21 August 2013

**BIRKDALE STARS**

This week’s Birkdale Stars are:

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Well Done!

**P. & C. FATHER’S DAY STALL**

This year’s Father’s Day Stall will be running next week. We are holding it outside class hours, over four days. The times are as follows:

- **Monday 26th** 8.00a.m. to 8.45a.m.
- **Tuesday 27th** 8.00a.m. to 8.30a.m.
- **Thursday 29th** 3.00p.m. to 3.30p.m.
- **Friday 30th** 3.00p.m. to 3.30p.m.

There is limited stock, so it is FIRST IN, FIRST SERVED. Once all stock has been sold, the stall will **cease to operate**. Don’t wait too long to grab a bargain. Also, we are looking for helpers to serve on the stall. Any time you can donate will be greatly appreciated.

**Book Week 2013.**

**Book Week Dress-Up Parade**

Book Week is HERE and to celebrate year levels Prep to 3 will be participating in a **Dress-Up Parade**. You need to come to school on **Thursday, August 22** dressed as a book character. At 9am we will parade around the Hall in front of all the parents and friends who come to watch us. If you choose to get changed out of your costume after the parade, bring your uniform along. Or you can stay in your costume all day. See you there!

**Book Week Competition**

For interested students in year levels 4-7, you should have already started your online Book Week competition. Make sure you tell Mrs Palmer when you are finished, so your name goes in the draw for the $10 Book Club vouchers.
SPORTS NEWS

P-3 Sports Day:
The weather stayed fine and a great day was had by all at the P-3 Sports Day which was held last Wednesday. A huge crowd was on hand to watch the March Past as the students prepared for a day of running, relays, rotational activities and the tug-of-war. Every student received a ribbon after their race and the support from their peers and family was a highlight of the day. Many of our parents decided to dust off the running shoes and participated in the parents’ race to show the children that even as you grow a little older the competitive spirit is still alive. There were so many parents wanting to race, six heats had to be conducted. The Year Seven students helped conduct the rotational activities in the middle session as the children enjoyed a variety of fun events. It was an enjoyable day for all and a fantastic crowd helped to create a wonderful atmosphere from start to finish. A special mention is given to the staff who helped ensure this was another successful day on our sporting calendar.

Senior Athletics Carnival:
Our Senior Athletics carnival was finally held last Friday after being postponed twice due to the weather. It was a huge week for our year seven students who had helped with the P-3 carnival on Wednesday. The day started with the March Past and all of the houses were loud and colourful which helped set the tone for the day. It was pleasing to see the students cheering on their housemates and the judge of the House Spirit trophy certainly had a difficult time selecting the winner. McNeilly House took out the major trophy on offer for the day by claiming the Marion Parr-Smith Inter-house shield.

A lot of work occurs before we can hold a carnival of this size and therefore the support of Leanne and Christine was greatly appreciated, as it ensured the day was enjoyable and everything ran efficiently. We were also fortunate to have 4 students from Wellington Point High School to act as officials on the day. A special mention is given to all the teachers and students who helped to ensure the smooth running of the carnival. Mr John Chapman, the groundsman at Birkdale, is to be congratulated on the appearance of Agnes Street oval as it is certainly a credit to his hard work.

The P&C Committee looked after the catering for the day and there were lots of positive remarks on the variety and quality of the food.

Winners of the 5 major trophies and age champions are listed below:

| Interhouse Athletics Shield          | Marion Parr-Smith Shield McNeilly |
| March Past                          | Marc Newbury Shield Woodgate      |
| Ball Games                          | Denis Ryan Trophy Wilson          |
| Senior Athletics Champion Boy & Girl| Dave Swenson Shield Ethan Tahlia  |
| House Spirit                        | Cox-Farrelly Shield Wilson        |
| 9 Years Age Champions               | Michelle                         |
| 10 Years Age Champions              | Kalesha                          |
| 11 Years Age Champions              | Lynette                          |
| 12 Years Age Champions              | Tahlia                           |
| 13 Years Age Champion               | Ethan                            |

Six records were broken throughout the carnival:
Marcia – 12yr Girls Shot Put
Corey – 12yr Boys 800m
Reece – 11yr Boys 100m & 200m
Charlie – 9yr Boys 600m
John – 9yr Boys 80m

Fitness Training: Before school training has recommenced this week with sessions being held on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Next week, training will occur only on Tuesday and Wednesday as I have commitments on other days.

Osprey Cup: We will be sending four teams to compete in the 'Osprey Cup' next Thursday at Wellington Point S.H.S. This is a touch football competition between Birkdale, Birkdale South, Alexandra Hills and Wellington Point. Our junior and senior teams have been training over the last fortnight and will look forward to this event to improve their touch football skills. Permission notes have been sent home with the players and these will need to be returned as soon as possible.
FETE – PLANTS

Do you have a green thumb? If so, why not pot some plants in preparation for our Fete on 3 November. Pots can be provided if required. We also need someone to pot approx. 8 frangipani off-cuts and care for them until the Fete and, most importantly, we need a **Plant Stall Convenor**. Please call Kerri Allerton (ph 0432 559 486) if you can help.

PCYC

AFFORDABLE, RELIABLE AND FLEXIBLE care within the school grounds.

PCYC Birkdale offers a safe, caring and educational environment for before and after school care.

We have availabilities for every morning and afternoon casual or permanent care.

We also provide healthy breakfasts and afternoon tea, all included in fees.

Operating hours: -6:30 – 9am & 3 – 6 pm

Come and have a chat with the awesome staff to book your children in today!

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

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.

CHARITY FUN DIVE

Zoe’s Angel’s for Wiliam’s Wish – supporting children with Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis.

25 August 10am-3pm

Brisbane Aquatic Centre, Chandler

$20 registration for Fun Dive

+many more activities, sausage sizzle & auction.

More info: [www.raps.diving.asn.au](http://www.raps.diving.asn.au)

BRISBANE DYSLEXICS

Parent Support Group

Join bris.bane dys.lex.ics for a glass of wine and nibbles to celebrate the first Brisbane screening of *The Big Picture: Rethinking Dyslexia* and to launch our national lobbying campaign – DEFY DYSLEXIA.

**When:** 7pm, Wednesday 28th August, 2013

**Where:** SPELD, Queen Alexandra Room, Annex Level 1, 347 Old Cleveland Rd., Coorparoo

**RSVP:** Friday 23 August

admin@speld.org.au (07) 3394 2566

Cost: $10 per person when RSVP