



BALD HILLS

State School Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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25 February 2016

Dear Parents,

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS TERM ONE

These interviews will be conducted in Week 7 from 7-11 March of this term. The oldest student from each family will be sent home shortly an invitation for you to go online to select your preferred times. This invitation will include the log on procedures. Feedback from our trial of this booking system last year was very positive.

These interview sessions provide valuable time for parents and teachers to discuss individual student progress and share information. Written Reports will provide feedback on progress for Semester One and are distributed to parents at the end of Term 2.

INVESTING FOR SUCCESS FUNDS \$213,827

Previously known as the Great Results Guaranteed Funding the Australian Government has continued to fund schools to support students, particularly those most in need.

The aim is to achieve improved outcomes at all levels of schooling.

Below is the focus and strategies developed to meet the needs of our students at Bald Hills State School.

- Commit to guarantee that every student will achieve the National Minimum Standard for literacy and numeracy for their year level or have an evidence based Individual Learning Plan in place.
- * Review and enhance the School Data Plan to diagnose and plan for intervention.
- Commit to achieving the following upper 2 band targets in NAPLAN Reading (Year 3: 50% / Year 5: 55%) and Numeracy (Year 3: 35% / Year 5: 45%).
- * Improve teacher capability through focused coaching and professional development to improve student performance that is the focus of pedagogical practice.
- Procure additional physical and human resources to support Literacy and Numeracy programs.

STRATEGIES

Provide release time for teachers to gather and interrogate learning data. This data will be used to inform practice/pedagogy. It will involve investigation, interpretation of results and reporting. It will result in identifying learning gaps and designing learning goals and plans for students.

Bald Hills State School Parents & Citizens Association
meets 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7pm.
All parents are invited to attend.

> Data will be used to ensure that term curriculum planning and units of work meet the unique needs of the learners at Bald Hills SS.

> Employ teacher aides to improve number and reading based on class data – Level Literacy Program; Read It Again

> Release teacher to engage and implement differentiation program targeting Years 2-5 U2B.

> Purchase resourcing to support English – Seven Steps to Writing; Spelling mastery ;PM readers; Comprehension, PROBE

> Improve instruction by immersing and providing professional development to enable teachers to teach within the expectations of the Bald Hills Pedagogical Framework (with a focus on pedagogy, shared practice). This is to enable students to learn at their utmost. Focus will be on developing teacher capability in explicit teaching practices and Co Teaching.

> Improve instruction by training an additional 2 coaches in Classroom Profiling. Focus on shared practice and building capacity of staff.

TALK, LISTEN, LEARN TOGETHER Cont'd

Encourage children to question. Since children have a natural tendency to question, the best way to encourage them is to give clear, interesting answers. Too often we say, "Be quiet" or. Absentmindedly, "M-m-m".

Ask Questions of Your Child

Questioning isn't one way. Parents, like teachers, need to be continually asking questions, including ones that require more than 'yes', 'no', or 'I don't know'. Ask for opinions, suggestions. And don't be put off with 'Nothing' when you ask 'What did you do at school today?' Try a more specific tact: ask about friends, reading time, craft work, even 'Any good jokes today?'

Show the value of questions. Don't always have the answers, giving the impression that adults are know-alls. Sometimes say, 'Let's look for an answer in the dictionary' or online etc. Or you could suggest, 'Ask your teacher tomorrow.' And demonstrate regularly that you are yourself asking and

answering questions all day. Eg. "Let's make an orange cake ... Now, what dishes do I need?...What ingredients?...etc.

All the best

Glen Robertson
Principal

BALD HILLS STATE SCHOOL -INTERESTING BITS AND PIECES

Myth buster fact!

Bald Hills State School was opened in June 1866 and was given the school number 0004. Many people thought this number



meant that Bald Hills was the 4th school to open in Queensland. However, this number came about because the schools that existed in Queensland at that time were listed in alphabetical order and numbered, and consequently Bald Hills was given the number 4. There were 44 children enrolled in the school and the first Head Teacher was Mr Walker. Fast forward 150 years and Bald Hills State School has an enrolment total of over 600 students, the Head Teacher, now called the Principal is Mr Robertson. We also have a Deputy Principal, a Head of Curriculum, a Master teacher, 35 teachers, 12 teacher aides and 4 office staff. Our little country school has grown a lot in 150 years!

(Information gathered from Bald Hills State School: A Brief Historical Overview compiled by M.Quinn & C.Rice.

