



BEAUTY POINT BUZZ

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TERM 2 WEEK 8

Wednesday 17 June, 2009

Small School – Big Opportunities

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Our current School Value focus is "PARTICIPATION"

Dear Parents,

Last Friday, it was my pleasure to attend our **Concert Band's performance in the Yamaha Band Competition** at UTS, Kuring-gai Campus. What a splendid job the students did and I was a very proud School Principal. I know that our conductor, Brad Madigan and the many Beauty Point parents who were in attendance were also extremely proud of the children. As yet we have not received the rating on the performance, but whatever the outcome the children should be very pleased with themselves. Well done, Concert Band! I am looking forward to seeing the Training Band perform this Friday. There is still room for students to join the Training Band this year, so if your child is interested, please make enquiries through the school office.

Congratulations to **Siena, Ben and Maddy** who all competed with great determination as members of the North Shore Zone team at the recent **Sydney North PSSA Cross Country Championships** at Gosford Racecourse. It is an excellent achievement to compete at this level.

The new **K-6 French program** under the direction of Madame Dixon has been extremely well received by all students and the staff. Thank you to those parents who have paid the \$75-00 contribution for this parent funded program. I also thank parents who have paid their term / semester instalment towards their child's **school account**. Please take the appropriate steps if you have yet to do so.

Each Friday morning, I meet with a group of talented mathematicians from Years 4-6 for the **Maths Olympiad** program which is conducted throughout Australia & New Zealand. This involves the students working through very challenging tasks based around problem solving strategies. There are five formal Olympiad tests the children complete as a part of the program. Congratulations to **Matthew**, Year 4 who achieved a perfect score in Olympiad 1! **Kieran**, 4J, also performed very well. I am impressed with the both the motivation and enthusiasm of this group and I look forward to meeting with them every week.

Next term, we are very keen to re-introduce **weekly chess tuition** during lunchtime during for Weeks 1 – 8. This does hinge on the level of interest and participation from the students. The Sydney Academy of Chess will provide a tutor if we can establish a group with a minimum of 10 regular participants. Parents would need to be prepared to pay \$ 56-00 for the 8 week period. If you child is keen to participate & you are happy to contribute, please send a note to the office addressed to my attention.

Student reports for Semester 1 will be sent home on Monday, 29 June and you are invited to book an interview time to discuss your child's progress with the class teacher. Details for **parent / teacher interviews** will be sent home with your child next Wednesday. I urge all parents to take the time to meet with their child's teacher. Whilst this is a period of formal interviews, I remind parents that you are welcome to make an appointment at any time throughout the year to discuss any school matters with the teaching staff, myself included.

Over the past two years at this stage of the financial year, our school's P & C Association has conducted a formal capital appeal where families have been invited to make a **tax deductible donation** to the P & C's Building Fund. This has been very well

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to the many boys and girls who are participating in our various special groups and teams. Bands, Dance and Drama groups, Chess teams and PSSA sporting teams are all impressing the teaching staff with their enthusiasm, commitment and team work.

Well done!

supported by our school community. Given the world events of the past 8 months, it was decided not to conduct the appeal this year. Notwithstanding the current economic climate, I have been approached by several families during the last fortnight asking if they can make such a donation this year. The answer is "Yes", with details being provided in the P & C section of this "Buzz". As always, such support for our school is greatly appreciated.

It is extremely important that the school office has **current & correct contact details for all families**. This is particularly important when a child is sick or injured. Recently we have had instances where parent contact numbers or those listed as an emergency contact, have been disconnected or changed. In a measure to update all family contact details, I would be very grateful if **every parent would complete the tear-off section in this "Buzz"** and return it to their child's teacher as a matter of urgency. I am also looking to re-establish the **school parent email contact list** to be used by the school and / or class contact parents. If you do not wish your email address to be included, please leave this section blank.

Please mark Friday, 11 September 2009, in your diaries now!

This year's fundraising committee has a fabulous night organised for our school community. A new, local venue has been booked for the night. '**A Night at the Oscars**' is the chosen theme and closer to the evening I'm sure the organising team will give us some imaginative ideas of what to wear!

Let's not forget, in amongst all the fun, that the event is being held to raise all important funds for the school. This year we are hoping to raise enough money to meet some of the school's wish list supporting the school's teaching and learning programs with the purchase of items such as additional literacy and mathematics resources.

I am asking if everyone could put on their generous "thinking caps" and come up with any items they may be able to donate, as auction items, for the evening. In past years, families have donated items such as a week in their holiday home, tickets to the theatre or Australian Idol, a day out on a boat, jewellery items, beauty or hairdresser vouchers – even a few new bikes! There are so many things that have been donated in the past that these are really just some examples. No contribution is too big or small. For instance, any donations of wine will go towards creating a "wine cellar", which could be a fantastic prize on the night.

