



# BALD HILLS

## State School Newsletter

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#### Tuckshop

Morning Tea & Lunch Orders  
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#### Uniform

Wednesday - 8:00 to 10:00am  
Friday - 2:15 to 3:15pm

#### P&C

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17 March 2016

Dear Parents,

### INTRASCHOOL SPORT

Last week saw the final intra house gala day with our Year 4-6 students. They competed in netball, Soccer and AFL after having 4 weeks of drills and practice games. The afternoon was a big hit with the students and they showed a lot of house spirit by chanting war cries and giving their all. The presentation of an Intra house Trophy and the accumulated house points will be announced on the final assembly for the term.

A big thank you to both our Auskick Coaches and Soccer Trainees (from Aspley SHS) for their wonderful support. They helped make each Friday very enjoyable, as well as teaching our students many valuable skills.

### HELP YOUR CHILD TO USE READING

**Key to success.** Every teacher knows that reading (with writing) is the key to success in education. But reading can't be confined to school; *what is learned at school needs to be used at home* – as reading for pleasure and interest. In this way parents and teachers combine forces to help children become good readers who love reading.

#### **Reading Aloud to Children**

Time for reading. The most important thing a parent can give a child is, not toys or gadgets, but **time**, and perhaps best of all, time spent in reading aloud – from as early as the age of one, and after that they can never be too young or too old to read to.

Interesting Material. Make quite sure the reading material is interesting and that some of it is finely illustrated. By joining the local library you can keep up the flow of books. Try to read well, and talk about the story and the pictures. Sometimes let them read to you, or let older ones read to the younger.

Bedtime Ritual? Reading aloud can be part of a bedtime ritual. And when you finish, why not tolerate another half hour of reading in bed if your child wishes to carry on alone? By the way, a bed lamp is one of the best reading aids, and a good present.

**All the best**  
**Glen Robertson**  
**Principal**



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

## From The DP

### Rule of the Week

Our focus rule for this week is to be safe with Safety Sam and use the playground equipment safely. Students have been reminded on assembly that we have the following expectations:

- Play only in appropriate year level playgrounds
- One person at a time on the slide, feet first, forward only
- Climb on climbing frames only
- Take turns on equipment
- Use monkey bars safely (Hands only, one person at a time, no feet, etc)

No chasing, ball games or running in playgrounds

Please support us by discussing these rules at home with your child.

Next week students will have their last swap shop for this term. If they have full sets of tree cards then they are able to purchase items from the mobile swap shop. Year 5 will be visiting classes next week to bring around the swap boxes.

Tall tree celebrations will take place next Thursday. All Tall Trees will receive a letter outlining the details of each celebration.

P-2 students will be viewing a movie and Year 3-6 students will be having a BYO device session.

### The importance of Breakfast

It has come to our attention that many students are not having breakfast in the morning before they arrive at school. This is then causing them to eat items from their lunchbox in the morning. We understand that before school can be a busy time for many families and that sometimes children can be reluctant to have breakfast. However, it has been found that skipping breakfast can:

- cause a range of health problems for children
- contribute to poor academic performance

cause behavioural problems in the classroom.

Due to this we would like to urge parents to ensure that children are given the opportunity to have breakfast before school and that this includes wholegrain bread, cereal or grain products and some dairy (or alternatives if diets prevent the

eating of these foods) and possibly a piece of fruit and/or vegetables.

Remember that Chappy Kylie also operates breakfast club on Tuesday mornings and all of our school students are able to access this service outside the tuckshop every Tuesday.

### Get Microsoft Office 2016 free of charge

Did you know your child can get Microsoft Office 2016 free of charge, just for being a student at Bald Hills State School? All you need is your child's school email address to sign in. To help prepare your child for success this academic year, the Department of Education and Training has teamed up with Microsoft to provide free Office 2016 to every Queensland state school student. With Office 2016, your child will have access to the latest version of Word for writing, Excel for spreadsheets, PowerPoint for presentations, OneNote for organisation and notetaking, and much more.

You can install a complete version of the latest Microsoft Office on up to five compatible PCs and Macs, five tablets and five smartphones. Your Office subscription lasts for as long as your child is a state school student.

Ask your child to follow these simple steps to get Office:

**For PC and Mac, visit [portal.office.com](http://portal.office.com), login using your school email address (student username@eq.edu.au), click through to install and follow the onscreen process.**

**For tablets and smartphones, download from your app store and sign in with your school email address.**

Visit [www.education.qld.gov.au/office2016](http://www.education.qld.gov.au/office2016) for instructions on how to download and install Office 2016 to your personal home computers.

Sharon

**Sharon Blake**  
**Deputy Principal**

### Sizzling Start Winners

Congratulations . Please see attached insert for all out winners.

**Kathy Dickson**  
**Master Teacher**



## Students of the Week

PB	Jordan	PB	Liliana
PH	Jesse	PH	Abbie
PK	Emily	PK	Lucas
PS	Cameron	PS	Samantha
2B	Oswyn	2B	Neaux
2R	Hafsa	2R	Jackson
2W	Izabelle	2W	Isabella
4B	Eliza	4B	Benson
4C	Grace	4C	Oscar
4V	Grace	4V	Sam

## Classroom News

### The Bug Lady Visit

Did you know that spiders are not insects They don't have feelers and six legs. I learnt this interesting fact when the Bug Lady came to visit Bald Hills Year 1 students.

