21 April 2016

Dear Parents,

ANZAC DAY
For those who were able to attend our commemoration assembly for ANZAC Day, I'm sure that you'll agree that it was a solemn and moving ceremony. We are indeed lucky to have a student body so respectful and understanding of the meaning of the day.

Thanks to Mrs Trish Lesina from the Geebung RSL for her support and engaging address to our students. Also it was wonderful to have Corporal Trevor Snow, one of our parents, present to represent the Defence Forces. Finally a big thanks to Chaplain Daniel Baxter for playing the last post and all the parents who provided photos of loved ones who served. A few highlights of the ceremony at school the performance of our choir, which sang “Flanders Field” and our band who played “Abide by Me”. Thank you to Mrs Wood and Mr Taylor for their instruction.

Following the ceremony we had the official opening of our new 150th ANZAC Garden which stands now as a constant reminder to our students of those who made great sacrifices in life so they can live in such a peaceful school community as they do now. A special thanks to all those community organisations, students and staff who worked hard to make it all happen.

BALD HILLS ANZAC Day March
Students who wish to march at the Bald Hills ANZAC Day ceremony need to assemble at John Stuart Park at 9.00am, Monday 25 April in front of the school banner. A drink and a sausage sizzle bread roll will be available after the ceremony. We are requesting volunteers on Monday to assist the P & C in setting up, cooking and packing up. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

NAPLAN testing time again
Our students in Years 3 and 5 will soon participate in the annual National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) to assess their skills and understanding in the areas of reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

The tests will be conducted in all state and non-state schools across the country from 10–12 May.

An individual NAPLAN report for each child will be sent home later this year. Results provide additional feedback for parents, carers and teachers on how students are progressing in key curriculum areas.

Please contact the school if you have any questions about your child participating in NAPLAN testing. Further information is available on the ACARA website. (http://www.nap.edu.au/)
**Year 3 and 5 NAPLAN**
Tuesday 10 May – Language Conventions and Writing
Wednesday 11 May – Reading
Thursday 12 May – Numeracy

**Facilities Update**
ANZAC Garden has been completed. Please take the time to have a look. The toilet block, Year 5 and 6 Buildings are all being painted and should be finished by the end of next week.

**Cheers**
Glen Robertson
Principal

**From The DP**

**Rule of the Week:**
**Wear the correct Uniform.**

Following on from Mr Robertson’s newsletter item last week we would like to further remind students to follow these uniform guidelines:

- Wear the correct school uniform everyday
- Wear the correct school hat - green broad-brimmed (NO HAT NO PLAY)
- Wear black or white shoes (no coloured laces)
- Jumpers to be the school jacket, or a plain green or red sweater
- Bottle green track pants or tights can be worn in winter

Name all items as we move into the cooler weather please take stock of your child’s winter uniform items and ensure that they have the appropriate items listed above.

**Prep Enrolments 2017**

We will begin our prep enrolment process for 2017 with two open days to be held during the month of May:
Saturday 21 May 9:30-11am OR
Wednesday 25 May 6-7pm

The same information will be presented at both sessions. If you have a child due to start prep in 2017 then please come along to one of these sessions. Prep enrolments for 2017 will be accepted from Monday 23 May.

We will also be running prep “play and stay” sessions in Term 3 this year. More information about these sessions will be given at the open days.

Sharon Blake
Deputy Principal

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**Classroom News**

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**Did you know:**
During World War 2, trenches, 3 feet deep (just over 1 metre), were dug around the school grounds.
"Drills" were held regularly and the children had to lie flat with their heads down holding a frame over their bodies. In the current era, we practice fire evacuation and lock down drills.

Our school has had to use the lock down procedure, on more than one occasion, due to swarms of bees hovering at some classrooms!


**Kathy Stokes**

**LET'S SPELL**
By: Mrs Bird’s Spelling Group - Ashlee R, Caitlyn J, Rayden K, Ben S, Charlie G

**Word of the Week:** Plunder
Meaning: Rob forcibly as in war, rob, steal, embezzle. Goods acquired violently or dishonestly.

**Did you know?**
Some words that contain an "F" sound in our language are spelled with the letters "PH". These words come from Greek words, not from Latin words or French words.

The words, graph, photo and sphere come from Greece. The reason these words are spelt with "PH" rather than "F" has to do with the letters in the Greek Alphabet.

**Jinty Bird STLAN**

**PE**

The Bramble Bay Cross Country will be conducted at St Paul’s School on Friday 29 April. All students representing our school will be presented with a representative shirt on Assembly next week to wear for the day. Also a reminder that all Bald Hills Cross Country Age Championship medals will be presented on assembly along with the championship shield to Wyampa. The Prep and Year 1 students are currently learning polo hockey skills during their PE class and Year 2-6 are learning skills involving the game and sportsmanship in soccer. Cross country training is on Tuesday and Thursday mornings on the senior oval 7:45 - 8:30 for all of the Bald Hills Representative Team. Hope to see you there! Yours in sport

Kylie Innes
PE Teacher

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**CHAPPY NEWS**

I am looking forward to being a part of our ANZAC Day Commissions this week with our Community Memorial on Monday.

It is wonderful to see our students taking time to pause and reflect on the incredible sacrifices that have been made and all that we have to be thankful for.

**Entertainment Book Fundraiser!!**

Entertainment books contain up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers for many of the best restaurants, cafés, arts, attractions, hotels, travel, shopping and much more. Books are $65 each with 20% going towards our school Chaplaincy Service. Books are available in hard copy or electronic version and can be ordered through the link below. They also make great gifts! [https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2214s44](https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2214s44)

Chappy Kylie

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**The Uniform Shop**

We now have all sizes of boys formal shirts available. With the cold weather on its way, we will be receiving a shipment of jackets soon.

**Uniform Shop Hours:**
Wednesday
8am - 10am
Friday 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Mel Barton
Uniform Shop Convenor

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**TUCKSHOP**

Tuckshop is in need of donations of Beetroot and Tomato or BBQ sauce. Any brand is fantastic which helps to keep running costs down.

**Roster:**
Monday 25 April - Public Holiday
Tuesday 26 April - Trish H
Wednesday 27 – April - Karen J, Tanya Mc, Kristy J
Thursday 28 April - Donna V Joy
Friday 29 April - Alicia S, Leanne H, Mel

Kylie Gall
Tuckshop Convenor
**P & C**

**Mother’s Day Stall**
The P & C will be holding the annual Mother’s Day Stall on Thursday 5 May. Prices range from 50c to $6. Children will visit the stall in class groups throughout the day. There will also be an opportunity to purchase remaining items in the tuckshop area after school. Please ensure money is in a secure, named envelope or zip lock bag. Preps are to hand secured money to their teacher for safe keeping. There is a selection of items for sale on display in the P & C window next to the Chappy room.

**ONLY 10 SLEEPS TO GO FOR THE BUSH DANCE. GET YOUR EARLY BIRD TICKETS AT THE TUCKSHOP.**

Coming into winter we all love a good meat pie. Pie drive forms will be going out by the end of the week to all students. These have to be returned by 20 May, for pick up on 2 June just in time for colder winter nights.

*Thank you*

*P&C Executive team*

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**Important Dates**

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