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School vision: Connecting communities to enhance the development of students' living and social skills through innovative practice.

Empowering students to become interdependent successful lifelong learners.

Principal's Message

It is the time of year to bring things to a close and reflect on the year that was.

We say a sad farewell to a number of staff who have been successful in their applications for promotions or transfer.

Mrs. Jenny Carroll, who has a long history with Broderick Gillawarna, has accepted a transfer to the special school at Bondi so she is starting to get in training already for the Bondi look. Jenny has been a pivotal staff member and executive for the school, establishing positive links with the community.

Mrs. Helen Cerreto who works tirelessly in both the classroom and the office has been successful in her transfer application to a school closer to home. We will surely miss Mrs. Cerreto's happy disposition in the office.

Congratulations to Miss. Louise Gomersall's achievement in attaining a promotion as Assistant Principal at George Bass Special School. We look forward to collaborating

interschool with Miss Gomersall. All these staff have contributed positively to the school over the years and will be sorely missed, however, we wish them every success for their future careers.

Congratulations goes to Mr. Aaron Gardener who was successful in gaining the Assistant Principal position here commencing in January 2016.

Ms. Karen McDonell will be returning from her year of leave in January 2016 and I wish her and the school the very best for the future years.

I would like thank every staff member for making my year here at Broderick Gillawarna totally wonderful.

Broderick Gillawarna School has a high standard for quality and equitable education for students with disabilities and it has been an honour to be a part of that for a year.

I have had an excellent time, and enjoyed getting to know staff, parents and students. I wish you all continued success, good health and happiness for the future.

W. Milburn

Calendar

- Dec 8** - Presentation Day
- Dec 10** - Graduation Dinner
- Dec 17** - Last Day of School
- Jan 28** - School commences for students

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2016 Walk-a-wheel-a-thon



Broderick Gillawarna School hosted the Walk-a-Wheel-a-thon to raise awareness about violence against women and its impact on women's physical, psychological, social and spiritual wellbeing.

Thanks to the wonderful community representatives, volunteers, parents, staff, students from Ingleburn Public School; Sir Joseph Banks High School and Shore School.

The Walk-a-Wheel-a-thon was a great success.



Representatives who assisted with the Walk-a--Wheel-a-thon

Bankstown Domestic Violence Service
 South West Sydney Legal Centre
 Bankstown Women's Health Centre
 Staying Home Leaving Violence – Liverpool/Fairfield
 South West Sydney Women's Domestic Violence Court
 Advocacy Service
 N.S.W. Police Force
 Ingleburn Public School
 Sir Joseph Banks High School
 Shore School



A HUGE thank you to the Shore School students who painted a wonderful mural on the storage container behind D Block.
What an amazing view our students will see from their classrooms!



Container Before Makeover



After Makeover



View from D Block classrooms



Students worked hard in extremely hot weather



Students from Shore School with the final product – simply amazing!



Fun Day 2016





Deputy Principal's Message:

As 2016 is approaching, we welcome back Mrs. Karen McDonnell as Principal, however, we would also like to acknowledge and express our gratitude to 2015's Relieving Principal, Ms. Wendy Milburn.

Ms. Milburn's strong leadership and experience has seen many achievements at the school:

- a new PA system in the school assembly hall;
- interactive whiteboards in all demountables;
- a new connections learning space to be established; and
- extra security fencing.

However, it is not just the physical resources that we appreciate, but also Ms. Milburn's leadership that challenges us to exceed our potential. We congratulate Mr. Aaron Gardener and Miss Louise Gomersall in their successful appointment as Assistant Principal.

Ms. Milburn has also fully supported a new venture with a partnership between Ingleburn PS and Broderick Gillawarna School – Making D.R.E.A.M.S a R.E.A.L.I.T.Y:

*Dare to Revolutionise Education Authentically Across Multi-dimensional Systems
to develop
Resilient Empathetic Active Lifelong learners Inspiring Tomorrow's Youth*

Opportunities such as inter-school camps, immersion programs, combined dance groups and inter-school staff collaboration have all been possible with Ms. Milburn's willingness to support creative innovations.

On behalf of the staff, students and community, I would like to thank Ms. Milburn for a wonderful 2015 and wish her all the best. We look forward to continuing our connections with Ms. Milburn and collaborating with Chalmers Road School.

Have a safe and enjoyable break. Please remember the morning student arrival time (including parent drop off and taxis) is 8.45am.

See you back in 2016.

Regards,
R.MacRae



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