BYOD Trial Being Considered

This week I want to talk about the direction of the school in terms of how we are preparing our students for learning in the increasingly connected and information rich world. There is much written about how advances in information and communication technologies are transforming our world and what the implications are for schooling. This is a quickly changing space and the challenge for schools and Teachers is how the take-up of new technologies benefits learning, rather than only being concerned with the “latest fad”.

Before the end of the term we will have a full wireless network in every area of the school. This is a $70,000 investment and is supported by a dollar for dollar grant through a state funded project. This investment in infrastructure paves the way for the school to explore increased use of mobile devices, including the prospect of BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) programs at Bald Hills State School.

Thanks to significant investment, including from the P&C Association, we completed installation of interactive white boards in every classroom in 2012. We have also been using thirty iPads, primarily in the Prep and Year 1 classes, over the last eighteen months.

Over the last week I have consulted with a variety of people including the Director of ICT Projects for the department, staff from a Melbourne school who are leading this agenda nationally, as well as neighbouring schools looking at where they are heading in providing, and using, mobile devices with students. There is much to learn from those who ventured into this area early and we have certainly been given some valuable advice on how we can progress.

In the weeks ahead the school’s ICT Committee will be further investigating what direction we take in the investment in the ICT area and look at ways to consult with the community on their involvement in this agenda.

University Invitation Backs Our Teachers

Our school’s work in the area of Teacher peer observation and feedback, creating time for planning and how Teachers are using data has been noticed by an Australian university. It has extended an invitation for Bald Hills State School to be involved in a research project with schools in New South Wales and the Northern Territory over the next three years. While it is early in the process of applying for Commonwealth Government support for the project it is pleasing to know the work our Teachers are engaged in is capturing the attention of others. I will also be sharing some of the learning from taking two small teams to visit schools in Melbourne and Perth over the last twelve months at a state principal’s conference in August.
From the DP
Ipads In Classrooms
Last week Miss Barton (Prep B), Miss Murphy (1/2M) and I went to a two day workshop on using iPads in the classroom. This was a very informative session where we learnt to use several different apps to utilise the iPad creatively in the classroom. Miss Barton’s class have been using the app QR reader to scan QR codes to discover the activity that they need to complete in class. Some children had the opportunity to scan the code on the whiteboard, which then displayed on the iPad screen and they were able to read that they needed to write down 5 words that rhyme with wig. Students were then able to use the Story Creator app to write their rhyming words using the pen tool.

Miss Murphy’s class have also been using the iPads to explore the Tellagami app. They used this app to create an avatar and then recorded their own voice to explain what they had learnt during their Maths lessons. The children have really enjoyed interacting with this technology and it has been another way for students to articulate what they have learnt in class. If you would like to explore these apps at home then they can be downloaded from the app store. The QR reader is free and the Tellagami app has a free and paid version available for download.

Interschool Sport
Our second round of interschool sport will be played this Friday. Venues remain the same as round 1. Please ensure that your child has a hat, and the required safety gear, depending on which sport they are playing. Parents are welcome to make their own way to the various venues to spectate. If you are planning on collecting your child from the venue then please let the Teacher in charge know so that this can be recorded on the roll.

Be Respectful
Our rule for this week is Be respectful, use good manners in all areas of the school. This includes the Office, in the Library, in the Hall, in the Science Lab, the Tuckshop and on Assembly. We are looking for students to say please and thank you, wait their turn, listen while others are speaking and be a good audience.

Sharon Blake
Deputy Principal

Positive Behaviour Support Program

Be Respectful
Respectful Rosie says: Use good manners in all areas of the school.

From the Office
Report Cards
Report cards will be coming home the last week of Term 2. If you require a second copy, please let the office know.

Thank you
Kursty, Leesa, Mel & Helina

Students of the Week
Congratulations to this week’s students who have received the Student of the Week Certificate for Habit of the Mind: Applying Past Knowledge to New Situations.

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Music Notes
NO Instrumental Music Lessons Next Week - June 9 to 12.
As both Miss Moore and Mr James are involved in the District Junior Music Camp, there will be NO Instrumental Music lessons OR rehearsals next Tuesday or Wednesday. Young Voices will rehearse as usual on Thursday.

QYMA
My sincere apologies for withdrawing from this function last week, however I was still unwell at that time. In my 35 plus years of teaching, this is first time I have ever withdrawn a group from a function. The decision was not made lightly. Thank you for your understanding.

BYB15
The String Ensemble performed extremely well at Backyard Bonanza on Sunday May 24. Outdoor performances for strings is not easy but fortunately the sound system picked the complete performance up so everyone could hear. Thank you to everyone for giving up part of your Sunday.

