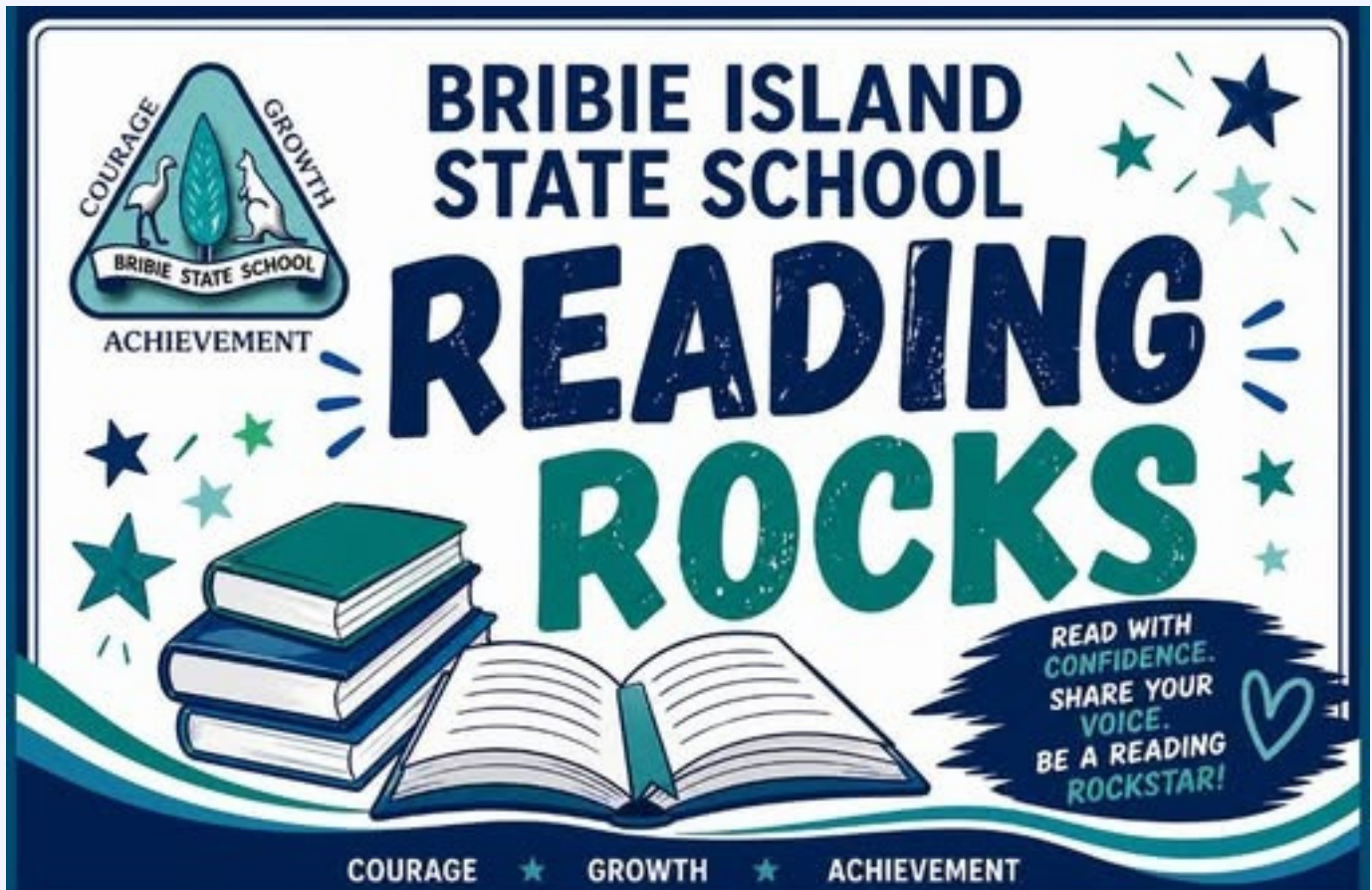
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Click on the below pictures to see where year 5/6 have 'visited' now!!!

