



BALD HILLS

State School Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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19 November 2015

Year 6 Legacy Item



On Friday last week the 2015 Year 6 cohort presented a Legacy Item to the school. The item presented was a timber picnic table.

This has been a wonderful initiative – not only have the Year 6 class of 2015 left a legacy item for future students to use and enjoy, but they have also established a tradition in which future Year 6 cohorts can leave a legacy item at the school.

Thank you to Mrs Stokes and our Year 6 teaching team for supporting our Year 6 students with this initiative.

2016 School Captain Shortlisting

This week we are completing the shortlisting process for students who had nominated for the position of School Captain for 2016. As I said in last week's newsletter we have a very large pool of students who have nominated for leadership positions and the quality of the nominees is extremely high. And whilst it is wonderful to have a large group of students who display strong leadership skills, it also makes the shortlisting process much more difficult. For the students who have nominated for the position of School Captain, the selection panel is currently reviewing each of their suitability statements that they wrote on their application, as well as considering the attributes they have demonstrated as a student at Bald Hills aligned to our values of being a learner, being respectful, being responsible, and being safe. Staff from across the school – teachers and teacher aides have also contributed to the shortlisting process.

I will announce to students the shortlisted nominees this Friday. These students will move through to the next part of the selection process that includes presenting a speech to their peers, a cohort secret ballot and attending an interview with the selection panel. Captain speeches will occur on Thursday 26 November commencing at 1:45pm in the school hall.

I understand that there will be some disappointment for those students who are not shortlisted to progress with the selection process. All students who nominated for School Captain also nominated for other leadership position, so those students who are not shortlisted will move through for consideration for these other positions.

I hope that all students remember to approach the process with "good sportsmanship", but most of all to remember that you don't need a badge to be a leader – that true leadership is not about a badge but about a genuine desire to guide and assist others without acknowledgement.

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

Annual Christmas Service

The school's annual Christmas Service will be held on Tuesday 1 December 2015 commencing at 8:55am in the school hall. This service is a non-denominational service that celebrates the Christian message of Christmas. Students of all faiths are welcome to attend.

As the Christmas Service is an 'opt in' activity like the Religious Instruction program, all students received a permission note for this event this week. If you did not receive a permission note, please see your child's teacher or our administration staff in the office.

We ask that you complete the permission note to indicate whether or not you would like your child to attend this Christmas Service and return it to your child's class teacher. Alternative activities will be provided for children not attending the Christmas Service. Children who do not return the permission note will be included in the alternative activities, not the Christmas Service.

All children are required to come in their school uniform on Tuesday 1 December 2015, however, they can add a Christmas element if they choose (e.g. Santa hat, Christmas head bands/ear rings/badges, etc.).

As always, parents, caregivers, and families are welcome to attend the annual Christmas Service.

Libby Bond

Principal

From The DP

Christmas Cards and Candy Canes

As we head towards the Christmas season we would like to request that some guidelines are followed regarding the sharing of cards and treats between class mates.

- If your child has a bundle of cards that they would like to hand to classmates then it would be appreciated if these could be kept with the teacher for the day so that they can be handed out at the end of the day. This helps to alleviate any morning distractions within the classroom and reduces the amount of envelope rubbish that accumulates around the school.
- We also ask that students do not bring candy canes to school, either to eat themselves, or as gifts to others. Candy canes are a high sugar food, and are not in line with the school's healthy foods policy.
- We do not discourage students exchanging end of year gifts, but we do ask that these gifts be non-food

items eg. pencils, erasers, Christmas tree ornaments, etc.

Final School Assembly 2016

Please note that there has been a change to the date of our final school assembly for 2016. The final assembly will be held on **Thursday 10 December at 9am**. During this assembly we will farewell our Year 6 students and we invite as many families as possible to attend this occasion. This will also be our break-up class party day, however these celebrations will not begin until 12noon.

This assembly has been moved to accommodate the Tall Tree water play celebration, which will occur on Wednesday 9 December. Tall trees will be announced at the end of Week 9. Our final day of school for 2016 is Friday 11 December.

Rule of the Week

Our focus rule for this week is 'Attend school every day and be on time for class' with Learner Lenny. Teachers will be explicitly teaching and reminding students of the following expectations:

Before school:

- Stay under admin block until the bell at 8:15am then go to the quad areas.
- No footballs or large balls are to be used on the quad grassed area. No running games in the quad.
- Go to the toilet BEFORE THE FIRST BELL.
- Stop play at the 8:40am bell and GO DIRECTLY TO CLASS.

Morning tea and lunch:

- Stop play on the first bell.
- Go to the toilet and have a drink.
- Line up quietly with your class.
- Be ready by the 2nd bell.

