18 July 2013

NAIDOC Week
Community Café
Community Café will be conducted each fortnight this term. At the first session for the term, held yesterday, I presented information about our recent Teaching and Learning Audit.

We have been examining the school’s policy on homework as we consider its place in our learning and teaching at Bald Hills. Advice, supported by research, is that homework is most effective when a school policy is developed with the school community and is then clearly stated and followed. At the next Community Café on 31 July, I will be seeking input about homework at Bald Hills State School.

Athletics Carnival
The Years 4-7 Athletics Carnival will be held Tuesday 30 July on the senior oval. I am hoping our house captains can again organise war cries and team colours to add a special team atmosphere to the day. It would also be wonderful to see as many parents as possible to support and cheer the students on.

Volunteers would be greatly appreciated to help out at field events. If you are able to help out, can you please email admin on admin@baldhillss.eq.edu.au with your name and your child’s name so this information can be passed on to our PE Teacher, Mrs Hughes.

Our Prep – Year 3 carnival will be held later in the term on Tuesday 3 September.

Newsletter Subscription
I am pleased with the increasing number of families opting for the newsletter to be emailed to them each week. This saves a great deal of time that can be redirected to other school activities, and ensures newsletters are received on time each week. To subscribe to the newsletter please follow the link https://baldhillss.eq.edu.au/Pages/default.aspx to the Bald Hills State School website and click on e-newsletter signup under subscribe to our e-newsletter in orange. Fill in information needed and each Thursday the newsletter will be emailed to the address provided. If you subscribe to our e-newsletter you won’t receive a paper copy.

David Turner,
Principal
From the DP
The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) is a highly regarded international assessment competition for schools in a range of different subject areas. This year Bald Hills offered to students the opportunity to participate in the Computer Skills, English, Mathematics and Science competitions. These assessment competitions offer students the opportunity of recognition and awards in particular subject areas and participating students receive an individual diagnostic report and a certificate to recognise their achievement.

Last term nine Bald Hills students participated in the ICAS Computer Skills Competition and the results of this competition have now been received by the school. I am pleased to report that Bald Hills State School’s results were above the Queensland state average in all participating year levels. The following students are to be congratulated for these results:

- From Year 3: Henry R, Nicholas M and Fletcher D
- From Year 4: Attalia L and Elise B
- From Year 5: Chelsea S
- From Year 7: Eamon S, Phoenicia L and Siobhan T

Particular mention goes to Henry, Attalia, Chelsea and Phoenicia who received credits in their year level competitions and to Eamon who received a distinction for results in the 98th percentile in the Year 7 competition.

The Science competition also ran last term and we look forward to receiving these results shortly. The English and mathematics competitions will occur this term.

These competitions offer a great opportunity for students and if your child did not enter this year, I would encourage you and your child to consider entering one or all of these competitions next year.

Libby Bond

Positive Behaviour Support Program
This week students have been learning about how to be a learner—focusing on the following teacher directions.

Responsible Ronnie says:
BE RESPONSIBLE:
Wear the correct school uniform.
1. Wear the correct school uniform every day.
2. Wear the correct school hat.
3. Wear correct footwear at all times. (black or white shoes – no coloured laces)
4. Wear the correct jumper or tracksuit.
5. Name all items of clothing.

REMEMBER:
NO HAT NO PLAY AT MORNING TEA AND LUNCH. Students without hats sit under admin block.

Bike Education
There are minor changes for our visit to Redcliffe PCYC. The dates etc are:
23 July (Tuesday) 3/4BR
25 July (Thursday) 4/5H (Scott)

Ella Blakey

Book Fair Coming Soon!
The annual Book Week Book Fair held in the library will open Friday, 23 August. It will run until Thursday, 29 August. Hundreds of books are for sale with a generous commission for the school library. It’s lots of fun to just come in and browse as well. The fair will be open from 8:15am-8:50am and 2:55pm-3:45pm. The book fair is from Scholastic so prices are similar to Book Club prices. Hope to see you all there!

Chris Strijland, Teacher Librarian

ArtsLink News
The Box
On 19 August, Artslink Queensland and Backbone Youth Arts will present The Box at our school.

The Box brings red nose clown, slapstick and physical comedy into one hilarious show about two clowns and a seemingly mundane box. Students can expect a whole lot of chaos, comic creativity and fantastic situations that show how extraordinary the ordinary can become and how funny we all are at heart.

SHOW: The Box
DATE: 19 August
COST: $6 per student

Chaplaincy News
Congratulations Kortni R who has won this week’s amazing manners and helpful student award. Thanks Kortni for always being a terrific student and showing your best manners. On Monday I was playing a game with Kortni and a large number of students at morning tea, Kortni jumped in before being asked to help me pack up. Mrs Stokes tells me this is normal Kortni behaviour. Well done Kortni.

