30 July 2015

**Powerful Learning**
Next Monday and Tuesday a team of our teachers will be attending a two day introductory meeting of teachers and school leaders from across the region involved in a three year project to further improve learning outcomes for students. The Project is also running in Victorian schools and has significant investment from the philanthropic Sidney Myer Foundation. In addition to schools, a number of universities that prepare teachers are also involved in the project. Our school started investigating the Powerful Learning program in 2014 and it was included in our 2015 planning. A regional selection process was conducted last semester and, following discussions with a small team that attended an information session in late March, I committed Bald Hills State School to the project.

The project will consolidate much of the great work teachers have been doing at Bald Hills over the last eighteen months, but also offer new opportunities for enhancing the curriculum offerings from 2016. It will be led by Australian and international experts and the involvement of Bald Hills State School in such a significant and prestigious project is a coup for the school. Being a regional program the opportunity to work with colleagues, including those at Aspley, Craiglea and Sandgate District State High, will also be beneficial.

I look forward to reporting to the school community as the project progresses.

**Thanks For Helping At The Working Bee!**
Thanks to the groups of Mums and Dads who came along to the working bee on Saturday. The extra hands really made a big difference and I am especially happy with what we achieved in three garden areas and the forestry. Thanks for your involvement in the school.

**Is It Really Important?**
Is it really important to get a message to your child through the school day? Our learning time is important and, as research confirms, interruptions in the classroom can significantly impact on student outcomes. In an emergency we can get a message to a student, but last week one class was interrupted over fifteen times through the day as messages were passed on to students. The office staff will continue to endeavour to pass on messages in times of an emergency, but we ask that parents and caregivers limit these requests to urgent messages.

**School Opinion Survey**
The last day to complete the 2015 School Opinion Survey is Friday. If you still have the blue sheet at home, and have yet to complete the online survey, please take ten minutes to provide us with feedback.
From the DP
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All plant lovers start planting now.
All craft minded people start getting crafty.
If you would like to help with the preparations of the fete please contact P&C email: pandc@baldhillss.eq.edu.au
Remember the money the P&C raise from these fundraisers go towards YOUR children’s resources in the classroom and school grounds.

Thank you
BHSS P&C Executive

Tuckshop News

TUCKSHOP CLOSED FRIDAY 31 July for Prep—Year 2 sports day. Food for the children and their families participating in sports day can purchase food on the oval. Thank you the amazing team that helped out last Friday for sports day. Also to the people who baked for us as well.

RED FOOD DAY is next Thursday, 6 August. Flyers coming home soon.

ROSTER
Monday 3 August—Mel M
Tuesday 4 August—Kay H
Wednesday 5 August—Tanya Mc, Leeloo O
Thursday 6 August—RED FOOD DAY
Donna V, Kay H, Mel B, Help needed x 3.
Friday 7 August—Alicia S, Judy J, Zita j, Leanne H
Tuckshop Team

Uniform Shop News

We are currently awaiting the arrival of our small and medium hats. They should arrive within the next two weeks. The uniform shop will be closed on Friday 28 August, however it will be open on Thursday 27 August from 2:30-3:30pm instead.
Regular hours are Wednesday 8am—10am and Friday 2:30-3:30pm.
Mel
Uniform Shop Convenor

Community News

“Casual Cleaning Position for School

Parent”
We are a local Brendale business looking for a helping hand to clean and keep our business tidy and presented for our clients and staff.
We expect a max of 3—4 hours per week, flexible, during school days & hours only. If you also have previous experience in office work, we may on occasion ask you to assist with stock take or special projects.
Please forward your intro letter to peter.humble@enerquip.com.au

NAIDOC Parade
We wanted to say a huge thank you to all of our Turrwan Circle Kids. You guys did an amazing job and should be so happy with yourselves. The pride you hold in being Aboriginal / Torres Strait Islander is so evident on days like these, Chelsea and I are proud of you all. It is so nice to hear people say that they learnt so much from our parade, it makes all our long hours of planning and practising worth it. A special thanks to Mr Turner, Mrs Boyd, Mrs K, Mrs Bird, Mr Wood, the awesome office staff, Lee, Kylie and the Tuckshop ladies, St Paul’s Student’s, Allan, our husbands and kids, all the parents for letting us teach your children, Amy and Suzy for babysitting our babies so we could pull this off.
Thank You
Bec Rutch & Chelsea Rolfe
We All Stand On Sacred Ground

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