THE BIRKDALIAN

STUDENT ABSENCES: absence@birkdaless.eq.edu.au
DENTIST: 3822 3473  TUCKSHOP: 3207 4187  P&C Association: pandc@birkdaless.eq.edu.au
FACEBOOK: parents/caregivers of Birkdale State School  WEB ADDRESS: www.birkdaless.eq.edu.au

9 October 2013

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.

SPORTING & CULTURAL PHOTOS

THIS WEEK!  9 & 10 October

Sporting and Cultural photos have commenced this week.

Cultural, Music, Year 7 and miscellaneous photos were taken today, Wednesday 9, and Sporting photos will be taken tomorrow, Thursday 10 October.

Order/payment envelopes were sent home previously. More envelopes are available from the brochure rack in Admin Foyer. These envelopes are to be returned to the photographer on the day of photos.

Sport students who made a Qld, Redland District or Met East team are to wear their representative uniforms. Please remind students to bring them to school.

SCHOOL ABSENCES

We would appreciate when you phone to advise of your child’s absence, that you please press option 2 to leave your child’s name, reason for absence and the date. This can be phoned through at anytime of the day although before 9am would be preferable.

SENIOR PLAYGROUND UPGRADE

Our $31, 818.18 grant application for the upgrade of the Senior Playground has been successful thanks to the efforts of our hardworking P&C members Sara Freeman, Grants Application Officer, and Keiran Harmey.

HOT DATES

- Student Free Day – 21 October
- Fete Meeting - 21 October 6pm in Library
- P&C Meeting - 21 October 7pm in Library
- Year 7 Camp - 22–25 October
- School Fete - 3 November 11am–4pm
- Prep Excursion to Wellington Pt - 12 November
- Night of Music – 15 November 6pm–8pm
MUSIC NOTES...

Music News...

Best of Brass – Musica Viva
At the end of last term around 440 Birkdale students attended the BoB show and got to experience five of the best Brass players in Queensland. It was fantastic to see so many kids and their parents enjoying the event. The show was very entertaining, as well as educational, and everyone loved the antics of the musicians. The music was wonderful, showcasing the many styles and music genres playable by brass instruments. Hopefully everyone took away something different from the show. Feedback from students was positive.

Brileigh: “I liked how they taught us how to BUZZ with our lips.”

Kayla: “I liked joining in and clapping. I thought the music was fantastic.”

Jake: “I thought that the whole show was just EPIC and I hope they come again. WOW!”

Daniel: “I liked all the funny parts especially when Sam bent over and played his trombone through his legs.”

Jessica: “When we were at the show I learnt that the smaller the instrument, the higher the sound.”

Craig: “I liked the trumpet when he used the mute to make the Wa Wa sound.”

Ella: “I liked conducting the Brass Band because I got to point to them and tell them when to play.”

Drew: “I loved seeing the Best of Brass for real. It gave me a different experience instead of seeing it on a computer.”

NIGHT OF MUSIC and Rehearsal Times
Date: Friday 15 November
Time: 6:00pm – 8:00pm
Who: ALL music students involved in choirs, strings, band, rock band, ukulele and guitar.

All music groups are back to normal rehearsal times this week in preparation for this year’s NIGHT OF MUSIC. While Mr Tickner is on leave, a new instrumental tutor will be appointed beginning next week, so Senior Band rehearsals and all lessons will continue as usual. Senior String students will have two extra rehearsals in the coming weeks to make up for lost Monday Public Holiday and Pupil Free Day holidays. They will receive a note about this soon.

Strings Program Information Session
On Monday 14 October, an information session will be held for any families of Year 2 Students who are interested in having their child learn a string instrument (violin, viola, cello, double bass) next year. The session will begin at 3:30pm and will be held in the Music Room. We look forward to seeing you there.

SPORT NEWS
Interschool Sport begins this Friday, 11 October. Please make sure permission slips have been returned and relevant payments have been made.

