20 June 2013

School Celebrations
We enjoyed a fantastic performance from clowns Peebo and Dawgwood at our Under 8s Day celebrations today. This was an enjoyable celebration of early childhood and the end of a busy term.

Also, this week students who had been making positive behaviour choices this term and in doing so, consistently contributing to a positive and safe school learning environment, were recognised as being “Tall Trees”. Their reward was a movie celebration and early next term their photos will appear in a special presentation in the school library. We also have a great deal more students who were “Maturing Trees” and hopefully, with only a little effort, will grow to be involved in next term’s celebrations! A reminder that all students start next term as “Tall Trees.”

We have also been monitoring the attendance rates of students in each class as we reinforce the message that “every day counts”. I am pleased to announce that 1B has the highest rate of attendance this semester – 95.55%. Students in 1B will enjoy a Pizza Party on break up day.

Reporting Period
Parents and caregivers will have received report cards today outlining progress made over the first semester of the year. Whilst these reports provide “grades”, supported by brief teacher comments, it is feedback to students, and direction for improvement, that is important. If you have any questions about the reports, or require clarification on where improvement or consolidation is required, please make an appointment with the classroom teacher early next term.

Closing the Gap Committee
To enhance Bald Hills State School’s support of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students a formal agreement with the newly formed “Closing the Gap” Committee, facilitated by Kurbingui Youth Development Association, was signed last week. The Committee will work in partnership with the school to implement its “Closing the Gap” Indigenous education strategies.

Happy Holidays!
I hope all students and staff enjoy the winter break. School starts back on Monday 8 July.

David Turner,
Principal
From the DP
Throughout the term we have briefly looked at the curriculum intent of each of the learning areas and what associated knowledge and skills that students are expected to learn. I hope that these short outlines have provided you additional information about what your child learns in each subject and may provide you with a further basis of knowledge when you are reading your child’s report card.

I would encourage you to actively engage your child in the reading and discussion of their report card. Look at their strengths, what they have achieved and any areas that they have found challenging. Research tells us that it is important that children are active owners of their learning. Children who understand what they currently know and can do, and then have a clear picture of where they need to go next in their learning, along with a ‘kit bag’ of strategies to get there, are more likely to improve their performance and achievement.

So encourage your child to talk with you about the achievements on their report card and any suggestions that their teacher has made about how they might improve. These areas would be ideally positioned as your child’s learning goals for next semester, along with any other areas that they might want to extend. I wish you a restful and safe school holiday break and I look forward to talking with students next term about what some of their learning goals might be.

Regards,
Libby Bond

Positive Behaviour Support Program

Tall Trees Celebration

Congratulations to all our Tall Trees on their outstanding behaviour. This week the Tall Trees celebrated their behaviour success with a movie session and goodie bag. We hope that we will have more students celebrating with us next semester.

Forestry News

While the students and I have been planting and weeding on a Wednesday lunchtime, we have heard and seen the grey fantail. This little bird migrates to the lowlands during winter. It has a wonderful cheery call. Google its call in Birds in backyards and you can hear its delightful song.

http://www.birdsinbackyards.net/species/Rhipidura-albiscapa

Louise Brennan, Prep TA

Spell-a-thon News

The children have been tested on their Spell-a-thon words. They will now be coming home with their sponsor forms to collect money from their sponsors. Please could this money be returned to school as soon as possible. We look forward to being able to purchase reading resources for your child with the money raised. Thank you for your support with this fund-raiser. The Literacy Committee

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Music News

Tonight is the Annual Talent Night. It is a great night of entertainment for the whole family. Entry is $5.00 per family or a gold coin donation for individuals. There is a sausage sizzle from 5:30pm. There will also be tea, coffee, sweets, cold drinks and chips for sale.

The Raffle prizes have been generously donated by local businesses. First prize of an iPod touch has been donated by McDonalds Bracken Ridge. Other prizes include gift vouchers for Just About U Beauty, Charisma Hair & Beauty, the Bonney View Hotel and Artie’s Music Max Strathpine. The trophies have been sponsored by Rose Kelly Real Estate. Please continue to support these local businesses that support our School. Lisa H Music Parent Rep.

