



BEAUTY POINT BUZZ

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TERM 2 WEEK 10

1 July, 2009

Small School – Big Opportunities

NAIDOC Week – celebrating customs, traditions and cultures of indigenous Australians.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Our current School Value focus is "FAIRNESS"

Dear Parents,

With two weeks remaining, the end of the term is rapidly approaching but there is an enormous amount of activity occurring at the school over the 9 day period.

Student reports for Semester 1 were taken home on Monday and teachers are now in the process of conducting **interviews with parents** to discuss the children's progress. Thank you to the many parents who have made an appointment for this important discussion.

You would be aware that both our bands recently participated in the **Yamaha Festival**. **Congratulations** to the **Concert Band** which was awarded a **Bronze** and the **Training Band** which attained a **Silver** from the adjudicating panel. Both groups and their conductor, Brad Madigan, can be very proud of this effort.

Our **Year 6 debating group** has been particularly busy this week in the **Premier's Debating Challenge** against Manly West and Manly Village Public Schools. We were awarded a **victory against Manly West** arguing the negative "that homework should be banned from primary schools". Against Manly Village, Beauty Point again argued to negative case "that the internet does more harm than good" and on this occasion we were runners-up. Our team of **Jack, Liam, Taija and Cosette** should be very proud pleased with their performances. Our debaters are working under the guidance of Miss Conway.

Today, **Allie and Liam** (Stage 3) together with **Cella and Matthew** (Stage 2) are at Collaroy Plateau P.S. competing in the Northern Sydney Local Final No 2 of the **Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition**. This is a joint project coordinated by the Department of Education and Training's (DET) Arts Unit & Multicultural Programs Unit. I am certain that our representatives will present very well.

This afternoon it was a pleasure to welcome guests to our school for the **Banner Award Presentation Assembly** for Term 2. I am sure that the parents and siblings of our two Banner recipients are extremely proud of the students' efforts. **Congratulations to Chloe and Sarah** on attaining their Beauty Point Banner. Well done, girls.

Next week, 5 – 12 July, we will be **Celebrating NAIDOC Week** "Honouring our Elders, Nurturing our Youth". All Beauty Point students from Years 1 - 6 will be participating in an excursion to Gibberagong Environmental Education Centre at West Head. The centre is operated by DET staff and I am sure that the girls and boys will enjoy the variety of activities planned. We will also

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE

*To the many wonderful parents, friends and community members who support
Beauty Point Public School,
thank you on behalf of our students for your contribution to their education.
This is a special school community.*

have a selection of **student art work** displayed in the Mosman Cinemas throughout this period.

Congratulations to our **PSSA sports teams** who have been performing very well of late. Wet weather has curtailed AFL and Soccer action, but last Friday the AFL teams won 3 of their 4 matches while our soccer teams recorded a draw and a loss. Our Netball girls have been "on fire" over the past three weeks recording 9 wins from as many starts. A sensational effort! Well done to all our PSSA reps for their great efforts. Congratulations also to respective coaches, Mr Jensen, Miss Conway and Ms Gilks.

Next week **both senior dance groups** will each have 3 performances at the **Sydney North Dance Festival** held at **Glen Street Theatre, Belrose**. I am looking forward to seeing both groups perform. They have been working hard under the tuition of Mrs Farrell, Mr Sharwood and Miss Conway. Special thanks also go to Mrs Farrell and Miss Conway for their work sewing many costumes!

Congratulations to **Shanelle, Maddy and Maxim** who have received certificates for their excellent participation in the Willoughby City Council's 2009 Guringai Festival, Reconciliation Writing Competition.