Super Hero’s Disco
The next Chaplaincy Disco is on Friday, 16 August. The theme will be SUPER HEROS. You do not have to come in costume but if you always wanted to be a Super Hero, this is your chance. There will be a variety of games played through the night and an award for the best Super Hero parent who comes in costume.

Glow jewellery will be on sale along with hot food and refreshments from 5 pm. Prep - 3 start 6pm, 4-7 from 7:45-9pm. Students must be supervised by an adult.

Cost is $5 entry for school aged Bald Hills State School students, parents free.

If there are any parents who would like to volunteer on the evening I
I would like to sell some home bake on the evening, so if there is anyone who would like to donate some cupcakes or slices I would be very grateful.

Kind Regards

Miss Leanne

Advancedlife
Photography

Envelopes are available at the school office to order school group photos of Band, School Captains, Student Leaders and Strings. These photos can be viewed from the parent entrance in the office. Please hand orders into the office by 9am Thursday morning, 1 August 2013.

Music News

Bramble Bay Schools Music Festival
This 4 day function is NEXT week. On Monday the children in band will attend various schools across the cluster for their tutorial day but then on Tuesday they will come together at Bald Hills for a full day of rehearsal. The String Ensemble will be joined by children from other schools on Wednesday as will the Young Voices Choir on Thursday. It is expected that all members of these groups participate in this function. If you have not already returned your child’s form & money ($5.00 for the complete week) please do so URGENTLY.

The Festival is completed with a combined schools Concert on Thursday evening at BHSS Hall commencing at 7.00pm. There is a small entrance fee of $5.00 per family OR $2.00 per single entry. All are welcome to attend - even if you don’t have a child performing.

String Ensemble Rehearsal & lessons
There will be NO String Ensemble rehearsal OR lessons on Friday July 26 (day after the concert) as Miss Moore will not be in that day.

Marion Wood, Music Teacher

NorthsideHonoursMusicCamp
At the end of last term 6 of our music students were lucky enough to be selected to attend the Northside Music Honours Camp for four days at Craigslea State High School. Our Strings Captain, Lara Muller, has written a report about her experience at the camp:

Honours Camp was an amazing week. We met lots of new teachers who taught us many new things. We got to play in a large orchestra, a string orchestra and the whole group of students came together to form a choir. It was an awesome experience that very few people get to participate in. This was my first time at Honours Camp and it was a real challenge but well worth it!

Lara M, Strings Captain

School Banking

Stay cool at school this summer by saving in Term 3 of School Banking! Win a CommBank Marquee for your school or an iPad mini for yourself just by depositing to your CommBank School Banking Account.

The School with the highest percentage of active students making at least one school banking deposit in term 3 will win a marquee. Every student who completes a minimum of one school banking deposit in term 3 will be in the running to win a cool iPad mini or a Dollarmite Backpack!

For your chance to win, students need to simply make one or more School Banking deposits during Term 3.

Just a reminder that once you have collected a total of 10 tokens you can swap them for a reward. Reward items are:

Wallet
Knuckles Game
Handball
Torch
Spen Moneybox
Cred Moneybox
Pat the Dog Moneybox
Addy Moneybox
Pru Moneybox

Tuckshop News

Thank you to John and Lisa from Canterbury Estate General Store for their continual Support donating ham. Please support local businesses who support our school.

4-7 sport day. A flyer will be going home with the newsletter regarding food. All food will be served from the Oval. Please note Prep – Year 3 will not be able to order tuckshop on this day 30/7. Tuckshop will not be open.

July Roster
Mon 22 — Mel M
Tues 23 — Skye
Wed 24 — Lisa H & help needed
Thurs 25 — Mel B & Alicia
Friday 26 — Zita J, Trish H & Lee-ann

Kylie Gall, Helen and the Tuckshop Team

P&C News

Bingo Night - Thanks to everyone who supported this event, the event went very well and money raised at this event will go towards air conditioning in class rooms.

Bramble Bay Music Festival – 25 July
We are in need of volunteers for this event, A roster is now up on the P&C notice board.

Fete – 19 October – in the next couple of weeks there will be a letter requesting different donations for the fete but right now we are looking for stuffed toys eg: teddy bears that you might donate. (There will be a box outside the tuckshop).

Thanks, Brenden McClellan
P&C President
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Important Dates

Monday 22 – Thursday 25 July
Bramble Bay Schools Music Festival—School Hall

Monday 22 July
Y4-7 Sports Day House Shirt orders are due 9am

Tuesday 23 July
3/4BR

PCYC Redcliffe
Breakfast Club 8am - 8:45am under Admin

Wednesday 24 July
400/800m — 1:45pm Senior Oval

Thursday 25 July
4/5H — PCYC Redcliffe
Bramble Bay Music Concert in hall Friday 26 July
Interschool Sport (Winter) - Round 5 [weather permitting]