Talent Night - TONIGHT

It’s finally here!!!!!! The children have been working very hard to get prepared for this function. Hope you can make it here. School show commencing at 6.30pm with the Sausage Sizzle from 5.30pm

Bramble Bay School’s Music Festival

This annual festival will be held in Week 3 of next term. Letters have been handed out. If your child has not received one and is a member of either the Concert Band, String Ensemble or Young Voice Choir, please contact the school for a copy.

Marion Wood, Music Teacher

Health Alert

A case of Chicken Pox has been diagnosed in Prep.

Chaplaincy News

Miss Leanne invites you to join her at the Bracken Ridge Baptist Church for KRAVE holiday club.

If you like music, games, stories, slushies, jumping castles, physical challenges, graffiti art, science, monte carlo, sports, craft, drama and
Students waiting to once they have arrived at school, students for before school play. If your commitments require you to drop your children off earlier than 8:00 to the School Hours Care facility. 

School hours care facility. A bell rung at 8:15am will be seated on the seats below the administration block. A bell rung at 8:25am releasing children for before school play. If your commitments require you to drop your children off earlier than 8:00 to the school please access the Outside School Hours Care facility.

Once they have arrived at school, students must not leave the school grounds without the permission of the principal. Students who arrive later than 8:50am must report to the school office with a parent to complete a late arrival slip. This slip is to be given to the classroom teacher.

At the end of the school day, students should leave the grounds promptly. The school grounds are not supervised by school staff at the conclusion of the school day. If you are unable to collect your child at 2:55pm, please notify the school by 2:30pm. Students waiting to be picked up must remain inside the school grounds, preferably at the Ana Street entrance. A bell rung at 3:15pm is the signal for any students not yet collected to report to the office. Administration staff will then contact parents/caregivers.

Parents/caregivers wishing to collect students during school hours must advise the class teacher in writing. Parents/caregivers must collect and sign students out from the office at the arranged time.

**P&C News**

A big thanks to Mick from EDSI Solutions who installed our new oven into the tuckshop:

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**Bingo Night (12 July)**

BHSS P&C will be holding a BINGO Night on Friday 12 July.

$20 pre-paid combo pack [Inc 10 page book, dauber & FREE drink] – must be paid prior to the night. Books available on the night for $20 for a 10 page book, daubers from $2

Prizes: 2 Major, 8 minor and more. EFTPOS available on the night.

Have fun while helping raise much needed funds for our school.

Email pandc@baldhillss.eq.edu.au or phone 0427 725 116 to organise pre-paid combos.

BYO snacks but Pizza, snacks and alcoholic drinks available on the night. **Strictly 18+ only**

Woolworth vouchers have now finished so if you have any at home please submit ASAP for counting.

Next General Meeting Wednesday 10 July

Have a safe holiday

Brenden McClennan P&C President pandc@baldhillss.eq.edu.au 0412 405 462 bmcclellen@yahoo.com.au

**Important Dates**

**Thursday 20 June**

Talent Night in Hall at 6:30pm

Sausage Sizzle starts 5:30pm

**Friday 21 June**

Interschool Sport—round 3

End of Term 2

**School Holidays**

22 June—7 July

**Monday 8 July**

Term 3 commencement

Accepting Prep enrolment for 2014

**Friday 12 July**

P&C Bingo Night 7:00pm in hall

**Tuckshop News**

A great big THANK-YOU to everyone for their support during the term. The children, parents, staff and our fantastic volunteers. Enjoy your break.

**July Roster**

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Kylie Gall, Helen and the Tuckshop Team

**School Policy**

Students who are crossing Gympie Road must use the pedestrian lights outside the main entrance to the school. Students riding bicycles must dismount and walk their bicycles across the crossing and on the footpaths outside the school.

Students who arrive between 8:00 and 8:15am will be seated on the seats below the administration block. A bell will be rung at 8:25am releasing children for before school play. If your commitments require you to drop your children off earlier than 8:00 to the school please access the Outside School Hours Care facility.

Registration forms can be found online at [www.brbc.org.au](http://www.brbc.org.au) and return it via email to kraveholidayclub@gmail.com for more information call 3261 5045 or search KRAVE HOLIDAY CLUB ON FACEBOOK.

Have a happy and safe holiday

**Miss Leanne**
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