Please set the Fete date aside!!

Support Your School by volunteering - please volunteer on your class stall (please return notes to your class teacher)

I would like to wish all families and school staff all the best for a relaxing and safe spring break.

School resumes on Tuesday October 8.

David Turner
Principal
From the DP

Mobile devices
For the past two weeks I have been passing on tips from the Learning Place about being IT safe. This week I would like to focus on mobile devices.

We all love being able to use technology whenever and wherever we like. Laptops, tablets and smart phones mean we can almost always have the internet in our pockets and backpacks. Unfortunately the worldwide appeal and small size of mobile devices also means that you’re more likely to lose or have them stolen.

As a school we would highly recommend that your child does not bring their mobile devices to school. However, if you require your child for whatever reason to bring mobile devices (e.g. phones, ipads, etc.) to school, students must sign these mobile devices in at the office when they arrive at school. All mobile devices are then locked in the school strong room for safe keeping. Students are able to collect their mobile devices at the end of the day. (Please note this does not refer to students using mobile devices as part of their individual learning plan.)

Over the past few weeks we have noticed that not all students are following the school procedures for the signing in of mobile devices. There are students who have ipads left unattended in their bags and students with mobile phones in their pockets. Students have been reminded of the school procedures and the risk of having their device lost or stolen if they do not follow these procedures.

If your child does not need their mobile device for use straight after school, we would appreciate next term if you could ask your child to leave these at home.

Being the final week of Term 3, I wish all families a safe and restful holiday and I look forward to seeing energy full students, ready to get back into learning next term.

Libby Bond

Tall Trees Celebration

Congratulations to all the tall trees who attended our celebrations on Wednesday. The tall trees enjoyed a fun games session with board games and indoor games. Each tall tree received a little goodies bag too. We hope to see even more tall trees next term!

Many thanks to Keith from the board games group for helping us out.
Ms Jedras and Mrs Caffery

Pre Prep Program 2013

What a fantastic turnout to our 5th Annual Pre-prep Information Program! On Thursdays for the last three weeks, we welcomed over 50 pre-prep parents and their children to our ‘Stay and Play’, ‘Oral Language/Fine Motor’ and ‘Early Literacy/Numeracy’ information sessions. Many thanks to our Speech Language Pathologist, Lisa Smith, for presenting a very informative session on how to read with children to promote oral language skills.

It was wonderful to meet our future and ‘old’ Bald Hills families and their children as they begin their journey at our school. Parents received information booklets as well as a party bag of goodies, games and activities and a beautiful picture book as a special gift for every prep student.

Many thanks to the families for attending these afternoons. We look forward to meeting all our prep students and parents at the enrolment interview on Thursday October 24 and Friday October 25.

Regards,
Jinty Bird STLaN and Prep Teachers

Artslink

My Story, Your Story
On Tuesday December 3 Artslink Queensland will present My Story, Your Story at our school.

My Story, Your Story journeys from a remote Indigenous community to the bright lights of the city, where Jesse discovers that everybody’s story is worth telling. This performance will encourage students to engage with their own personal histories and culture, whilst sending a strong message of family, identity and intercultural understanding.

SHOW: My Story, Your Story
DATE: Tuesday 3rd December 2013
TIME: TBA
COST: $6 per student

Artslink Queensland is a not-for-profit, non-government organisation, dedicated to bringing the arts to Queensland students.

Support Program

Be Safe
Safety Sam says:
Have a safe and happy holiday!

Forestry News

Last Thursday 6B planted Juncus and Carex on the edges of the Lagoon. Mercifully, no one fell in. Juncus and Carex occur naturally in this area. These plants do not mind being inundated with water for long periods and they can also withstand dry periods. They are great habitat plants for frogs. Just after 6B had finished planting and were leaving, the sedge frogs started calling. We all thought they were thanking us for providing them new homes!!

Flyers home this week
Artslink Letter to Parents
Fete News

Well the holidays are here already which means the Fete is getting very close now; in fact **only 4 weeks** remain! We are very excited!

