

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

Banksia Beach State School provides a high quality education enabling every student to achieve personal excellence.

Wednesday, 1 April 2015
Volume 5

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents,

Thank you for sharing a wonderful term with us! There have been many highlights and many foundation steps have been laid to ensure a very successful year. Congratulations to all students who have worked hard to achieve their goals this term.

Development Cup Final

Good luck to our Junior and Senior Rugby League teams who go in to this week's Development Cup final undefeated. Both games are against St Peters who are a very strong opposition. However I know my boys will give their very best for Banksia. Congratulations and thank you to our two teachers Mr McInerney and Mr Blackmore and also our parent volunteer Mr Barraud.

Successful Swimming Carnivals

Thank you to MacArthur and staff who have run two very successful swimming carnivals. Thank you to everyone who participated and congratulations to the age champions and runner ups. Please see final results over page.

Fast parents are banned from the Parent/Teacher relay in future years. As Mr Mac said; "Our problem is our teachers are getting older and the parents stay around the same age."

Easter Parade and Raffle

Thank you to everyone for your support with our Easter Raffle. I will let you know in the newsletter after the holidays how much we have raised. I know we will have around 100 prizes on both assemblies which is amazing. Remember all funds raised go straight back into extra resources for all students.

Queensland College of Teachers

2015 Excellence in Teaching Awards

Are you inspired by an exceptional teacher at our school? Inspirational teachers deserve recognition for their hard work and dedication to making a difference in young people's lives. Teachers, parents, students and school bodies such as parent groups may nominate a teacher.
<http://www.qct.edu.au/wtd/excellence-awards.html>

Recognition

A certificate of recognition will be provided for schools to present nominees with as part of World Teachers' Day celebrations. Finalists will be invited to participate in a World Teachers' Day ceremony and presentation of awards on Friday, 30 October 2015. If you would like to nominate one of Banksia's teachers for this award download a nomination form at
<http://www.qct.edu.au/wtd/index.html>

Keep a watch on our school these holidays

We do have many contractors on our premises this holidays completing maintenance work which is far easier to do without 1100 students present. If you see anything suspicious, please remember to call the School Watch number – 13 17 88.

Let's Have a Great Week!

Regards
Mrs Jacqui King
Principal

EXTERNAL TESTING – ENGLISH, MATHS AND SCIENCE

Each year twenty students from Years 4-6 are nominated by teachers to participate in the University of NSW academic testing program in Science (3rd June), English (28th July) and Maths (11th August). This allows some of our more academically-minded children to be acknowledged and for the school to see how our results compared to same age students from all over Australia. Cost for each test is \$8.80 which is funded by the school.

If you wish your child to be included automatically, you may nominate them and make payment by 30 April for each test you wish your child to take. Payment can be made via the payment window between 8.30-9.30am.

2016 PREP ENROLMENTS

Prep Enrolments at Banksia Beach State School for 2016 are now open. If your child was born between 1 July 2010 and 30 June 2011, they are eligible for Prep in 2016.

For further information, please telephone the office on 3408 5333.

UPDATE OF STUDENT DETAILS

To ensure the best care of all students, the school would like to ensure that all current medical information/conditions are correct on our database. If you are unsure please contact the office to inform the school.

DENTAL VAN

The Dental Van will be arriving at Banksia Beach State School first day of Term 2. Forms will be issued to a few year levels at a time. Please ensure you complete all pages of the dental form including **Medicare details** and include your child's class. Return all forms

promptly to the dental form bin stationed outside the dental van or personally to the van staff. All students from Prep to Year 6 will be offered treatment. Dental Van staff are happy to accommodate families wishing to attend block appointments for all siblings to make it more convenient for parents who work. The Dental Van will offer treatment to all students who have completed their forms before the van moves to another school. Your patience in regards to this process is appreciated. For any urgent concerns please contact the van staff personally to arrange an appropriate triage appointment or call mobile dental number 0412 369 334.

