

# BONNELLS BAY Newsletter

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#### PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS

Greetings all and welcome to Week 6.

Congratulations to all those children who completed swim school last week. We also need to thank Mrs Sibley for organising the school event. Children can now look forward to a safer summer.

#### Book Parade

Our Book Parade yesterday was one of the very best I have ever seen. The costumes the children wore were amazing and reflect the wonderful support our parents and community give us. Even the awful weather during the parade could not dampen the event. Thank you to Mrs Tate for her organisation and effort.

#### Kindergarten Orientation

Today concluded our Kindergarten Orientation program for 2013-2014. Our new students are now happy and confident and ready to start their journey at Bonnells Bay next year. We can still cater for any new students who move to the area by tailoring an orientation program for them individually if required. If you know of any new families to the area with Kindergarten aged children then encourage them to contact us so we can look after them. I would like to thank Mrs Corrigan for her wonderful work in coordinating the Kindergarten Orientation program at Bonnells Bay.

#### Late Students

We have had a record number of late students this week. Questions have been asked by the Home School Liaison Officer and it is very difficult to defend continued lateness by certain families when the school begins as late as 9:30am. Please be aware that the bell rings at 9:25am so children can be in class ready to start work at 9:30am. We will be sending home letters of warning to parents of children who are continually late in the near future

warning of actions that will occur if it continues. I regret having to take this action but the Department of Education requires parents to have children at school on time for the school day to commence.

#### School Hall Upgrade

The upgrade to our school hall has been completed. The hall now boasts wheelchair friendly access via the bifold door. The motor and gearbox on the door have been replaced and it is now in perfect working order. We have had our new signs for our school song, the national anthem and school pledge installed and they look great. We are now only awaiting the installation of our honour boards to make our school hall complete. It is wonderful to see such a positive result from this process. Our hall is now ready to take us into the future.

#### Mrs Clarke Returns from Maternity Leave

Bonnells Bay welcomes back Mrs Amelia Clarke from maternity leave. Mrs Clarke will be teaming up with Mr Wlodarczyk until the end of the year on her Year 3 class.

#### **Reading Challenge**

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge Preview app is a great way for students to find new books and track their progress in the challenge. It's free to download.

#### To download the app:

http://apps.microsoft.com/windows/en-au/app/nsw-premiers-reading-challenge/7a451df8-214b-4cd7-92a8-f8a4ea6dbe78

Have a great week

Mark Stiller, Principal Term 4 Week 6

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### November

15 <sup>տ</sup>	Last day for Year 6 Farewell payments
15 <sup>th</sup>	Last day for Canteen Sausage Sizzle orders
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19th Canteen Sausage Sizzle
19th AGM & P&C Meeting
20th Christmas Disco

#### December

4<sup>th</sup> Orientation Day Year 6 at Morisset High

School

9th Presentation Day 9th Year 6 Farewell dinner 18th Last day for 2013

#### **CANTEEN ROSTER**

18/11	Helen F
19/11	Allison Y, Shey C
20/11	Kerry C, Kim M
21/11	Rebecca K
22/11	Michelle M, Shey C

#### **CANTEEN NEWS**



Reminder that the sausage sizzle is on next Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November. Money and orders are due back to the canteen by this Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November.

There will be a Canteen Meeting tomorrow 14<sup>th</sup> November in the canteen at 1pm. All are welcome. Hope to see you there.

#### NOTES SENT HOME THIS WEEK

Community Partnership Page

#### YEAR 6 FAREWELL FUNDRAISER



Year 6 will be holding an "Ice Cream Day" tomorrow Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November. Chocolate, vanilla and strawberry ice creams will be available at lunchtime for \$1.

## P & C NEWS

## Next Week!!! Christmas School Disco – 20 November

- Dress code: Christmas!
- K 2 Junior Disco 5:30pm -6:45pm
- Years 3 6 Senior Disco 7:00pm 8.30pm
- Entry \$6 and includes drinks and chips at intermission
- Quick, easy dinners and drinks will be available for purchase from the BBQ

This Disco is the biggest of the year and volunteers are required. Please call or text Anna on 0409 538 370 to put your name and preferred time down to help.

#### Christmas Raffle

P&C will be selling tickets for their annual Christmas Raffle at the Disco.

Prizes:

- 1st Prize Big Christmas Hamper
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Half Leg Ham,
- 3rd Prize Disco Pack (Hot Dog Maker and Chips!)