Tomorrow is the annual **Beauty Point Public School Athletics Carnival** to be held at **Middle Head Oval** (This is due to maintenance work this term on the usual venue) Track events will be run on this day with field events being conducted at school over the coming weeks. All students must travel to the venue on the bus. A warm invitation is extended to parents to attend the carnival. Children may be taken home by their parents at the conclusion of events. Thank you to Mrs Heath, who is being assisted by Mrs Dunn, for their organisation of the carnival. Successful students at the school carnival will be invited to represent at the North Shore Zone Carnival to be held at the NSW Academy of Sport, Narrabeen on 25 August (Field events) and 31 August (Track events)

Last Friday afternoon our **inter-school competition Chess Teams** had a drawn result in their matches against St Pius X College. Our school representatives for this competition have been; Intermediate team; **Joshua, Jack, Padraig, Matthew and Kristopher**. The Rookies team is **Joshua, Elliot, Kieran and Adam**. Congratulations to these boys for their fine efforts throughout the competition. A big thank you is extended to the parents who have transported players to matches and provided afternoon tea when we have played at "home". In the last edition of the "Buzz" I asked parents to indicate if they would like their child to receive user pay chess tuition during one lunchtime per week next term. We have had some responses, but we do need some additional students to run the program. If you're interested, please see either Mrs Curvey or myself by early next week.

Our **Year 5 students** are working productively on the design and construction of their **pushcart** for the **2009 Techno Push** event to be conducted at Eastern Creek Raceway on 25 August. Thank you to the parents (& students) who baked cakes for the group's fundraising event and all the girls and boys who supported the group by buying the cakes.

School photographs were taken last week and I am very pleased to say that the photographers praised our students for their excellent behaviour and sensible attitude. The photographers will return on Friday, 14 August to take all sporting team shots.

At the last P & C and School Council meetings, I informed both groups that I will be taking long service leave for the last 5 weeks of next term, commencing 31 August. The overseas trip that my wife and I will undertake was booked well in advance of my secondment to Narrabeena School for Term 1.

In closing, I would like to clarify our school's position with the **Australian Government's funding for Primary Schools**. We will be provided with **work and equipment to the value of \$125 000.00** under the **National Schools Pride Program**. This work will include a range services from the provision of painting, carpet, shade for play equipment, new computers, an IWB for the multipurpose room and technology equipment. This work should commence early next term. Beauty Point Public School is in Round 3 of the major building work program that is being presented to Canberra for approval next week. Under the **Primary Schools of the 21st Century program**, a school of our size enrolment can receive up to \$2 million in funds. Looking at the response times for Rounds 1 & 2, we should expect to hear some positive news towards the end of August. I shall keep you informed of progress.

Classes for this term end next Thursday, 9 July with staff attending a professional learning day on Friday, 10 July. Our teachers will join our Harbourside Public School colleagues to hear from **John Joseph**, a highly respected educator and speaker from South Australia. Last week you should have received an information flyer regarding the **Parent Information Session John is conducting at 7pm on Thursday, 9 July in the hall at Mosman High School**. Bookings are not necessary and I urge you to take to opportunity of hearing the presentation titled, "Parenting with the Brain in Mind".

I wish each student and their family and safe and relaxing holiday.

Regards,

Graham Phillips
Principal

As we near the end of Term 2, I would like to thank all those who have helped make the first half of this year a successful one for the P&C. The school is now in a good position to purchase more of the educational materials identified earlier this term. With that in mind, the teaching staff is in the process of receiving presentations from several leading suppliers of academic resources particularly focused on Literacy and Mathematics.

Decisions will be made early in Term 3 and the best and most comprehensive resources will be purchased. This will impact all learning stages within the school.

Another key project for Term 3 for the P&C will be the Major Fundraiser. In your children's bags today will be a magnetised fridge note with more details of the event planned for 11th September.



**A night at the
OSCARS**

Prepare yourself for a "Night at the Oscars" at a truly stunning, brand new venue right on Chowder Bay. Be among the first to experience "The Sergeant's Mess", owned and operated by one of Sydney's leading restaurateurs. He is working with our Year 2 organisers to make the night a terrific success. Invitations and information will be sent out early in Term 3.

On that note, besides being a very fun night, it is our major fundraiser. We still need to raise funds so the school can continue to deliver an outstanding learning environment for our children. Any help you can give in providing auction items will be most welcome. Donations of wine to the 'Wine Cellar', unique and interesting items, holidays and the like all help make the night a success. Please contact Claire Harrison (harrisonmike@bigpond.com.au) if you have something you would like to donate.

Enjoy the holiday.

