Swimming lessons commenced this week at a new venue—Aspley school. Please read Ms Bond’s column in today’s newsletter

Electronic communication—Come to Community Café

Missed yet another newsletter? Be better informed in 2014 by downloading the free Q-Schools App to your phone now. In the Community Café next week we’ll share school plans to keep you up-to-date about events, homework, tuckshop, uniforms, classroom learning topics, farewells, welcomes, excursions, upcoming tests, champions, forestry, star performers, booklists, ... Wednesday, November 20, following assembly—bring your phone (iPhone, Google & Windows).

2014 Classes

Final date for receipt of information parents/caregivers want considered by the school in 2014 class placements is required by Wednesday November 20 please. We will release the class lists in the last week of school following finalisation of the staffing for next year.

Class Canvasses—Only a week to go!

The P&C are offering class canvas calendars, mouse pads and i-Phone cases for purchase. This is a way to secure a copy of the fantastic artwork completed by each class and auctioned at the fete. These are on display at Tuckshop and an order form flyer is on the web. Orders and full payments MUST be received by November 22 to be processed.

David Turner
Principal
**From the DP**

**Year 1, 3, 5 and 7 Swimming**

Students in Years 1, 3, 5 and 7 had their first swimming lesson this week using the pool at Aspley State School. Very positive feedback has already been received from our teachers about the quality of the swim instructors, lessons and the great organisation at the pool. Mr Turner spent some time at the pool visiting and took a few photos.

Student swimming ability has been assessed and teaching commenced. Student lessons will either be a ‘Learn to Swim Program’ or a ‘Water Safety & Lifesaving Skills Program’. The swim school will also shape elements specifically for school needs. For example, swimming lessons for Year 7 students will also have a focus on the water safety skills required for the Year 7 camp water activities.

When packing your child’s swimming gear, could I please ask parents/carers to double check that their child has a swimming cap. Swimming caps are required at the pool.

**Lost Property**

Lost property will be cleared out at the end of next week. If your child has lost something this semester, please have them check at the office. Any item that is clearly named is returned to students via the classroom teacher. However, there are some items in lost property with fading names that can not be read, and thus have been unable to be returned.

**Libby Bond**

**Reminder**

As a general reminder, if you are going on holidays at any time during the term, please notify your child’s teacher in writing. If your child will be absent for 10 days or more it is necessary for you to complete a form available at the office prior to the time absent.

Phone messages—If you need to get an urgent message to your child please contact the school office before 2.30pm. We cannot guarantee that the messages received after this time will/can be delivered.

**Library News**

**Book Club**

The last book club for 2013, (November, Issue 8) orders are due at the office by 9:00am, Wednesday November 27. No late orders will be taken as it is too close to the end of the school year. Thank you everyone who has purchased from book club. This has resulted in the school receiving hundreds of dollars worth of free resources.

**Library and Reading Room books**

All library and reading books are to be returned to the library by November 29. Overdues will be issued the following week with bills to follow if the books cannot be found. Start having a good look around for anything with a Bald Hills State School barcode on it please. Please contact Chris Strijland, Teacher Librarian or Kerry Webber, Library Aide if there is a problem.

**Chris Strijland**

**Forestry News**

More PACE students planted bush tucker in the Forestry on Wednesday. These students were joined by Charlie, a Year 7 school leader. Plants that were added to the bush tucker garden were midyim berry, lomandra and dianella. These plants were traditionally used by Indigenous Australians for food and weaving. Charlie planted two flame trees. Thanks to Chelsea and Linda for donating the plants.

**P & C News**

Class canvas calendars, mouse pads and iPhone cases for purchase.

Orders and full payments MUST be received by November 22 to be processed.

Prices:
- Calendar: $12.00 each
- Mouse pad: $14.00 each
- iPhone case: $15.00 each
- A5 Hard cover Dairy: $16.50 each

Congratulations to Miss Leanne, and her helpers, in organising and coordinating a great disco.