From The DP

Rule of the Week

Our PBL focus rule for this week is to 'Walk when moving around the school' and be safe with Safety Sam. Teachers will be looking for students following these expectations:

- **Walk on all hard surfaces—concrete and paved areas**
- **Walk in a sensible and considerate way**

- **Running allowed on playing surfaces only—tennis court, basketball court, junior oval and senior oval**
- **Play safely in the playground**
- **No running or chasing around the playground equipment**

Playground withdrawal

We are currently reviewing our detention room processing, beginning with a change in wording. We will now be calling the detention room 'playground withdrawal' and have several different programs operating each day including:

* Interviews related inappropriate behaviours to our PBL explicit behaviours

* A yard duty team (using adequate hygiene measures) to ensure students are not sitting idly after completing their Interview

* Alternate play/social skilling programs for those who are requiring further support with their play

If your child has tuckshop on the same day that they have playground withdrawal then they will be able to collect their tuckshop meal, but will have to carry over any ice blocks to the following day.

Aspley State High School Arts Excellence Day

Next Tuesday all of our year six students will be visiting Aspley SHS for their Arts Excellence day. Aspley SHS kindly organizes a courtesy bus to transport our year six students to their school to participate in workshops such as hip-hop dancing, team challenges, drama, art and drumming. Year six students are reminded to be at school by 8:30am on Tuesday 1 March in order to make the bus departure at 8:40am.

Sharon Blake
Deputy Principal

Chappy News FAMILY DISCO & BBQ! FRIDAY 11 MARCH

Please join us for our first Chaplaincy Fund-raising Disco and whole school community event. Because of the wonderful diversity of different cultures in our school we have decided to have a multi-cultural theme! You might like to represent a country from your own heritage or any other. Please don't feel like you need to spend money on a costume. Simple items like hats, scarves or



even coming dressed in your country's colours will be great!

Tickets can be purchased at the door and will be \$6

per child or \$15 for 3 or more children and will also include free entry into lucky prizes drawn on the night. Photo booth and prizes for most creative costume too!!!

The Chaplaincy Program, though partly government funded, still requires funds to be raised within the school and local community to enable it to continue each year.

We are so grateful for many families who support this valuable service.

Can you help us with some home baking or with set up for our disco? If you are able to assist please email kcono0@eq.edu.au

Chappy Kylie



Tuckshop News

Sorbet available at morning tea and big lunch \$2.50 We are seeking donations of tomato sauce and jatz crackers this week. These donations are greatly appreciated and keep the cost of running the Tuckshop down.

Roster:

Monday 29th February - Mel M

Tuesday—1st March —Penny C

Wednesday 2nd March— Tanya Mc, Leola O Kirsty J

Thursday 3rd March — Donna V, Joy Teena F.S

Friday 4th March— Leanne H , Alicia S , Mel B ,Teena L

The Tuckshop Team

Uniform News

Uniform Shop Hours are:

Wednesday 8am-10am

Friday 2:30pm-3:30pm

Mel

Uniform Shop Convenor

Students of the Week

1K	Torr	1K	Keira
1L	Mitchell	1L	Jayce
1M	Harmoney	1M	Milan
1W	Isabel	1W	Mia
2/3P	Eloise	2/3P	Charlie
2/3T	Riley	2/3T	Safari
3D	Kelly	3D	Alexander
3R	Nicole	3R	Jaedene
5A	Miliana	5A	Kamyar
5C	Brian	5C	Brandon
5D	Abby	5D	Harry
5S	Matthew	5S	Charlie

P & C News

Our first fundraising barbecue is on election day the 19th March from 7am till 1pm. We are looking for volunteers to help out. An hour would be appreciated. Please contact the P & C email address. The Easter Bunny is nearly here and our yearly Easter Raffle tickers will be sent home this week, so keep an eye out for them as our first prize is awesome. Extra tickers are available in the Tuckshop. Remember, you have to be in it to win it!

Weber BBQ + Lrg Pizza Stone + Trivet + Half hot plate and a brush valued over \$500.

Happy selling

P & C

Executive Team

PE News

Congratulations to Parker 6K and Jakob 5B for being selected in the Bramble Bay AFL Team. They will compete in the Metropolitan North Championships at the Northern Eagles Ground Zillmere on April 1 & 2.

Cross country practice will start in PE classes next week.

Kylie Innes

Physical Education



Important Dates

Friday 26 February	Senior Sports Yrs 4-6
Tuesday 1 March	Aspley High School Arts Day of Excellence—Yr 6
Wednesday 2 March	Assembly
Thursday 3 March	Bramble Bay Netball
Friday 4 March	Tuckshop Red Day Senior Sports Yr 4-6
Thursday 10 March	Year 4 Excursion Kumbartcho Bramble Bay Soccer
Friday 11 March	School Chaplaincy Disco
Monday 14 March	Yr 1 Excursion Bug Lady
Thursday 17 March	Prep excursion Easter Billy
Friday 18 March	Senior Sports Yrs 4-6
Tuesday 22 March	Yr 2/3 & 3 Science Workshop
Wednesday 23 March	Easter Bonnet Parade
Thursday 24 March	Last day of Term 1

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