Howard Portrate
P&C President

SPORTING NEWS

AFL

In the first game, Beauty Point 1 lost by one point with North Sydney kicking a goal right on the siren. In the second game against North Sydney we won by 4 points. The goal kickers were **Matthew, Joshua** and **Kori**.

By Josh Campbell

Beauty Point 2 had a tough match against North Sydney. We won 19-12. Well done to James Pitt for kicking lots of goals and trying his best. Everyone played to the best of their ability and really enjoyed the match. Game two against North Sydney was also a great game the score was 29-7 in favour of BPPS.

Players of the week were **James** and **Cain**

By Maddie

SOCCER

Blues Last week we played against Lane Cove West. It was a tough game and unfortunately we lost. Liam and I played goalie for the first time and **Jack** was strong in defence. Man of the Match went to **Ben** for his great effort in attack.

Ethan (Captain)

Reds Last Friday our opponent was Lane Cove West. The whole BPPS team had very good communication and played very well for a draw. Our goal was scored by **Maxim** and the "Man of the Match" was awarded to **Daniel** for a great job as goalkeeper.

Max (Captain)

NETBALL

On Friday 19 June, **Blue 2** had a fantastic game against Artarmon. We won 12 - 6 and I was very proud of everyone's efforts in the game. Congratulations to the player of the match **Annabel**. Well done Blue 2.

Emily

Last Friday, **Blue 1** played a fantastic game of netball. Unfortunately the other team didn't show up but we still had a great time playing a friendly match against Blue 2. The final score was 5 all and I thought that everyone tried their best and played brilliantly. Congratulations to the player of the match – **Maddy**. Well Done!

Coralie

Two weeks ago, the **Blue 1** netball team won their match against Mosman Public School 12 - 1. Everyone played a fantastic game, especially **Harriet** who was the player of the match. We look forward to another great game in the future. All teams are playing very well at the present time.

Allie J

The **Blue 2** netball team played a great match against Northbridge, winning 8 – 2. Each team member played very well and our team work is fantastic. We had some strong defence by **Georgia** and some brilliant goal shooting by **Annabel**. **Georgia** was our player of the match.

Sydney S

SCIENCE NEWS

This has been an exciting term in Science.

Kinder will be filmed next week presenting their weather reports to end their unit on weather.

Stage 1 has set up a fair test to carry over the holidays to see which substances will mummify fruit.

Stage 2 has set up a fair test to see which materials used for bags are biodegradable.

Stage 3 Year 6 has completed "Murder Under the Microscope". Their catchment plan for the Caboolture River was very innovative. **Year 5** has raised \$328 with a very successful cake stall for their pushcart. The cart looks very professional thanks to the wonderful assistance from Zan Kadi and Neil Gallagher.

The NRMA inspection will be carried out in Week 1 of 3rd term.

"**Murder Under the Microscope**" – Year 6 have recently been investigating "Murder Under the Microscope". We have identified through research the crime site as the Caboolture River in Queensland, the victim as the Blue Banded Bee and the villain as habitat clearing. Our next job is to develop a catchment management plan. Good luck Year 6.

Shanelle Dervish



OUR WINNING SCIENTISTS FOR THE FORTNIGHT

are

Lucia and Bligh - Junior Scientist

and

Matthew F and Sophie Senior Scientist

Mirelle Farrell, Science Teacher

FLEXI MEALS

There will be no lunch orders from Fleximeals in the last week of this term – ie Monday 6th and Thursday 9th July as the kitchen will be closed.

CHILDREN RECEIVING AWARDS

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YR 1	Tom
YR 1/2	Ella
YR 2	Annalena, Zoealex, Laura, Max
YR 2/3	Sophie
YR 3	Carla
YR 3/4	Emma
YR 5	Maxim, Jason

