8 October 2015

Welcome back
Welcome back to Term 4. I hope that everyone had a restful break and that all students have returned for another successful Term of learning and achieving. It is lovely to be back at Bald Hills State School and to see how much students have grown, both in their learning and in their height! Our Preps look ready for Year 1, the Year 4s are showing the learning independence ready for Year 5 and our Year 6 students look almost like secondary students.

It has also been wonderful to see the facility upgrades around the school that have occurred over the past two terms, including the old louvres under the admin block being replaced with open wooden slats; the removal of the old toilet block and demountable and the refurbishment of the junior and senior school toilet block — this has really opened up the back of the school and highlights our beautiful forestry. Our Year 1 students were also excited to return this term to find that their classrooms had been air-conditioned over the holidays and we thank our P&C for this welcomed initiative, particularly as we move into the warmer months.

Parent teacher interviews
Parent teacher interviews will run from Wednesday 14 October through until Tuesday 20 October. If you haven’t already, please go on line and book an interview time before 5:00pm Friday 9 October and take the opportunity to meet with the classroom teacher to discuss your child’s progress. During the interview teachers will discuss with you your child’s strengths, how they are progressing and achieving, any areas that they have found challenging, and next steps for learning.

It is valuable that both parents and students understand where learning is at. Research tells us that it is important that children are active owners of their learning. Children who understand what they currently know and can do, and have a clearer picture of where they need to go next in their learning, along with a ‘kit bag’ of strategies to get there, are more likely to improve their performance and achievement.

So I would encourage you to continue to discuss with your child their achievements and any suggestions that their teacher has made about how they might improve after the parent teacher interview and throughout the term. These areas would be ideally positioned as your child’s learning goals for the term, along with any other areas that they might want to extend.

Libby Bond
Principal
**From The DP**

**Be Respectful**

Our focus rule for this week is Be Respectful with Respectful Rosie. Teachers are looking for students who line up quietly and follow these expectations:
- Respect the personal space of others
- Keep hands and feet to yourself
- Keep noise to a minimum
- Walk quietly on verandahs, especially during class time
- Stay off verandahs before school, during morning tea and lunch unless you have permission.

Please take the time to discuss these behaviour expectations with your child as we look towards a new term and our next Tall Tree celebration.

**Class Allocation 2016**

Teachers will soon begin formulating classes for 2016, taking into account several sets of information. Parents who would like to submit specific requests relating to student needs (eg. Social groups) are welcome to email me at admin@baldhills.eq.edu.au by Friday 30 October 2015. Any information or requests received after this date will not be taken into account in the formulation of classes for 2016.

_Sharon Blake_  
**Deputy Principal**

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**Positive Behaviour Support Program**

- **Be respectful**
  - Respect the personal space of others
  - Keep hands and feet to yourself

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**From The Office**

**Payments At The Office**

We are unable to accept foreign currency at the office so please when you are making cash payments at the office, please ensure you pay with Australian currency.

**Office Staff Changes**

Kursty is now in the office every day of the week while Mel will be here Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Christine will be here Wednesday and Thursday.

**Artslink Refunds**

There are still a number of parents yet to collect their Artslink refund. If you have been contacted by phone or email requesting you come into the office to sign and collect, can you please do so this week. If you cannot collect the refund yourself, please contact the office staff to make alternative arrangements. We need all refunds collected before the school holidays.

_Kursty, Mel, Chris & Helina_

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**Music Notes**

**String Ensemble & Lessons next week**

Please be aware that there will be NO ensemble rehearsal or string lessons next week - October 13 as Miss Moore is away on Tour with Sandgate High. She will be here for the group’s performance at the Fete.

**Rehearsals**

A reminder that it is expected that ALL members of the performance groups - Concert Band, String Ensemble & Young Voices Choir - attend all rehearsals. There have been a number of children who have not been attending although they have been at school on that day.

**Fete performances**

All performance groups including Junior Choir will be performing at the School Fete on Saturday October 17, between 10.00am and 11.00am. A complete order of performance will be included next week.

**Instrumental Program 2016**

Thank you to all those parents who have returned the Expression of Interest Form. The Instrumental teachers will commence their individual testing shortly. You will be notified of the results before the end of term.

_Marion Wood_  
**Music Teacher**

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**Spellathon News**

All outstanding Spellathon money is now due. Please send your sponsorship money or donations to the office as soon as possible as winners for each year level need to be determined. Thank you to those who have already supported this Literacy fund raiser - your response has been terrific!

Mrs Blakey  
**4B Teacher**

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**Bandanna Day**

Look great and feel terrific when you buy a bandanna for CanTeen’s National Bandanna Day.

Every year, another 23,000 young people (63 a day) have to deal with the challenge of cancer. CanTeen are there to support young people at this difficult time.

Bandannas are a symbol of hope for people who are affected by cancer and are worn during their cancer journey.

SB will be selling bandannas outside the tuckshop every morning before school at every morning tea break for the next week.

Bring $4 to buy a snazzy-looking bandana to wear on National Bandana Day on Friday 30 October.

Thanks for your support.  
_Frau Lange, Mrs Anderson and SB_

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**Forestry News**

Don’t forget that the Prep planting will be happening on Fete Day.— times to be advised.  
_Louise Brennan_

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**Chappy News**

**CHAPPY HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS!**

We had a super time at Pioneer Kids Holiday Club in the first week and Krave Holiday Club in the second week. 56 students from Bald Hills State School attended with over 200 children from our local area.

_Crazy Science, Laser Skirmish, Slime Time, Screen Printing and an Awesome Carnival were some of the highlights._

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**Hot Chips – School Fete!**

The Chaplaincy Program is running the hot chips stall at the school Fete next week. We are looking for some volunteers for our roster if you are able to spend an hour to help us out on the day. Send us an email if you can help.

Look forward to seeing you all at the Fete!  
_Chappy Kylie_
P&C News

FETE TIME
With the Fete happening next Saturday we are still in need of VOLUNTEERS. If you could spare an hour to help out on our stalls we can all make this Fete a success - it can not happen without you. Please contact the P&C by email pandc@baldhillss.eq.edu.au or put your name down on the roster in your child’s classroom.

Your child will be bringing home flyers for the Fete and raffle tickets this week; please keep a look out for these. Thank you to everyone who has donated items for our Fete. We still need baking ingredients for our very popular cake stall. Also BAKERS, if you can bake please talk to the tuckshop. Any 2nd hand books and craft items still required.

Over the holidays A block had air Conditioning units put in 4 classrooms. With the hot weather already here it is a nice relief. Only one block to go and the P&C will have air conditioned every classroom in the school. This could only be done by YOU, supporting our fund raisers. Thank you.

Our general meeting is Wednesday 14 October, 7pm in the school library. All welcome.

Thank you
BHSS P&C Executive

Tuckshop News
We are looking for Volunteers for our international Tuckshop on Fete day. If you haven't already signed up to help out somewhere, we would love to see you.

ROSTER
Monday 12 October—Sharon C
Tuesday 13 October—Kay H
Wednesday 14 October—Leesa S & Stacie G
Thursday 15 October—Joy, Donna V & Peta
Friday 16 October— CLOSED FOR FETE PREPARATIONS

Tuckshop Team

Uniform Shop News

All hat sizes are now available along with school bags.
Regular hours are Wednesday 8:00am—10:00am and Friday 2:30—3:30pm

Mel
Uniform Shop Convenor

Community News

Important Dates

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WE NEED YOU!

@ THE SCHOOL FETE
SATURDAY OCTOBER 17TH

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