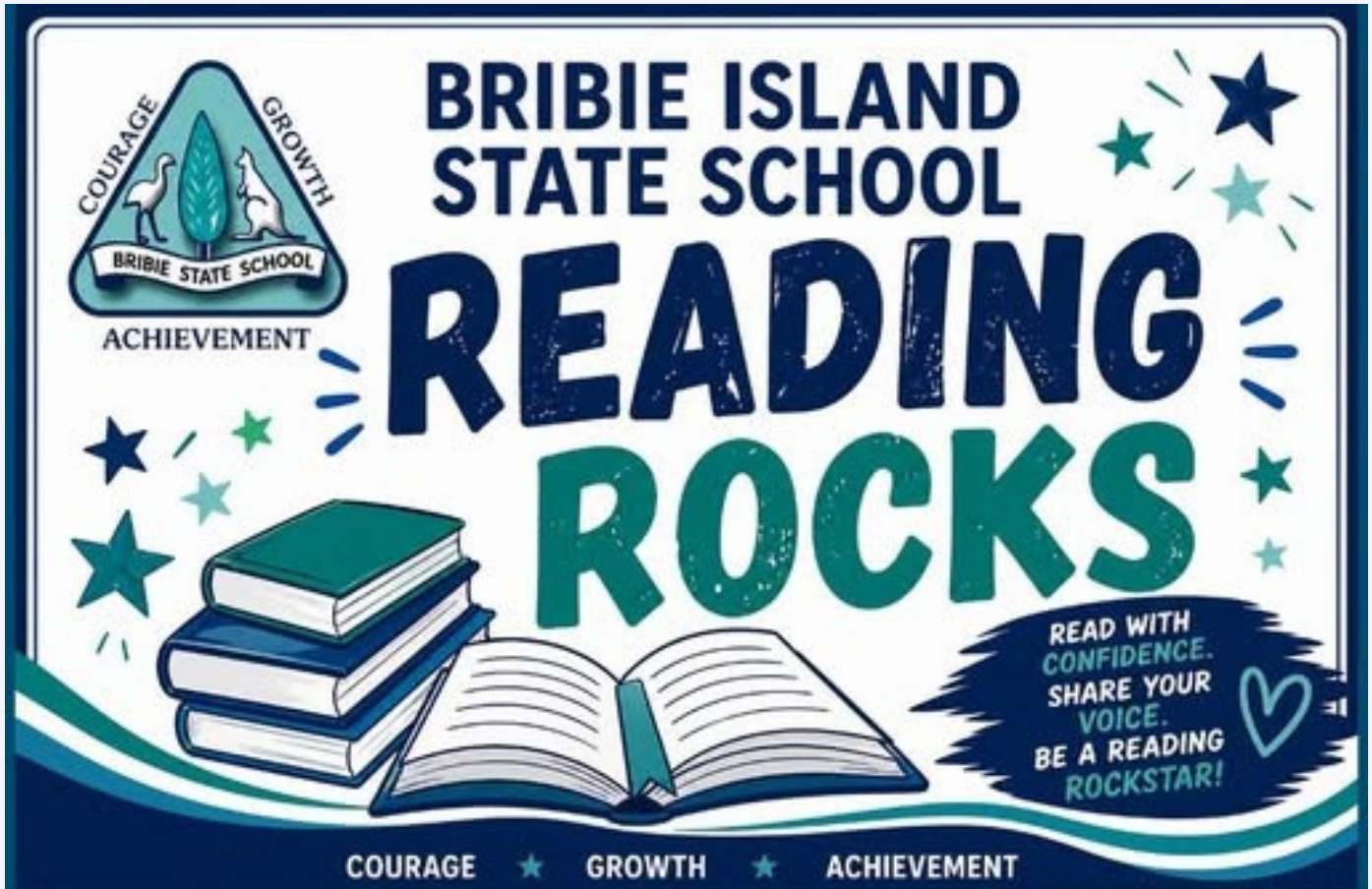


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