CHILDREN RECEIVING BANNERS

3/4E Chloe
4J Sarah
YR 6 Coralie

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 2

JULY

Thursday 2	Athletics Carnival - Middle Head Oval
Monday 6	Kindifarm visiting BPPS for KK and KW Years 5 and 6 - Dress rehearsal for Sydney North Dance Festival at Glen Street Theatre, Belrose 12.00noon
Tuesday 7	Stage 2 NAIDOC excursion Years 5 and 6 dance groups 5.00pm performance at Glen Street Theatre, Belrose
Wednesday 8	Years 5 and 6 dance groups 12.30pm performance at Glen Street Theatre, Belrose Years 6 dance group 7.30pm performance at Glen Street Theatre, Belrose
Thursday 9	Stage 3 NAIDOC excursion Years 5 dance group 7.30pm performance at Glen Street Theatre, Belrose Last day Term 2 - for students
Friday 10	Professional Learning Day for staff

JULY - TERM 3

Monday 27	Term 3 commences for all students
Friday 31	Stage 1 students attending Tree Planting Day at Rosherville Reserve State cross country

AUGUST

Monday 3	Information Morning for Kindergarten 2010 enrolments - 9.50am
Tuesday 4	Australasian Schools' English Competition
Wednesday 5	OC testing
Friday 14	School sports team photographs to be taken
Monday 17	Cupcake day proceeds to RSPCA P&C Meeting 7.30pm in the School Hall
Wednesday 19	Australasian Schools' Maths Competition
Thursday 20	Book Week visiting performance
Monday 24	Book Week
Tuesday 25	Zone Athletics Field Events
Thursday 27	Book Week visiting performance
Monday 31	Zone Athletics Track Events

SEPTEMBER

Mon 7- Friday 18	School Swimming Scheme for all Year 2 students and nominated Years 3-5 students
Friday 11	Major Fundraiser Evening - venue tba
Wednesday 16	Sydney North Regional Athletics at Homebush
Wed 23-Fri 25	Stage 3 - Years 5 and 6 - 3 day excursion to Canberra
Thursday 24	Visiting performance for Kindergarten - Year 4 "Deadly Australians"
Wednesday 30	Transition to school - Kindergarten 2010 Session 1 9.15 -10.50am

OCTOBER - Term 4

Friday 2	Last day of Term 2
Monday 19	Classes resume for all students for Term 4
Thursday 22	Transition to school - Kindergarten 2010 Session 2 at 11.25-12.15pm

Tuesday 27 Kindergarten 2010 - Parent Information Night 7.00pm in the School Hall

NOVEMBER

Thursday 5 School Disco - conducted by Year 6

Friday 6 Transition to school - Kindergarten 2010 Session 3 at 9.15-10.50am

Monday 9 Year 6 Interrelate Program

Tuesday 10 Transition to school - Kindergarten 2010 Session 4 at 9.15-10.50am

Monday 16 Year 6 Interrelate Program

Monday 30 School Concert Matinee performance at North Sydney Leagues Club time tba

DECEMBER

Wednesday 2 School Concert Evening performance at North Sydney Leagues Club at 7.00pm

Thursday 10 Year 6 Farewell Dinner in the School Hall

Monday 14 Years 3-6 class picnics at Manly Waterworks

Tuesday 15 K-2 class picnic and movie at Collaroy

Wednesday 16 Last school day for 2009 for students

Thursday 17-
Friday 18 School Development Days for all staff

LIBRARY NEWS



Congratulations to **Angus, Ben and Piper**, who have all completed the Premier's Reading Challenge since the last "Buzz".

Next week is the last week of term, and children are encouraged to borrow lots of books for the holidays. Please make sure you bring library bags during the final week of term.

Early next term we will be having a special presentation on childrens' literature for students in Years 5 and 6, given by The Children's Bookshop in Beecroft. This will be on the afternoon of Wednesday 5th August. Book Week is also coming up in the middle of next term, the theme being "Book Safari".

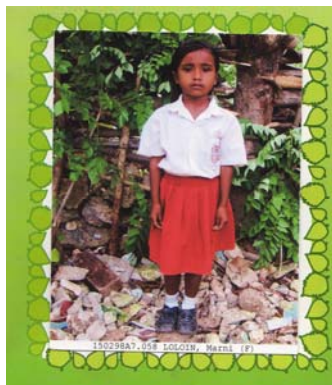
Happy reading!

