



# 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

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29 October 2015

#### ICAS – International Competitions and Assessments for Schools

ICAS is a highly regarded international assessment competition for schools in English, Mathematics, Science and Digital Technologies. The assessment competitions also offer the opportunity of recognition and awards for students who participate. Participating students receive an individual diagnostic report and a certificate to recognise their achievement.

As the ICAS is a competition, the questions on each of the papers are challenging and increase in difficulty, thus allowing students to demonstrate how far they can stretch, often well above year level knowledge and understanding expectations.

This year we had more students participating in the ICAS competitions than ever before. It is great to see so many Bald Hills students receiving Merits and Credits in the competitions. Students receiving Merit and Credit awards should have received their certificates in their classrooms earlier in the week.

On assembly this week, I had the great pleasure of recognising our students who received Distinctions and High Distinctions. It is wonderful to see these students performing in the top percentage of students across the nation. Students receiving Distinctions and High Distinctions were:

**Ethan S** from Year 3 received: a **High Distinction in Science** (scoring in the top 1%)  
a **Distinction in Maths** (scoring in the top 7%)

**Oliver B** from Year 4 received: a **Distinction in Maths** (scoring in the top 3%)

**Blake R** from Year 4 received: a **Distinction in Maths** (scoring in the top 5%)

**Ahmad A** from Year 3 received: a **Distinction in English** (scoring in the top 8%)  
a **Distinction in Maths** (scoring in the top 10%)

**Jackson M** from Year 6 received: a **Distinction in English** (scoring in the top 8%)  
a **Distinction in Science** (scoring in the top 11%)

**Attalia L** from Year 6 received: a **Distinction in Science** (scoring in the top 11%)



Congratulations to all of our students who participated in the ICAS competitions.

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

## World Teachers' Day

As I mentioned in last week's newsletter Bald Hills celebrates World Teachers' Day today due to interschool sport occurring on the actual day.

I would like to thank and acknowledge all of our wonderful Bald Hills teachers who every day make a difference to the learning and achievement of our students. However, this is not the only important element of their job. Providing students with a supportive, nurturing and caring environment in which every child feels valued is equally important to a child's development.

To an amazing and supportive group of teachers – thank you!

## Semester 2 Report Cards

In line with many other state schools, Bald Hills will be able to move to emailing report cards to parents/carers for Semester 2. This will provide benefits for both parents/carers and the school, including parents/carers now being able to have a permanent electronic copy of their child's reports for future access and use if required.

Could you please check that the school has your current preferred email address.

If your email address needs updating please contact the office. If you do not have an email address could please let the office know so alternative arrangements can be made.

## Libby Bond

Principal

## From The DP

### Be a Learner

Our focus rule for this week is Be Respectful with Respectful Rosie. Teachers are looking for students who use good manners in all areas of the school and display the following behaviours:

- Say please and thank-you
- Wait your turn
- Listen when others are speaking
- Sit still on assembly
- Be a good audience
- Clap and respond in an appropriate way
- Use the computers appropriately

Teachers will be explicitly teaching these expectations throughout the week. Please help us by discussing these rules at home with your child.

## Kindy Visits

We have had the pleasure of some more Kindy visits over the last few weeks. I was able to sit with the Bald Hills C & K students in our Prep eating area last week and Mrs Bacayo shared a story with Bald Hills Kindergarten and Preschool students in the Library. Bald Hills C & K have also been utilizing our senior oval for some morning physical activity.

We would also like to thank both Kindy's for being actively involved in our Fete on the 17th October. We really enjoyed watching the Bald Hills Kindergarten and Preschool students singing on the stage, and having the Bald Hills C & K canvas artwork on display with our school display.

Last Thursday we had the Bald Hills Kindergarten and Preschool students spend time disbursed among our Prep classrooms, finding out what it looks like to spend a session in Prep. They all looked to be enjoying their time and participated well.

It is wonderful to have our 'soon to be prep students' visiting our school on a regular basis. We look forward to some more visits over the next few weeks. If you have a child who you are intending on enrolling at Bald Hills in 2016 and have not yet collected and completed an enrolment package then please do so as soon as possible.

## Class Allocation 2016

Teachers have now begun formulating classes for 2016. Tomorrow, Friday 30 October, is the last day for parent requests to be sent through to

[admin@baldhills.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@baldhills.eq.edu.au).

Any requests received after this date will not be taken into account in the formulation of classes for 2016.

## Sharon Blake

Deputy Principal

## Positive Behaviour Support Program

### Be Respectful.

Use good manners in all areas of the school



## Students of the Week

Congratulations to this week's students who received the Student of the Week Certificate for

### Thinking Interdependently

PB	Messiah	3P	Starry
PK	Delta	3T	Cooper
PS	Isaac	4A	Joshua
PT	Hamish	4B	Zachary
1H	Joel	4C	Caitlyn
1K	Paxton	4V	Harrison
1/2M	Cayden	5B	Hayley
1W	Gabriel	5H	Zachery
2B	Makayla	5M	Lewis
2/3D	Tamina-Lee	6D	Brianna
2R	Phoebe	6F	Montana
2W	Damian	6S	Emily
3K	Jessica		

## Music Notes

### Showcase - Wednesday 25 November

This is the End of Year concert for all performing groups and our last chance to raise some funds for the Music Program. All the children learning strings (including those who started this year) will perform in various groups, while the children playing a band instrument will perform in the Concert Band along with BOTH choirs (Junior & Young Voices). The two choirs will join together for one or two pieces as well.