SCHOOL SORES (IMPETIGO)

Students must be excluded until they have received appropriate antibiotics for at least 24 hours. Sores are not contagious if covered, or after the child has taken antibiotics for 24 hours. Weeping or crusted sores on exposed areas should always be covered with a watertight dressing until at least 24 hours post antibiotics commenced and for as long as practical. Parents will be contacted if any student suspected of having school sores.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK (11-17 May)

We would like to invite all volunteers to an Afternoon Tea to show our appreciation for all the support you give to our school.

When: Tuesday 12th May
Time: 1.45pm
Where: Resource Centre



Please leave your name with the canteen if you are attending.

ASSIST A SISTA & COLLINS FAMILY TRUST FUNDRAISER

In support of Adele Collins's family

When: Sunday 12th April
Time: 12noon
Where: Blue Pacific Hotel

Live Music, Raffles, Auctions and Kids Activities.
Join us for some family fun and support a worthy cause.

Date Claimers

April

1	Wednesday	Prep and Year 1 Easter Hat Parade School Disco
2	Thursday	Student Council Free Dress Day, gold coin donation 12noon Behaviour BBQ 2:00pm Easter Raffle in the Hall Last Day of Term
20	Monday	School Resumes
24	Friday	ANZAC school service
25	Saturday	ANZAC Day
28	Tuesday	School Cross Country

May

7-8	Thurs- Friday	School Photos
12-14	Tues- Wed	NAPLAN
19	Tuesday	Yr 4 St Helena Island
21	Thursday	Yr 5 Caboolture Historical Village

2015 Swimming Carnival Results

House Points:

Mirimar 841

Amity 916

Doomba 959

Koopa 1066

Age Champions

Year 4

Age Champions: **Girls** Scarlet Ware Koopa **Runner Up:** Kaia-Paige Simpson Doomba
Boys Jordy Barraud Amity Charli Hewitt Amity

Year 5

Age Champions: **Girls** Abbi Geraghty Mirimar **Runner Up:** Ellah Reid Doomba
Boys Tyler Gleeson Doomba Eli Shields Koopa

Year 6

Age Champions: **Girls** Tahlee Robinson Koopa **Runner Up:** Emily Spink Mirimar
Boys Kobey Barraud Amity Jacob Taylor Mirimar
Oscar Lingham Mirimar

PHOTO DAY & FAMILY PHOTOS

Dear Parents,

Queensland School Photography will be taking our school photographs on the following dates:

Thursday, 7 May and Friday, 8 May 2015

Students must be wearing full school uniform including grey socks and fully black shoes.

To ensure a smooth running day, please note that all orders are prepaid and we would kindly ask that you hand your correct payment envelopes to **THE PHOTOGRAPHERS** on the date mentioned above – **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Follow these steps to order:

1. Complete student details on the order envelope – **one envelope for each student.** Envelopes will be sent home at the start of Term 2.
2. You may pay by cash, cheque, credit card or online. If you have two or more children attending you may include the payment in one envelope. Please clearly on the outside of all envelopes that you have paid in one envelope.
3. Online orders – visit www.qldschoolphotography.com.au to order. Reference number must be recorded on envelope and handed to photographers.
4. Cheques are to be made payable to Queensland School Photography Pty Ltd with your name, address and phone number written on the back.
5. Tick the box for the package required.
6. Enclose the correct payment (change cannot be given).
7. Each student is to hand their individual envelope to the photographer.
8. Parents wanting to have their children photographed together, please collect a **Sibling Envelope** from the school administration and bring the completed envelope along with your children to the school hall from 8.00am to 8.50am on Thursday, 7 & Friday, 8 May.

If for any reason you are not satisfied with the photos taken of your child, Queensland School Photography will provide a full refund.

Queensland School Photography will accept late orders for individual and group photographs, a late fee to cover postage and handling will apply.

If you have any questions, or wish to place a late group order, please feel free to contact Queensland School Photography customer service department on 07 3807 9601.