Alan Cockerill, Teacher Librarian

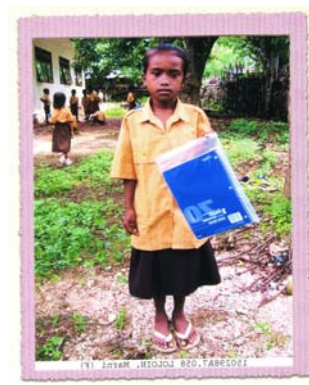
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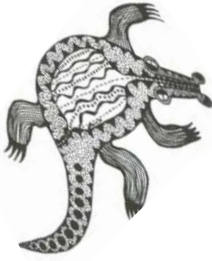


2009

In 2006 the staff and students at Beauty Point PS began to sponsor a child who lives in Indonesia. Her name is Marnie and she is now 8 years old. Marnie is in her second year of schooling and loves to play and study. Her school starts at 7:15 and finishes at 12:15. Marnie's best friend is Seli and her favourite colour is white. Our sponsorship has helped give Marnie's community information on healthy life and nutrition, access to integrated health services and school supplies. We have just been sent

Marnie's latest school report and she is making wonderful progress in her studies. Above are some photos of Marnie. Please go to our school website and view the newsletter if you would like to see these photos in colour.

NAIDOC WEEK



NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Usually this week occurs during the NSW school holidays but this year, with our 11 week term, we are fortunate to be able to celebrate this event in the week it occurs.

NAIDOC Week provides an opportunity for Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians to join together to recognise the valuable contribution Indigenous people have made to this country.

This year, at Beauty Point, we will be celebrating this important event in the following ways:

- In order to learn more about Aboriginal culture all students from years 1 – 6 at our school will be going on an excursion to the Ku-rin-gai Chase National Park.
- The school has purchased a wonderful resource called "Happy to be me" for K – 2. This resource consists of 15 Aboriginal themed picture books and CD's. Instead of reading the books, the children sing the words and dance to the music!
- Years 3 – 6 will be reading the special educational supplements published in the Sydney Morning Herald during NAIDOC week.
- Aboriginal artwork by our students has been selected to be displayed at the Mosman cinema.
- Watch out for the NAIDOC 2009 posters on display around the school. The posters display the artwork by Luke Mallie, an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artist from Mackay in north Queensland. Luke's artwork, titled Carrying on Our Culture, was judged the winner by the National NAIDOC Committee from a record 140 entries. It represents the elders, past and present, teaching and keeping watch over their young as they learn and grow into adults to then carry on the culture.

I hope that all families at Beauty Point will join with us in celebrating NAIDOC Week.

Amelia Ewan
Aboriginal Studies Co-ordinator

OOSH NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

OOSH is currently in the Step 3 out of 5 of Accreditation. We are expecting a Validator's visit in the next four weeks. The validator will observe our practices and evaluate our service. After the visit, our self study report together with results from Surveys and the validator's report will be revised in the Step 4- Moderation. After moderation comes the final Step 5 – Accreditation Decision. We will also be presented with profiles of all the 8 areas of Quality Assurance.

I would like to remind all the families who haven't yet returned the surveys to do so by end of this week. It's a crucial component of our accreditation process.

I would also like to remind you that the early bookings for Vacation Care close next Thursday – 9th July. If you consider booking for Vacation Care, please do it in the next few days as it will help us in planning staff rosters and resources. All the youngest children in the school received a Vacation Care Program in their bags last Wednesday. If you require an extra copy it is available either from OOSH signing desk or from our website: www.beautypointoosh.webnode.com

Also, if you have any items that clutter your storeroom or garage, please consider donating them to OOSH. We will be happy to receive anything from pre-loved books, toys, games, bean bags, children's sofas or bookshelves will be much appreciated.

And last but not least, I would like to introduce our Assistant Director – Lucie Francis. Lucie has been working with us for the last three years on regular casual basis. From last week Lucie has been offered permanent part time role. She will be assisting me in all aspects of running OOSH. Please, feel free to direct your enquiries to her in my absence. Our lovely girls: Luisa and Taria will still be helping us on casual basis. We also said farewell to Patrick – I'm thankful for his contribution to our OOSH and I wish him best of luck in his future endeavours.

