7 November 2013

**Bald Hills Students Excel**

In today’s newsletter I have included a message from Ms Jacquita Miller, the principal of Aspley State High School. The school held their annual awards night a couple of weeks ago and Bald Hills State School students featured throughout the night. It is rewarding to see our students go on to secondary education and achieve highly. Congratulations to Tamika Hassum, selected as Aspley’s School Captain for 2014. Tamika joins a long list of Bald Hills Students to fulfill the top student leadership position.

**PACE Afternoons come to a close.**

For over a term now a committed group of secondary school students from St Paul’s School have been reading with some of our students on Tuesday afternoons after school. This community service activity has certainly been enjoyed by our students, and assisted with the development of their reading skills. Next Tuesday is the last afternoon this activity will run for this year and we would like to celebrate, and say thank you, with an afternoon tea. Parents of the students involved are invited to come at 4:00pm to join with the teachers and students from St Paul’s School for this celebration.

**Chaplaincy Disco**

Friday night is the last Chaplaincy Disco for the 2013 year. I expect that the students will again have a fantastic night, and again the funds raised directly contribute to our Chaplaincy program.

**2014 Classes**

Teachers this week commenced the process of putting together classes for next year. Thanks to the parents and caregivers who have written to advise that their children will be changing schools next year. It is important I have accurate information related to enrolments so that we enjoy a smooth start to the school year. We will again have class lists for next year out in the last week of school.

David Turner
Principal
From the DP

**Senior Badge Recipients**

This week’s assembly saw 20 Bald Hills students receive their Senior Badge. These students are to be congratulated for their successful completion of our Student Leadership Accreditation Program. This program asks students to demonstrate a series of leadership qualities that show they are not only responsible and proud members of the Bald Hills community, but that they demonstrate integrity in all that they do at school and in the community.

For me, integrity is a vital element of leadership and I would encourage all of our student leaders to continue to be true to themselves and others. Leaders who behave with integrity inspire trust in those around them.

A quick reminder — Senior students for 2014 must have **successfully completed the Student Leadership Accreditation Program by Friday 22 November 2013** if they want to be considered for a formal leadership position for next year (e.g. House Captain, School Captain).

**2014 Booklists**

Booklists for 2014 have been distributed via the classroom teacher. If your child has not brought one home please see your child’s class teacher for a copy.

**Libby Bond**

**Music Notes**

**Lamington Drive**

The lamingtons arrived yesterday. If you did not receive your order, please contact Lucy Ryan via the office to make enquiries/arrangements for collection.

**4B YOU ARE FANTASTIC!** This class brought in the highest number of orders. A **HUGE** thank-you to everyone who ordered lamingtons. Your support will assist in purchasing a new bass guitar & amp.

We will be doing another ‘drive’ next year in Term 2, so please keep this in mind.

**Instrumental Fees**

There is a large number of out-standing/unpaid fees for the Instrumental Program. Letters were sent home earlier in the week to those families involved. It would be greatly appreciated if these could be paid as soon as possible as this money is needed to service the instruments over the holiday period.

**Choral Workshop**

Next Thursday morning, Ruth Gabriel will be working with the choir to add some choreography to one of the songs. It is extremely important that every member is at the Hall ready to commence at 7.30am. Please ensure the children are at school on time.

**Music Support Group Meeting**

The next meeting will be **Tuesday November 19 commencing at 3.00pm in the Staff Room**. If you have any ideas for fundraising etc., please come or send it Mrs McAuliffe. Everyone welcome.

**Selection of Students for the Instrumental Music Program.**

If you haven’t returned the form for this, please do so. If you require a form, please contact the office.

**Music Showcase – November 28**

It’s only a few weeks away…… but our End of Year Concert ‘Showcase’ is coming up rather quickly! On **Thursday November 28** the children in the Choral and Instrumental Programs will present their final concert for the year. The concert itself will commence at 7.00pm, with sausage sizzle being available from 5.45pm. If you are able to assist with the cooking or selling of raffle tickets etc, please give contact either to Miss Wood or Mrs McAuliffe. All groups will be performing – Jnr Choir, Young Voices Choir, Concert Band, String Ensemble, Beginner Strings etc. Please come and support these groups. Entry is Gold Coin donation per person.