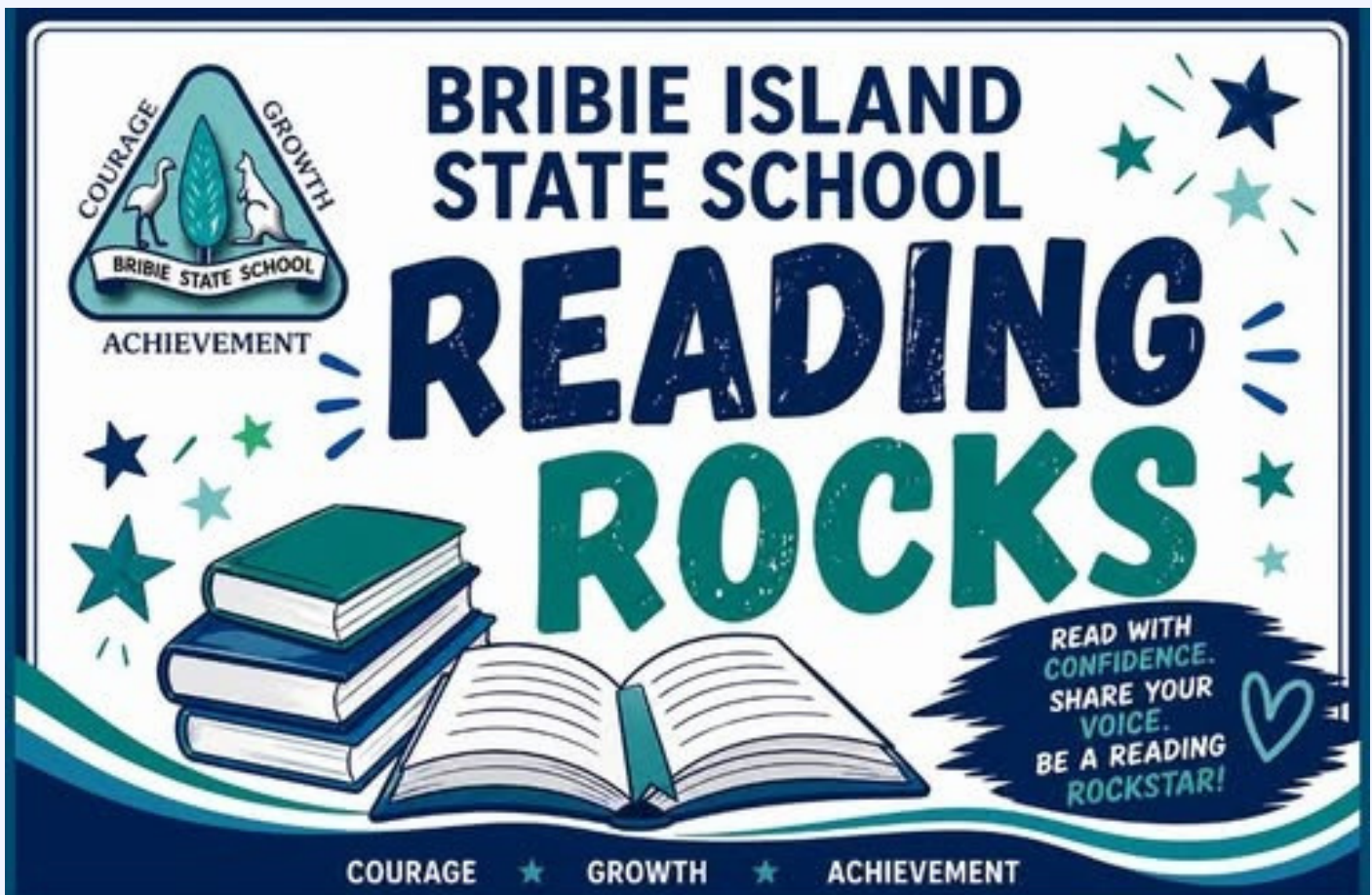
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What's the Buzz?



