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Principals Report

Welcome Back to School Party

Despite the weather this was a very successful evening. It was really nice to see so many of our school community braving the storm and coming along. A very big thank you to our P&C who put this evening together. Unfortunately there were activities that could not go ahead, and the barbeque needed to be shut down before we had fed everyone, but safety was the number one priority. Our P&C work tirelessly to support student learning and our school community generally. They organise events such as Mothers' and Fathers' Day stalls, Silver award morning tea, Tea and Tissues, Working Bees just to name a few. The upcoming Autumn Fair is being organised by a committee of dedicated P&C members. Although every child at Beaumont Hills PS benefits from the hard work and dedication of P&C the number of children represented by parent members of P&C is relatively small. There are many times that P&C call for volunteers to support their activities. If you are unable to make meetings then I encourage you to offer support to help out at events when calls come out. Autumn Fair is a fabulous opportunity to have as many of our parent community as possible volunteering to work together raise valuable funds to improve resources available for our children. A link is located further down under the P&C News heading if you would like to add your name to our list of volunteers.





Extended leave

I receive many applications from families taking extended leave from school for travel during term time. At times parents request that the class teacher puts together work to be completed whilst the child is on the holiday. The learning that the child will miss during the absence is not usually easily replaced with worksheets. Work completed during class has instruction that goes along with it, therefore making it inappropriate to send it when the instruction will not occur. If you would like your child to undertake some formal aspect of work whilst on holidays, here are some suggestions:

- Reading novels, magazines, travel guides etc
- Writing keep a journal during the holiday, this may be kept digitally with photos to support. This could include interviews with relatives to explore family history. This will create a lifelong memory of the holiday.
- Mathletics revise recent maths topics
- Reading Eggs/Reading Eggspress activities self-paced and levelled.

Sports In Schools

Sports in Schools (SIS) has been used increasingly here at Beaumont Hills PS in place of classroom teachers teaching a sports program. Teachers are required to teach all components of the NSW curriculum. Bringing in user pays external providers as a standard way of delivering curriculum outcomes is not inclusive. Whilst we use excursions and incursions to add value to curriculum content, these do not replace teaching responsibility. Communication around physical education and SIS has been delayed due to waiting on confirmation from SIS about what our program will be. This is now confirmed. SIS will be teaching a gymnastics program K-6 during Term 2. This will occur each Friday Term 2 as part of the sport program. PSSA students will not participate in the gymnastics program. For the remaining terms sport will occur with the

required physical activity and curriculum outcomes being met by teacher instruction.

For the remaining terms, Term 1, 3 and 4 Physical Education and sport will be taught by BHPS teachers. All classes participate in physical education lessons through the Release from Face to Face (RFF) program. During Term 1 the focus is on teaching fundamental movement skills and team games. Skills taught during RFF will be practised during sport in games associated with the skills learnt. Having our teachers take greater responsibility for teaching physical education and sport allows us to take a more integrated approach in meeting curriculum outcomes and providing students with the mandatory mild to moderate physical activity component.

Bronze Assembly

Congratulations to all the recipients of Bronze Awards. Children all accepted their awards with pride, watched on by very proud parents and teachers. I spoke to some students after the assembly who are all intent of achieving the next level.





School Community Charter

The Department of Education has recently released the School Community Charter which outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers, educators and school staff in NSW public schools to ensure our learning environments are collaborative, supportive and cohesive.

This can be downloaded using the following link:

Parents are reminded that they are not to approach another child to try to address issues between children at school. Any concerns about other children should be addressed through your child's class teacher or assistant principal for follow up.

Ms Welsh Principal

Deputy Principal Report

Student Leadership at Beaumont Hills PS

As a part of our commitment to the development of global citizens and socially responsible students Beaumont Hills PS offers students, especially those in Year 6, opportunities to take on leadership roles and to give back to the community. Our formal school and sports leadership team are only a small, but very significant aspect of school leadership for our Year 6 cohort. In addition to these respected leadership positions I have shared below some other ways that our students develop leadership skills and a sense of community minded endeavours.

Peer Play

Students nominate to be a Peer Play Leader and have a very important role in the culture of playground interactions. These students run organised activities with younger students who may be feeling overwhelmed in our playground or who benefit from engaging in peer led activities. Our Peer Leaders were trained today and will begin working with students in the next week or so under the guidance of Ms Sidis.

Library Monitors

These students are a great asset to our Library and work alongside Mrs Flanagan and Mrs West to make sure our library resources are organised and available to students. Our students take great pride in this role as they understand the importance of literature and the library.

