

P&C Meetings are held in the staffroom the third Wednesday of the month at 5.30pm.

Tuesday, 3 June 2014
Volume 07

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents,

Another very busy period of time with so many opportunities for our student to shine!

Last week our Senior Choir competed in the Queensland Youth Music Awards Senior Choir section against nine other schools. Our Choir received one of only two Gold certificates awarded on the night and is through to the Final this Thursday night at The Gap High School. We wish them all the best and congratulate Mr David White, our Conductor, and Mr Shane White, our accompanist. The choir was congratulated by the adjudicator on an entertaining and impressive performance.

This year is the first year we have had a Dance Troupe. This is an initiative of Miss Kirsten Hunt, Miss Katrina Jamison, Mrs Terry Mastrogiannis and Miss Xanthe Mastrogiannis. These teachers have rehearsed students in their lunchtimes all year. The children competed in the Brisbane Eisteddfod in the Primary Schools Division against some very accomplished and experienced schools. The Dance Troupe was awarded first place! The adjudicator congratulated the Dance Troupe on great choreography and a great performance.

This week also looks to be a very exciting week at our school with many opportunities planned.

AFL LIONS CUP

Our boys have worked very hard with their coach Mr Blackmore and one of our parent volunteer Mr Neilsen and will compete for our school on Tuesday in the AFL Lions Cup held at Burpengary. We wish our boys every success.

FANFARE

We are hosting Fanfare Regional Heats on Wednesday.

We have 45 members of our Concert Band performing in Heat 1 in Primary Division 1 commencing at 9:00am. Our Big Band competes in Heat 2 in Primary Division 1 commencing at 11:00am and our String Ensemble will be competing in Heat 3 in Primary Division 3 commencing at 1:20pm. Parents are very welcome to attend and listen to our school compete with other schools in our Region. Thank you Mr O'Callaghan and Ms Ninnes for your great work in preparing our students for this exciting event.

ARL DEVELOPMENT CUP

On Friday our boys will compete in the Regional Rugby League Development Cup! Thanks Mr McInerney and Mr Blackmore for all their great work. Again, I wish our boys all the best.

BUSY FINGERS

Busy Fingers is a great supporter of our school. They have a group of wonderful volunteers who run this fabulous community shop. All funds raised are then shared back with our community. I was very saddened to hear that a great deal of items were stolen from this shop. Please be aware that they now are monitoring the shop with CCTV.

Anyone including children found stealing will be passed on to the police. I would be very saddened to think anyone from Banksia Beach would be involved in this illegal activity

I look forward to sharing this busy but exciting time with your child.

Let's Have a Great week!

Regards

Mrs Jacqui King

Principal

CELEBRATING LITERACY AND NUMERACY AT BANKSIA

Last week we ran literacy and numeracy challenges across the entire school. The Reading Competition gave children the opportunity to read a piece of prose or poetry. Finalists were selected and they re-read their selected piece in a final where the top three readers were chosen. Congratulations must go to every entrant. The children were very entertaining. The following students were the winners in their respective year levels.

Prep - 1st Eamon PB, 2nd Andy PD and tying for 3rd Seamus PE and Reese PE.

Year 1 - 1st Maddison 1E, 2nd Leo 1C and 3rd Madison 1B

Year 2 - 1st Madeline 2/3H, 2nd Charlie 2D and 3rd Reilly 2E

Year 3 - 1st Sam 3/4I, 2nd Hope 3C and 3rd Christian 3A

Year 4 - 1st Charlotte 4A, 2nd Alex 4A and 3rd Sarah 4C

Year 5 - 1st Emily 5/6F, 2nd Lani 5D, and 3rd Olivia 5E

Year 6 - 1st Emma 6B, 2nd Ava 6B and 3rd Breeana 6/7D

Year 7 - 1st Darcy 7B, 2nd Aileysh 6/7D and 3rd Josie 7B

Last Friday we ran a Numeracy Competition in our hall. The top four mathematicians formed a class team that competed against the other class teams in their year level. The questions were based around solving maths problems. All class teams performed brilliantly and showed their team skills as well as their mathematical ability. Well done to all.