Tickets are \$1 each and available for purchase from the 20<sup>th</sup> November at the Disco.

#### Annual General Meeting - Next Tuesday Night

The P&C's Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm followed by the P&C General Meeting. All are welcome to attend and encouraged to come along to this important meeting.

We are seeking nominations for a new Treasurer. If you would like to know what is involved please contact Anna Mason on 0409 538 370 or you can leave your enquiry at the office. The Treasurer is a highly valued role of the Executive Committee and we encourage parents to seriously consider this opportunity.

Reminder that any agenda items you have for discussion can be emailed to anna.mason@acmeng.com.au

#### **New Sport Shirt**

Please have House Shirt forms returned to the office by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November. The cost of each shirt is \$28 (same as the school polo) and a deposit is preferable when you place your order.

#### Leftovers to Lunchbox

Do you have some great ideas for using last night's leftovers for school lunches? P&C Federation will be running a campaign to collect some great lunchbox ideas from all of our mum and dad followers on Facebook. Simply tell P&C Federation about your lunchbox hero and you will have a chance to win some great prizes.

The Leftovers to Lunchbox campaign aims to reduce food wastage in our homes – did you know:

- Each NSW household throws away more than \$1,000 of food each year. Across the state that totals 800.000 tonnes
- \$231 million worth of drinks are wasted in NSW per year.
- The aim of this campaign is to increase awareness of food wastage and share ideas on how we can help reduce the amount of waste that goes into landfill each year. Share your ideas and

join in on the conversation follow us on Facebook and keep up to date with the Leftovers to Lunchbox campaign.

https://www.facebook.com/pages/Federation-of-Parents-and-Citizens-Associations-of-New-South-Wales or www.lovefoodhatewaste.nsw.gov.au

Next meeting, AGM, 19 November 2013.

#### P&C - Parents and Citizens Supporting Our School

#### MORISSET HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Morisset High School Uniform Shop opening times for 2014.

#### January 2014

 $22^{nd}$  8:00am - 2:00pm  $23^{rd}$  8:00am - 2:00pm  $24^{th}$  8:00am - 2:00pm

28<sup>th</sup> 8:00am – 2:00pm (Pupil Free day)

29<sup>th</sup> 8:00am – 12:00pm (Years 7, 11, 12 return) 30<sup>th</sup> 8:00am – 12:00pm (Years 8,9,10 return)

For more information and prices please go to Morisset High School web site, uniform info.

Mark Snedden

Principal Morisset High School

#### LOST

- A black All –Blacks wallet has been lost on the concrete area under the COLA. If you find it could you return it to the school office.
- A size 8 polo shirt has been mistaken for a size 6 and taken home from swimming lessons. If your child has the wrong shirt at home could it be returned to the school office please.

#### **EDUCATIONAL TIPS**

#### Understanding climate change

Is your child learning about climate change at school? CSIRO's scientists are learning how the earth's climate system works through observation, measurement and modelling. Find out more:

http://www.csiro.au/Outcomes/Climate/Understanding.asp

#### **Selective High School Placement**

Applications for 2015 placements for Year 7 in a selective high school close 18th November. Parents with internet access are asked to apply online. For information and application forms: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

#### Art about Australia

The Aussie Art competition invites primary school children (K-6) to enter an artwork with a brief description of why 'Australia is the best place in the world' for a chance to

win a P&O family cruise or a 16GB iPad 2. The competition closes on 17th February 2014.

Enter the competition: www.aussievault.com.au

#### **Ready for High School**

Just to let you know that the transition to high school, Ready for High School Checklist is now available in 36 languages. Search by language:

http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/languagesupport/documents/start\_ss/rfhsc.php

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### **EARLY START**

EarlyStart is a free service providing support for families and carers of children aged 0 - 8 years old living with a disability or developmental delay (no formal diagnosis necessary). Earlystart can assist children (0-8 years) and their families to:

- Recognise and build on individual and family strengths
- Develop existing support networks and create new networks to meet the goals of the family and child
- Look at ways children with disability can fully participate and be part of community, and plan for the future
- Access specialist services throughout the time of diagnosis

For more information contact St Vincent de Paul Society on 4905 0700, email early.start@vinnies.org.au or visit vinnies.org.au

## BONNELLS BAY YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE DISCO



Bonnells Bay Youth and Community Centre will be holding a disco on 29<sup>th</sup> November & 20<sup>th</sup> December at a cost of \$5, for children aged 12 years and under from 6pm - 9pm. A canteen will be available.

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