



BALD HILLS

State School Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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Wednesday - 8:00 to 10:00am
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4 February 2016

Dear Parents,

I would like to thank the staff, parents and students of Bald Hills for their warm welcome. I was very pleased when making my way around to each class to introduce myself, how diligently all the students were working on their first day back from holidays. A sure sign of the wonderful things I recall about the school when here in 2012 and have continued to be told about the school since.

A little about myself.

I reside in North Brisbane at Albany Creek, and have lived there for the past 20 years since moving back from country service. I am married with two adult children. My wife, Maxine, was very impressed with the school when we dropped in on Saturday on our way back from taking our dog to Shorncliffe. Our son Joe, is a policeman currently based at Innisfail, which is great for my interest in fishing. My daughter Renee is currently working at Gallipoli Barracks while studying, and has more recently started work coordinating weddings.

I have been an administrator in Education Queensland schools since 1987. My positions have included Deputy Principal of Ferny Hills State School, Burpengary State School and Bald Hills State School; and Principal of Mt Whitestone State School, Agnes Water State School, Dayboro State School, Bardon State School and Mount Crosby State School.

During this time I have picked up several personal interests including traveling throughout Australia, camping, fishing, and golf. I am also a strong advocate of school sport and have been involved in Regional and State sport for a number of years in the areas of Rugby League, Touch and Golf.

I am looking forward to working at Bald Hills for some time. I am particularly interested in the school improvement agenda and the way the school and teachers use data to inform their practice.

During the past two weeks I spent time with staff reviewing school and student data to ascertain some of our key focus areas for instruction that have been identified in the School Plan.

This has provided valuable information to support the continued development of our Pedagogical framework – “Classroom Instruction That Works”. This is then aligned to our regionally identified priorities for every school in 2016.

These priorities are as follows:

- Reading
- Numeracy
- Writing
- School Culture
- Information Technology
- Implementation of Australian Curriculum

Looking forward to meeting you throughout the year.

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

P&C Association

Thank you to members of the P&C Association and our Tuckshop who coordinated the Tissues and Tim Tams morning last Wednesday. I am very pleased in the way the school has settled. It is a credit to the staff and their efforts both at the end of 2015 and over the past 2 weeks.

Current Enrolment

We currently have 611 students enrolled at Bald Hills State School across Prep—Year 6. This includes 83 Prep students. We expect that the class structure will remain in place after day 8, as planning was around a prediction of 25 classes. 611 students supports 25 classes.

Staffing

A warm welcome to all new staff to Bald Hills State School this year. These include:

- Janene Franklin (Prep)
- Sue Charters (Year 6)
- Vicky Alley (Guidance Officer)

Facilities

The installation of air conditioners to C Block was completed over the break, thanks to the generous funds from the P&C. This means that all classrooms are now air conditioned. WOW what an achievement; and many would agree very much appreciated in the past week.

Over Christmas we had all the playground equipment areas receive new softfall. We are also in the process of establishing a lovely new sandpit next to the Prep Playground.

New awnings were installed on L Block and security screening over the skylights on the toilet block.

BIG NEWS Some major work will begin later this term on the outdoor learning areas between our Year 5 rooms. This whole area will be overhauled. A verandah link will also be made to the Year 6 building which will give them greater access to these new learning areas. We will see some wonderful new sandstone seating and all the gardens will be re-established.

Reminders

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents of a few school procedures that ensure the safety of our students.

- If you are visiting the school outside of drop-off or pickup times please ensure you sign in at the office and wear the visitor's badge.
- If you have a concern regarding a student that is not yours, do not engage with this student, but either talk to the class teacher or make an appointment with the office.

- At pick up time, please remain in a waiting area that is sufficiently away from the classroom so not to cause distraction.
- Organise meetings with teachers out of class time.

