31 July 2013

**BIRKDALE STARS**

This week’s Birkdale Stars are:

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**BIRKDALE OPEN DAY**

Birkdale State School is holding another Open Day on **Tuesday 6 August**.
You are invited to come along and learn about ‘A Day in the life of a Prep Student’. Members of our Administration Team and a Prep Teacher will be present to answer any questions you may have.
The sessions will be held at 9.30am and also 6.30pm. A tour of the school and a prep room will be included in the morning session.

Steve Logan

**SCHOOL ABSENCES**

When notifying the Admin Office of absences, please be specific as to the day / date and reason for your child’s absence. Thank you.

**STUDENT COUNCIL**

!!! STARTS THIS MONDAY !!!

‘SWAP A BOOK, Donate A Gold Coin ’N’ Win A Prize’

Raising Funds For Literacy

The Student Council want to take part in raising funds for books for children in remote communities.
Have you got a book that is in great condition and you can bear to part with it?
**BRING** along your book for the collection.
**DONATE** a gold coin.
**CHOOSE** a pre-loved book from the collection on another day.
**RECEIVE** a raffle ticket for a great prize.
(One prize per grade)

Please bring your pre-loved book (ONLY one per child, please) and gold coin to Mrs. Zondagh’s room on Monday 5th August before school.
Then come along on Wednesday 7th August, before school and at lunchtime, to choose a new book for nothing and receive your raffle ticket.

Refer: Mrs. Zondagh

**SHOW HOLIDAY – AUGUST**

The Redland City’s Show Holiday for the Brisbane EKKA is on **Monday 12 August**.

Wednesday is a normal school day.

**STRUDDIES – HOUSE T-SHIRTS**

Struddies still have house tees, with the team name printed on the back, available for $12.00 each.

**REMEMINDER**

The TUCKSHOP is CLOSED Mondays & Tuesdays
SPORTS NEWS

**District Representatives:** Six girls have been selected in the Redland District Girls’ Cricket team to compete at the Metropolitan East carnival which is being held in late August. Samantha, Sophie, Erin, Sophie, Rabekkah and Raquel were chosen at trials conducted on Monday. The girls will compete against representatives from the other districts at the regional trials. Well done girls and best of luck at the Met East carnival.

**P-3 Sports Day:** Our P-3 Sports day is being conducted on Wednesday 14 August. P-3 Sports Day. Students will participate in running races, relays, tug-of-war and a variety of rotational activities. It is a fun day for the children and families are welcome to come along and support the younger students of our school. The traditional parents’ race will also be held so it’s time to dust off the running shoes and start stretching those muscles in preparation for the big event!

**Senior Athletics Carnival:** Our senior athletics carnival will be held on Friday 16 August. An order of events is listed below:

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**Supporters Raffle:** A raffle is being conducted this term to help send Rylee to the National Primary Schools’ Swimming Championships which are being held in Adelaide. Tickets will be on sale before school and at our sport carnivals during the term. Prizes include:
- Autographed Swim Cap & Bag by Bronte Barratt
- Autographed Football by Wally Lewis
- Sports Equipment
  
  Tickets: $1.00 each

Drawn: School parade Monday 9 September

If any parents wish to help with the selling of these tickets please see Mr Menzies. Your support with this fundraising activity is greatly appreciated.

**Osprey Cup:** “The Osprey Cup” is an interschool sporting competition between Birkdale, Birkdale South, Alexandra Hills and Wellington Point State Schools. This term the schools will compete in a round robin touch football competition on Thursday 29 August. Four teams, junior boys and girls and senior boys and girls, will compete on the day. Trials will be held in the coming weeks. Refer: Alan Menzies

**Music Notes...**

**Redlands Eisteddfod is THIS WEEK!**

Our students have worked very hard in the preparation for this year’s Redlands Eisteddfod and are sure to do us proud this week. Please be on time for your session and make sure your uniform is ironed and neatly presented. Please style hair so that it is off the face. *Hairspray is your friend.* Small studs or sleepers are the only types of earrings which should be worn. Ribbons or scrunchies must be royal blue or yellow. BLACK SHOES are essential. Everything counts when it comes to presentation of a choir. Good luck kids – GO YOU GOOD THINGS!!!

