What are PBEL and The Leader In Me?

PBEL is a school system for student welfare, while The Leader In Me program is about developing leadership skills and 21st Century resilience. Both programs have two different outcomes and are used effectively across K-6 classes. Here is an overview of how they work below:

**SCHOOL WELFARE SYSTEM:**
Positive Behaviour for Engaging Learners

PBEL is a school wide program that is all about creating a positive and encouraging learning environment where children know what is expected of them, have the skills to do it and see the benefits in acting responsibly and respectfully.

PBEL is a prevention model: it is a proactive, not reactive discipline student welfare model based on international research for improving student behaviour.

PBEL is a state initiative to improve Student Welfare programs in schools. At BPPS, we use PBEL to provide explicit expectations in the classroom and non-classroom settings.

If a teacher becomes concerned about a student’s behaviour, the teacher facilitates a reflective process and discussion to focus on personal behaviour goals to improve the situation. It has replaced the previous system of students receiving Yellow Cards, Detentions and Discipline Levels without restorative discussions.

Each year, schools are assessed on how they meet PBEL targets. This includes students knowing the name of the school values and expectations in all areas of the school.

As a result of PBEL, negative student behaviours at BPPS reduced by 80% e.g. during the first 3 years of the program.

**LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT:**
The Leader In Me

Based on *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*, The Leader In Me produces transformational results such as higher academic achievement, fewer discipline problems, and increased engagement among teachers and students.

Better yet, The Leader in Me equips students with the self-confidence and skills they need to thrive in the 21st century economy. The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People are the basis to The Leader In Me program.

At BPPS, we have implemented The Leader in Me program to help our students:

- Set leadership goals
- Work in collaborative whole school projects e.g. the 7 Habits Olympics, Multicultural Cook-Off, UTS Design project
- Teach children 21st Century flexibility and multi-tasking skills
- Gain leadership experience and opportunities K-6

Gifted and Talented strategies have been integrated into The Leader in Me program, through the Imagination First sessions.

As a result of The Leader In Me and Imagination First sessions, our school was successfully selected to present 3 sessions at the 2012 National Gifted and Talented conference – inspiring other educators to follow the Beauty Point PS leadership model.

**** STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE ****

Thank you to our SRC students, Stage 3 students and G&T students for representing BPPS in the UTS Design Project. Thank you to Sabine, Beverley, Mel and our P&C for their support of this Imagination First and community project.
**Bullying versus Normal Conflict – what is the difference?**

**Conflict** is characterized by the fact that it generally happens in the heat of the moment. It is often a difference of opinion and most of the time both parties involved are equally upset. Conflict is a disagreement or a difference of opinion or interests between equals. Conflict is an inevitable part of group dynamics, but bullying is not. In each, a different response is required.

**Bullying** is a deliberate act and there is the intention to hurt, insult or threaten the other person. In the case of bullying there is a definite power imbalance where the bully seeks to manipulate the situation so that the target has no power. It is repeated, harmful behaviour.

It is important to note that similar to adults, not all children get along naturally, however learning how to interact with a range of personalities and group dynamics is an important part of developing emotional and social resilience.

During this term, teachers have been running through PBEL lessons on appropriate classroom and playground behaviours. Teachers are continually teaching safe, respectful and cooperative strategies at school. This is not always easy, so we ask for your help in reinforcing this at home too. A copy of our school rules are attached to this newsletter.

If you have any concerns relating to your child, please speak immediately to your child’s teacher so they can help resolve the issue immediately. The recommended flow chart on how to raise an issue of concern is below.

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**Parent Teacher Interview Night – Tuesday 8th April 3.15-7.15pm, Term 1**

This year, BPPS will be organising Parent-Teacher Interviews in Week 11 of Term 1. This will provide an early opportunity for teachers to communicate information about their students’ progress directly to families. A web-link to the online booking system will be sent out in the Week 8 Buzz for parents.

Please note that the Term 1 Parent-Teacher interviews are being scheduled earlier, rather than at the traditional half-way point of the year. The more formal progress reports will still be provided to parents in the Semester One Student Report in Term 2.

- **Bookings will be available from 9 am on Monday 10 March, 2014 to 3pm Friday 28 March, 2014**
- **The whole school Parent-Teacher Interview evening will be held on Tuesday 8th April between 3.15-7.15pm.**

Teachers will allocate 15 minutes per student (through student/parent/teacher conferences) to discuss your child’s progress. Teachers may also offer additional parent interviews during Week 11 through the online booking system, but this is dependent on the personal schedule of the teacher.