Media Team

Mrs Adams will be inviting students to join our Media Team in the coming weeks. This group of students captures celebrations and school events and work with the teachers to document and share news via the school newsletter and Facebook. It is wonderful to see the students' confidence and photography skills grow as the year progresses.

Peer Tutors

Our Peer Tutor program runs from Monday - Thursday and is lead by Mrs Blazevic. Senior students read along with our Stage 1 students as they are given additional time to develop and consolidate their reading skills. The support and encouragement our senior students offer our young readers is lovely to see and the partners develop a relationship that extends beyond the reading program.

SRC

Our Student Representative Council is formed by students from Years 1-6. Class peers have 3 opportunities throughout the year to vote for class SRC representatives (Semester 1, Term 3 & Term 4). These students then attend meetings with Miss Inzitari where they have input into school decision making and offer student voice to all students through their consultation in the classroom.

Our school has put processes and supports in place to develop our students leadership skills. Each group is guided by a staff member to allow leaders to refine their leadership qualities and grow and learn new skills. Our school captains and vice captains have reflected on 2 of these initiatives in their summaries of the Combined Networks Leadership Camp and our In-school leadership day run by Cameron Brown.

Combined Networks Leadership Camp

On 6 February 2019 school captains and vice captains attended the Combined School's Leadership Camp which went

over three days. Mr Ross, Ms Welsh and Miss Tolsher also attended the camp. Over the three days three amazing speakers came and helped the leaders develop their leadership skills. On the first day of the camp Lorin Nicholson came in to address us with his stories and his incredible journeys. He taught us to not let anyone change who are and to never stop dreaming. His stories were very inspiring, what made them even more incredible was that he was vision impaired. On the second day of camp Cameron Brown came to share what the true meaning of leadership was. He also taught us to interact with others we do not know which made us step out of our comfort zone. To celebrate our amazing teamwork the teachers and the junior councillors planned a trivia and an awesome disco night. On the third day the award winning public speaker and author Marcelle Bernard came in to teach us about public speaking. This helped us build our confidence in many ways. This camp definitely helped the leaders over the three days.

Thank you teachers for letting us go to this amazing camp we learnt so much.







School Leadership Day

Last Thursday Year 6 attended a whole day of learning about real leadership presented by Cameron Brown. We learnt a lot from this enjoyable experience with Cameron who is the founder of Explore Act Discover. He guided us to achieve things out of our comfort zone. We learnt to work well with people we don't really know and we learnt the true meaning of leadership. He taught us that life is not a straight line and that there will be problems in life that will try to stop you. Cameron helped us to understand that leaders look at problems from a different perspective. They don't give up they just explore different points of view.

This day was generously funded by the P&C and we thank them for this gesture as it was an awesome day with Cameron. Thank you also to the school for the delicious sausage sizzle.





Kind regards your captains and vice captains

Miss Tolsher
Deputy Principal

MEET THE TEACHER

Our annual Meet the Teacher sessions have been scheduled for Wednesday 27 February for all classes other than 5RS. This is

a valuable opportunity for parents to meet their child's teacher and to gain an understanding of the systems and processes used within their classroom setting. Please note this is not a time for teachers to provide parents with information about individual students but rather the class organisation in general.

All classes **except 5RS** will have the Meet the Teacher Sessions on Wednesday 27 February. This will be held at a later date due to Mrs Rowsell being on leave at this time. Communication will be provided upon her return in regards to Meet the Teacher for 5RS.

DATE: Week 5 - Wednesday 27 February, 2019 ALL CLASS SESSIONS ARE HALF AN HOUR AND HELD IN CLASSROOMS

GRADE/SESSIONS	TIME
Kindergarten	4:00pm
Stage 1	4:30pm
Stage 2 and Class 2/3R	5:00pm
Stage 3 and Class 4/5P	5.30pm
General Information and Support Staff Presentations in the Hall	6.00pm-6.30pm

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY 2019

Next Friday 1 March, students of Beaumont Hills PS will be participating in clean up Australia Day by cleaning up areas of the school. Starting in 1989 and created by Ian



Kiernan, this simple idea has now become the nation's largest community-based environmental event. Since its start, Australians have devoted over 33 million hours towards the environment through clean up Australia Day, removing the equivalent of more than 350 000 carloads of rubbish. To support this day at Beaumont Hills PS, students are encouraged to bring in gloves (gardening/disposal) to wear when cleaning up around the school. We are looking forward to participating in this community event.

