BEECHWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL

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PRINCIPAL’S COMMENT

Senior Citizens/Grandparents Day!

Whole School Assembly
Tuesday 25 March 2014 at 10.00am
Followed by a cuppa and plate
11.30am - Years K-6 Mini Fete Pedlar’s Box
Grandparents can enjoy buying treats for themselves or their grandchildren!
Students please bring a small posy of flowers in the morning for our special guests.

Passive Play Area

Our school is implementing a Passive Play Area in the school library to commence at the beginning of Term 2. This area will allow for students who find the playground a little overwhelming at times and who need an area where they can go for some quiet time.

In the Passive Play Area, students will be able to read, play with lego, construction games, simple board games, card games, beads and string craft, scoobies, loom bands and other simple drawing and craft activities.

The Passive Play Area will be supervised by a staff member each day between 1.30pm and 1.50pm.

Donations Needed! We need to stock the Passive Play Area with items of interest for the students. If you are able to donate any of the items mentioned above, we would greatly appreciate any item.

Peddler’s Box Stalls

The P&C will be holding a Peddler’s Box Mini Fete fundraiser on Tuesday 25 March at 11.30am in conjunction with the Senior Citizens/Grandparents Day. Bring in your money to purchase some of the great treats on sale!

Barefoot Bowl-Off

This Saturday 22 March the P&C Barefoot Bowls fundraiser will be held at the Wauchope Country Club – 6pm – nibbles provided - $25/person includes steak & sausage sandwiches supplied during the game. Four people per team. If you have any sold raffle tickets and money or would like to purchase some more, please see Mrs Reid in the office by Friday 21 March. Tickets are $1 each or 6 for $5. Lolly jar prize for the family that sells the most tickets.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Thomas Purdy, Eli Ryan
and Joey McGrath on their selection into the Hastings/Camden Haven PSSA Rugby League team. Good Luck at the Lower North Coast Trials
Well Done!

Information Sessions

Bus Safety: Yrs K-2, 26 March
Stranger Danger: Yr K-1, 1 April
Cyber Bullying: Yrs 5 & 6, 1 April

MAURICE COOK
Principal
FRIDAY FUNDRAISING

Chicken Sausages on bread may be purchased at $2.00 each and Bulla Splits $1.50 each. Half a sausage in slice of bread available for $1.00. Slushies are available ($2 each) and poppers/flavoured milk ($1.50 each).

If your rostered date is not suitable, please contact Mrs Reid in the office.

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TERM 1, 2014 – FRIDAY FUNDRAISER ROSTER

| WEEK 8:  | Friday 21 March | 11.30 – 1.30pm | Kylie SYDENHAM |
| WEEK 9:  | Friday 28 March | 11.30 – 1.30pm | Wendy COOPER  |
| WEEK 10: | Friday 4 April  | 11.30 – 1.30pm | Alison COPELIN|
| WEEK 11: | Friday 11 April | 11.30 – 1.30pm | Judith STYLES |

Years 3 and 4 “Tashi”/Library Excursion

Last Tuesday, Years 3 and 4 travelled to the Port Macquarie Glasshouse to see the performance of “Tashi”. We enjoyed our morning tea at the Town Green and then walked to the Glasshouse to see two plays, “Tashi and the Mountain of White Tigers” and “Tashi – Lost in the City”. We have been completing a variety of literacy activities on “Tashi” at school so this enabled the students to see Tashi “come alive”!

We then walked to the Town Library to get a behind-the-scenes tour of the library and make some badges. Thank you to Virginia, the children’s librarian, for our interesting and fun visit and to the Port Macquarie Hastings Council for subsidising our bus travel to Port Macquarie.

A great day was had by both students and teachers alike!

LIBRARY NEWS

Presently the school library has a large number of books that need covering. If you have some spare time on any Friday morning for just an hour from 9.00-10.00am to help with this at the school, please just pop into the library after dropping off your child/ren and I can get you started. Join up with another parent or two and make it a nice sociable morning. Morning tea will be provided.

CHERYL CARPENTER
Library Assistant

P&C NEWS

Barefoot “Bowl Off”

Please bring in your raffle tickets and money as soon as possible. Extra tickets are available at the office and will be recorded so that the family that sells the most tickets will receive the lolly jar prize full of delicious treats (seen in the office). Tickets are $1 each or 6 for $5.

Trish Hollis – BOOSH Convener

Seeking Donations of Easter Eggs!!!

Easter is nearly here already! The P&C is running an Easter Egg raffle and is requesting donations of Easter Eggs for our prizes. Please bring items in to school anytime from now. Raffle tickets will be attached to next week’s Bulletin.