**Head Lice Alert**

Further to my e-News update last week, Head Lice is still an ongoing problem. Could parents please fill in this survey so that we can get your views on how we can work together as a community to alleviate this ongoing problem? The survey can be accessed at: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/L28WMKD](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/L28WMKD)

Best wishes,
Shanti Clements (Principal)
BPPS Expectations for Success

- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be a Quality Learner
- Wear Correct School Uniform

Our Leader in Me 7 Habits:

- Habit 1: Be Proactive - You’re in Charge
- Habit 2: Begin With the End in Mind - Have a Plan
- Habit 3: Put First Things First - Work First, Then Play
- Habit 4: Think Win-Win - Everyone Can Win
- Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood - Listen Before You Talk
- Habit 6: Synergize - Together Is Better
- Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw - RENEWAL

Students will be disciplined if they:

- Fail to act safely (e.g. kicking, hitting, wrestling, punching, rough play, throwing objects at another person)
- Fail to act with respect
- Fail to be a quality learner
- Fail the uniform policy
- Fail the internet code of conduct
- Fail to listen to teacher instructions

FROM THE OFFICE

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM (EOI) - HIGH SCHOOL 2015

As your child’s primary school education is coming to a close; it is time to think about which school your child will attend next year. An Expression of Interest form (that you will need to complete with your preference(s) for placement of your child in Year 7 at a government school) will be sent home with all Year 6 students on Monday 10th March. Please complete the relevant areas indicating if your child is going to a Public or Private High School and return them to the SCHOOL OFFICE.

This form needs to be completed by every student in Year 6, irrespective of which high school they hope to attend.

Please return all Expression of Interest Forms by Friday 21st March 2014 – to the school office.

UPDATE OF STUDENT INFORMATION (PINK FORMS) – WAS DUE 3rd MARCH

A ‘pink’ form with student contact information on it was sent home to all parents last week – thank you for those who have returned it. If you have still not completed and returned, could you please review the details on this form and amend anything that may have changed and return this to the office by Monday 17th March the latest. It is important that the office has up to date records of the students at all times.
CHILDREN RECEIVING AWARDS

Congratulations to all students who have received awards in the last fortnight!

Gold Card

Amelie P 1C
James W 2H
Mac G-H 3D
Sienna H 3D
Phoebe C 3F
Seth P 3F
Toby B-C 4E
Joe Y 4E
Harry B 5B
Jake H 5B
Angus Mc 6N

Citizenship

Rose R 3D

HAVE YOU SEEN OUR NEW WEBSITE?

We are currently in the process of updating the school website. You will notice the website has had a major overhaul of both design and content. Major changes include the inclusion of weekly class updates and a new notes & newsletters section. Copies of all notes that have been sent home will now be uploaded to the site once a week under the ‘Notes & Newsletters’ tab. If notes are misplaced parents can now download and print them directly from the website – there is no need to contact the office for extra copies. Under the ‘School years’ tab parents will now be able to view weekly updates from each stage. These updates will be completed by all classes on a rotational basis. This is a great way for our school community to view students’ work and classroom activities. Throughout the term and early next year we will continue to add content to our website including the inclusion of updated office information including frequently used forms. The Online learning tab will also be continually updated to include educational websites. Check it out at http://www.beautypt-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/
### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### 2014 TERM 1

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**P&C MATTERS – next P&C meeting is Monday 17th MARCH at 7.00pm**

Hello!

It's been a busy time for everyone in the school as we settle into the new school year. I'm happy to report that the P&C has already been active in a number of areas and you can see lots of positive things coming out of all our fundraising. New bike racks are about to be installed, a new storeroom for all the school's science equipment is just being finished and Ann Leaf has started her work assisting teachers and students, to enhance the standard of writing in the school.

It was very disappointing to have to cancel *Family Fun Day* but we'd like to say a big thank you to Sue Robson, Natalie King, Vicki Albert and Sofia Collantes for all the work they did to organise everything. Thanks also go to the Year 1 bakers and those who donated lolly bags, which were all sold out in 20 minutes on Monday afternoon in a veritable feeding frenzy! We'll cross our fingers for better weather next year.

We have set / revised dates for a number of events so do please note these in your diary.
**FIREWORKS NIGHT** - 24 May (with a backup date of 31 May if necessary)

**OUTDOOR MOVIE** - 15 August (back up date 22 Aug). This will be a new event (to replace the Easter Egg Fundraiser), so come along with your onesie or sleeping bag and enjoy a family movie. Lots more details to follow!

**YARRAMUNDI CAMP** - 13/14 September (years 3-6 only). Please note this change of date.

Can we also please reiterate Shanti’s plea for everyone to check for nits as this is a particular problem in the school at the moment?