Miss Mancey

HARMONY DAY 2019

Harmony Day is a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home - from the traditional owners of this land to those who have come from many countries



around the world. By participating in Harmony Day activities, we can learn and understand how all Australians from diverse backgrounds equally belong to this nation and enrich it. This year Beaumont Hills PS will celebrate Harmony Day on Thursday 21 March, rotating around different performance groups who have been invited to the school. These performers will come from a company called 'Cultural Infusion'. After lunch, the school will unite together for a whole school performance centred around 'flamenco dancing.' Since orange is the official

colour of Harmony Day we ask all students to come to school dressed in the colour orange. National costumes and jerseys which represent countries are other options. We look forward to all students dressed appropriately on this special day of celebration.

PSSA

Round 1 of Summer PSSA commences this Friday 22 February. Students who have been selected into a Summer PSSA team need to return their signed contracts to their team coaches to be able to participate in their respective PSSA games. Buses will depart BHPS at 9:00am, so please ensure students are at school before 9:00am.

Summer PSSA: Friday 22 February (Rd 1)	Venue: (Buses depart at 9:00am)
Touch Football	Kellyville Park, Memorial Ave Kellyville
T-Ball & Softball	Fred Caterson #1, Caterson Drive Castle Hill
Basketball	Beaumont Hills PS
Cricket	BYE - no game

Coming Events

Date	Event		
22 FEB	Summer PSSA Round 1		
26 FEB	Kellyville HS Transition Day Drama Club Auditions Years 4-6 Junior Choir Auditions Years 1&2		
27 FEB	Parent/Teacher Meet and Greet		
28 FEB	Swimming Carnival- Competitors Only		
1 MAR	Bronze cut off Summer PSSA Round 2		
5 MAR	SRC Badge Presentation Assembly (9:15-10:15am)		
6 MAR	Scripture Lessons Commence		
7 MAR	CHPSSA Zone Swimming		
8 MAR	Summer PSSA Round 3		
15 MAR	Summer PSSA Round 4		
18 MAR	Bronze Assembly (K-2 9:15am & 3-6 10:15am)		
19 MAR	RHHS Lion Dance (1:20-2:00pm)		
21 MAR	Harmony Day		

Date	Event
22	Silver cut off
MAR	Summer PSSA Round 5

CBA STUDENT BANKING

CBA Student Banking day is now **THURSDAYS**, commencing 21 February. We have been fortunate to have a two lovely mums volunteer to process the student banking. If you are new to the school and would like your child to participate in student banking please go to your local Commonwealth Bank and set up a 'Student' bank account.

P & C News

Autumn Fair - Call for Volunteers

WE NEED YOU!!! To make our Autumn Fair possible, we would really appreciate your help. Grab a friend within the school, a family member, a neighbour or get a group together and donate just a couple of hours of your time! With your help, we can make the day a successful one.

Help run a stall, set up/pack away, wristband collection or sales or help people to find just the bargain they've been looking for at the White Elephant Stall! There's a whole list of things to be done, and the more helpers we get the BETTER!

Please contact us via email - schoolfair.bhps@gmail.com or via our signup page below to let us know how you would like to help.

Thanks for your support!

https://signup.zone/G2WtpnYqrDZs3tWur

Wristband Sales

BUY YOUR WRISTBANDS NOW. Unlimited Ride Wristbands are now on sale via Flexischools!!!! Only \$30 for 5hrs of adrenaline fuelled fun (family discounts available).

https://www.flexischools.com.au/FM/FM_Auth.aspx?p=Menu

Canteen News

Easter Meal Deal is coming: Last day of Term 1 Friday 12 April. Please look out for flyers and news to follow.

Coffee and Cake will be served in the canteen for the school cross country along with cold drinks.

We now have a coffee machine available to parents at breakfast service for school drop off.

Parent/Grandparent Volunteers are welcome to come into the canteen to help and support our school community.

Thank you

Canteen Manager

Canteen Roster

TERM 1 2019

NOURISH

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> If you are unable to attend please contact Melissa Khatziagelis on 0411805235

We now have 1 F/T & 1 P/T employees working in the canteen. We would love to keep the parent support in our school, so welcome volunteers. You may stay an hour or all day depending on your time available. If it is a limited time please just advise the canteen manager.

We thank you for Volunteering & Supporting our canteen it is very much appreciated.

WEEK 4	DATE	PARENT NAME
Monday	18/2	
Tuesday	19/2	
Wednesday	20/2	Hong Phang
Thursday	21/2	
Friday	22/2	
WEEK 5	DATE	PARENT NAME
Monday	25/2	Johanna lentile
Tuesday	26/2	Gloria Hammon
Wednesday	27/2	Becky H
Thursday	28/2	Emma A / Bec T
Friday	29/2	
WEEK 6	DATE	PARENT NAME
Monday	4/3	
Tuesday	5/3	
Wednesday	6/3	Marnie Hirst
Thursday	7/3	Lerren Perry
Friday	8/3	Victoria Edmead

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