18 August 2016

Dear Parents,

2017 ENROLMENTS

Though we are five months out we need to begin the enrolment process for next year to ensure that we have the most accurate predictions for classes in 2017. Currently we have sent out acceptances for enrolment to approximately 90 Prep students who are in catchment, sibling enrolments and out of catchment enrolments that have returned enrolment forms. To assist us we ask parents to:

• Firstly ensure that you have an enrolment form in for students beginning Prep in 2017.
• Secondly advise families known to you with Prep age children for 2017 within our catchment area to have an enrolment form in.
• Finally, if you have a child currently at Bald Hills School this year and they will not be returning in 2017 to notify the office.

Thank you for your assistance.

ENROLMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN

All schools that approach or pass 80% of their design capacity (our capacity is 607 students) will become Enrolment Managed (capped, zoned, managed, limited etc). We’re at 100% of design capacity (611 students) so we will continue to be Enrolment Managed. In line with the requirements of the School EMP procedure, we must carefully manage our enrolments and restrict out-of-catchment students to ensure additional facilities are not required to meet out-of-catchment demand.

To be entitled for automatic enrolment, students must meet one of the following criteria:
- Reside within the school’s catchment area (providing they can supply sufficient proof of residence)
- Siblings of current students at the school
- Students whose parent or legal guardian is employed by the school
- Students who have been excluded from a school, if approved by the Regional Director

Applications from any other person, not meeting the criteria outlined above, is an out-of-catchment application. Enrolment of students from outside the local catchment area is restricted to ensure that the total current and forecast enrolments do not exceed the Student Enrolment Capacity. A chronological Order of Enrolment Applications is kept in the office (waiting list).

Out of catchment enrolments can proceed if there is sufficient spare capacity after reserving places for students who move into the catchment during the year.

SOCIAL MEDIA AND THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

The Department of Education Queensland has produced material on this topic and Cyber safety which has some very good general tips for parents and caregivers which you can access on [http://behaviour.education.qld.gov.au/](http://behaviour.education.qld.gov.au/)SiteCollectionDocuments/cybersafety/cyberbullying-cybersafetyprintfriendlyguide.pdf

ENCOURAGE PROBLEM-SOLVING

Counting, Measuring, Weighing

*Practical Mathematics.* Let’s stop thinking of maths as school sums. Counting, measuring and weighing are everyday concerns in which children can easily be involved.

*Count everything.* Children love the opportunity: count money, change, items on a shopping list, pieces of cake, spoons, people etc.

*Measure and Weigh.* First use informal measures, e.g. paces to the letterbox. Later use rulers, tape-measures, maps and calculators for distances around the house, or trips etc. Use the kitchen or bathroom scales for weighing things.
So Much to Measure, Make and Do

In the kitchen. Let them measure, mix and pour while you cook.... Explore the fridge and cupboards together.... Explain the stove, the mixer, frypan, etc.... show how to consult and use recipe books.

In the park or garden. Watch the changes... growth and decay... the role of birds, bees, spiders, ants, wasps, ‘pests’, worms... give children some good soil to plant in or pot plants... talk about the differences between bulbs, seeds...flowers, fruits, vegetables....grass, plants, bushes, vines, trees... all the useful describing words: colours, shades, light, dark, straight, crooked, long, short, round, square and so on endlessly.

Around the home. Think of all the possibilities mentioned earlier: all the talking, listening, questioning, reading, writing, collecting, measuring, making, doing, observing. WHY? To stir curiosity, encourage problem-solving, and produce a confident, active, thoughtful, reading and writing kind of child who copes with school and copes with an increasingly difficult adult society.

Cheers
Glen Robertson, Principal

From the DP

Rule of the Week
Our focus rule for this week is to be a learner with Learner Lenny and have all equipment ready to start each day. Teachers will be reminding students of the expectations surrounding this rule and encouraging students to:

- Be organized each day
- Have two sharp pencils and an eraser
- Have any other equipment that you need ie colouring pencils, glue, scissors ready
- Use the correct equipment only ie. Plain pencil cases, erasers and sharpeners
- Keep your tidy box neat and organized

Please help your child be ready for learning by ensuring that they have all of the correct equipment at school.

Club Day
Next Wednesday 24 August we will be holding a fundraising Club Day where students are able to wear the uniform of any after school or weekend club/activity that they are involved in (eg. Dancing, soccer, rugby, little athletics, scouts, guides, cheerleading, etc.). If students are not involved in an extra curricular activity then they are able to wear the colour blue. All students that attend in free dress on that day need to bring a gold coin donation. All donations will go to the 150th committee to help fund the 150th celebration that is being held on Saturday 10th September.

150th Whole School Anniversary Photo book
The company who completed our school photos this year, MSP, have provided parents with the opportunity to purchase a whole school anniversary photo booklet, which has each class from 2016 featured, along with the whole staff photo. Copies of this booklet are available for $35. Order forms are available from the office where this is a copy on display for parents to view. Orders close on Friday 26 August 2016.

