2 April 2014

BIRKDALE STARS
This week’s Birkdale Stars are:

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Congratulations!

END OF TERM CELEBRATIONS

What a day yesterday was, at our Assembly. We rocked with the rock band, we blitzed with the girls from the ‘Girls in Sport’ program and did the ‘Barracuda’ chant. I knew our two special guests, Mr Munce (Acting Regional Director, Central Qld) and Mrs Robyn Lloyd, (Principal Advisor, Education Services, South Coast) were blown away by the whole show. Everybody at Birkdale is a star.

It was great for me to see how this school has gelled to be ‘the best school by the bay’. Unfortunately I will be on sick leave next term as I deal with some complications from my previous stroke. Don’t freak out, I’m OK. Mrs Barnett has become a true ‘Birkdalian’ and will look after you all while I’m away. Have a great holiday. Remember to wish our great staff the same before Friday.

Steve Logan (Principal)

CELEBRATIONS

Term 1 is finishing on a tremendously positive note, as there are many reasons to celebrate at Birkdale State School. Celebrations recognise achievements and are a tool for honest reflection. Celebrations are a part of Australian culture and the culture at Birkdale S.S. We are BIRKDALE BLITZED every Monday morning, as we recognise and celebrate students’ achievements on Assembly and this Monday was an extra-ordinary blitz, as you can see by Steve’s comments

Please let me share with you, more feedback about Assembly, emailed to the office from a parent this week.

‘Could you please let Steve know how proud I was of our school this morning at assembly. I came away from there with a huge grin on my face; what a great start to the week. The visitors’ comments brought a tear to my eye; they seemed genuinely impressed (and rightly so).

From the National Anthem to the Birkdale Barracuda’s, it goes down as one of the best assemblies I’ve been to.... and I’ve been to a lot over the years!! I’m sure I speak for many of the parents who were there this morning.

Many thanks
Julie J.’

May I wish you all a safe and happy holiday break. Jayne Barnett (Deputy Principal)
URGENTLY NEEDED

Painter/s
Experienced painter/s to paint class sets of student-sized blackboards, as soon as possible, please. Paint supplied.
Refer: Gwen Jessep (Learning Support)

More Book Coverers
We have purchased a huge quantity of reading materials for the students to take home but they need to be covered before they are sent out. If you have a few hours to spare and would like to help out Birkdale State School please come and see Jo Small in the Library. No experience necessary, training provided. Many hands make light work.

SPORT NEWS

Qld Representative: Rylee competed at the Qld Primary Schools’ Swimming Trials which were conducted at the Chandler Aquatic Centre last week. She swam in five events and medalled in three of these: 100m Freestyle – silver; 100m Backstroke – silver; 50m Breaststroke – bronze. Due to these results, Rylee was named in the Qld team which will compete at the National Championships to being held in Melbourne in July. This is the second year that Rylee has been selected in the State team and we wish her all the best at the Nationals.

Interschool Sport: Our interschool sport competition will commence in Week 2 of next term. We will be competing in netball and soccer against Birkdale South, St Anthony’s and Hilliards. Trials will be held this week, with all teams being announced in the first week of Term Two.

Swimming: Our swimming lessons have finished for this term and will recommence in week 4 of term four. I would like to thank the wonderful group of parent helpers who have supported our program during the term. There have been a number of parents who have helped with many of the classes and this support is truly appreciated.

Cross Country: Our cross country team to compete at the District Trials on 28 April will be selected this week. An information package will be sent home with all students who have gained selection in this team. There is a very short timeline and these notes need to be returned ASAP to Mr Menzies.

PE Lessons: Students in Years 3-7 will be participating in an athletics unit in PE lessons next term. It is important that suitable footwear and hats are worn to these lessons. Sunscreen should be applied before the lesson.
Refer: Alan Menzies

P&C CADBURY EASTER EGG SALE
This Friday we will be selling the Cadbury eggs by the bag. If you have not taken a box, come down and grab a bag or two to help finish our fundraiser. There are Caramel, Turkish Delight, Crème egg and plain eggs to choose from. Support your school and buy at least one bag under the Yr7 building next to the icy cups.

