Term 2, Week 7, 2014

Weeks Award Recipients

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Bronze Awards go to:

None this week

This week the assembly will be hosted by Yr 5/6T - Mr Trotter
Everyone is invited to attend - Friday 10am.

K/1C - Miss Ponweiser

At assembly last week K/1C role played an old folk tale “The Little Red Hen”. This play taught us about the virtues of work ethics and personal initiative. It also fitted well with our “Paddock to Plate” unit. We all had fun learning our parts and hope everyone enjoyed watching it.

Earlier this term we had a visit from the Brunswick Heads Fire Brigade. Nes learnt that you don’t stand up when there is a fire, you “GET DOWN LOW AND GO, GO, GO”. Jamal learnt to never go close to a fire and always call 000 if you see a BIG fire.
Dear Families,

Old and Gold last weekend said so much about our school community.

Firstly what an amazing parent group we have. Once again they have raised a huge amount of money for our school which enhances the resources the students have access to on a daily basis. The year 5 and 6 parents rallied together to fundraise for their children to go on fantastic excursions.

Secondly what incredible students we have - Jordan and Eddie T formed a school team that saw Brunswick Heads Public School crowned Australian Marble Champions. The incredible part of this is that Eddie T only filled in because he thought Jordan was going to be left without a team. Not only did they win the school championships but they came up against each other in the individual semi-finals. Eddie T won the bout but forfeited his win as he knew how much marbles meant to his younger school mate. What great sportsmanship! Jordan went on to defend his title and win the Individual Championship as well. It was thoroughly deserves as Jordan has been giving up his lunch times to teach others how to play a game he loves. Throughout the day people were commenting on the outstanding manners and sportsmanship of our kids. I see this at school every day.

On another note a number of teachers have expressed concerns that some students are talking and writing about movies and video games that are inappropriate for their age. It is beginning to transfer to the way they play. There is a growing body of research that suggests exposure to screen violence makes it seem more acceptable to kids.

Ways that families can help is making sure primary age children only have exposure to G and PG rated games, DVD’s and television programs and ensuring that students have no more than 2 hours combined screen time a day (internet, games, TV).

An interesting article about this issue can be found at the following link


Unfortunately the sports fields were closed yesterday meaning we had to postpone our carnival until next Wednesday.

Hope to see lots of you there.

Have a great week

Mel

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**From the Principal’s Desk**

**FOCUS THIS WEEK IS**

Participation in all activities

**THIS WEEK’S WRAP UP**

**SPORTS CARNIVAL**

Unfortunately the sports carnival was cancelled yesterday due to the closure of the Stan Thompson oval with the weather. Students are still practising for the events. Our backup date is next Wednesday 18th June. All details remain the same with the canteen operating. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us.

**Multicultural Public Speaking - School “Speak Off” Thursday 19 June 2014**

Students will give a short prepared speech in the hall after recess. Parents are welcome to come along and watch. Winners from this event will represent our school at the North Coast Multicultural Public Speaking competition on Thursday 26 June at Mullumbimby PS.

**Byron Bay Writers Festival**

We need more students for this fantastic event.

With Andy Griffiths (The Day My Bum Went Psycho) presenting it should be a very entertaining and informative session. $15 for bus and event. Information/permission notes are available at the office. They need to be returned by end of term 2.

**STAFF PROFILE**

**Diane Hudson - Office Wonder**

Originally from Newcastle, Di has lived in Brunswick Heads for 25 years and she wouldn’t want to live anywhere else. She has two great kids (both ex BHPS students) who are all grown up and live in Brisbane. You may recognise Di from the office at Mullum High or the Bruns Fish Coop. She enjoys beach walking, yoga, listening to music, reading, going to the movies and hanging out with family and friends.
Forty years ago about 75 per cent of children walked or rode to school, and only 25 per cent were driven or used other means of transport. Today, more than 70 per cent of primary school children are driven to and from school every day. This is not good for our kids as they get less exercise and it increases traffic around the school. Families are encouraged to actively travel to and from school where possible, can you try:

• Walking – an option for families living close to school.
• ‘Park & Stride’ – an option for families living further away. Parents park away from the school and walk or ride with their children the rest of the way.
• Cycling or scootering
• Car-pooling with other families.
• Using public transport.

The weather Gods smiled on Brunswick Heads this year helping the canteen raise about $1000 selling donated soups (thank you parents - delicious), home made pesto pasta (basil from the garden, made by Tess K) and delicious Jordans garlic bread (bread donated by Reschelle & Liam Jordan; garlic from George White’s garden and made by Tess). Many volunteers helped out on the day. Parents, if you haven’t already, you can collect your slow cooker/containers from the canteen demountable.

Meg C was busy in the weeks leading up to it (and on the day) attending Old n Gold meetings and organising the stall sites. Another $1350 was profited from stall site sales. A special shout out to the office staff who fielded many enquiry phone calls, parents who helped prepare the school for the event, to Cath G-C who painted a lovely Treasure Trove sign and to Mel Currie who was busy on the day assisting the P&C, the year 5 & 6 stall and car parking and cheering on the Marbles championships!

COMMUNITY NEWS

WORKING BEE

At school Saturday 14th June 9am - 11am.

We need the community to help move equipment.

Please call Rory on 0417 932 095 if you can help.

WORKING BEE CANCELLED

Talk at Brunswick Heads Library - 26th June 2014 from 6 to 7pm. This is targeted at parents of boys 11 & 12 years of age. MENZB programs are a 6 day rite of passage for boys aged 13 to 15 years with their father or significant male. It is a program which offers guidance, wisdom and support for both parent and boys for transition to manhood.

The action-packed, Eco Ranger schedule now changes every day of the week!

JULY HOLIDAY DATES

Monday 7th: Fascinating Frogs & Intriguing Invertebrates
Tuesday 8th: Remarkable Reptiles
Wednesday 9th : Magnificent Mammals
Thursday 10th: Brilliant Birds
Friday 11th : Magnificent Mammals
Saturday 12th: Remarkable Reptiles

The cost of the program is $25 per child, per day or $250 per week (Min - Fri) which includes park admission, a photo with one of the themed animals, lunch and supervised activities each day. Our experienced and friendly Eco Ranger guides are qualified teachers and blue card accredited.

Explore, engage and interact with loads of hands-on science exhibits! You can see the Shell Questacon Science Circus at Ballina & Byron. Byron Bay Sports Complex : SATURDAY 14 JUNE, 11am - 3pm Ballina RSL : SUNDAY 15 JUNE, 11am - 4 pm

Tickets available at door (cash only). Adult $6, Student/Concession $5, Family $18. For more information phone 0417 465 028 or visit http://sciencecircus.questacon.edu.au

The Shell Questacon Science Circus from Australia’s national science museum is a multi-media show featuring thrilling moment and exciting demonstrations. Featuring the “3D Science Show”, the Questacon Science Circus is a specially commissioned show for the Byrondale Foundation Festival. Tickets are available at the door. Bring your hard hat and your sense of wonder and prepare yourself to be amazed!