School Starting Time: School starts at 8:45am for all students. Ensure that students are at school by 8:45am, as this allows them to settle and be organised by the teacher for the day ahead. Students are welcome at Bald Hills State School at or after 8:15am. We are delighted that our young people are keen to be at school early, however students on the school premises prior to 8:15am who are not enrolled in the Outside Hours School Care (OHSC) program, present a safety risk. Such students may also interrupt teaching staff preparing for the day ahead. I seek the full co-operation of our parent body in ensuring the welfare of our students.

Pickup Zone

- At Bald Hills State School, all parents, students and teachers have a common goal—to make sure that students can travel to and from school in the safest possible way.
- To ensure that drop off and pick up times at Bald Hills State School are as orderly and stress free as possible please ensure the correct use of the 2 minute zone on Ana Street is observed.
- Parents, for the safety of our young people and the smooth operation of our Pick Up Zone, please remember this is a no parking area. Please do not park in the no standing zones outside the school gates or areas indicated by the yellow lines and please observe the 40km speed limit in the school zone.

Disabled Parking

Please be aware that we currently have a couple of parents who require the use of the Disabled Parking Bays in the parent carpark. It would be appreciated if these bays are not used by any parents unless they have a disabled parking identification label.

All the best

**Glen Robertson
Principal**

From The DP

Parent Information Sessions

These sessions will be held on **Tuesday 9 February** in classrooms. The first session will run from 3-4pm and the second session from 5-6pm. It is important that as many parents as possible attend these sessions as it provides a great opportunity for individual teachers to communicate

procedures and expectations for their individual classrooms. A letter was sent home to students this week. It would be appreciated if you could complete the RSVP at the bottom of that letter and return it to your child's class teacher. Please remember that all children who attend need to stay with, and be supervised by parents. We look forward to seeing you there!

Summer Sport

All students in Years 4 to 6 will have the opportunity to participate in an intraschool sports skills program and competition during Terms 1 and 4 this year. This will be in place of Bramble Bay interschool sport during the summer season. Students will be taught sport skills on Friday afternoons from 1:30-2:55pm for a period of 4 weeks, and this will culminate in a sports house competition in the 5th week. There will be no payment required for this program.

Rule of the week – Learner Lenny

Our Positive Behaviour For Learning focus rule for this week is to 'Attend school every day and be on time for class'. Teachers will be explicitly teaching these skills with students over the next week and will be looking at the following expectations:

Before School

- All students and parents to wait under Admin until the 8:25am bell
- All students and parents to move to the Quad area from 8:25am where the school will provide supervision for students
- All students to move to classrooms on the 8:40am bell when classroom doors will open.

Morning Tea and Lunch

- Go to the toilet and get a drink at the first bell
- Be lined up with your lunchbox on the second bell ready for collection by class teachers

**Sharon Blake
Deputy Principal**

Positive Behaviour Support Program

Learner Lenny says: Attend school every day and be on time for class



Music Notes

Music Camp 10–12 February Many thanks to all those parents who have replied regarding Music Camp. Final details for the camp will be sent home with children no later than Monday of next week. Please check with your child if you have not received it by then. Rehearsals for Band, String Ensemble and Young Voices will commence at camp so NO early morning starts just yet.

Kickstart Program

Good news! Miss Moore (Strings) and Mr James (Multi) are our teachers for another year. Miss Moore will be at the school all day on Tuesday and on Friday afternoons whilst Mr James will be at the school on Wednesdays. Please complete and return the Loan Agreement form which has been sent home and pay the Instrument Hire fee so your child can take the instrument home after the first lesson.

Beginner Strings will have their first lesson on Friday 5 February. Strings Day will be held at Bald Hills.

Beginner Band children will have their first lesson sometime on 8, 9 or 10 February depending on which instrument they are learning. Letters have been sent home to all children beginning a band instrument this year. Please check the date **AND** the venue as the children will be attending other schools for this. Please note the error: Clarinet is on WEDNESDAY 10 February NOT on Tuesday as stated in the letter. It is extremely important that your child attend these sessions otherwise they are way behind the others in their group. If you are having difficulty with getting them to the venue, please contact Miss Wood.