Music Notes...

Senior Band on Assembly
On Thursday 24 April, the school will be holding an ANZAC Day Ceremony. This is the very first week back after Easter holidays. The Senior Band has been asked to perform two songs, ‘Abide With Me’ and ‘Band on Parade’. Please make sure students in the band wear their Band Uniform and have their instruments and music ready for the assembly. Students are to meet in the Hall at 8:00am for set up and a run through.

SER Advanced Choral Camp
It was with great pleasure that the parents and teachers, of the four students who attended the camp, watched as they joined the other students and professionals to perform a number of songs they had learnt over the three camp days. The standard of singing was very high and the technical difficulty of pieces was impressive. According to the kids, they learnt a lot, made some great new friends and LOVED the food. This was a terrific musical experience for Sarah, Savannah, Hudson and Ethan.

Easter Hat Parade
The girls and boys are very excited about this week’s Easter Hat Parade for Prep and Year 1. They have been practising many songs ready to entertain everyone. The Parade is this Friday, 4 April, beginning at 9.30 am in the Hall. All welcome.

Beginner Strings’ Afternoon Performance
Next term, on Monday 28 April, the beginner string students will be putting on a small concert for their parents. It will begin at 3.15 pm, after school, in the Music Room. Please mark the date on your calendar. More information will be sent home closer to the date.

GOOD LUCK SENIOR CHOIR WHO ARE ATTENDING THE VOICE FUSION WORKSHOP THIS THURSDAY. HAVE A GREAT TIME AND DO US PROUD!
FREE TICKETS
Some violin students may get inspired by other young top-class violin performers by attending a concert with John Curro conducting the winners of this year’s Animato International Violin Competition. This is an early notice, just in case you are interested in getting Early Bird FREE tickets to the concert where the winners perform.

- Date: 2.00 pm on 14 December 2014
- Venue: Old Museum Building, Brisbane
- if you pre-order tickets now (before 5 April) you will get FREE TICKETS. (Normally students $10 and adults $25.)

To get the free tickets, parents should visit www.InternationalViolinCompetition.com/freetickets and follow the prompts. The competition is for students aged 17 and younger. For more information about enrolling as a contestant visit www.InternationalViolinCompetition.com

STUDENT COUNCIL
A HUGE thank you goes out to the people, sellers and buyers, who participated in our first Car Boot Sale on Saturday morning. Despite the heat and humidity it was deemed a small success and there will be other sales in the cooler weeks to come. The money raised goes into Student Council funds and will be spent on equipment for the school when they reach their monetary goal this year.

A special thank you to Mr. Denis Roche and Mr. Patrick Zondagh for their help.

Anzac Day
Ribbons, wrist bands and tattoos will be available in the first week of Term 2 to help celebrate Anzac Day and our armed services’ dedication to duty.
- $2.00 ribbons & wrist bands.
- $1.00 tattoos.
Proceeds go to Legacy - the service that supports the families of people in the ADF- Australian Defence Force.

The Student Council wishes every Birkdalian family a happy and safe Easter holiday.

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.

STUDENT PAYMENTS

HOT DATES to the Holidays
3 April Voice Fusion
4 April Easter Hat Parade: Prep & Yr1
4 April Shopping Centre Excursion: Yr1
5–21 April School holiday
22 April School resumes

UNIDENTIFIED PAYMENT
If anyone has made a direct deposit for a Senior T-Shirt around 12 March and banks with the Bank of Queensland (you won’t have received a receipt), could you please contact the office on 3286 0777.

Thank you

WINTER UNIFORMS
We are now taking orders for the winter uniform.

Please place your order prior to the school holidays for collection before schools returns.

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