**Parent Information Session**

Those parents of students wishing to commence learning an instrument in 2014, are invited to attend an Information Session on **Tuesday November 19 commencing at 6 pm in the Hall**. The session will outline the running of the program, how the children are selected and also provide you with the opportunity to meet the instrumental teachers – Miss Moore and Mr James.

Marion Wood

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**Positive Behaviour Support Program**

**Be a Learner**

**Learner Lenny says:**

1. **Strive to do your best.**
2. **Start work promptly.**
3. **Stay focused on the task.**
4. **Complete all tasks.**
5. **Take pride in your work.**
6. **Ask questions and seek help when needed.**

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**Forestry News**

On Wednesday afternoon, participants of the PACE group planted some bushtucker in the Forestry. Katrell planted a Brisbane River Lilly. These lillies were traditionally used to relieve the pain of stings. Saphire planted a Native Lasiandra. These plants are sometimes called Blue tongue because the fruits stain the lips and tongue blue. Katrell, Shay and Alley planted Midyim berries. These plants produce an edible white berry.

The native raspberry in the bushtucker was the only survivor of the last floods. It has several flowers on it which will soon produce beautiful tasting raspberries. Students are looking forward to tasting them. These new plantings are the start of the revitalisation of the bush Tucker garden.

Many thanks to Chelsea from the PACE committee who donated some of the plants.

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**Flyers home this week**

**Kids Artworks and Order Form 2013**

**Aspley High School Student Awards 2013**

**2014 Booklists**
Chaplaincy Disco
This Friday November 8. Café opens 5pm. Supervision is required.
Cost is $5.00
Prep-Yr 3, 6.00-7.30pm
Yrs 4-7, 7.45-9.30pm
Theme is Multi-Cultural, dress in any Culture you like.
Glow products available

P & C News
Our General Meeting will be held on Wed November 13, from 7pm. Our volunteer draw will occur at this meeting, which gives ALL 2013 volunteers a chance to win a school book pack for 2014.
The P&C are offering class canvas calendars, mouse pads and i-Phone cases for purchase. These are on display at the Tuckshop and an order form flyer will be included in this week’s newsletter. Orders and full payments MUST be received by 22nd November to be processed.
Congratulations to the Year 7 sub-committee and Year 7 teachers for organising a great night for their 2013 Trivia night held on Saturday night.
Thank you to Miss Leanne, our Chaplain, for organising volunteers to run the Bunnings BBQ last Wednesday. All the proceed will go straight towards supporting our school’s Chaplaincy program. Please also remember to support the Chaplaincy Disco this Friday night. A great time to be had by all our students, and their friends.

Tuckshop News
Monday 11—Alicia, Judy
Tuesday 12—Penny C
Wednesday 13—Lisa H, Tanya M
Thursday 14—Mel B, Help required
Friday 15—Anthea V, Alicia, Helen

Lost Property
A unique coin was handed into the office last Friday. Please contact the office if you have lost a very special coin.

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@baldhillss.eq.edu.au with details on the school attending in 2014.

Student/Students not returning to Bald Hills State School in 2014.
Please return this section to the office by Friday, November 15, 2013.

Student Name: _______________
Class: ________

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Class: ________

Student Name: _______________
Class: ________

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

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

Trivia Night
A BIG thank you to all members of our school and the community who came along to last Saturday night’s Trivia Night. It was a great night with lots of fun. Since this was the seventeenth year of running this night, it was wonderful to see how well supported it still is.
Thanks again to all those helpers throughout the day and the evening itself.

Phil Langley & Vincenzo Corry
Year 7 Teachers

Important Dates
Friday 8 November
Chaplaincy Disco
Tuesday 12 November
Swimming Yrs 1,3,5,7
Wednesday 13 November
P & C Meeting 7pm
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
Swimming Carnival
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
9 a.m.
2014 Book Lists due
Monday 9 December
Yr 7 CAMP
Yrs 4 & 3/4R Excursion
Albany Creek Leisure Centre
Yrs 5 & 6 Excursion
Aquatique Centre Chermside
Tuesday 10 DecemberYr 7 CAMP
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 of School