The next P&C meeting will take place at 7pm on Monday 17th March in the School Hall. Please come along. If you have any items you wish to put on the Agenda, please let Ros know on rosvanextel@hotmail.com

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**2014 CLASS PARENTS**

A big thank you to all the people who have offered to be class parents this year. Can I please remind everyone that class parents:

- ARE there to forward emails, arrange social catch ups and pass on messages from the teachers,
- ARE NOT expected to organise the P&C event allocated to your year or to produce the artwork for the fundraiser, make the costumes for the end of year concert etc – we look forward to everyone playing an active part in ensuring these events are a success.

Regards
Ros Van Extel
Class Parent Coordinator

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Dear Parents & Carers,

WELCOME!
We have some new faces this year in OOSH. I’d like to welcome Fran our new assistant director, as well as Beau and Nick our new casuals.

PLACES FOR 2014
We have recently been approved to care for up to 60 children every morning and afternoon. If you would like to add extra bookings please contact me.

ACTIVITIES FOR TERM 1

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Senior Club
Will continue every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday in the teacher’s staff room. Children will do separate activities from week to week.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WINE AND CHEESE NIGHT

THURSDAY 13th MARCH 6:30PM

You are invited to attend our AGM in the Hall.

The Directors and Management Committee will be summarising last year in OOSH and with your help we will set goals for OOSH for 2014. Your opinion is valued and we welcome your feedback and suggestions.

It is a great opportunity to meet other OOSH parents, talk about OOSH, present your ideas and join our Management Committee.

It is highly recommended that all new kindergarten parents attend this meeting.

Come and have your say!

Child minding and kids dinner on the night from 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Sincerely,
Lucie Francis
Centre Director
COMMUNITY NOTES

WILLOUGHBY GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL
A Leader in Girls Education

Extension Class Placement Test for Year 7, 2015

Year 6 students will have an opportunity to sit a placement test for our Year 7 extension class for selected students.

Saturday 15th March 2014
9.15 – 11.30 am
School Hall

Please ring the school for further information and to book a test place.

Principal: Ms Elizabeth Diprose
Phone: 9958 4141
Fax: 9967 2174

WILLOUGHBY GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL
A Leader in Girls Education

Please join us for

OPEN NIGHT

Wednesday 12 March 2014
5.00 – 7.30 pm
School Hall

Principal: Ms Elizabeth Diprose
Phone: 9958 4141
Fax: 9967 2174

Bendigo School Banking Dates – Term 1

The dates for the pickup of school banking is as follows for Term 1
26 February 2014
12 March 2014
26 March 2014
09 April 2014

Pick-up from classrooms starting at 9.45am
Play, Positioning and Talking with Babies

When babies are encouraged to move in a variety of ways opportunities for interaction, exploration, communication and learning are increased. This workshop will discuss ways to encourage baby’s movement (from birth to sitting) through daily routines, getting to know individual preferences and reading baby’s cues and what to do if there are movement difficulties.

Date: Wednesday, 5th March 2014

Time: 6:00pm – 8:30pm

Cost: $85 for non-members. Discounts apply for Learning Links and Parent members

Suitable for: Parents & Early childhood professionals

Sensory Processing

Do you know a child who never sits still, loses control easily, plays roughly with friends and equipment, appears “fussy”, is hard to get going, appears to be inattentive and/or at times is difficult to motivate? These behaviours may result from how a child perceives and responds to sensory information. This workshop provides information about how children learn through their senses. Strategies to support individual learning styles in the home and early childhood settings are discussed through case studies.

Date: Wednesday, 2nd and 9th April 2014

Time: 6:00pm – 9:00pm

COST: $160 for non-members. Discounts apply for Learning Links and Parent members

Suitable for: Parents, early childhood, school & health professionals

Location: Dee Why Kindergarten, 2 Clarence Ave, Dee Why


www.learninglinks.org.au  •  (02) 8568 8200  •  Head Office: 10 Railway Parade, Penshurst NSW 2222
Funded Training Opportunities for Single Parents

Develop Your Skills for Future Employment

What is it?

This course for Single and Teenage Parents aims to improve the job readiness of parents who receive parenting payment.

Eligible participants will receive mentoring, assistance with job seeking, plus workshops on topics such as:

- Goal Setting – how to work towards your dream job!
- Resume & Cover Letter Writing
- Personal Presentation and Grooming – how to look good on a budget
- Interview Skills – sound good, look good!
- Healthy Relationships/Nutritious Family Eating
- Time Management/Budgeting

Who is eligible for this program?

Recipients of the Parenting Payment from Centrelink.

Other PPS recipients can access training as part of this program, if places are available.

This 6 week course will run on Friday’s at Naremburn Family Centre from 10am – 2pm commencing March 21st

The course will be project based, hands on and provide participants with a pathway into further education and training or employment.

Interested? Call today to register. Childcare may be available. Morning tea provided!

Laura Hurstfield

P: 84258700 I E: naremburnfamilyservice@dbb.org.au

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