Prep – Week 1

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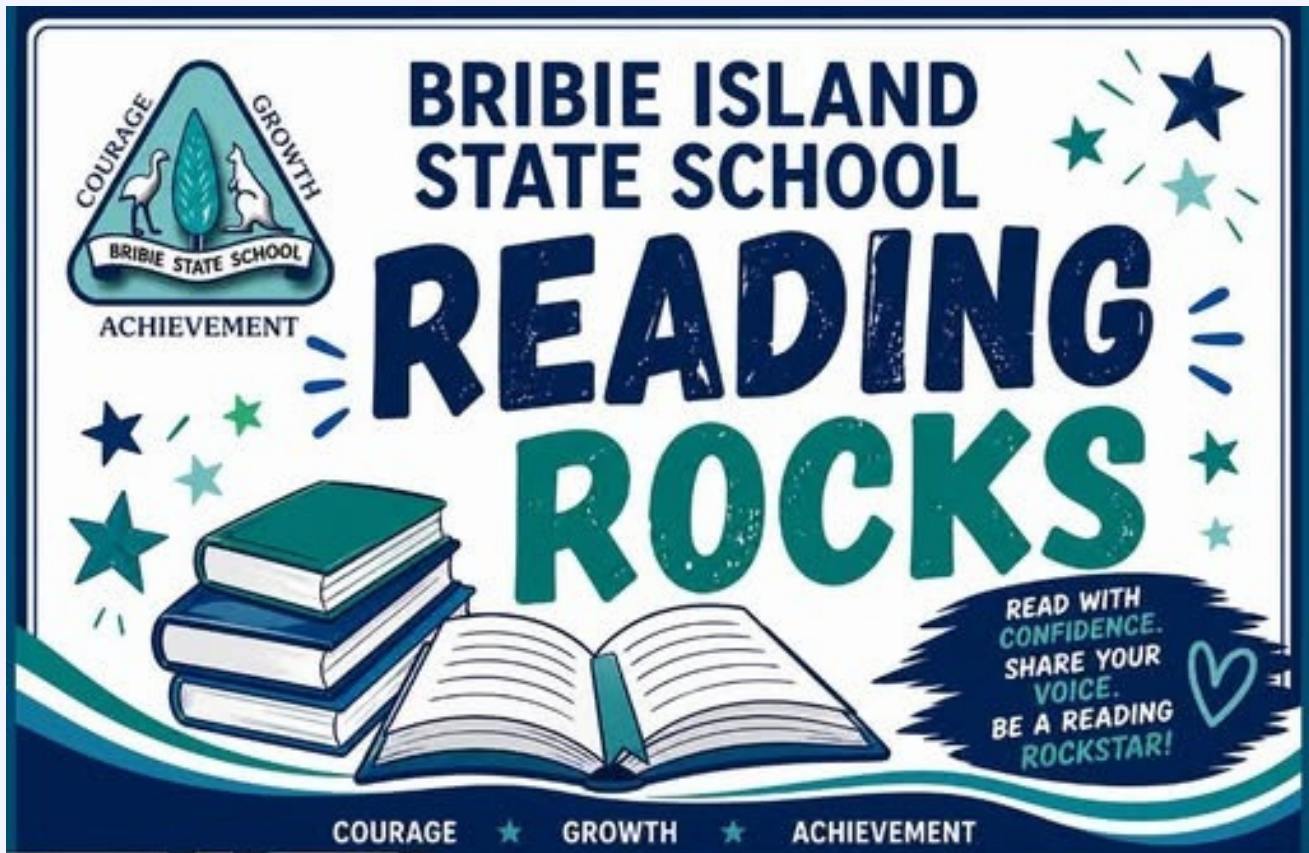


Year Level Competition Yr Prep Finals

Prep had their finals today and all students grew so much in their reading skills. We are so proud!



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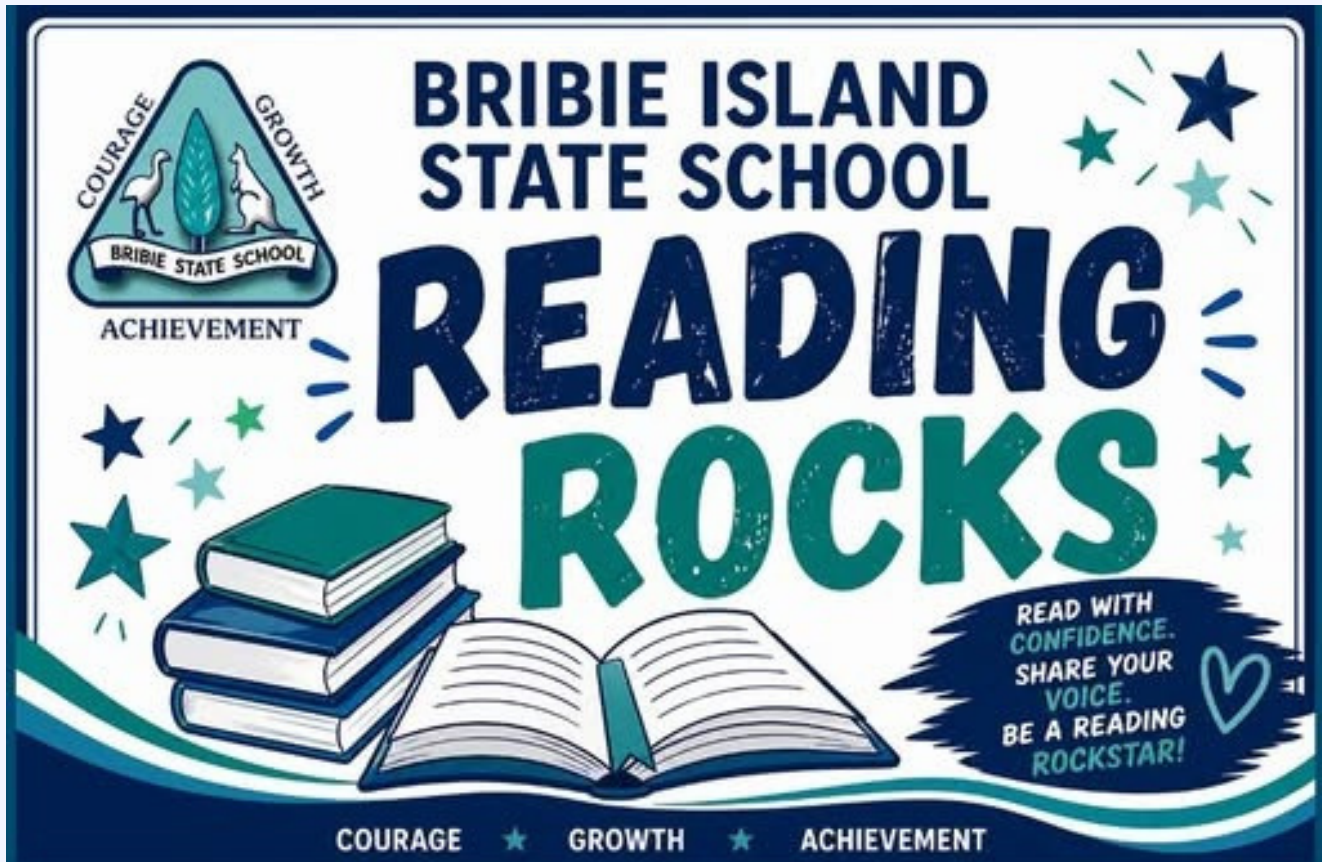


