**PRINCIPAL’S COMMENT**

Last Wednesday, three enthusiastic dance groups from our school attended the Southern Districts Dance Festival at Melville High School. All three groups performed twice, once at the matinee and then later to a packed crowd at the evening performance.

Although it was an extremely long and tiring day (and night!), Mrs Clayworth, Mrs Arentsen, Mrs McCormack and I were all very happy with the behaviour of all of our students in listening and their attitude throughout the entire experience. They all did a fabulous job at representing our school, and should be proud of themselves. Congratulations Boys and Girls!!

A special thanks goes to students from Wauchope High School and Mrs Copelin for their tremendous support shown to all dance groups with choreography, costumes and coordination. Thank you!

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**Rugby League Team**

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**Multi-Cultural Day**

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**YRS 5&6 CANBERRA**

Deposit of $75 and permission note for Canberra Excursion is Due by *Friday 26 June, 2015*
School Development Day (Pupil Free) Day 1 Term 3, 2015

The purpose of the School Development Day (13/07/15) is to contribute directly to the improvement of student learning. The dates are set by the Department and are the same for all government schools. The agenda for this day involving all staff will focus around Autism/Asperger’s management presented by world renowned behaviourist Ms Sue Larkey.

As these training days are for the staff to increase their professional development, parents are requested to keep children home from school on this day. Parents are asked to contact me should this cause any concerns.

Term 3 will commence for students on Tuesday 14 July 2015.

Athletics Carnival Term 3 – Thursday 16 July

Our local Beechwood School Athletics Carnival for 2015 will be held in the school grounds on Thursday 16 July 2015. We plan to stage the carnival in tabloid style, so that the children are kept active throughout the day. The school canteen will operate on the day as planned. (A menu is attached).

Listed below are the house names (i.e. Aboriginal tree names we have chosen), type of tree, house colours and the staff designated to each house group.

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Smartphone School to Parent Communication

The Skoolbag App is available NOW on iPhone and Android Smartphones. An instruction sheet on how to install Skoolbag on your Smartphone was sent home in week 6 along with a return slip to select your preferred option for communications. Please complete and return to the school office as soon as possible.

Please be advised that from the beginning of Term 3 if you haven’t returned your communication preference, we will presume you are using the Skoolbag App or the School Website.

Next School Assembly

Hosted by Kindergarten
Friday 26 June, 2015
at 10.00am
All parents welcome!

Back To School Supplies

Parents please consider purchasing the following items for the new school term. Pens for Years 3, 4, 5, 6. (red & blue) Pencils (HB), Ruler (cm,mm), Coloured pencils or textas, Glue Stick, Scissors, eraser and sharpener.
**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* ($2.00 each).

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

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### TERM 2, 2015 – FRIDAY FUNDRAISER ROSTER

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<th>Friday 26 June</th>
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**BOOSH News**

During Term 3 BOOSH will be having some “Theme Days”. Our first will be on Tuesday 14th July and it will be a “Onesie Party”. Bring your onesie along to BOOSH and we’ll play some party games and have lots on fun. To book in please call me on 0400 915844 OR 0459 991730 or pop in and see me any afternoon from 2pm.

Sharon Palmer – BOOSH Coordinator

**Dance Festival Photos:**

![Dance Festival Photos](image-url)
**TERM 2 - 2015**

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Week 10:**

- Wednesday 24 June  
  Primary Play Day – Year 5-6
- Friday 26 June  
  10.00am – Kindergarten Assembly  
  Years 5&6 Canberra Deposit due ($75)

**END OF TERM 2 – Friday 26 June 2015**

**TERM 3 – STUDENTS RETURN – Tuesday 14 July 2015**

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**P&C Term 2 News**

**Canteen**

Due to unforeseen circumstances the P&C has had to make the following changes to the running of the school canteen. Please be aware of the following changes:

1. In Term 3 the canteen WILL NOT OPERATE on Monday’s
2. The canteen will operate every Wednesday from WEEK 2 in a limited capacity
3. On Wednesdays, there will be NO RECESS offered by the canteen
4. The Wednesday canteen will include: fruit break and a pre-ordered lunch (an updated menu will be sent home in Term 3 week1).
5. As the canteen will not be manned on Wednesday mornings students will not be able to write their orders at school, or make changes to their orders. Pre written orders, including fruit break will need to be put in the box which will be located at the office on Wednesday mornings.
6. Students will be able to purchase Slush Puppies and ice blocks from 1.10pm to 1.20pm on Wednesdays.
7. To supplement the Wednesday canteen the canteen committee will run 2 meal deals in Term 3. These will take place in Week 4 and Week 9. A full canteen will also be in operation at the School Athletics Carnival.
8. These changes are for Term 3 only. The future of the canteen will be reviewed again prior to the commencement of term 4

We hope that you will support these changes. If anyone is interested in offering their time as either a Canteen Convenor or Supervisor please contact the P&C via email at beechwoodpandc@gmail.com for more information.

**2nd Hand Uniforms**

There are a lot of 2nd hand uniforms available for purchase from the canteen. All items cost $3.00.

**Raffle**

Don’t forget to get your raffle tickets in for the P&C raffle. The major prize is a family portrait session valued at over $400. There are more tickets available at the office.

**Spellathon**

Please return all Spellathon Sponsorship forms by Friday, June 26.

**Athletics Carnival**

The P&C will operate a full canteen at the athletics carnival. All donations of fruit and baking are greatly appreciated. If you are able to help out in the canteen on the day please contact us via the P&C email to be allocated a 30 minute time slot.

**Football Family Day**

The Beechwood Shamrocks Rugby League Club will be holding a Football Family day on Saturday July 18. The Beechwood Public School Senior boys Rugby League team will be competing in an exhibition match against Kendall Public School. The Family Day will include the school boy’s game at 12.30pm, the Wauchope Thunder Rugby Union Team V Myall Lakes from 1.30pm and the Beechwood Shamrocks RLFC V Kendall Blues from 3pm. There will be a number of family friendly activities held throughout the afternoon. All proceeds from the gold coin entry fee will go to the Beechwood P&C.

*Leanne Farrington*  
*P&C President*
Road safety - Your child's safety depends on you

When Driving:
Make sure your children are in an appropriate child car seat that is fitted and used correctly. Make a rule that every child passenger must be securely buckled into a seatbelt or child car seat before you start the car. A sleeping child must remain firmly buckled up while the car is in motion.

Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways. It's safest for children to get out of the car on the kerb side of the road to be away from passing traffic.

When Walking:
Always hold your child's hand. Children need your help to spot dangers such as vehicles coming out of driveways. They can also be easily distracted and wander into traffic.

Talk with your children about Stop, Look, Listen and Think every time they cross the road. STOP! one step back from the kerb. LOOK! for traffic to your right left and right again. LISTEN! for the sounds of approaching traffic. THINK! whether it is safe to cross.

When Cycling or Using Scooters, Skateboards or Rollerblades

Your child must wear a helmet when riding a bike in any public place – it's the law.

Your child's helmet must comply with the Australian and New Zealand Standards. It must be securely fitted and fastened on their head.

Check that your child wears a bicycle helmet whenever playing or riding on wheels – bikes, foot scooters, rollerskates, skateboards or rollerblades. The helmet should be firmly buckled so it fits without wobbling or slipping to the sides. It must protect the forehead.

Although children quickly learn to pedal, steer and brake, they are not ready to cycle near traffic or on the road.

Children under 12 and adult riders accompanying and supervising them may ride on the footpath, unless there are signs specifically prohibiting cycling.

When riding on the footpath, cyclists must keep to the left and give way to pedestrians. Children need to take special care at driveways where vehicles may be driving in or out. At intersections, children must dismount and wheel the bicycle across the road as a pedestrian, following the 'STOP! LOOK! LISTEN! THINK!' procedure.

Remember, drive safe - our child's safety depends on you!