Atlas & Dictionary – Book Covering

If you are able to help by picking up just 5 to 10 books to cover, could you please see Mrs Reid or Mrs Carpenter in the office. You will be provided with easy instructions and the plastic contact already cut to size for you.

Perhaps you can get together with some other mums or dads and make a social occasion of it followed by a nice cuppa! Your help with this task is very much needed and appreciated.
Canteen News

Grandparents Day
We are asking for donations of baking for Grandparents Day, cakes, slices, etc. Please drop off to the canteen on the morning of 25 March. If you are able to help out on the day we would love to see you in the canteen. Let us know if possible or just turn up on the day - helpers are always welcome!

We will need around 4 helpers to set up the tables and make sandwiches before the event, 3 helpers to keep coffee topped up during morning tea and 4 helpers to pack up afterwards (this is the area we need most help in). The canteen committee will be in the canteen from approximately 8.30am.

Grandparents will be invited for tea or coffee and a small morning tea (available in the canteen) followed by the Pedlar’s Box Mini Fete.

This year we are not doing the Home Readers Sponsoring drive but there will be a P&C donation box in front of the canteen for our senior citizens and grandparents who may wish to contribute any of their loose change on the day.

Each student is also asked to bring along a small bunch of flowers that can be made into bouquets for the Grandparents.

P&C Pedlar’s Box, Mini Fete - 11.30am -
Each student needs to decorate a shoebox and fill it with items to sell at the Peddler’s Fair. We suggest 5 to 10 items that can be sold to students and Grandparents for 50 cents each. Baking, craft, small toys etc are some suggestions.

On the day each class will set up a table and display their Peddlers Boxes. Grandparents will be given the opportunity to purchase items from the students. Students will be in charge of selling their items, taking money and giving change. Help from parents is greatly encouraged, especially with the infant classes.

Also, the P&C will have a second-hand clothing table for parents to purchase spare jumpers, track pants etc. at a cost of $3 per item.

Students will also be given the opportunity to purchase from the Fete and should bring a small amount of change to spend on the day. All funds raised will go towards P&C initiatives.

Canteen Roster Volunteers Needed!
We are again calling for parent helpers who are able to be part of the BPS Canteen Roster for Term 2, 2014. We would love to hear from you. More helpers will enable us to continue to offer the students the extensive range of quality options available for purchase every Monday through our family based school canteen. The kids love seeing their mums, dads, aunts, uncles and grandparents faces at the canteen. Please email me on bbbuchanan2@bigpond.com if you would like to be part of our team or leave your name with Mrs Reid in the office. Thank you.

Rebekah Buchanan - Canteen Convenor

Monday Canteen Roster:

WEEK 9: Monday 24.03.14
Bec BUCHANAN
Krissy COLE
Supervisor: Kelly OSTLER
Shopping: Libby HAMERLOCK

WEEK 10: Monday 31.03.14
Scott BATTLE
Sam PURDY
Supervisor: Irene DOWTON
Shopping: Scott BATTLE
COMMUNITY NEWS

FOR SALE:
Baby bassinette *(as per picture)*, $50 ono. Please phone the school on 6585 6136.

**SALE!** Due to an excess of sports shirts stock in Sizes 10, 12, 14 and 16 and S, M, L in adult sizes, the school is reducing the price, for a limited time only to **$15.40**, normally $26.40. *That’s a great savings of $11!* See Mrs Reid in the office.

**Wauchope Soccer Club**
Wauchope Soccer Club needs players in the following age groups: U10s, U12s, U14s, U14 Girls, U16 Girls, U18 Girls, 17/18s. To register please ring Tracey Eastwood on 0400 929 480.

**Heritage Festival 2014**
Join our Heritage tours in 2014:
- Wauchope to Wingham Rail Escape, Monday 14 April. Cost $65/adult - $55 concession (includes morning tea and lunch).
- Wauchope & Upper Hastings Treasures Tour, Thursday 17 April. Cost $65/person (includes morning tea and lunch).
- Port Macquarie to Wauchope River Cruise, Wednesday 23 April. Cost $45/adult

Bookings are essential with $20 deposit. Phone: 6585 1895 Mobile: 0424 226 258. You will be escorted by Mrs Jeannette Rainbow. *All proceeds go to Wauchope Centenary of Rail fundraising.*

**Family Fun Day!!**
Wauchope Neighbourhood Centre is having a Family Fun Day on Wednesday 16 April starting at 10.30am in Bain Park, Wauchope. *Come dressed as a Pirate or Princess.* There will be jumping castles, BBQ, pirate & princess games, face painting, craft and entertainment. Loads of prizes to be won! Bring the family – it’s all for FREE!!!