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## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Dear Parents,

We again find ourselves celebrating so many wonderful achievements by our fantastic students and dedicated staff!

Last weekend many of our students were involved in many activities and I sincerely thank parents who ensured all students were available to represent our school.

### **NETBALL**

Twelve of our girls from Years 5/6/7 represented our school in the Queensland Firebirds Netball Championships held in Cleveland on Saturday and Sunday. The girls played extremely well on Saturday earning themselves a place in the finals on Sunday. The girls came in the top sixteen teams which is an exceptional achievement. Thank you Mrs Heard and Mrs Hope-Smith for training the girls and accompanying the girls on the weekend. Thank you also to one of our dedicated volunteer parents, Mrs Galjaardt, who helped the girls immensely with her coaching.

### **BRISBANE BAND FESTIVAL**

Our students also competed in the Brisbane Band Festival on Saturday night at Centenary State High School in Jindalee. We entered both our Big Band and Concert Band. The Big Band was the only primary school Big Band to compete on the weekend and won Gold. Adjudicator Michael Rosiak congratulated the students on a very fine performance.

The Concert Band also performed in the next section and again received Gold. The adjudicator also congratulated the Concert Band on an "exceptional performance". This was a wonderful culmination of an enormous amount of work by both the students and Mr O'Callaghan. Thank you also to the parents who again have ensured students are at every extra rehearsal Mr O'Callaghan has scheduled. Thank you also to Mrs Hawkins, Mrs Heard and Mrs Litchfield who accompanied the children and helped with supervision.

### RSL SPEAKING COMPETITION

On Sunday afternoon we also had the RSL Speaking Competition. Congratulations to our team of Tea Carter, Danny Hicks, Summar Allen, Tenika Patel and Anna Goodman. This year the format was a little different and each school was competing against themselves rather than against each other. Congratulations to all students. Places were Anna Goodman 1<sup>st</sup>, Tenika Patel 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tea Carter 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thank you especially to Anna's and Tenika's parents who raced them back from netball to compete!

### SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING CHALLENGE

On Monday 24 of our Year 6 students competed in the Science and Engineering Challenge day held at Caboolture QUT and sponsored by the University of Newcastle. There were twelve schools competing with a total of 284 students. The children were in teams of three and were given two challenges for the day. At the end of the day they were marked and all points added. Our team was announced the winning team. Congratulations to our clever students and thank you to Mr McInerney and Mrs Jeffrey for accompanying the students.

### SCHOOL CAPTAIN PROJECTS

It is that time of the year again when we select our school captains based on set criteria. Shortlisted students run a project to demonstrate their leadership, organisational ability and team work. You will hear about lots of activities from aeroplane making to teddy bear days and everything in between. Your child can participate in one activity, all activities or none. It is entirely up to you and how well the budding leaders inspire your student. Thank you for your support.

### CLASSES AND NUMBERS FOR 2014

We are starting to plan for classes 2014. The first stage of this is to have our numbers as accurate as possible. If you are not returning next year please complete the form in the newsletter and return it to the office. If you know of anyone who is intending to come to our school in 2014 and has not booked an enrolment interview please remind them that it is essential.

### Good Luck All Schools Touch Teams

This weekend I look forward to celebrating in Cleveland with our All Schools Touch Football Girls' and Boys' teams. The students, Mr Mac and Mr Blackmore have worked very hard to have the best possible teams take the field!

Let's Have a Great Week!  
Mrs Jacqui King  
Principal

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### UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

#### Opening Hours for Term 4:

Mon 8 - 10.30am  
Tue 8 - 10.30am  
Wed 2 - 3.30pm

Thu 8 - 10.30am

Fri 8 - 10.30am

#### Extra Opening Times:

- Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 9am to midday
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January thru to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 9am to 2pm, everyday.

**Interschool sports short:** Any family requiring a refund for sports shorts that did not arrive in time to be used for last term's event, please collect a form from the Uniform Shop and return it **by 15<sup>th</sup> November** so that your refund can be paid.

**Special offer:** we have two brand new size XS Year 7 polo – first come first served. We also have, brand new, two size 14 and one size XS from 2011, if anyone missed out 2 years ago!

**Reminder:** Uniform shop items can be purchased online via the Munch Monitor system. Orders will be ready for collection at the Uniform Shop – register online at [www.munchmonitor.com](http://www.munchmonitor.com)  
username: banksiabeach  
password: munch4507

and follow instructions to 'sign up'.

**Secondhand Uniform:** donations are always gratefully accepted. All proceeds made from the sale of preloved uniforms go directly back to the school.

### **Beat the 2014 price rise! Uniform Shop specials available from next week – girls' packs, boys' packs and individual items all on sale"**

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### COMMUNITY NEWS

#### Headlice Alternative:

Apply 10 drops of Lavender or Rosemary oil to a 1.3 of a cup of conditioner. Mix well and lather the hair. Once fully lathered, cover with a shower cap or plastic wrap for 1-2 hours. This will kill the lice. After this period of time comb hair with lice brush to remove all dead lice. Once complete rinse hair out completely. This will also leave hair smelling and feeling silky smooth

TerraShield, a super-concentrated insect repellent formulated with a proprietary blend of 15 therapeutic grade essential oils that have been scientifically shown to repel insects more effectively than other synthetic repellents. Just a small amount will provide powerful coverage and will last up to 6 hours per application. Smells great and can be used safely by everyone in the family.

For more information contact Julie Hahnert, Nutrition & Essential Oils, Mobile 0403 151 656

# Date Claimers

## November

- Saturday, 2 All Schools Touch Competition

- Sunday, 3 All Schools Touch Competition
- Thursday, 7 Christmas Choir Competition
- Monday, 11 Remembrance Day
- Monday, 25 St Columban's Year 8 Orientation

## Volunteer Christmas Luncheon

We invite all volunteers to an Aussie Christmas Barbeque to thank you for your efforts and the contribution you have made to our school throughout the year.

**Where:** The Hall  
**When:** Tuesday 26th November  
**Time:** 12.00pm



Please fill out an RSVP form and return it to the canteen as soon as possible. RSVP forms are available from the office, A Block, the canteen and from classroom teachers.

Hope to see you all there.

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## STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO BANKSIA BEACH STATE SCHOOL IN 2014

To help with staffing and class allocations for 2014, if you know that your child/ren will **not** be returning to Banksia Beach State School for the 2014 school year, please complete and return this form to the office as soon as possible.

**Year 7 Parents:** For school record and transition/statistical purposes, if your child is **NOT** attending **Bribie Island State High School** please indicate which high school they will be attending. If this form is not returned it will be assumed that your child will be attending Bribie Island State High School and this will be recorded in your child's records and our school records.

**Students** \_\_\_\_\_ **Class** \_\_\_\_\_  
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Transferring to: \_\_\_\_\_ School

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*Parent signature*

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*Date*

*Please return to the school office*