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Upcoming



Friday 19 February

- ❖ 2021 Parliament Induction Assembly – Invite only

Thursday 25 February

- ❖ Yrs 3-6 Primary Swim begins

* 95 Club *

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Newsletter.

Term 1 Week 4, 2021 e-Newsletter

Principal's report

We've had a busy couple of weeks settling into our new school year. Congratulations to the boys and girls who attended the PSSA zone swimming carnival last week and a huge congratulations to **Charlotte Skellern** for making it to the next round, well done! We would also like to welcome Mrs Melinda Auld who will be working in the office this term.

Our School Parliament Leadership Team will be inducted this Friday and will be presented with their certificates and badges by the Honourable Melinda Pavey MP. Parents will pin the badges on their children. We are looking forward to the coming ceremony.

Thank you to all the parents who came to last night's "Meet the teacher" night and those who attended the P&C AGM following it. Hopefully this was an opportunity for you to develop a partnership with your child's new teacher and to learn more about your child's class organisation for 2021.

A very big congratulations and thanks to the new and existing executive members listed under the P&C News, for accepting leadership roles of the parent body thus ensuring support for the school continues

Last year we had an opportunity to apply for like funding on a capital works in the school meaning if the school put up some funds the department would match it. I applied for the erection of a covered walkway from the cola to kiss and drop and we have been successful, our assets people have been out and made an assessment and will in the near future put out for quotes to have it erected (let's hope before the end of the year).

We had some intruders enter our sight late last year who thought it was a great idea to drink beer and smash glass on the soft fall under our equipment. We raised it under our insurance and have been notified the soft fall will be cleared and fresh soft fall to replace the contaminated stuff in the next week or so and the children will be able to enjoy the equipment again.

This year the NSW Department of Education has given funds to each school in NSW to fund a teacher position to support children affected by the reduced face to face teaching in 2020 due to Covid 19. We have been fortunate to have been granted 4 days per week for this purpose and Ms Leah Pearse was thankfully available to join our team to administer this program. Children within this program will need to fit criteria given to us from the Department and at present Leah is giving small group instruction 4 times each week for ½ hour slots targeting reading and numeracy.

As part of our School Improvement Plan (SIP) 2021-2024 we have changed a few things around at Beechwood, we are collaboratively planning and joining executive teams with Long Flat PS and Huntingdon PS for the next 4 years being named BAGO Professional Learning Community.

During this year I have taken Mr Small off class for 3 days per week to work as an Instructional Leader to support all our classrooms K-6. He will guide and mentor our staff with a particular focus on Numeracy and assessment in stage teams each week. Mrs Peach will be given time to mentor and guide literacy K-6.

Our goal is to have the highest possible impact on every student's learning, through high impact teaching and learning.

"Tree"mendous Awards:

Riley R, Lincoln C,
Emily, Elliette

Friday Fundraiser Roster

WK 4	Friday 19/02	Belinda Skellern
WK 5	Friday 26/02	Tamara Thurling-Herr
WK 6	Friday 05/03	Alison Coleman-Locke
WK 7	Friday 12/03	Katie Milner



Please open your camera or QR reader app and scan this code to access our website.



The BAGO Professional Learning Community will meet during the next 4 years for professional learning focussing on collaborative practice and Reading and Numeracy teaching and learning. We are doing this to provide time and space for:

- o enhanced consistency within grades and stages
- o planning work and learning opportunities together
- o planning for assessing learning and looking at work samples between classes
- o mentoring opportunity for our early career teachers to be guided by more experienced teachers

Term 1 Primary Swimming – Years 3-6

Our Term 1, 2021 swimming program begins next week (Week 5), on Thursday 25 February at Wauchope Pool. Please make sure permission note is handed in and payment made as soon as possible.

Scripture/Ethics Update

There will be no Roman Catholic scripture for the foreseeable future and also no Ethics class for years K, 5 & 6. The students will be placed in non-scripture. If you would like your child to attend non-denomination scripture, please contact the office.

Mrs Sinnott

Cooking Club

Cooking club has been back up and running now for 2 weeks. Students have enjoyed and experienced great success cooking banana muffins and vegetable frittata.

Cooking club is on every Tuesday at lunchtime and takes the entire lunch break for students. **Anyone who is available to help at this time please call the office.** Students are engaged with all aspects of the preparing, cooking and cleaning up during cooking club. They even grab a broom to sweep the floor without being asked.

Cooking club works on a rotation system with each student hopefully getting to cook once per term. The year 5/6 students are group leaders and there are 3 groups of 3 students per session. It is hoped that students bring the recipes home and recreate their masterpieces for your enjoyment at home.

We try to use local produce wherever possible, including our school garden. Donations of eggs by the Eggert family have been gratefully accepted and used in our frittata. Any donations of your own garden produce would be appreciated and items cooked will change to cater to fresh, local ingredients.

