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6 December 2018 – Term 4 Week 8

Principals Report

Reports on student learning

Reports will be sent home on Friday 14 December. I am in the process of reading reports and can see much progress in student learning outcomes during 2018. Teachers spend much time analysing work samples and assessment tasks to inform reports. Should you have any concerns after reading your child's report please contact the class teacher.

PSSA Finals

Congratulations to our Boys Basketball and Junior Boys Touch Football teams on making finals to be played this Friday. Good luck!

Presentation Day

BHPS Presentation Day is being held on Monday 10 December. There will be two assemblies, S2 and S3 at 9.15am and ES1 and S1 at 11.30am. Parents of children who are receiving awards have been notified. All parents are invited to our celebrations of student achievement on this day.

Parent Helper Thank You Morning Tea

It was lovely to spend time with some of our parents and community members who support our school in so many ways. We understand that it is difficult for many parents to get time away from work and other responsibilities, but next year will explore options where we could be more inclusive in offering this event at an alternate time.



Gold Awards Breakfast

Our Gold Awards breakfast was well attended with many students celebrating their success in achieving Gold Awards. Congratulations to these students, your school spirit is commendable.



This will be our last official newsletter for 2018. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our school community for your ongoing support and involvement in student learning at Beaumont Hills PS.

Ms Welsh
Principal

Deputy Principal Report

What a year 2018 has been! In our final newsletter of the year I celebrate all that our teachers, parents and most importantly our students have achieved. Our school is certainly a busy place and we pride ourselves on the provision of a holistic educational experiences for our students and aim to create a sense of community and connectedness with our families. Below is just a brief look back over some of what we achieved in 2018.

Teaching and Learning

This year our students engaged lessons across the 6 Key Learning Areas - English, Mathematics, Science, Human Society and Its Environment, Creative Arts and Personal Development, Health and Physical Education. Teachers began preparing for the implementation of the new Science K-6 syllabus which will be the syllabus in use from 2019. Units across the school ranged from artist studies, animals, Harry Potter, weather, democracy, mathematical thinking, screen printing, literature studies on picture books and novels, and the list goes on. This learning was supported by many excursions. Our students visited the farm, Tree Tops Adventure, Riverside Theatre, Turkey's Nest, Great Aussie Bush Camp to help support this learning and to bring their new found knowledge to life.

Extra Curricular Activities

Our dedicated staff and supportive parents create so many opportunities for students to grow and develop beyond their academic world. Our staff's enthusiasm and skills in so many areas has allowed a large percentage of our students to be involved in creative, sporting and interest based endeavours outside of the classroom. Our jam packed calendar certainly keeps staff, students and parents on their toes and it seems not a week goes by without a PSSA game, a performance night, a veggie sale under the COLA or a chess competition in the hall. It is the provision of so many activities that allow our student body to feel a sense of achievement and pride and allow other students to aspire and explore skills and talents in areas never before contemplated. As these activities come to an end all those involved should be proud of the respectful and admirable way they have represented the school and engaged in the activities provided to them. We look forward to 2019 and another year of dance, sports and interest based activities.

Social and Emotional Programs

At Beaumont Hills PS we are acutely aware that a child's progress benefits from a sense of connectedness and feeling of overall wellbeing. For this reason we have established many programs that allow students to thrive as they develop social and leadership skills and a resilient nature that prepares them for our ever changing world. Programs such as Peer Play, Peer Tutoring, Rock and Water and Boy's Shed work alongside our teaching and learning programs to achieve a sense of overall wellbeing for our students. In addition to these groups we also provide whole school events and programs that allow our students to develop an awareness of those around them and societal issues and perspectives. Our Peer Support and Friendly Schools Plus units fall under this category. This year our students once again focused on an anti bullying message in our Bullying No Way! Week. A sense of belonging and understanding of cultures was achieved through our Harmony Day and NAIDOC week activities and celebrations.

Leadership Opportunities

While perhaps the most visible of our leadership opportunities for our students is the School Leadership Team and House Captains there are many more initiatives in place within our school which provide students with the chance to exhibit their compassion, organisation and school pride. On any given day within our school we have the Peer Play Program and Peer Tutoring running. Our Library monitors are hard at work with Mrs Flanagan and Mrs Thwaites ensure our library is an organised and friendly place for our students. Our buddy program allows all Year 6 students to support and guide our Kindy students as they learn about school. The Rock and Water program is another avenue for leadership skills and our Stage 3 students have worked alongside our Stage 2 students throughout the year on projects which they celebrate with pride.