If you are lucky enough to have time off with your kids these holidays perhaps consider a spring clean and donate any books, toys, clothes, household items to the **Trash and Treasure stall**. The container next to the Hall will be open on Monday September 23rd from 9 am to 3pm for any drop offs, please call Zita on 0427 725 116. 

We are still also seeking **donations** for prizes: cans of soft drinks, 1.25L bottles of soft drinks, piñata / Macca’s toys, stuffed toys (if possible please wash them), small packets of chips/ popcorn, individually wrapped lollies and chocolates (fun size).

**Plants/herbs/seedlings** can be taken to the garden area behind the Prep building – please label them with the type of plant it is.

Looking for holders of First Aid certificates to help man the **First Aid** tent – contact Zita 0427 725 116 urgently!

Did your child come home with a **rides arm band flyer**? If not, there are more at the office and at the Tuckshop; don’t miss out – fantastic value for just $25 pre-purchased!

Please **volunteer** just one hour of your time on Fete Day to help on a roster – it doesn’t have to be your class if their roster is already filled.

If you have a prominent house and would like to display a Fete banner – please phone Leanne on 0410 632 562.

If you would like to perform at the Fete please contact Brendon on 0412 405 462.

Thanks to all who attended the Fete Meeting last Friday, it was good to get some feedback and further ideas.

P & C

Tuckshop News

Thank you to Roy M for sharpening our knives and Nat M for setting up the Wednesday morning tea’s each week. Thank you also to all the volunteers who keep this tuckshop up and running. Please note the new menu prices and changes for term 4. Enjoy the holidays.

**Monday 7 - CLOSED**

**Tuesday 8—Penny C**

**Wednesday 9—Anthea A, Kerrin H**

**Friday 11—Zita J, Leanne H, Help Needed**

**Uniform Shop Hours**

**Uniform Shop Hours for Term 4**

- Monday 8am—11am
- Friday 8am—9.30am

We will also have extra opening hours towards the end of the year.

Grade 7 Trivia Night

Yes, it’s on again. Saturday 2 November in the Hall. Put it in your diary. This is one heck of a fun night. This is the 17th year this has been on our school calendar. We’ll start around 7:30pm.

For those who haven’t been, this is a great night to catch up or meet our wonderful school community. There’ll be food, refreshments and entertainment at very reasonable prices.

After last year’s success, the adult–style Slushy Machine will make an appearance again. Money raised will go towards the Year 7 end of year excursion, but this is a night for all our school to come along and enjoy. Bookings can be made at the school office or via email (plang3@eq.edu.au). Tickets are $10 / person. Tables of 6-8 are recommended. Book early to avoid disappointment. Looking forward to seeing you there.

*Phil Langley, Grade 7 Teachers*

Community News

**Tinch Tamba Wetlands Reserve Clean Up**

There will be a “Clean-Up” day on Saturday, September 28, at Tinch Tamba Wetlands Reserve, Wyampa Road, Bald Hills from 8.30AM to 10.30AM. Bring along water, gloves, sunscreen and safe shoes. For more information please contact the Pine Rivers Catchment Association.

Ph: (07) 3325 1577

Mob: 0438 199 102 or 0427 772 919

catchmentcoordinator@prca.org.au

**Important Dates**

**School Holidays**

- 21 September—7 October

**Tuesday 8 October**

Start of Term 4

**Wednesday 16 October**

Yr 6 to Science Centre and Museum

**Friday 18 October**

Round 4 Summer Sport

Cricket, Softball, Tee ball and Touch

**Saturday 19 October**

School Fete

**Monday 21 October**

Student Free Day

**Thursday 24 October**

2014 Compulsory Prep Interviews

Call 32611554 to make appointment

**Friday 25 October**

2014 Compulsory Prep Interviews

Call 32611554 to make appointment

**Wednesday 30 October**

German Day

1.30pm Hall

**Friday 1 November**

Round 5 Summer Sport

Cricket, Softball, Tee ball and Touch

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