Dear Parents

Attendance - Every Day Counts

Each day at school enables a better opportunity to improve learning. The chart below shows the amount of time if your child only attends 85% of the time (misses 15 days in one semester). If this pattern continues over primary school one whole year of schooling is missed.

Each day is vital for your child’s learning and, together we can help your child achieve to their best potential. As can be seen below our current attendance rate in the first few weeks is better, but slightly below our target of 96%. Please use the absence line 3261 1554 or absence@baldhillss.eq.edu.au at any time to register an absence, or send a note to your class teacher. I’m looking forward to seeing what we can achieve this semester.

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Parent Information Session Thanks

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the Parent Information Sessions. They were certainly very well attended and provided the reinforcement of the importance of the link between the teacher, parent, and the student. If at any time throughout the term that anything relating to your child’s education needs to be discussed, please do not hesitate to make an appointment with the teacher to ensure that adequate time is set aside.

Student Leader Investiture Ceremony

We will be holding our 2017 School Leaders’ Investiture Ceremony on Wednesday 15 February at 9am in the school hall. This is a wonderful opportunity to recognise and congratulate our student leaders as we induct them into their leadership roles for this year. Parents and Carers are welcome to join us on this special occasion.

Before School Procedures

Please remember students arriving before 8:30am need to assemble under the A Block Undercover Area - this includes students who are with their parents. This decision was made to ensure that all of our students are safe and supervised.
School Photos
Our school photographs will be taken on Wednesday 22 February. More information will be sent home shortly.

Read to Succeed
It takes us places

All the best
Glen Robertson—Principal

From the Deputy

READ, READ, READ!

Yes, I am talking about reading again this week – it is such an important life skill, and a skill that will support your child throughout their education.

Did anyone try some of my reading tips from last week’s newsletter? I hope you did. The more that you can support and encourage reading at home, the better your child’s reading ability and comprehension will become. Always take every opportunity to READ ABOUT IT, TALK ABOUT IT AND THINK ABOUT IT!

Giving your child lots of opportunities to read is important. For younger children, this is reading aloud. Reading, just like anything that we want to improve and get better at, needs to be practised.

Students might hear me use the phrase ‘reading mileage’ – how many miles of reading have you done today? It is no surprise that research shows a strong link between how often and frequently a child reads and how well they read and comprehend. So please help us to inspire your child to read to every day. Here are some more ideas to support reading at home.

- Once is not enough – Encourage your child to re-read favourite books. Re-reading helps children learn to read more fluently and accurately.
- Dig deeper into the story – Ask your child questions about the story that you have just read together. Ask something like, “Why do you think Zoe did that?” Talking about the story builds their comprehension of the story.
- Build a love of reading by making books special – Turn reading into a special time with your child; take children to the local council library and help them get a library card; have a special place for books
- Encourage your child to pick up another book – Once your child has finished a book help them to select another one. Introducing children to a book series can be a great way to get them to want to read another book. Or if your child has finished a book series that they loved, introduce them to another book by the same author.

Making reading special and finding fun ways to support reading will help your child be a happy and confident reader.

Regards
Libby Bond – Deputy Principal

Office News

Medication -
If your Child requires medication at school, please complete the Medical Form at the office.

Banking -
Banking is to be handed to the Teacher on Wednesday Morning - Banking Day. Not handed to the Office Staff.

Messages to Students
If you need to get a message to your Student, please call the office no later than 2.00pm.

Late Slips
Please advise your student that they MUST come to the office for a late slip if they arrive after the bell at 8:45am. This is then given to the teacher.

Student Pick—up -
Please organise pick up procedure with your student/s before dropping off in the morning.
- Where to wait if you’re not on time - in the office
- Who will be picking up and where
- After School Activities/Care

Absences
Please contact the office via email or phone if your child is absent from school. Email: admin@baldhillss.eq.edu.au or phone the office before 9:30am on 3261 1554

Thank you for your assistance

Student Of The Week

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Library News

Welcome to Book Club 2017
The first issue of Scholastic Book Club has been sent home. Please note, that there is one catalogue for all ages. Ordering is done online through: www.scholas.com.au/LOOP as credit card payments are the only payment method available for our School.

The school receives Scholastic Rewards of 20% for orders placed. We are then able to purchase new books for our Library.

Kerry Webber (Book Club Convenor)

Chappy News

DISCO DATE CLAIMER!!!

HARMONY DAY & CRAZY HAIR DISCO

FRIDAY 10TH MARCH
BBQ from 6pm
DISCO fun 6.45pm – 8pm
All families are welcome to join us for our first Chaplaincy Fundraiser this year. Our disco will coincide with Harmony Day celebrations state-wide which celebrate our Multicultural Community as well as the right for every child to feel safe and valued at school. Children can wear Crazy Hair Creations and dress or accessorize in the Harmony Day colour -ORANGE. Every child entry receives a FREE lucky door ticket!

Great prizes to give away!

Tickets can be purchased at the door $6 per child or $15 for 3 or more children

We are looking for local businesses or families that could assist with prizes, sponsorship, baking for cake stall, setting up or assistance on the night. We would love to hear from you!

CHAPPY KYLIE  
kcono0@eq.edu.au
MON-WED & every 2ND THURS

P & C News

A letter will be going out to the eldest child this week and attached to the letter are nomination forms for executive positions, also membership forms. Please take a moment to read and fill forms out.

The Tuckshop will be selling fruit and vegetable boxes for a cost of $21 or $31. The boxes come directly from Town and Country, which is situated at the Rocklea Markets. So needless to say the boxes are very well priced and of great quality. Orders must be placed with money by 9am Monday morning and will be available for pick up on Wednesday afternoon from tuckshop.

AGM Meeting 15 February 7pm in Library

THANK YOU
P & C Executive Team

Tuckshop News

TUCKSHOP IS OPEN EVERYDAY  
8.15am - 1.30pm

Sushi Day Tuesday 21 February 2017  
(Normal tuckshop foods will be available)

Sushi Day order forms are available from the tuckshop.

Money and completed order forms are to be returned to the tuckshop no later than Monday 20 February. Late orders will not be accepted.

Roster

Monday 13 February - Vicki J
Tuesday 14 February - Treena FS, Jo D
Wednesday 15 February - Tanya Mc, Michelle K, Gillian Mc
Thursday 16 February - Donna V, Joy Bells
Friday 17 February - Mel B, Clare, Leanne H

Uniform Shop

Hours of Operation

Wednesday - 8.00 am - 10.00 am
Friday—2.30 pm - 3.30 pm

Community News

Bald Hills State School Tennis Coaching

Ross’ On Court Tennis

Enrol now for Tennis Coaching Commencing week 2 Term 1
Ross will contact all parent to confirm days and times of lessons. Open to all ages from Prep to Year 6.

To enrol phone Ross on 3264 3976

Important Dates

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Uniform Shop News

The Cent Auction

For more information on the cent auction please visit our website www.baldhillss.eq.edu.au.

For tickets contact Tina 0440 607 406

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SOUTH BANK PARKLANDS

Enrol now for Tennis Coaching  Enrol now for Tennis Coaching  Enrol now for Tennis Coaching