Refer: Alan Menzies

Library News

Don’t forget! Book Club orders are due: Friday Oct 25

On the Rack

Bubbles2Blocks Swim School

Kym Turner
AUSTSwim qualified
☎ 0438 680 690
✉ kym@bubbles2blocks.com.au

Hayley’s Yoga

• New yoga classes starting in Birkdale
• Get ready to stretch and tone your muscles
• Starting on Wednesday 9 October from 9:15 - 10:30am
• Located at the Birkdale School of Arts Hall, 101 Birkdale Rd Birkdale

For all enquiries please contact Hayley’s Yoga on 0437 304 466
**Fete Newsletter**

Fete Date: Sunday, 3 November 2013 from 11am - 4pm

Our fete is approaching fast - Sunday, 3 November. Don’t forget, the fete will now be held from 11am-4pm (not 10am-3pm). **Next fete meeting:** 6pm, Monday 21 October in the library, followed by P&C meeting at 7pm. All welcome!

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### PLANT STALL CONVENOR NEEDED

Despite several requests over the past couple of months, we still don’t have a plant stall convenor. Many people have potted plants for the fete, but we need someone to run the stall on the day. Can you help? We would also welcome any plant donations, as well as donations of old tea cups and saucers for potting plants.

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### BIKE RAFFLE

Raffle tickets for the Malvern Star adult’s mountain bike valued at approx. $400 will go on sale again soon. This bike was very generously donated by Mark from Bike & Cycle Obsession in the City. Tickets are $2 each or 3 for $5 and will be sold from outside the tuckshop before school on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from Tuesday, 22 October. Bike Obsession has also donated a 2nd children’s bike for the fete. Thank you so much!

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### BOTTLE STALL

The bottle stall convenors tell me they need lots more bottles to make our bottle stall a success. If you haven’t donated a bottle filled with items such as wrapped lollies, stationery, toys, hair accessories, etc, can you please bring yours in ASAP. Please take bottles to your teacher for counting. Remember, there’s a prize for the class that collects the most bottles.

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### RIDES AND RIDE BRACELETS:

All ride bracelets issued earlier in the year remain valid. Ride bracelets will go on sale again from Tuesday, 22 October. They will be sold from outside of the tuckshop before school each morning (except Thursdays) from 8.15am – 8.45am. Please bring completed ride bracelet order form and your money with you. Rides include the Hurricane and Round-Up (130cm height restrictions), ABC Fun Factory (large inflatable, ages 3 to adult), Super Slide (ages 3 & under must ride with an adult but no extra ticket required), Scooby Doo Combo Castle (for ages 3-12 years), Cup and Saucer Ride (ages 3 & under ride with adult on child’s ticket) and an inflatable slide for smaller children up to 9 years old. Two types are available:

1. **Senior Ride Bracelet** - $29 if purchased before the fete or $35 on fete day. Unlimited rides on all rides, subject to height and age restrictions.

2. **Junior Ride Bracelet** - $24 if purchased before the fete or $30 on fete day. Unlimited rides on all of the above rides, except the Hurricane and Round-Up (subject to height and age restrictions).

Alternatively, you can pay for each ride separately. Prices will range from $5 to $7 per ride.

We are very grateful to Im Local (Steve & Irene Pfister) for donating the small inflatable slide and to Results Home Services for donating the Scooby Doo Combo Castle and a slushy machine.

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### Ride Bracelet Order Form

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Please bring form with your money, to the tuckshop area before school on Mon, Tues, Wed or Fri (no bracelets sold Thursdays)

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### Trash & Treasure

Donations are still being taken for this stall. Coat hangers and supermarket plastic/carry bags are also needed. Please take donations to the fete storage room. A key can be obtained from the office.

### Ice Cream Containers

2L tall ice cream containers (like those from the Bulla Creamy Classics Range) needed for Cent Auction. Please take to tuckshop.

### Bakers Needed

There always lots of people needed to help make all of the cakes and sweets. If you are able to assist with baking, please contact me (ph: 0432 559 486) and I will pass your details on to the relevant person.

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### FETE DAY VOLUNTEERS

If you can spare an hour of your time on fete day (3 November), please complete the slip at the bottom of this newsletter and return it to the Red Box in the office foyer, or phone or email me (Kerri Allerton) - 0432 559 486; email: allertonjk@optusnet.com.au. Lots of volunteers are needed to make the fete a success!

Circle time available: 11am-12 noon 12noon-1pm 1pm-2pm 2pm-3pm 3pm-4pm 4pm-5pm (clean up)

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Stall preference (if any):_____________________________________

Name: ____________________________________ Phone: __________________ Child’s Name: __________________ Class: __________________