Sharon Blake

Deputy Principal

Positive Behaviour Support Program



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

Students of the Week

Congratulations to this week's students who received the Student of the Week Certificate for Responding with Wonderment and Awe

PB	Torr	3P	Asha
PK	Myles	3T	Alex
PS	Bruchel	4A	Richard
PT	Sharni	4B	Ellen
1H	Cameron	4C	Riley
1K	Jordan	4V	Amelia
1/2M	Tristan	5B	Oliver
1W	Lucy	5H	Ashlee
2B	Maddison	5M	Jye
2/3D	Junior	6D	Elise
2R	Chloe	6F	Michael
2W	Eloise	6S	Josh
3K	Jack		

Music Notes

Showcase

Music Showcase is on Wednesday 25 November. Please check your children's bags! A note with all the details of Showcase was sent to all members in Junior Choir, Strings, Band and Young Voices. If you have not received a copy, please contact me. It would be greatly appreciated if the slips could be returned quickly. For those people who do not have anyone in the Music Program, you are more than welcome to come along. The performances commence at 7:00pm with the sausage sizzle from 5:30pm. Entrance fee of \$5.00 per family or \$2.00 per single entry with raffles as well.

If you can help in any way - selling tickets, food, cooking, provide a raffle prize etc - please contact me (mwood57@eq.edu.au)

Music Camp—10 to 12 February 2016

In the third week of the new year members of the Senior String Ensemble, Concert Band and Young Voices Choir will be heading off to QCCC Brookfield for their annual camp. This will be the first rehearsals for the year for each of these groups which sets them up for the year. There will be a letter sent in the next week to all current members (NOT Year 6) of the groups and those who are moving into one of the groups next year. This is a wonderful way to start the year and I'm hoping as many as possible will be able to attend. If you have any questions

regarding this, please contact me.

Marion Wood
Music Teacher

Forestry News

Here is a little history snippet. In 2009 the Year 7's helped to plant trees on the senior oval that were native to the area and to provide shade. These students finished high school last year and the silky oaks are in flower!!



Louise Brennan

Year 6 News

Last Friday the Year 6 students presented their Legacy item, a picnic table, to the Bald Hills State School community. The picnic table has been placed in the quad area and can be used either to eat at, sit with friends at play time or as a table where small groups can work together during learning time. This table was made by the students and teachers (Mr Brown & Mr Stokes) from Aspley SHS and we were able to show our appreciation to them and their Principal, Ms Jacquita Miller, at the presentation on Friday. This table is extra special as some of the Aspley High students who were involved in its construction were ex-Bald Hills State School students. On behalf of the Year 6 students, we hope that the school community enjoys this table for many years to come.

Mrs Stokes
Year 6 Teacher

Student Council News



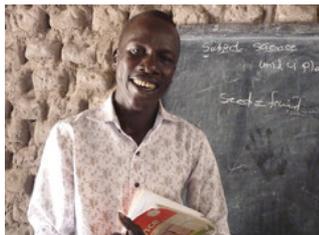
CRAZY HAT/HAIR DAY FUNDRAISER FOR THE PRINCESS CHARLOTTE ALOPECIA PROGRAM

Ella from 6D is cutting off her VERY LONG hair and is raising much needed funds to help kids with Alopecia to buy a wig! The

hair that Ella cuts off is also being donated to make a wig. Join in the fun on Wednesday **25 November** by coming to school with a **crazy hat or hair do** for a **gold coin donation**. Your valuable donation will go a long way to making a child in need very happy. There is a **donation box** located in the **office** for any extra donations and Ella also has her own **hero webpage!** Check out

<https://alopecia.everydayhero.com.au.ella>

Chappy News



One of our Bald Hills traditions has been to raise some funds for Children and their families

living in poverty. This year our Christmas project is to buy a teacher for a classroom through the 'Tear Australia Useful Gifts Catalogue'. This is a great way we can make a difference together at Bald Hills State School and show our acknowledgement and appreciation for the education that is available to us. Each child has the opportunity to do a couple of jobs at home and then return their hard earned coins and form to their class teacher by Friday 27 November. All funds will be used to 'train a teacher for a classroom' through the Tear Australia Useful Gifts Catalogue.

www.usefulgifts.org
Gifts that bring life, hope and opportunity!
Chappy Kylie



PE News

The Year 4—6 swimming carnival will be held at the Pine Rivers District State High School next Friday 27 November. Reminder for all students to be at school before 8:40am. Parents, if you are bringing your child directly to the swimming carnival, please advise your class teacher.

Kylie Innes
PE Teacher

Important Dates

Friday 20 November	Swimming Years 1-3
Monday 23 November	Swimming Years 4-6
Wednesday 25 November	Music Showcase
Thursday 26 November	2016 Student Captain Speeches
Friday 27 November	Swimming Carnival Years 4-6
Monday 30 November	Years 4—6 make up swimming lesson Prep 2016 Interviews
Tuesday 1 December	Assembly—Christmas Service Prep 2016 Interviews
Wednesday 2 - Friday 4 December	Year 6 Tall Trees Camp
Monday 7 December	Year 5 End of Year Celebration—Chermside Waterpark Aspley SHS Orientation Day Prep Christmas Concert
Tuesday 8 December	Year 4 End of Year Celebration—Albany Creek Leisure Centre Year 6 Graduation—6:30pm
Wednesday 9 December	Tall Trees Celebration P&C Meeting
Thursday 10 December	Assembly & Running of Year 6 Class End of Year Party
Friday 11 December	Last Day of Term 4
Wednesday 27 January 2016	First Day of Term 1

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