Kind Regards,

Meg Trop
OOSH Director

BAND NOTES

Well done to the Training Band for their excellent performance at the Yamaha Festival! For their first performance at a competitive level, the Training Band should be congratulated for keeping their cool on such a large stage and delivering their three pieces with such panache.

Both Concert and Training Bands will now be starting on new pieces with Brad.

Final rehearsal sessions for Term 2 are as follows:

Training Band - Friday 3 July
Concert Band – Monday 6 July

Rehearsals resume during the SECOND week of Term 3 as follows:

Concert Band – Monday 3 August
Training Band – Friday 7 August

The Band Committee

COMMUNITY NOTES

Winter Warmer Portrait Special - Only \$50



Winter light in Sydney is stunning and produces beautiful tones and colours. To share the winter love, we're offering a Winter Warmer Portrait special.

A one hour portrait sitting and a 12 x 8 inch print, valued at \$190 is available for a limited time for just \$50.

Don't miss our winter special! It ends July 31.

Contact : Rebecca at Welsch Photography
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3-Day Program for Girls and Boys aged 4-12 years, 9am-12pm



All participants receive expert coaching, Mariners T-Shirt, signed Mariners Photo and a drink bottle

- Meet the Mariners Players
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- Morning tea supplied by **Costa For All**
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CENTRAL COAST

WEEK 1

Mon 10 - Wed 12 July	WIMBA	Erindale Motor Soc. College
Thu 14 - Fri 16 July	TERRELLA	Marital High School
Mon 10 - Fri 17 July	MARINA	Woolahra Sports Complex

WEEK 2

Mon 20 - Wed 22 July	ERINAHERBERTS	Central Coast Cosmopolitan
Thu 21 - Fri 23 July	TUMBU LUMBI	Mirissa Athletics Track
Mon 22 - Fri 24 July	WATSONIA	Frank Manning Field

SYDNEY

WEEK 1

Mon 10 - Fri 17 July	CLEMONTE	Palmrose Park
Mon 10 - Wed 15 July	WEST PYMKLE	McKinnon Cricket Oval

WEEK 2

Mon 20 - Wed 22 July	ST IVES	Warrince Oval
Mon 20 - Wed 22 July	WARRIMOO	St Annandale Park
Wed 22 - Fri 24 July	BURROUSEY	St Annandale College

Visit www.mariners.com.au to download an application form or to sign up online. Call 4353-7211 for more information.
Applications can be mailed to PO Box 5244 Chittaway Bay NSW 2261, or faxed to 4353-7211
Entry Clinic: supervision available from 8.00am and after care available until 12.30pm.



Parenting Programs

Child & Adolescent Parenting

Northern Sydney Central Coast Area Health Service
(Phone: 9887 5830)

Triple P (Positive Parenting Program)

Behaviour management program suitable for parents of children (3-8yrs). Clear strategies on how to encourage desirable behaviour and manage persistent misbehaviour.
(7wks/2.5 hrs - 4 group sessions/ two 1:1 phone sessions over 3 weeks, with final group session Wk 8)
◆ Chatswood (11/8) ◆ Cremorne (12/8)

Communicating with Kids (based on PET)

6 week/2.5hrs course providing communication skills for building effective long term relationships with your children and other important people in your life. (Age group: 4-12 yrs)
◆ Chatswood (20/8)

Communicating with Teens

5wks/2.5hrs
Aims to increase your understanding of your adolescent's needs & behaviour with skills to relate to them.
◆ Chatswood (26/8)

Workshops for Parents (2.5 hours)

- * Teens Workshops Dealing with Teen's Back Chat at Chatswood (19/8)
- * Understanding Your Toddler and Discipline at Chatswood (10/8)
- * Bully Busting Workshop, at a school near you
- * Transition to School, at a school near you
- * Transition to High School, at a school near you
- * Triple P (PPP) Seminar Series (1-12 years) and (Teens)

Workshops/Seminars available on request - to organise these or for details of those scheduled for this term, phone 9887-5830

Term 3, 2009 Courses/Workshops begin from 10th August

Please phone for a brochure or information
about the courses/workshops/seminars on 9887 5830