Birthday Book Club
Thank you to these people for their birthday book donations.

Dylan  Jamie

Don’t forget to mark your birthday in 2013 by donating a book to the Library. You too can be a STAR!

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

CLASSES FOR 2014
As usual I will be holding interviews over the next fortnight with parents about placement for class in 2014. If parents wish to have a chat regarding their children and/or considerations for next year, please ring the Office. This is not meant to be about wanting a particular teacher, but rather discussing your child’s needs. Also, emails don’t cut it. An email after a telephone conversation does though. A special note is going to Prep students regarding the looping exercise discussed earlier in the year.

ENROLMENTS FOR 2014
Oh my, how things change. When I came to Birkdale, the search for enrolments was just as difficult as finding a 1930 Penny. But now our reputation is such that the style of education offered at Birkdale makes it a very popular place for young men and women. As we close on the end of 2013, enrolments in some year levels are coming to a close. So be quick if you know anyone who needs a spot for next year. I will keep you informed which year levels will close next week. I think Prep will be the first one to do so.

Steve Logan
Principal
Music Notes...

‘Night of Music’ Celebrating Excellence in Music
DATE: FRIDAY 15th NOVEMBER
WHERE: BIRKDALE STATE SCHOOL HALL
TIME: 6:00PM – 8:00PM

What is the ‘Night of Music’? This is a night where student achievement in Music is celebrated. It’s a terrific occasion where all students who participate in a Music ensemble perform in front of a packed audience of family and friends. As well as performing with their ensemble, students will also be involved in an Opening number and a Finale. Trophies are awarded to selected students in each group who have demonstrated particular qualities including: attaining a high skill level, showing improvement, displaying potential, demonstrating a great work ethic and making a fantastic effort. Every year this is a hugely popular event. This year we have around 260 students in the Music Program. The Hall will be set with a limited number of seats. ALL TICKETS MUST BE PRE-PURCHASED. To avoid disappointment, purchase your tickets to the event early. As the event usually runs for approximately two hours, it is advised that small children do not attend, if possible. To purchase your tickets, please complete the slip at the end of the Birkdalian and return it with the correct money to the Office or the Music Room. Tickets will then be issued to families.

Ticket prices:
Adults: $8
Children (6yrs – 16yrs): $5
Family (2 Adults + 2 Children): $23
**Children 5 and under: FREE
***ALL STUDENT PERFORMERS DO NOT REQUIRE A TICKET

Parents of Musicians Meeting
I would like to offer snacks and drinks to families as they are waiting around pre-show for Night of Music (there will be no Intermission). Children will be dropped off from 5pm, so it would be nice to serve refreshments. If you would be available to help out by working in the kitchen or with anything else (ALL BEFORE THE SHOW STARTS) please come to a quick meeting which will be held in the Music Room at 3:10pm on Monday 28th October.

Music Uniform Check
Please check that you have all the necessary items ready for FETE and NIGHT OF MUSIC. There were a lot of students who turned up for school photos last week with items missing.

BLACK SHOES ARE A MUST FOR ALL GROUPS. They do not have to be expensive or leather, just lace up (for stepping up on stage and up choir risers). Big W usually has them for under $10.

Fete Entertainment Program
Sunday 3rd November
Venue: Hall
All students are to arrive at their meeting place DRESSED READY TO PERFORM with the relevant instrument and music. As this is a School event, all students are expected to participate. Your support is greatly appreciated. Any queries, please contact Mrs Deagon.

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<td>School Rock Band: INFINITY Meet in the Hall near the stage at 1:15pm Wear own clothes appropriate for performance</td>
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<td>Junior Strings Intermediate Strings Senior Strings Meet at the back MUSIC ROOM at 1.15pm Uniform: Wear the relevant string uniform</td>
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**NB Performances will not be delayed for late arrivals.
SPORT NEWS

Class Swimming lessons: Swimming lessons for students in Years 1-7 commence in Week 4. It is important that students are aware of their PE day and come prepared with all of the items required to swim. Sunsafe shirts and swim caps are essential items and it is important that all items have the child’s name marked clearly for easy identification. Parent help is required for lessons and it would be greatly appreciated if you could notify the child’s class teacher if you are able to help with this important program. If you have some spare time and are able to help with other classes please see Mr Menzies.

Interschool Sport: It was a great start to our Friday afternoon interschool sport competition with six of our nine teams recording wins. Our tee ball and softball teams dominated and they look forward to a promising season ahead. Our second round is on this Friday and then there is a break for 2 weeks due to school camps.

Refer: Alan Menzies

FETE NEWS

ONLY 18 DAYS TO GO! Our fete is on SUNDAY, 3 November. Don’t forget the new fete times – 11am – 4pm. Unfortunately, I haven’t received any more volunteers since last week’s Birkdalian. WE NEED MORE HELP. It seems we’re not going to get a Plant Stall Convenor, so now I’m trying to get volunteers to work on the stall on the day – just 5 people to work 1 hour each. We also need more helpers on the BBQ, Sweets Stall, Drinks Stall and Devonshire Tea stall, as well as a few extras on other stalls. If you can volunteer just 1 hour of your time, please complete the volunteer slip below and place it in the Red Box in the Office Foyer or phone or email Kerri Allerton 0432 559 486; email: allertonjk@optusnet.com.au. Next Fete meeting: 6pm on Monday, 21 October in the Library (followed by P&C meeting at 7pm).

Refer: Kym Turner ☎ 0438 680 690

RIDES

To obtain your ride bracelet/s, please complete the slip below and take it to the tuckshop area with your money between 8.15am and 8.45am. No Ride Bracelets will be sold on Thursdays. You will then be given a certificate which you must take to the ride bracelets tent on Fete day to receive your ride bracelet/s.

Ride Bracelet Order Form

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Please take completed form, with your money, to the tuckshop before school on Mon, Tues, Wed or Fri from 21 October. No bracelets sold Thursdays.

FETE VOLUNTEER SLIP

(Please complete and place in Red Box in office foyer)

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

Stall preference (if any): ________

Name: _______________ Phone: _______

Child’s Name: __________________ Class: ______

AQUAZUMBA is here

Thursday evenings - 5.45pm at the Birkdale State School pool Come and have a great time exercising!!!

Cost: $10 per person Classes open to adults and children over 12 All levels of fitness welcome

Refer: Kym Turner ☎ 0438 680 690

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TICKETS for ‘Night of Music’ 2013 Friday 15th November, 6:00pm – 8:00pm

I have enclosed cash payment for the following ticket purchase (correct money please):

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TOTAL: __________

☐ I will come and collect my tickets from the Music Room. (Afternoons 3:00pm – 3:20pm)

☐ I would like my tickets to be sent home with my child:

Child’s Name: ___________________________________________    Class: ______

Parent name: ___________________________________________ Ph: __________