Talent Show June 19
This is fast approaching and final auditions are occurring. The finalists will be notified by the end of the week. Keep this date free & come support our young talent.

Music Support Meeting
A meeting to finalise details for the Talent Show will be held NEXT Tuesday - June 9 - 3:00pm in the Music Room.

Bramble Bay Schools Music Festival (BBSMF)
Although this is not until Week 3 of next term, letters regarding this are going out now. If you have a child in any of these groups - String Ensemble, Band or Young Voices - and you have NOT received a letter about this by the end of next week, please contact the school.

Marion Wood
Music Teacher

Chappy News

DISNEY DISCO!!!
FRIDAY 12 JUNE
6:00pm Sausage Sizzle
6:45pm – 8:00pm Disco
$6 ticket or $15 family

Great prizes to be won! Every child entry receives a free ticket into the Lucky Door Prizes - 2 bikes to give away!! Costume prizes too!! Don’t have a costume? - That’s ok, make a pair of Mickey ears or just come and have fun!! Parent supervision is required.
CAN YOU HELP?
The Chaplaincy Program requires a significant amount of fund raising each term to be able to exist. We are looking for Businesses or families that could sponsor one of the expenses of the evening eg. soft drinks, sausages, decorations, prizes. Your business would be listed on the night and also in our school newsletter. Home baked items to sell on the evening (ingredients listed please) Assistance with setting up or packing up. Please email me on kcono0@eq.edu.au if you can help out with any of the above. We are also looking for donations of pre-loved lego or construction play kits that students could use during Chappy Chill Out Time.

Chappy Kylie

P&C News
Fete time will be upon us before we know it! October 17 2015. Calling all plant lovers to start planting now for our plant stall. Why not go through all your old clothes to donate for our second hand clothing stall. DONATIONS, DONATIONS, DONATIONS!!! We will be calling for donations after the holidays. If you have any great ideas for this year’s fete please let us know, email pandc@balldhills.eq.edu.au or come and talk to one of the Executive team.

Next General Meeting is on Wednesday 10 June, 7:00pm in the school Library.

Entertainment books are still available, $65 each, please contact to order. Thank you
BHSS P&C Executive

Tuckshop News
Frozen has come to the Tuckshop just in time for winter—OLAF ICE BLOCK $2.00 limited time only.

ROSTER
Monday 8 June—CLOSED
Tuesday 9 June—Kaye H
Wednesday 10 June—Leesa S, Kerri W, Clare K
Thursday 11 June—Kate D, Donna V
Friday 12 June—Alicia S, Leanne H, Jade, Tina
Tuckshop Team

Uniform Shop News
Hours are Wednesday 8:00—10:00am and Friday 2:30—3:30pm

Thank you
Mel
Uniform Shop Convenor

Community News
Bald Hills State School 150th Anniversary
Celebrations 2016
In 2016, BHSS will celebrate its 150th Anniversary with a year of special events. Help us to create a list of past students, Teachers, Teacher Aides, volunteers etc, and collect wonderful stories, photos and memorabilia by liking our facebook page. Information can be emailed directly to lryan102@eq.edu.au.

Whilst we encourage you to share your memories of Bald Hills State School, for legal reasons we are unable to accept posts which name individual students or staff in a negative manner. If you have any specific concerns regarding Teacher or student misconduct at the school, please contact Department of Education and Training direct. This page is regularly monitored and posts that are inappropriate will be removed.

Queensland Academies Creative Industries Campus, 61 Musk Avenue, Kelvin Grove Urban Village The perfect Senior State High School for Creative Young Minds. Visit the Academy in a business as usual environment and take advantage of our Alumni Led Tours between 1pm - 3pm Wednesday 17 June. Visit: www.qaci.eq.edu.au or phone 3377 9366.

Important Dates

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Bald Hills State School
Carpe Diem — Seize the Day

2016 Prep Information Day
Saturday 20 June 2015 10:00 — 11:30am Prep Rooms

- Award winning early learning programs delivered by experienced Teachers and Teacher Aides
- iPad supported literacy and numeracy programs and interactive whiteboards in every classroom
- Strong community links supporting chaplaincy, mentoring and student support programs
- Outside School Hours Care centrally located on site, next to Prep rooms
- Forestry environmental education area
- Air-conditioned Prep classrooms
- Explicit teaching of positive behaviours
- Active P&C with regular events
- Be part of our 150th year of providing outstanding education in Brisbane’s north – Seize the Day!

ENROL NOW to secure your 2016 Prep placement
2156 Gympie Road, Bald Hills 4036  Phone: 3261 1554

You will need to follow this path: SUPPORT AND RESOURCES/FORMS AND DOCUMENTS/DOCUMENTS.