Year Level Competition

Yr 1

Mrs Aczel & Ms P have given all these students some practice materials today so we are ready for our finals at first break Friday

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Year Level Competition

Yr 1



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CONGRATULATIONS

100



Reading Experiences

Ethan



CONGRATULATIONS

200



Reading Experiences

Noah



What's the Buzz?



CONGRATULATIONS

100



Reading Experiences

Amelia



CONGRATULATIONS

100



Reading Experiences

Rylee



What's the Buzz?



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Home Reading



CELEBRATING
SUCCESS

100 EXPERIENCES



BRIBIE ISLAND STATE SCHOOL



Home Reading



CELEBRATING
SUCCESS

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 **BRIBIE
BRAINIACS**



Week 3 Hard Workers!

 **BRIBIE
BRAINIACS**



Week 3 Hard Workers!

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LEARNING WALK & TALKS

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ASSESSMENT LITERATE LEARNERS
2026 SCHOOL GOALS

Junior

School

Week 2 Term 2



**LACHLAN SHARING HIS
UNDERSTANDING OF
INFORMATIVE TEXTS**



LEARNING WALK & TALKS

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ASSESSMENT LITERATE LEARNERS
2026 SCHOOL GOALS

Junior

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Week 2 Term 2



**PIP SHARING HER WRITING FOR
ENGLISH**



What's the Buzz?



GREIGHTNESS



Ipswich Jiu Jitsu Championship

STUDENTS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Thank you!



**BRIBIE ISLAND
STATE SCHOOL**

Courage • Growth • Achievement

Happy

PRINCIPAL Appreciation DAY!



Today we celebrate our
incredible principal,

Leah Mullane ♥



Kind

Leads with compassion
and cares for our community.



Student-Focused

Always puts students at the
heart of every decision.



Hard Working

Dedicated, determined and
committed to excellence.



Supportive & Involved

Always there for staff, students
and our school community.

Leah leads with kindness, dedication,
and a genuine passion for every student.

Her student-focused approach,
strong work ethic, and daily commitment
to our school community make a
lasting difference in the lives of
both staff and students.

We are so grateful for her support,
her presence, and the way she brings
our school together each and every day.

Thank you, Leah, for everything you do for BISS – *we appreciate you!* ♥

COURAGE • ♥ GROWTH • ♥ ACHIEVEMENT

Thank you!



56D & Mrs Greenfield Celebrating Principal's Day with Ms Mullane



Thank you!



Thank you!

HAPPY PRINCIPALS

Appreciation Day!

Today, we celebrate and *thank* our incredible Deputy Principals

Mrs Aczel ♥ | **Mr Lyons** ♥ | **Mrs Kay-Keen**

We thank you for your amazing leadership, dedication and the many ways you support our **students, staff** and **families** every day.