Marion Wood (Music Teacher)

Library News

Week 2 has seen the start of library borrowing for this year and it is great to see so many students take advantage of our extensive library collection. Already we have kindly received two cartons of books donated by the Swanepoel and Hutchinson families for which we say Thank you. Apart from book donations we are looking for games [not Monopoly], or simple jigsaws with pieces intact which are used during lunchtime library sessions.

Josephine Bacayo (Librarian)

Book Club News

The first issue of Scholastic Book Club has been sent home. Please note, that there is now 1 catalogue for all ages and all ordering needs to be done online through www.scholastic.com.au LOOP. Online credit card payments will be the only payment method accepted as we no longer take paper order forms, or cash payments.

Kerry Webber (Book Club Convenor)

Chappy News

Welcome back all returning students and families and a big welcome to those who are new to our school. BHSS has been a very special and significant place for me over many years - having been a past student, parent, teacher and most recently Chappy - so it's great to be back again for 2016. I am one of over 700 chaplains employed by SU QLD to provide social, emotional & spiritual support to school communities. In my role as chaplain I am honoured and looking forward to supporting students, families and staff members this year whenever needs arise.

Referrals for students to access the chaplaincy service can come from a parent or care giver, the child's teacher or the student themselves. Parents will always be contacted for written permission if follow up support is needed. The Chaplaincy Service works closely with and under the banner of the Student Support Services within our school.

Please come and say Hi!

CHAPPY DAYS – Mon Tues Wed & 2nd Thurs in the CHAPPY ROOM – Under Staffroom

CHAPPY KYLIE J

Tuckshop News

Tuckshop is open five days a week from 8.15am. All lunches must be pre ordered. Preps only to order ice blocks on bags.

Keep cool in this hot weather with an ice block or slushie. Prices start at 50c-\$2.50.

Roster:

Monday 8 February - Mel M
Tuesday 9 February - Joanne B
Wednesday 10 February - Stacie G & Kat
Thursday 11 February - Donna V, Joy Bells
Friday 12 February - Mel B, Leanne H,
Alicia S, Teena L & Zita J

The Tuckshop Team

Uniform News

We are currently waiting on arrival of our sport polo shirts, green skirts and size 4 & 6 boys formal shirts. If you have placed an order you will be contacted by Melisa once they arrive. The uniform shop is now back to regular hours.

Wednesday 8am-10am

Friday 2:30pm-3:30pm

Mel (Uniform Shop Convenor)

P & C News

Welcome new and existing parents and students to 2016. Last year was very successful for the P&C. We were able to complete our on going commitment from past to present members to have every classroom air conditioned. The teachers and students are very grateful for this in the hot weather we have been having.

So what's next?? Membership forms will be coming home this week. If you would like to become a member and have your say, please fill out a form and drop into the P&C letterbox near the tuckshop by Wednesday 10 February. If you would also like to nominate for an executive role please fill out a form and return it on the night of the AGM. Positions available are: President, Vice President, Secretary Vice Secretary, Treasurer, Vice Treasurer

I hope to see some new faces this year and of course the familiar ones also. The Annual General Meeting will be held in the school Library at 7pm, Wednesday 10 February. I hope to see you there
Thank you

P&C Executive team

Important Dates

Tuesday 9 February	Parent Information Sessions
Wednesday 10 February	Assembly 150th Anniversary Committee Meeting P&C AGM - 7pm
10 - 12 February	Music Camp
Friday 12 February	Bramble Bay Swimming Carnival
Wednesday 17 February	Assembly & Student Leaders Induction Ceremony
Thursday 18 February	Bramble Bay Basketball
Friday 19 February	Senior Sports

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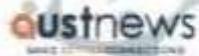


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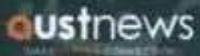
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