Poetry Years 5 and 6

This term all student in years 5 and 6 and learning poetry with Mrs Mc. The quality of their work is outstanding and they are extremely proud of their achievements. So am I, therefore we will be publishing some examples for you to enjoy.

We learn a different style of poetry each week. This week is List Poems. This is a list of items, places or ideas which are well thought out and sequenced to create interest. They can be repetitive and the last line should be strong, funny or important.

Mrs Mc

~ P&C News ~

Thank you to everyone who attended last night's AGM and general meetings. I would like to introduce the Beechwood Public School P&C Committee for 2021:

Libby Hamerlok – **President**

Lauren Swain – **Treasurer**

Alison Drury – **Secretary**

Katie Bulley – **Vice President/ Communications Officer & General BOOSH Committee Member**

Leanne Farrington – **BOOSH Treasurer**

Kelsie Ramsey – **BOOSH Minute Taker**

Terri Townsend – **General Executive**

Liz Ball – **General Executive**

We are still looking for people to take the following roles:

BOOSH Convenor

Canteen Convenor – Casey Bedell has offered to continue to manage the day to day operations of the canteen, but requires support in doing some of the rostering, ordering, and reporting requirements.

Grants Officer

Vice President/ Fundraising Officer

Rules & Policies Officer

Canteen Committee Members

BOOSH Committee Members

Libby Hamerlok

P&C President

VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION FEE

All families are asked to contribute to the cost of supplying students with all the learning materials provided by the school. The cost of resources used every day in the classrooms, including books, pencils, pens, paper, art supplies, craft supplies, first aid/tissues supplies, readers etc. is ever increasing. The contribution amount is the same as in previous years, **\$30** for one student or **\$40** family rate for 2 or more siblings and will greatly assist the school in off-setting these costs. Statements will be sent home shortly.

This contribution can be made at the school office by eftpos, cash or cheque (*made payable the Beechwood Public School*) or can be paid by Parent Online Payment (POP) - go to our website www.beechwood-p.schools.nsw.edu.au, select the **\$ Make a payment** tab, under the **Payment Option**, select **Voluntary School Contributions**, enter the correct amount then follow the prompts to add your payment details. You will receive an online receipt and later a school receipt when processed in the School Student Administration System.

Mel King

School Administration Officer/SAM

Rain

Soothing

Lightning

Soaking wet

Disgustingly dirty

By Chayse Madeley

Siblings

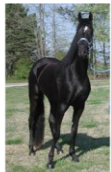
Siblings throw balloons filled with water
Wet and soggy like a mop
Dodging and ducking
Then I realize
they were aiming for my dog.



By Lily.t

Matey the horse

Matey
Cute
Soft
Riding is fun
You feed him hay
Some times he's cuddly
Some times he's not
See you tomorrow.



By Charlotte.

SHOP

Go to close
Get some soles
In aisle nine
Break my spine
Grab some beans
See some teens
Running to number 1

This is fun
Card declined

By Benjamin Hall

~ Community News ~




THE WHOLESOME COLLECTIVE WORKSHOPS

Join us for a fun hands-on culinary experience with The Wholesome Collective and enjoy being fed and watered by these wonderful nutritional experts! You will walk away with some healthy meal ideas and learn some simple dietary tricks and tips to transform your day to day cooking.

GET A FREE NUTRITIONAL COOK BOOK!

TUESDAY 23 FEBRUARY 6-7:30PM

HOLLISDALE HALL
1493 PAPPINBARRA RD, HOLLISDALE

Places are limited so please register at pmhc.nsw.gov.au/wholesome-collective



NSW Lifeline Saving Lives Crisis Support Suicide Prevention THE WHOLESOME PROJECT PORT MACQUARIE HASTINGS COWELL



Get excited because Zumba is coming to you!

Where? Beechwood School of Arts Hall

When? 9am on Tuesdays (starting 2nd March) for an hour class

Who? Everyone! Beginners to experienced are welcome

Cost? \$12 per class

5 classes at \$50

10 classes at \$80

*Come in straight after morning school drop off
and start your day in a party mood!*

Check me out on Facebook: Zumba with Sara Kelly

Port Saints Football Club 2021 Season Registration

Online registration for Port Saints Football Club (soccer) are **OPEN!**

Port Saints FC is a proud community-oriented club, run entirely by volunteers. We cater for ages 5 and upwards promoting fun and enjoyment of football! At our club we value;

- Fairness and equity (everybody deserves an equal opportunity to enjoy and play football, without fear of discrimination)
- Respect for others, both on and off the field (in particular respect for other players, referees and match officials, and club volunteers)
- Good sportsmanship (play by the rules and treat others the way you would like to be treated)

For further information and instructions on how to register in 2021, please visit www.portsaints.com.au/registration

We are holding two registration information sessions at our clubhouse on

Sat 6th Feb and Sat 13th Feb 2021

From 9am to 11am

If you register online you are not required to attend however we will have gear available for purchase.

Registrations will close on 21st February 2021