School and Community Engagement Opportunities

A strong partnership between home and school has unlimited positive benefits on creating a successful school. There have been many successful events throughout the year for our parent community to engage in and enjoy. The pinnacle of our year in terms of school celebration was once again our Education Week program, particularly Open Day. This combined with Grandparent's Concert, Band Demo, Meet The Teacher Evenings, Parent / Teacher interviews, Learning and Support Meetings and the BEAU Awards provides many opportunities for the students to see parents and staff working together with the same goal in mind. These school based events are complemented by the amazing work done by our P&C committee who host our Welcome Back to School event, discos and Working Bees just to name a few. We truly appreciate the positive feedback and supportive interactions between home and school and look forward to another successful year in 2019.

Miss Tolsher
Deputy Principal

Beaumont Hills Public School Chess Championship

The annual Beaumont Hills Public School Chess Championship run by staff from Sydney Academy of Chess was held this term in the school hall.

There were 26 students from Years 1 to 6 who participated in the competition. They played in 7 rounds of Chess against other students from various grades.

Well done to all the students who entered the competition! They tried their best, showed outstanding sportsmanship and excellent behaviour.

Congratulations to the students who received trophies and medals for their efforts.

Trophy Winners

- 1st Place** - Zhi Yong
- 2nd Place** – Duncan
- 3rd Place** - Christopher

Age Group Medal Winners

- 11 Years Prize** – Max
- 10 Years Prize** – Theodore
- 9 Years Prize** – Ethan
- 8 Years Prize** – Isabelle
- 7 Years Prize** – Justin
- 6 Years Prize** - Daksh



PSSA

Congratulations to the Boys Basketball and Junior Boys Touch Football Summer PSSA teams who have made it to the PSSA Finals. **Buses depart at 9:00am.**

PSSA Team: Friday 7 December	Venue:	(Other teams attending)
Boys Basketball	Fred Caterson, Gilbert Rd, Castle Hill	Girls Basketball will attend to support the Boys team
Junior Boys Touch	Kellyville Park, Memorial Avenue, Kellyville	Senior Boys Touch will attend to support the Junior Boys

Garden Gurus: 3-6 Gardening Club

My little group of gardeners have been busy nurturing our school vegetable garden and as a result we are seeing amazing growth.

“We may think we are nurturing our garden, but of course it’s our garden that is really nurturing us.” - Jenny Uglow.

We have planted corn, tomatoes, spring onions, eggplant, capsicums, chillies, rosemary, mint and orange, lemon and mandarin fruit trees. The children are so excited with the development of their produce and love watching them grow.

“When gardeners garden, it’s not just the plants that grow, but the gardener’s themselves....” – Ken Druse

It is a great social hub for the children, a place to relax as they dig in the soil, water the plants and have a laugh.

“Out of gardens grow fleeting flowers but lasting relationships.” - Anonymous

We often have non-gardening members visit from week to week and they always leave happy and with a smile. Hopefully they leave knowing the difference between a growing tomato and a pumpkin as one child said to me, “Look Miss Sims, it’s a pumpkin growing!” Much to his delight it was actually a large green Tommy Tomato on the vine. Such innocence out of the mouths of babes. On saying that, sometimes chatting takes over more than the task at hand, much like the weeds in the garden so it’s gloves on and head down.

The garden is a sanctuary, a place where kids matter and can express themselves.

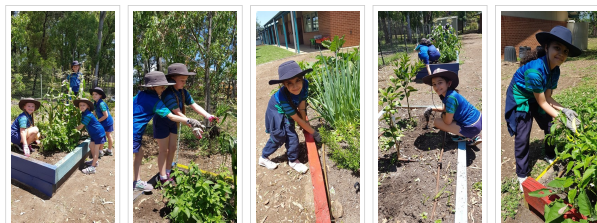
“There are no gardening mistakes, only experiments.” – Janet Kilburn Phillips.

I’m sending a big thank you to my garden gurus and commend them on their commitment and I dig their hard work!

“You can’t buy HAPPINESS but you can buy PLANTS and that’s pretty much the same thing.” - Anonymous

‘Plant smiles, grow laughter, harvest love!’

**3-6 Garden Coordinator,
Miss Amanda Sims**



2019 Scripture

In 2019 the following Scripture groups will be offered to students, given the teachers we have available at present time.

- Protestant K-6
- Roman Catholic K-6
- Muslim K-6
- Bahai K-6

Students not enrolled in one of these Scripture groups will be attending non Scripture groups.

At the moment Ethics will not be running in 2019. If you are interested in becoming an Ethics teacher in 2019, please read the attached letter with relevant information.

