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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents,

We are entering a very busy time of the school year and I thank you for your continuing support.

Musical

Over the last two terms over 150 students have been busily rehearsing for our musical "Little Stars". We will be performing this on September 11 and 12. This concert will also feature our Big Band, Choir and Concert Band. Tickets are currently on sale for adults \$5, students \$2 and a family pass \$10. We do limit seating to ensure that all voices can be clearly heard. Tickets are available from the cash window. Come and celebrate another exciting Banksia event!

Vietnam Veteran's Day

Thank you to the families of our Senior Choir, School Captains and trumpeters for ensuring your child was available for the Vietnam Veteran's Service on Sunday. Thank you to staff Mr O'Callaghan and Mr White for ensuring our Trumpeters and Choir performed to the highest standard. Thank you also to the many staff and parents who accompanied our children; a special thank you to Mrs Brady who organised the distribution of blazers. To look and sound as good as the students did doesn't happen by accident. I always am so appreciative of the many positive people who make our school sound and look great.

Concert Band Rehearsal and Concert on Sunday August 23

On Sunday our Concert Band is rehearsing from 9.00am–12.00pm in our Performing Arts Hall. At 12.30pm they will be presenting a Concert for all interested members of the community. This is an opportunity to see our beautiful Concert Band's new repertoire. If you have a child in our program who is not yet in the Concert Band it is also a great opportunity to see what they will be a part of one day if they are prepared to work hard!

Farewell Marney!

Thank you sincerely to Marney Kellogg who is leaving as our Uniform Convenor. I have always found Marney to be an exceptional worker. She is always so cooperative, hard working, ethical and very supportive of all our community. I wish Marney and her family all the best in the future.

Choir to Perform at Parliament House

Our Senior Choir has the honour of being one of four ensembles invited to perform at Parliament House for Seniors' Week on Friday. I am sure the students will perform beautifully.

Let's Have a Great Week!

Regards

Mrs Jacqui King

Principal

SCHOOL SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship stimulates and supports our continuous growth with the school and its community.

Effective school-community collaborations are those in which our school and its partners work together and have shared goals.

The ultimate goal is to improve outcomes for our students, our partners and our community.

Whether you are interested in sponsorship or donations please talk to our Sponsorship & Marketing Coordinator Mrs Neva Imbs today to secure your business partnership with our school by phoning 0477 373 549 or email nimbs1@eq.edu.au

We would also like to welcome our new Silver Sponsors for our Triathlon Teams, **Bootcamp Bribie & Wilkie's Auto Centre**.

A big thank you and welcome to **Nextra Newsagency** for their generous donation towards our Big Band and a thank you also to **Busy Fingers & Bribie Island RSL** for their continuous support towards our Performing Arts.

SUPPORT-A-TALKER TUTOR TRAINING

Banksia Beach State School is running a Support-A-Talker course on the 4th and 5th of September. Support-A-Talker is an early intervention program designed to support language delayed students in the lower school. Students have the opportunity to interact regularly with a trained tutor who uses activities and games to encourage their confidence and development in speech and language.

Upon completion of the 2 day course we ask that you consider volunteering a minimum of one hour a week to help implement this program at our school. Support-A-Talker training is also useful for anyone wishing to learn strategies to help their children at home.

The course runs for 2 sessions over two days and it is open to all parents and members of the community.

You must be able to attend both days of the course to receive your certificate.

Dates for Support-A-Talker:

Wednesday 4th September

Thursday 5th September

Times: 9.00-11.00am

(A light lunch will be provided on day two at the end of the session.)

Please phone 3408 5333 or 0467 729 151 to book your place on the course or put your name down at the office.

OVERDUE STUDENT RESOURCE KITS

Payment for these resources has already been made by the school and we still have quite a considerable number of families who have not paid for their child's invoice.

There has been some confusion that if a child has the school folders from last year parents do not need to pay a fee for this year. Payment for each student is required on a **yearly** basis as the majority of the invoice costs involved are the online interactive licences required for the variety of curriculum areas which are used in lieu of textbooks.

Costs are as follows:-

Prep – Year 5	\$40
Year 6	\$45
Year 7	\$60

Overdue invoices were sent home recently to all students who still have payments outstanding. If you are having trouble paying or would like to query your invoice, please contact Karen Mills in the school office.