SUPPORTING STUDENTS, STAFF & FAMILIES



DEDICATED TO ONGOING IMPROVEMENT IN TEACHING & LEARNING



FOCUSED ON STUDENT ENGAGEMENT



DEDICATED, SUPPORTIVE, INSPIRING LEADERS.

Your work behind the scenes and in front of our community makes a huge difference every single day. ♥

⇒ We appreciate you so much! ⇒

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND ALL THAT YOU DO FOR BRIBIE ISLAND STATE SCHOOL.



BRIBIE ISLAND STATE SCHOOL

Thank you

TO OUR WONDERFUL GUIDANCE OFFICERS!

♥ Guidance Officer Appreciation Week ♥

We are so grateful for the dedication, compassion and unwavering support you provide to our students, families and staff every day.

Thank you for all you do for our school community!

♥ TO OUR AMAZING GUIDANCE OFFICERS

⇒ We appreciate you! ⇐

Your care. Your support. Your impact.
It makes a difference every day. ♥



Listen

Support

Encourage

Empower

Thank you for helping our students thrive and shine!



2026

Congratulate BRIBIE'S BEST!

WEEK 3

Mrs Hatfield - Always open to having others work alongside her in the room, growing her practice and supporting others to also

Thank you!

Supported by BISS P & C



2026

Congratulate BRIBIE'S BEST!

WEEK 2

Ms Kellie- We love having Miss Kellie on our team, she is a favourite of so many students

Thank you!

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THURSDAY 14 MAY



3:30 PM



STAFF ROOM



Catch up on what's happening



Share your ideas and get involved



Everyone Welcome! 

HELP SHAPE OUR P&C AND SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!

Introducing Kim – 2026 P&C Vice President

Kim has been part of the BISS community since 2019 and is a familiar, friendly face around the school. Whether she's cheering on the kids at events or enjoying time with her family, she brings a genuine passion for supporting the school and its students. We're so excited to have Kim as part of the P&C Executive team this year

1. How long have you been part of the BISS community?

Since 2019 when my son started Prep, and now my daughter is in Grade 1.

2. What is your favourite BISS event or activity?

I love the athletic and swimming carnivals, discos, gala days, and the Redlands All Schools Touch Carnival.

3. What is your go-to coffee order or favourite drink?

I don't drink coffee, but I love a hot chocolate from the tuckshop and a Pepsi Max.

4. What is your favourite spot on Brisbane Island?

Woorim and the waterfront – you can't beat a walk along the beach or a ride along the waterfront (especially spotting dolphins!).

5. What is your favourite way to spend a weekend with your family?

Camping in our caravan by the beach in summer or bush camping in winter – although you'll usually find us at the soccer fields.

6. What is your favourite takeaway or comfort food?

Pizza and a really good pasta.

7. What TV show, movie, or book are you loving at the moment?

I'm a big fan of Grey's Anatomy and enjoy romance or autobiographies – but most of the time it's kids' shows or the footy on at home.

8. What is one thing you are excited about for the P&C this year?

Seeing our fundraising efforts turn into tangible, lasting improvements for the students and the school community.



SCHOLASTIC
Book Club LOOP
for Parents

Here are eight easy steps for ordering via LOOP:

- 1** Log in, or create a new account
- 2** Follow the Wizard to set up the child's profile
- 3** Click the ORDER tab, select the child's school & class
- 4** Add the child's first name and last initial
- 5** Enter the product item number from the Book Club catalogue
- 6** Apply any promotional codes that have been earned
- 7** Make a payment via credit card
- 8** Await order arrival at the child's school

SCHOLASTIC **Book Club**

A great initiative from our P & C - Our community wins through discounted items and the school wins also in terms of donations back to us. TIP - If you have 'The Pass' app, add BISS26 to the voucher area - and it will be saved there for each time you visit

THE PASS

A GOOD TIME OUT SHOULD
COME WITH **GREAT REWARDS**



**5% OF ALL SPEND DONATED
DIRECTLY BACK TO YOUR SCHOOL!**

Download and join The Pass loyalty app today and save a further 10% on every order at Bribie Island Hotel by entering the below discount code,

BISS26

(Valid until 31/01/2027)

DOWNLOAD
THE PASS
APP TODAY



LOOKING TO
HOST AN EVENT?
EARN 5% REBATE

Book a staff or parent function at one of our 200+ venues. Enquire today,
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VIEW
VENUE MAP