**Positive Behaviour Support Program**

**Be Responsible**

**Responsible Ronnie says**

1. Obey the road rules.
2. Always cross at the pedestrian crossing.
3. Walk your bike on the footpaths around the school, on the crossing and inside the school grounds.
4. Wait quietly and responsibly inside the school grounds after school.
5. When the late afternoon bell rings go to the office.
6. Get into your car on the kerb side of the road.
7. Sit quietly and respectfully on the bus and wear your seatbelt at all times.
8. Sit quietly and respectfully on the train.

**Flyers home this week**

Xmas in the Tuckshop!!
**Music Notes**

Instrumental Music Information Session - November 19 - 6.00pm
Next Tuesday - November 19 - an information session outlining the Instrumental Program for all those parents who have children wishing to be selected. Please come along and meet the music staff and hopefully gain a better understanding of the program. Hope to see you there!

Music Support Group Meeting - November 19 - 3.00pm
The next meeting is Tuesday November 19 in the Staff Room commencing at 3.00pm. All welcome. Come and share some ideas.

Music Showcase - Thursday November 28 - 7.00pm
Please keep this date available as it is our last concert for the year. All groups will be performing. If your child does not have a polo shirt as yet & requires one, please see Helen in the Uniform Shop.

There will be a Sausage sizzle prior to concert. **Marion Wood**

**Summer Weather**

Summer Weather
During terms one and four, there is the occasion when a thunderstorm breaks at the time school is ending for the day. This situation is always a bit tricky. Here are some thoughts about what ought to occur:

- Parents should speak to their children about what to do... meeting places, staying under cover, etc.
- Bus children will be supervised by the teacher on duty. Remember the bus may be late.
- Avoid telephoning the school during a storm.
- Students can remain at school in relative safety for a short period while the storm rages.
- Be careful on the road, especially in Ana Street.
- Do not park illegally simply to suit your convenience.

Please be patient during storms.

**Enrolment**

If you are aware that your child will not be returning to Bald Hills State School in 2014, please fill out the below section and return to the office or email the school on admin@baldhills.eq.edu.au with details on the school attending in 2014.

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My child/ren will not be returning to Bald Hills SS in 2014.

My child/ren will be attending the following schools in 2014:

**Tuckshop News**

Monday 18-Mel M
Tuesday 19-Lee-Ann G
Wednesday 20-Lisa H. & Tanya Mc
Thursday 21-Mel B & Help Needed
Friday 22-Zita J, Alicia S, Trish H, Anthea V

*Friday December 6, will be Tuckshops last day for the year, we will be having a massive special and red food day. Forms home this week, Xmas in the Tuckshop!!*

**Important Dates**

- **Friday 15 November**
  - Interschool Sport
- **Tuesday 19 November**
  - Swimming Yrs 1,3,5,7
- **Thursday 21 November**
  - Prep Assembly
- **Tuesday 26 November**
  - Swimming Yrs 1,3,5,7
- **Wednesday 27 November**
  - No Assembly
  - Swimming Carnival
- **Book Club Orders due 9am**
- **Thursday 28 November**
  - 2013 Music Showcase
- **Tuesday 3 December**
  - Swimming Yrs 1,3,5,7
  - ARTSLINK—Whole School
- **Wednesday 4 December**
  - Xmas Service Assembly
- **Thursday 5 December**
  - Prep Parade
  - Yrs 6 & 7 Awards Night
- **Friday 6 December**
  - 2014 Book Lists due 9am
- **Monday 9 December**
  - Yr 7 CAMP
  - Yrs 4 & 3/4R Excursion
- **Tuesday 10 December**
  - Yr 7 CAMP
  - Swimming Yrs 1,3,5
  - Yr 7 CAMP
  - Yr 3 Movie Excursion
  - P & C Meeting 7pm
- **Thursday 12 December**
  - Final Assembly
- **Friday 13 December**
  - Last day

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