SAFETY HOUSE PROGRAM

In this week's newsletter, we have included the yellow information brochure 'But What Can I Do To Help Keep My Children Safe???' This brochure was provided by the Safety House Association of Queensland.

Unfortunately, the Safety House Association of Qld Inc that has operated in this state for nearly 30 years will cease to exist in the near future. The Bribie Island and Districts Safety House Committee is one of the most successful committees in Queensland and has enjoyed considerable support from local community organisations. Unfortunately, our local committee is unable to continue as a separate entity and as a result, will be deplating all Safety Houses during January 2014. The Safety House Program is still in place until local community signs are removed and houses have the Safety House sign removed from letter boxes. This timing will ensure that the program is in place locally until the end of year school holidays. Special thanks to our Safety House Committee member, Roberta Douglas for her lessons, enthusiasm and dedication.

SAFER SCHOOL TRAVEL PROGRAM

The Safer School Travel Program is about how parents can be made more aware of safe and legal parking, drop off and pick up practices, road crossing skills and awareness of speed zones around schools.

Last year, to highlight these issues, we ran a colouring competition that resulted in children's work being included on the signs that are currently on our front fence. This year we will run the same competition. The children can collect an A3 piece of paper from the office. The theme is **'What does safe travel to and from school mean to me.'** Entries can be handed in to the office. Full name, class and

'Banksia Beach State School' should appear **on the back** of the entry. Entries must be received by Monday 14 October 2013.

A detailed information sheet has been included with this newsletter. Any enquires can be directed Mr Hartshorn, Deputy Principal.

P&C NEWS

Father's Day Stall 27- 29 August 2013

- Gifts from \$1.00 up to \$10.00
- Father's Day Raffle - Wheelbarrow full of goodies tickets \$2.00 each
- \$3.00 Lucky dip
- Please check with your child's teacher for class allocated day & time

Year 7 Graduation Bears - order form coming to your yr 7 class soon (Bear on display in Uniform Shop)

POSITION VACANT – UNIFORM CONVENOR

minimum 15 hours per week

All applicants must apply in writing and address the relevant selection criteria as listed in the application package, which is available from the school office.

Applications should be addressed to:

Private and Confidential
P&C Secretary
Banksia Beach State School
PO BOX 243
BRIBIE ISLAND Q 4507

Applications close on Monday, 26 August 2013 at 3.00pm and remain current for 12 months.

The successful applicant will require a Working with Children's Suitability Card or be required to apply for one. Banksia Beach State School P&C Association is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Bribie Island Swimming Club Sign on dates:

- Monday 2 September: 4-6pm at Bribie Island Aquatic Centre
- Wednesday 4 September: 4-6pm Bribie Island Aquatic Centre

LATE ARRIVALS @ SCHOOL

Attendance at school every day gives your child the best opportunity to do well. Just a little bit doesn't seem much but

He/She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	& over 13 yrs of schooling that's...
10 mins per day	50 mins per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly <u>½ year</u>
20 mins per day	1hr 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 year</u>
Half hour per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly <u>1½ years</u>
1hr per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Over <u>2½ years</u>

- Saturday 7 September: - 10am-2pm Bribie Island Aquatic Centre and Bribie Island Shopping Centre
- Monday 9 September: 4-6pm at Bribie Island Aquatic Centre
- Wednesday 11 September: 4-6pm Bribie Island Aquatic Centre
- Saturday 14 September: 10am-2pm Bribie Island Aquatic Centre and Bribie Island Shopping Centre

For further information contact Jason Brown on 0400 119 989.

Circus Ringbarkus – Solander Lake Bowls Club, Sunderland Drive. Saturday 31 August 2pm and Sunday 1 September 11am & 2pm. Don't miss Australia's only performing chickens! Adults \$22 and Child/Concession \$17. Telephone 0412 101 815 or www.circusingbarkus.com.au

Live under the Little Big Top!

Date Claimers

September

- Monday, 2 ChoralFest, Kurwongbah SS
- Saturday, 7 St Columban's Band Competition
- Wednesday, 11 School Musical
- Thursday, 12 School Musical

Little Star Musical Tickets – 11 & 12 September



\$5 Adults
\$2 child
\$10 Family (2 adults/2 children)

Limited seating – max 400 per night.

On sale now at the School Office

Payment window

Students who require a musical t-shirt, payment is now due. Cost \$15.00 per shirt needs to be paid via the Payment window.