**Reminder of details:**

WHERE: Cleveland Baptist Church,
240 Bloomfield St, Cleveland
(next to the Shell service station)

**JUNIOR CHOIR: Monday 30th July**

TIME: The students need to arrive (by own transport) at 4:30pm for warm ups. Please make sure they have had afternoon tea before arrival. The session commences at 5:00pm

**SENIOR CHOIR: Wednesday 31st July**

TIME: The students need to arrive (by own transport) at 6:15pm for warm ups. Please make sure they have eaten dinner prior to arrival. The session commences at 7:00pm

**ADMISSION FEES for Eisteddfod:**
- Entry for all competitors is FREE.
- Children 5 years and under are admitted FREE if under the supervision of an adult at all times.
- Adults: $5.00
- Concession/Student: $3.00

***$3 guitar lesson fees now due for Term 3 please $3***

**Guitar Program Opening**

There are a few spots available in the Guitar Program held on Thursday afternoons. If you would be interested in taking one of the spots, ready to start immediately, please contact Helen Deagon in the Music Room. Students must be from Year 3 – Year 7. Cost is $11/half hour.
Australian Children’s Music Foundation (ACMF) Songwriting Competition

There is a songwriting competition being run by ACMF. Entrants must be primary school students and have written a song without assistance from a person who is over 18 years of age, or who is not a school student. Students can compose a song independently or in a group of up to 4. The composition must be recorded and submitted in MP3, MP4 or aac format online, accompanied by the lyrics of the song. All entries must be postmarked no later than the closing date of Friday, 27th September 2013. All the details can be found at the website: www.acmf.com.au

PRIZES: 1st place winners in each category will receive a certificate and $600 (inc. GST) worth of musical equipment or music tuition. They will also win for their school an ACMF grant of $400 (inc. GST) for musical equipment. Students Highly Commended by the judges will receive a certificate.

MULTIPLE WINNERS: In the event of a winning entry being a song with more than one composer the allocation of the prize is a matter to be determined by the winning group. If the students are not from the same school, the allocation of the school prize is a matter for the recipient group to determine.

STUDENT PAYMENTS
Cash Window: Tuesday and Thursday 8am to 9am.

INTERNET BANKING
School’s Bank A/c Name BIRKDALE STATE SCHOOL
BSB Number 064138
Account Number 00090369
Reference Code Name and Class, if fits
Activity Ref Code On top of excursion note
Code for Voluntary Contribution is VOL.
Cost is $80
We have Credit Card/EFTPOS. You can phone on 3286 0710 and give your information for a credit card payment.
Please remember to put your child’s name and class as reference along with the Activity Reference Code.

TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER
for Hugo Southcott’s rehabilitation.
This Friday Night - All welcome!
2 August at 7pm $50 per team
Max. 5 per team - Spaces still available.
Big prizes to be won on the night.
Contact: Brent Smaill 0434 062990 or Kim Miles 0407 242463

RICK ROSER COMES TO BIRKDALE
Last Wednesday our Year 4 students had the opportunity to learn about Aboriginal culture from Rick Roser. Below are excerpts from the writing of Poppy & Jessica.

Today Rick Roser came to Birkdale. He was here to teach us about Aborigines. He taught us lots of things. Some of the things were making fire, ochre painting “The Emu Dreaming” and boomerang throwing.

Rick Roser taught us how to make a fire. First we had to collect some dry grass. Next we got some fire sticks. One had a hole in it and you had to put a long stick into the hole then rub the long stick and it should make a fire.

After the fire, we started doing some Emu Dreaming painting on our faces and our hair. The red stands for the land and the yellow stands for the emu or the sun. The point of my nose was the mountains, the lines on my cheeks were the emus’ feet, the dots on the side of my face were the waterholes, the long line was the long grass and the short lines were the trees. He also put ochre paint and emu feathers in my hair. Rick used bee’s wax to make the emu feathers stick to our hair.

Rick Roser taught us how to play the didgeridoo. We all had one go. When we played it, it was so so hard. Rick made everything look so easy but I tell you it was so so hard.

To finish it off Rick Roser taught us how to use a boomerang and what kinds of boomerangs there are. First we all had a turn of a normal boomerang. Then we had a go of a killer-boomerang. Rick put out a chair and we had to try and hit it. The killer boomerang is used for killing larger sized animals like a kangaroo and the normal boomerang was used for killing smaller animals like a small bird.

Our class 4A learnt a lot of information about aboriginal culture, how they survived and how they lived. That was the best day of my life at school.

CONGRATULATIONS MARGARET BEAN!
Division 10 Redland City
Inspiring Senior 2013!
This award pays tribute to Seniors who are considered inspiring due to the service they provide to the community. Margaret is a past President and current Vice-President of our P&C, the convener of the tuckshop and a tireless worker for the Birkdale school community. Thank you and congratulations, Margaret.