Members of Senior String Ensemble, Concert Band and Young Voices will be required to wear their Performance Uniform whilst members of the other groups will be required to wear the Formal Uniform. (This includes the beginner Band members.)

The concert will commence at 7:00pm. Although it sounds like a lot of performances, the evening should be over around 8:15pm.

Come and enjoy!

Marion Wood

Music Teacher

## Forestry News

Twelve students from 3T along with their prac. teacher Mr Cunningham did some weeding in the Forestry.

When the students started weeding the area, it was a green sea of madeira vine. After 20 minutes of hard and concentrated work, buckets were full and there was very little madeira vine left.



Well done 3T.

There will be no Forestry now until Week 7. I will put the details of the day and time in the Week six newsletter.

**Louise Brennan**

## Bandanna Day

Thank you to everyone for their support of CanTeen's National Bandanna Day. Bald Hills SS raised over \$900 this year to help kids and teens with cancer. What a wonderful thing you have done to help others.

Friday 30 October is National Bandanna Day—don't forget to wear your bandanna this Friday.

Thanks for your support.

**Frau Lange, Mrs Anderson and 5B**

## Chappy News

### HAMPERS OF HOPE

Our **Hampers Of Hope** cupboard is getting a little low on certain supplies. We have plenty of tins and cans like tuna, spaghetti and baked beans but are in need of some special items like tea, coffee, jam, honey, juice, cereal, biscuits, cake mix or toiletries. On behalf of the school community we have been able to give a 'practical hug' to over 40 families and staff members who have been in need of a little extra support or encouragement this year. Term 4 always seems to bring a little extra stress to families so it would be



great to be able to keep this initiative going till the end of the year. A yellow drop off hamper bin is available outside the Chappy Room as well as at the tuckshop. Thank you so much Bald Hills for all your support of the hampers this year.

### CHRISTMAS SERVICE DATE CLAIMER

Our annual and wonderful Christmas Service is going to be held on **Tuesday 1 December** at 9am. We would love to extend an invitation for extended families to attend. (Please note date change from Wednesday 2 December to Tuesday 1 December).

**Chappy Kylie**

## Student Banking

As the end of the year is fast approaching some rewards items are either low in stock or unavailable. Please do not refer to the rewards cards from the Commonwealth Bank for rewards items. Please refer to the rewards letter that I send to your child when they are ready to claim a reward. On that note the last Student Banking day for the year will be Wednesday 25 November 2015. That leaves 4 weeks to finalise your entry of 25 deposits for the year into the Disney Competition. Any questions please feel free to bounce me an email on

[cherysum4sum@bigpond.com](mailto:cherysum4sum@bigpond.com)

– if possible please use "Student Banking" as the subject line!

Thanks.

**Sharon Cherry**

## Tuckshop News

We will be trialling a new product in the Tuckshop. Island Way Sorbet. These Sorbets are school approved and will sell for \$2.50. On Wednesday 4 November Island Way will be bringing samples to school for the children to try at morning tea. They will be on sale in the Tuckshop the next day Thursday 5 November.

### ROSTER

**Monday 2 November**— Sharon C

**Tuesday 3 November**— Kay H

**Wednesday 4 November**— Tanya Mc,  
Sharon H

**Thursday 5 November**— Donna V,  
Joy-Bells

**Friday 6 November**— Leanne H, Alicia S,  
Mel B, Teena L, Zita J

**The Tuckshop Team**

## P&C News

### FETE Raffles Winners...

#### Major Raffle:

1st prize Holiday - A. Ryan

2nd prize iPad - S. Laverie

3rd prize Drama lessons - B. Fatima

4th prize Music/singing lessons - M. Crispe

5th prize \$2000 accommodation voucher  
- McGill Family

#### Minor Raffles:

BBQ - Hope

Air Conditioner - J. Tomins

\$50 Visa voucher - C. Couper

Hair product - Anne

Congratulations on your wins and thank you again for your support of BHSS 2015 Fete.

Have your child's 2015 class canvas transformed into professionally printed products.

Calendars \$13

Hard cover diary \$17

Greeting cards \$9

Kids sketch pads \$15

Mouse mats \$14

Order forms are at the tuckshop.

Keep a lookout for flyers coming out soon about our very 1st Christmas stall.

To contact the P&C by email  
[pandc@baldhillss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandc@baldhillss.eq.edu.au)

Thank you

**BHSS P&C Executive team**

## Important Dates

<b>Friday 30 October</b>	World Teachers' Day Swimming Years 1-3 Interschool Summer Sport
<b>Monday 2 November</b>	Swimming Years 4-6
<b>Friday 6 November</b>	Swimming Years 1-3
<b>Monday 9 November</b>	Swimming Years 4-6
<b>Tuesday 10 November</b>	P&C Meeting Yr 3 History Incursion
<b>Thursday 12 November</b>	Yr 3 History Incursion
<b>Friday 13 November</b>	Swimming Years 1-3 Interschool Summer Sport

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