

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

### 2019 Materials and Services Fee

Parents and caregivers are invited to attend the Governing Council meeting on Monday October the 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the staff room to discuss the 2019 Materials and Services fee prior to approval being sought for the setting of the fee. The proposed fee of \$241 is the minimum amount the school can legally claim from families. Most schools set their Materials and Services Charge at a higher rate than Brahma Lodge Primary School. We are constantly attempting to keep the cost of education at a minimum for families. We think that we provide outstanding value to the families of our community. We rely on this charge paid by families to assist us to provide your children with a high quality education.

### Hats

A reminder that as part of our Sun Smart Policy we require all of our students to wear an appropriate broad brimmed or bucket hat in term 4. Please ensure that your child has an appropriate hat to wear whilst outside. Hats can be purchased from our cashier office every morning or from the uniform shop which is open on Monday and Friday mornings from 8.30am - 9 am at a cost of \$7.70.



### 2019 Classes

We are beginning to organise ourselves for the 2019 school year. You will find a 2019 Class Placement letter at the end of this newsletter that will enable you to provide us with information that you would like us to consider when placing your child into a class for next year. This is not an opportunity to request specific teachers but an opportunity for you to provide information that you would like us to consider for 2019. Please complete the cut off section and return it by **Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> of November**. Whilst not all accommodations can be met we will certainly attempt to meet the needs of our families, particularly our students.



Sports Day will be held on Friday November the 16<sup>th</sup>. Our aim for the day is to engage our students in enjoyable physical activities. We want our students to practice teamwork, helping

others, giving their best, cooperation, accepting the umpire's decision and supporting each other. Students will be competing for points at each event they participate in. Points are to be awarded for **teamwork, willingness to have a go, athleticism and sportsmanship**. The points will be tallied and one of the House Colour Teams will be announced as the winning team at an assembly at the end of the school day. Students will be competing in their house teams. We encourage them to

### Diary Dates



**Breakfast Club**  
Tuesdays and  
Thursdays 8 am -  
8:35 am  
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**Friday  
26<sup>th</sup> October**  
SAPSASA  
Cricket  
&  
House Colours  
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**Monday  
29<sup>th</sup> October**  
Governing Council  
Meeting  
7 pm  
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**Tuesday  
30<sup>th</sup> October**  
State Tag Rugby  
Competition  
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**Friday  
2<sup>nd</sup> November**  
Assembly 9 am  
led by Room 12  
&  
House Colours  
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wear the colours of their house team. We will create groups to organise our students for the morning activities which will be planned by our Sports Day Committee. The groups will be R-7. Each group will have approximately 22 students in it. We encourage our students to wear sun smart clothing in their house colour that is appropriate for physical activity. All students will need to wear a suitable hat to participate. If the forecast temperature on ABC News at 7 pm is 32 degrees Celsius or above we will run a modified morning program that will conclude at recess time.

We invite family members to come to our Sports Day to support our students in the activities they will be engaging in during the day. A draft outline of the day we have planned is below. The final timetable will be published in the next newsletter.

8:15 - 9:00 am	Healthy Breakfast / face paint / crazy hair
9:00 - 9:10 am	Students go to their classroom
9:10 - 9:30 am	Houses practice Health Hustle
9:30 - 10:00 am	House Chants / Houses perform Health Hustle
10:00 - 10:30 am	Recess - all students will return to class to eat and drink
10:30 am	Rotation activities begin
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:10 pm	Sprints / Relay / Tug of War
2:00 pm	Staff Novelty Relay
2:15 pm	Presentation

*Graham Wood*  
Principal

### **School Card 2018**

The 2018 School Card forms are available from the Front Office. **Parents/Caregivers are reminded that a new form needs to be completed at the beginning of every year.** Additional information is available at [www.sa.gov.au](http://www.sa.gov.au) or contact the School Card Section on free call 1800 672 758

# YELLOW ALL-STARS FUNDRAISER

Last term in Week 10, the Yellow All-Stars organised two fundraising events to support **Buy a Bale**. This charity delivers hay and other important resources to Australian farmers who have no food or water left for their cattle.

The first event was the **messy obstacle course**, which saw students pass through 10 different stations involving water, sand, jelly, whipped cream, mud, cornflakes, washing detergent, sugar, coloured powder, hay and slime. All of the students who participated seemed to enjoy the concept of getting themselves, and even more so, their friends super messy!

The second event saw the hall become Brahma Lodge's very own cinema. **Ferdinand** screened for two days at recess and lunch and was a hit amongst the students, as was the popcorn or dirt and worms (cookies and gummy worms).

**All together the Yellow All-Stars raised a whopping \$490 for Buy a Bale!**

In addition, Coles was matching the figure being donated, and therefore \$980 was the final amount given to this much needed charity.

Thank you for your support😊.



# Brahma Lodge Primary School 2019 Class Placement



We will soon begin the class placement process for 2019.

We believe that we will begin the school year with about 230 children. Under the current staffing formula primary classes are entitled to one teacher for every 30 children, while junior primary classes are entitled to one teacher for every 26 children. Based on our current predictions we will start the 2019 school year with 10 classes.

After gathering information we establish classes based on: learning needs, individual differences, gender balance, friendships, learning styles, social and emotional maturity, the length of time that children have been together, previous class placements as well as fair and even groupings in each class setting.

Parents are invited to contribute to this process by filling out the form below. We cannot guarantee that we will grant your request, however we will do our best to accommodate the needs of your child.

Parents are reminded that they cannot request a specific teacher. Teachers are placed after the classes have been formed.

Please return the information below to your child's class teacher by Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> of November.

If you require additional forms please ask your child to collect one from the front office.

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Name of Student(s) 1.	_____	Current Class(es) _____	Year Level(s) _____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____

My child(ren) will be attending BLPS in 2019 Yes / No ( please circle)

Academic, social, emotional, physical factors to consider in the placement of my child in 2019.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Friendship groups – we aim to have at least one friend in the class.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Other factors to consider