By Ramneek 1M

My favourite part of the Bug Lady visit was patting the Rhino Beetle.

By Kelsey M



My favourite part of the Bug Lady visit was holding the stick insect.  
By Jesse 1M



## Chappy News

THANK YOU BHSS for your wonderful support of the Chappy Fundraising BBQ & Disco!

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**PE News**

The Bald Hills school cross country will be conducted on Tuesday April 12, the first week of Term Two . Prep to 8 year old students will participate in the morning session 8:50-10:50 with the 9 - 12 Year olds commencing from 11:30am. A detailed program of events will be published in the newsletter next week. Students have begun to train for this event during PE lessons. I will be conducting before school training for the last two weeks of this term on Tuesday and Thursday mornings on the senior oval from 7:45-8:30. Any student from Years 3-6 are welcome to attend. Those students who wish to be selected in the Bald Hills State School cross country team to compete at the Bramble Bay Cross Country Championships on April 29, are advised to continue training over the Easter break. It was great to see all of the 24 students that attended the first training session on Tuesday.

Well done on a great training session. Congratulations to **Sunny 5S** and **Megan 6K** for being selected in the Bramble Bay Soccer team. They will compete in the Metropolitan North Championships to be conducted at the Pine Hills Junior Soccer Club Bunya on 27 and 28 April. We wish you and your team the best of luck!

**Kylie Innes**  
*PE Teacher*



**Library**

As term one draws to an end, we would appreciate outstanding loans to be returned by **Thursday 24 March**. Fortunately, most children have shown diligence in returning their books on a regular basis, and hopefully, this will continue throughout the rest of the year. Children are allowed to borrow for the holiday break but parents please keep track of their books and ensure that they are returned once school resumes.

**Josephine Bacayo**  
*Librarian*

**Interesting Bits & Pieces**

Name Origins (Our Sports Houses)  
**ATTUNGA MURRUMBA WYAMPA**  
The two grassy hills that stood out from the bushland gave Bald Hills its name. The traditional owners of this land were the Turrball people when the first land sales were held in 1857. They referred to it as 'Borlil,' and 'Wyampa' was the name given to the northern portion of it by the tribes. The word Attunga is an Aboriginal word for 'high place'. The name 'Murrumba' was derived from the local Aboriginal dialect and means 'good place'. Between the 1890s and the 1920s families in the area included the Carseldines, Days, Feuerriegels, Hawkins, Hennesseys and McPhersons. Many of these names have been given to surrounding suburbs, local streets and even our own school sport houses.



**Kathy Stokes**  
*5S Teacher*

**P & C News**

**SAVE THE DATE 30 APRIL** .We are holding our bush dance from 4.30-8pm. Tickets are available now . Flyers will be going home this week with prices and details what will be on the night.

**SPREAD THE WORD..** This is a community event so tell everybody and get your boot scooting on.

yeeehhaaaaaa  
FUN RUN FORMS will also be sent home **Monday 21 March**. So keep an eye out for them.

EASTER RAFFLE TICKETS MUST BE RETURNED BY THE 21ST MARCH. Sold or unsold.  
Thank you to everyone that has sold their tickets. Gotta be in it to win it.  
ELECTION BARBECUE IS being held this Sat from 7am-1pm, we are still looking for volunteers so please if you can help out please contact the P&C via email [pandc@baldhillss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandc@baldhillss.eq.edu.au)

**Thank you**  
**P&C Executive Team**

**Tuckshop**

A huge heartfelt thank you must go out to the amazing volunteers who give up their time week after week to help out in the



Tuckshop. Without these amazing mothers, grandmothers and community members we wouldn't be able to keep the Tuckshop open. And thank you to the families and staff for their support throughout this Term.

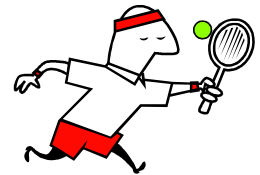
**Roster**

Monday 21st March - Sharon C  
Tuesday 22nd—Trish H  
Wednesday 23rd—Stacie G, Vicki P, Kat M  
Thursday—24th- Donna V Joy-Bells

**Community News**

**ROSS' ON COURT TENNIS**

Tennis Coaching Term 2  
Ross is taking all new enrolments for Coaching classes starting up again in Week 2 Friday 22 April.  
Coaching from Prep to Grade 6 Fridays after school.  
To Enrol phone ROSS 3264 3946



**Important Dates**

Thursday 17 March	Prep Excursion Easter Billy
Friday 18 March	Senior Sports Yrs 4-6
Saturday 19 March	Brisbane City Elections
Tuesday 22 March	Yr 2/3 & 3 Science Workshop
Wednesday 23 March	Easter Bonnet Parade
Thursday 24 March	Last day of Term 1
Monday 11 April	First Day of Term
Tuesday 12 April	Cross Country Prep—Yr 6

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