Prep Play and Stay sessions
On Tuesday our first prep play and stay sessions for 2017 enrolments was held in the prep rooms. This session was well attended by both new and familiar families and the teachers had a lovely time meeting our new students for 2017. We would like to remind parents that there are two sessions being held over the next two Tuesdays and that we encourage all pre-prep students enrolled for prep 2017 students to attend. We would also like to remind parents to ensure that they have their enrolment forms submitted for prep 2017.

Sharon Blake – Deputy Principal

Students of the Week

- PB Azadene
- PB Ashton
- PH Hemi
- PH Lucas
- PK Philip
- PK Chloe
- PS Karl
- PS Bodie
- 2B Caitlin
- 2B Ruban
- 2R Tristan
- 2R Connor
- 2W Kingston
- 2W Tilly
- 4B Brooke
- 4B Cooper
- 4C Regan
- 4C Deacon
- 4V Alyssa
- 4V Diesel
- 6C Lily
- 6C Dain
- 6H Grace
- 6H George
- 6K Dylan
- 6K Charlotte

CLASSROOM NEWS

Music Notes
As part of the Music curriculum, an African drummer from Ghana will be visiting the school to give the students an insight into his culture and music on Tuesday 13 September, 2016. This is a small peak into another culture for the children. This performance is available to all the year levels and will be presented in the school Hall during school time lasting approximately 50 minutes.

Marion Wood—Music Teacher

Library News
Book club orders (number 6) are due by Wednesday 31 August.

As part of a display for Book Week in Term 4, we are looking for donations of empty small/large rolls from paper towels and glad wrap.

For our 150th anniversary, the children will learn about past library practices, and the history of the library at the school. If there is any parent who attended BHSS, and would like to share their memories with a group of children, please let us know.

Finally, Tuesday 13 September is Roald Dahl’s birthday and we hope to focus on some of his popular literacy works in the library.

Happy reading!
Josephine Bacayo—Librarian

150th Anniversary
Many hands make a great event! See below for areas where we are looking for volunteers. All rosters are available from the links below.

Prep—Snack Bar & Healthy Food Canteen
www.volunteersignup.org/CEL43

Year 1—Cake Stall
www.volunteersignup.org/A8YJB

Year 2—Junior Oval Drink Stall
www.volunteersignup.org/Q4LP4

Year 3—Memorabilia
www.volunteersignup.org/RHD7A

Year 4—Raffles
www.volunteersignup.org/KKHXC

Year 5—Bar
www.volunteersignup.org/8Y9RF

Year 6—Car Parking (senior oval)
www.volunteersignup.org/HH4T7

First Aid
www.volunteersignup.org/98KHQ

Pack-up Crew
www.volunteersignup.org/TB4FL

Cleaning Crew
www.volunteersignup.org/YRPQT

Setup Crew
www.volunteersignup.org/XPB7W

Devonshire Tea
www.volunteersignup.org/4D93J

Past Student and Staff Sign-in
www.volunteersignup.org/33797

More information about the plans for the Back to Bald Hills Fair can be found on the school website, in the Community Section.
**Chappy News**

Thank you to every family that supported our Chaplaincy Carnival Disco last Friday night. It was fantastic to see over 300 of our students having such a wonderful time with their families and friends. For those that assisted on the evening, baked or donated prizes we are very grateful. Thank you. Thanks also to the following SPONSORS who helped to make our event such a successful fundraiser.


If your child had their photo taken on the evening they have been printed and are ready to be collected at the Chappy Room.

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**Tuckshop News**

**ROSTER:**
- **Monday 22 August**—Mel M
- **Tuesday 23 August**—Trish H
- **Wednesday 24 August**—Karen J, Tanya Mc, Sharon H
- **Thursday 25 August**—Donna, Joy, Peta
- **Friday 26 August**—Zita, Alicia, Mel B, Leanne H

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**Community News**

**Bald Hills Lawnton Lions Cricket Club Sign-On:**

Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 August 2016, Pine Rivers Park - 125 Gympie Road, Strathpine, 10AM – 2PM

Ages 6 years through to 17 years. For further information contact: Email: admin@thelions.org.au

President: Chris Cunningham on 0455 310 963

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**P & C News**

Our annual Father’s Day stall will be held on Thursday 1 September. Items range in price from 50c to $5. Students will visit the stall with their class throughout the day. Prep students should bring their money in a named envelope or zip lock bag and hand in to the teacher for safe keeping. Items for sale for Dad/Pop/Grandad include photo frames, mugs, water bottles, caps, wash bags, pens, key rings, stress balls, lanyards, car air fresheners and much more. We will operate the stall after school if there are any items left for sale. There is a volunteer roster on the wall outside tuckshop. If you can spare an hour or more we would love to see you there!

**P&C Executive**

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