Weekly Award Recipients

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This week the assembly will be hosted by our School Captains & Vice-Captains
Everyone is invited to attend - Friday 10am

Congratulations to our School Vice-Captains

Hello, My name is **Kasey B** and I am very happy to be School Vice-Captain at Brunswick Heads Public School.

I would like to thank Eivissa for reading out my speech last year as I couldn’t be there and Jennah for all her help. It meant a lot to me.

Thank you also to everyone who voted for me.

I have lots of fun ideas and I would like to get new equipment and resources for our kids to use in 2015.

I look forward to doing my best for you all this year.

As I had my name called out for School Vice-Captain at assembly, I thought about my dream last night, about me becoming School Vice-Captain. It was like a dream come true.

As I stepped onto the stage, I thought about all the things that I, **Marley B**, would do to make this school an even better place to be at. I thought about all the people who supported me on my journey including my Mum and Dad, Claire and Adam, and my sister Ayla B. I also thought about all the people who I want to thank who voted for me and one of my best friends at the time, Sam Pfeil, for always believing in me.

When my badge had been pinned on by my Dad, I looked proudly at it. Then I said my first words as School Vice-Captain.

“**Dad! You pinned my badge on upside down!”**

I would like to say thanks to all the people who made our new playground possible. I would like to see more classes run in the school garden and other great ideas for 2015 become reality.
From the Principal’s Desk

Congratulations to all of our students who have settled in well this week to their new classes. Our staff have been working enthusiastically to prepare exciting and interesting learning experiences and opportunities for our students to engage with.

There has been some concern raised with our recent Sports House Captain and Vice Captain elections. In the first week back our staff discussed the format for these elections and decided that it was important to maintain the opportunity for Year 6 students to be eligible to self-nominate for the position, prepare and deliver a speech and be elected by the students within their sporting house. Two things were changed to provide further leadership opportunities for students:

1. School Captains and Vice Captains would not be eligible to run for Sports House Captaincy; and,
2. Leadership Contracts (aligned to our Core Values – Be Safe, Participate and Be Respectful) were signed by all students wishing to be considered for the position.

3. The list of qualities that a successful school house leader:
   - Displays outstanding behaviour in the classroom and in the playground.
   - Participates to the best of their abilities in all school activities.
   - Displays high levels of co-operation with students, staff and parent helpers.
   - Demonstrates appropriate manners at all times.
   - Always encourages others to do their best by being positive.
   - Listens to others and considers other people’s feelings.
   - Willingly helps other students and teachers.
   - Gives up their own time to help or participate in activities.

In some sports houses we only had nominations from Year 5 students in some categories. Congratulations to all of our students who gave their best efforts in running for these positions and to those who were successful in gaining a position.

Thank you to our amazing Year 6 students who have this week stepped up in their roles as Kindergarten Class Buddies. They have supported our new Kinders by opening lunches, tying shoelaces, providing directions and a friendly smile. It was gorgeous to hear on Monday afternoon, one of our Kinder students telling their mother “I had a great day today and I love my buddy! Guess what? I even got to drink out of a water fountain.” Thank you Year 6 for your continued efforts, I know our Kinders are in great hands.

Principal Column cont’d

Year 6 is a special year for our senior students and provides unique leadership opportunities. Some of the experiences our Year 6 students will be involved in include:

- Kindergarten Class Buddies,
- SRC, Peer Reading,
- Fundraising,
- Canteen Helpers,
- Conflict Resolution and Peer Mediation,
- Day to day running of the school (for example, writing notes to send to parents, camp, Year 6 transition, setting up for assemblies and more).

Following our official opening of the school playground last week, the playground and imaginative play opportunities it brings has continued to be a massive hit with all of our students. I don’t believe there has been one moment when the climbing wall has been student free! Thank you again to our amazing parents and community who contributed their time, money and efforts to make this a success!

I am happy to share with you all, the news that:

Jenevieve Frick was successful in achieving the relieving Assistant Principal position at our wonderful school from week 4, term 1 until the end of term 2 2015. We were blessed to have a number of wonderful candidates apply for the position.

Jenevieve will remain as teacher on K/1/2 and will take on the leadership responsibilities associated with the AP position.

During this time, as Mel Currie will be relieving as principal, George Glasson (who has been teaching library and teacher release) will be our class teacher for 4/5/6.

Trisha Parker

For your convenience these ticks will be added on our calendar so you can see at a glance when there is a note needed for that event (used when the event affects the majority of students).

The green one is to remind parents to send in the Sushi order for your child for the following Monday.

WHAT’S COMING UP?

Sport Term 1

Notes have gone home this week for students to start sport TOMORROW. For this term sport will be held at the Stan Thompson Oval. Sports will include Softball, T-ball and Kanga Cricket. Please make sure you have returned the sports note for all students in Years 3 to 6 - cost is $10 for bus travel. Also students will need to have their hat and a drink bottle.

School Photographs

Student photos are early this year on Monday 2nd March. Envelopes are going home with all students this week to allow parents to plan ahead.

There are lots of options for payment. Please follow the instructions on the envelope carefully and return to the school. You may send in before photo day and we will keep the envelope safely in the office. Don’t forget to wear your best school uniform and bring a big smile on the day.

2015 Student Representative Council

Welcome back to another busy year of SRC planned events. Last year we successfully trialled the idea of Semester based membership and will continue with this process again this year (please note School Captains and Vice Captains will remain the same all year). I am looking forward to introducing new students into the SRC program and hearing ideas from across our student body.

In 2015 we are currently considering variations to the format of our SRC. The proposal is that each year will elect two representatives from Kinder to Year 6 to represent their year group. Our formal meetings will be attended by Years 3-6 SRC members only and our K-2 members will be expected to participate in broader SRC activities.

Any enquiries or feedback regarding the SRC will be welcomed.

Jennifer Clowes
COMMUNITY NEWS

Local Child Minder

My name is Michelle Heinze, I have lived and looked after children in this community for 13 years. I would like to offer my child minding services to you. Hourly and daily rate negotiable.

I have current Working With Children certification and am fully qualified (Cert III in Early Childhood Education and Care) with an up to date first aid certificate (CPR, Asthma and Anaphylaxis).

For further information on my qualifications and experience call me on 0422 297 733 or contact the holiday accommodation real estate to sight my resume.

Artspace has resumed at the Brunswick Heads Library from 3.00pm on Wednesdays.

Soccer

Brunswick Heads FC invites parents to form teams of 6 to 8 mixed boys and girls junior teams. We are also seeking Year 5 and 6 students for our mixed 12s competition level team.

Soccer is great for social and physical development and involvement in your local community. Sign your team up with Brunswick Heads FC. For more information phone Gisela on 0410 161 747 or Ken on 0448 040 759.

Mullum Junior Chess Club

This term will be on Tuesdays after school (about 3.15pm start) until 4.45pm in the Mullumbimby High School Library. All ages and playing levels welcome. Professional coaching, fun competition and encouragement. Cost is only $7 per week. Phone Mike on 6684 6281 for more details.

Say No to Bullying Poster Competition

Entry forms are available at the office. Draw a picture showing how you would help someone if they were being bullied for the chance to win an iPad! Entries close 27th February 2015.

Beating Picky Eating

Children with strong food preferences who limit their intake of the needed variety of foods can be a challenge. Some of the following ideas may be helpful:

Remember: Parents choose “which” foods, children decide “how much”

- Create a positive environment at the table, make meal times pleasant
- Be a good role model
- Stick to a routine
- Provide the same meals for the whole family
- Limit sweet drinks and juice so children have an appetite
- If you are stuck in a constant battle, maybe try a different approach.

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