Coming Events

Date	Event
7 DEC	SIS & Summer PSSA Finals
10 DEC	Presentation Assembly (Years 3-6 9:15am-10:45am and K-2 11:30am-12:45pm) P&C Meeting in staffroom 7pm
11 DEC	Boys Dance Audition
13 DEC	K-4 Movie Day
14 DEC	SIS-all students Reports go home
17 DEC	Year 6 Graduation (9:30am-11:00am) Year 6 Farewell at Castle Hill RSL (5:30-9pm)
18 DEC	Motiv8- Stage 3
19 DEC	Students last day of Term 4
20 DEC	Staff Development Day
21 DEC	Staff Development Day
29 JAN	Staff return to school Term 1 2019
30 JAN	Year 1-6 Students return to school Term 1 2019
30 JAN- 1 FEB	Kindy 2019 Best Start Interviews
4 FEB	Kindy 2019 First Day Term 1

School Banking CBA

The last day for student banking for Term 4 is on Tuesday 11 December in Week 9. Please see attached for further details regarding 2018 Update and Call for Volunteers in the new year.

P & C News

Next P&C Meeting: Our next meeting will be Monday 10 December in the staff room at 7pm. It is free to attend, \$2 annual membership fee gives you voting rights. We'd love to see you there.

Autumn Fair- see attached Stall Holder Application form.

Our final collections for the year will be for the White Elephant Stall. We ask that if you have any second hand items in working and sellable condition that are appropriate for a school fair you bring these in on Wednesday 12 and 19 December from 8:30 - 9:30am. The White Elephant Stall provides a great opportunity for a spring clean at home in preparation for the Autumn Fair.



Canteen News

We'd like to thank all of our volunteers for their help and support over our time in the canteen. Your help has made our job easier and it has been a pleasure working with you over the last 18 months. Have a Merry Christmas, Happy Holiday and a safe New Year.

Liz & Melissa

Canteen Roster

BEAUMONT HILLS PUBLIC SCHOOL – CANTEEN ROSTER FOR TERM 4

PLEASE NOTE: Canteen hours are from 8.30am – 2pm. If you are unable to attend your rostered day, Please try to arrange your own replacement by swapping with some one else on the roster where possible. Please contact either **Liz Laird on 0411140238** or **Melissa Khatziagelis on 0411805235** as soon as you are aware of your need to change so we can help fill your space.

We thank you for volunteering for canteen duty, it is very much appreciated.

WEEK 9 LIZ		
Monday	10 December	Jenny Morgan
Tuesday	11 December	Melanie Sweep Kim McDonald
Wednesday	12 December	Heidi Odendaal Kylee Knubben
Thursday	13 December	Risma Ng Natalie Langstaff
Friday	14 December	Fiona Bedford
WEEK 10 MEL		
Monday	17 December	Lisa Dawes Jude
Tuesday	18 December	Melanie Sweep
Wednesday	19 December	Kathryn C Renee Hughes
Thursday		Staff Development
Friday		Staff Development

Sponsors and Community Advertisements



ROUSE HILL RANGERS FOOTBALL CLUB

Join your local Hills Football Family in 2019

Register online from 2nd January 2019 at www.rhrc.com.au

Age groups: U5 – U12 FFA Small Sided Games
U13 – U21 Mixed Teams
Girls teams and Ladies teams
All Age, O35 and O45 Men's teams
Premier League Squad

All enquiries: secretary@rhrc.com.au

www.rhrc.com.au

Try Football and Make Friends

Venue: Annangrove Park
Date: Sunday 20th January 2019
Open to all kids ages 4 to 6
See our website for more details

BECOME A HOST FAMILY IN 2019!



REQUEST A FREE INFO PACK / SMS 'HOST' to 0428 246 633



HOSTING AT A GLANCE:

- Hosting is voluntary
- You choose your student
- Students attend high school full time
- 24/7 support provided
- Host families come from all over the state
- Students come from all over the world and stay for a short term (8-10 weeks), a semester or a year.

HEAR FROM A HOST MUM

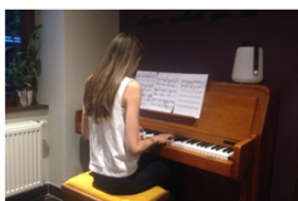
Hosting has been one of the most **rewarding and exciting experiences** for our family. Romane, our student, was definitely one of the most kind and pleasant people we have met and right from the start was a perfect fit for our family. Being able to share this experience has had a **positive effect on all of my young children.**
Host mum, Candice.

EVA (17) BELGIUM

Bonjour!

I am lucky to be part of a large family. With four siblings, there is never a quiet moment! I enjoy looking after the younger two and I spoil them often with homemade pastries. Since the age of five, I have been part of a scout group. Every year I participate with the scouts in trips. Thank you in advance for welcoming me into your family.

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