RESOURCE KITS

- Payment for Year 4-7 is now due
- Payment for Prep-Year3 is **now overdue**.

Every classroom has interactive smartboards to allow our teachers to maintain the high quality educational outcomes for which Banksia Beach State School is renowned. Thank you to those parents who have purchased our Resource Kits. This covers all of the electronic resources children use on a daily basis. This includes Maths on Line, Athletics, Reading Eggs, Reading Eggs Express, Study Ladder, Sunshine on Line and Bug Club.

The student grey & maroon folders only form part of this resource and are usually given in the first year of the student commencing at our school. These folders are used to store the outcomes from the online resources.

2014 DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY REPORT

Tuesday May 20th saw 37 keen athletes ready to compete in the Caboolture District Cross Country Carnival at Centenary Lakes.

There were 21 schools competing and so each race consisted of approximately 90 competitors, all vying for a top five spot which would give them a position on the Caboolture District Cross Country Team to race on June 3 at Buderim.

Three of our runners achieved this representative status; Corey (1st) and Xavier (2nd) and Jasmine (5th).

Our 13 year old runners also did exceptionally well but unfortunately don't go to the next level. Jarvis achieved 4th and Grace 5th place in their races.

A special mention should be made of the sportsmanship and camaraderie of our students in particular by Steffi who assisted fellow athlete, to complete their race without any regard for her own place in their race. Great Banksia team spirit showing our value of **Unity** brilliantly.

Collectively, our team ran well enough to win the 'A' Schools 3rd place pennant. Congratulations go to every runner who gave us 100% and special congratulations go to our three above named district representatives.

Thanks also to the many parents who came and supported our school.

Mr Hartshorn and Mrs Jacobi, Team coordinators

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Thanks to the children, parents and staff who walked to school on Friday, 16 May to celebrate Walk Safely to School Day. Our "walking" buses led by our wonderful staff brought approximately 145 students and parents with an overall total of 550 people participating in the event. Thanks to everyone for promoting healthy travel options and good travel choices when it comes to travelling to and from school. Thanks also to the Moreton Bay Regional Council for their support before and on the day by providing proxies for the children and staff to assist on the day.

Peter Hartshorn for the Travel Choice Committee.

CHILD READING GLASSES

We have several pairs of reading glasses in an array of colours and styles which have been handed in at the office.

If your child has lost or missing their glasses, please call into the office and hopefully we can reunite the glasses with their owners.

Any remaining unclaimed glasses will be donated to charity.

GOLD AWARDS

Tuesday, 17	10.30am 12.45pm	Prep ABC Prep DEG
Wednesday, 18	10.30am 12.45pm	Year 1 ABC Year 1 DEFG

Thursday, 19	10.15am 12.45pm	Year 3 Year 2
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Friday, 20	10.30am 12.45pm	Year 5 Year 4
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Monday, 23	10.30am 12.45pm	Year 6 Year 7
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SCHOOL DISCO

Term 2 disco will be held on Thursday, 26 June in the hall.

Cost- \$3.00 per student
Glow-in-the-Dark items \$2.50+ each

Theme: Movie characters

Junior Disco - 5.00-6.30pm: Parents must accompany students. Please note that students from upper grades are not to attend the junior disco (student councillor helpers excepted).

Senior Disco – 6.30-8.00pm: Parents must drop off and pick up students from the door. **Students will not be allowed to proceed to front entrance/carpark alone.**

**Our disco is open to
Banksia Beach State School students only.**

Date Claimers

June

- Friday, 6 ARL Development Cup
- 17-23 Gold Awards (see times in this newsletter)
- Tuesday, 24 Senior Sports Day
- Wednesday, 25 Junior Sports Day
- Thursday, 26 Behaviour BBQ
- Thursday, 26 School Disco
- Friday, 27 End of Term 2



Very happy Reading Challenge winners from Prep:

From left to right:
3rd place Seamus & Reese
2nd place Andy
1st place Eamon