Please contact **Claire Harrison** (harrisonmike@bigpond.com.au) as soon as you can with your donation commitment.

Thanking you in advance for your donations and help with ensuring a successful '**A Night at the Oscars 2009**'.

A further reminder is provided for those families with a **child commencing Kindergarten in 2010**. It is very important that you **lodge an enrolment form** with the school office. This still applies if you already have a sibling at BPPS. To assist with planning, it would be greatly appreciated if such forms are lodged over the next fortnight.

In closing, please note that **school photographs will be taken next Monday, 22 June**. Full winter school uniform should be worn. Sporting teams and band members etc, should bring uniforms and instruments for their photos. Don't forget to return your child's photo envelope to their teacher.

Regards,
Graham Phillips
Principal

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P&C NEWS - next meeting 17th August.

At the P&C meeting on Monday night, Mr Phillips provided a detailed update on the status of the funds the Rudd Government has earmarked for the Building the Education Revolution and the National Schools Pride programs. Beauty Point looks like receiving a healthy amount of funding toward improving and upgrading some of our older buildings and infrastructure. There are still some hurdles to jump but it is all very encouraging.

Also at the meeting, discussion was held regarding some of the Kindy parents desire to fund, prior to June 30, installation of air conditioning in the two Kindergarten classrooms. This is a wonderful offer. As Graham mentioned in his report earlier in the Buzz, a number of parents in the past have chosen to make a tax-deductible donation to the school building fund at this time of year. Should you wish to make such a donation, payment details are as follows:-

Cheques payable to Beauty Point Public School P&C Assoc. Building Inc. sent to the school office in a clearly marked envelope.

Direct deposit, donor's name must be included as a reference.

Bank: National Australia Bank
BSB 082 299 Account No. 507 340 493
Account name: Beauty Point Public School P&C Assoc. Inc

I viewed some of the Literacy materials being purchased by the school with the help of P&C funds. It is very rewarding to assist the school's ability in obtaining such high quality material to help our kids succeed.

In just under three months the Major Fundraiser will be held (11th September) and the Year 2 parents organising the event are working like Hollywood producers on making it a night that has the fun in fundraising. Please mark your calendars.

Howard Portrate, P&C President

CHILDREN RECEIVING AWARDS

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YR 1 Ben
YR 2 Billy
YR 2/3 Tallulah, Ethan
YR 3/4 Chloe
YR 4 Siena

CHILDREN RECEIVING BANNERS

3/4E Chloe

PLEASE RETURN THIS SECTION TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER

UPDATED CONTACT DETAILS

Child' name: _____

Current class: _____

Child' name: _____

Current class: _____

Mother's Mobile No: _____ Father's Mobile No: _____

Home Telephone No: _____

Emergency contact/s

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Mobile address for school use: _____

Any known allergies / medical conditions: _____

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 2	
JUNE	
Thursday 18	Stage 2 excursion to the city
Friday 19	Training Band in Yamaha Festival - 10.30am
Monday 22	School photographs - full winter uniform
Tuesday 23	Australian Schools' Writing Competition - nominated students in Years 3-6
Tuesday 30	Stage 1 NAIDOC excursion
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
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 Interelate Program
Tuesday 10	Transition to school - Kindergarten 2010 Session 4 at 9.15-10.50am
Monday 16	Year 6 Interelate 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

SPORTING NEWS

NETBALL REPORT On Friday 5th, Team Blue 1 played a netball match against Neutral Bay. Beauty Point tried really hard and it was a great match. Unfortunately, Blue 1 lost 15-7. Congratulations to **Sophie** who was awarded player of the match.

On Friday 12th, Team Blue 1 had an awesome match against Mowbray Public School. Everybody played extremely well and tried their hardest with a result of 10-0 our way. Well done to **Taija** who was awarded player of the match. Shanelle Dervish.

The Beauty Point netball teams have had a very successful fortnight at the courts. We have had 5 wins out of 6 games and the students have really enjoyed themselves. Last week we were down a considerable number in our Blue 1 team but the Blue 2 girls stepped up and played 2 games and won both of them. Thank you girls for all your hard work on the day. Our players of the match were **Emily, Taija, Asha, Sophie, Saaini** and **Daisy**. Congratulations girls!
Sue Gilks

SOCCER REPORT

Last week Beauty Point Blues played against Middle Harbour. It was a tough match and unfortunately we lost 4-1. Liam Lawless played really well in defence and **Jack** was our single goal scorer. Man of the match went to **Jack** for his great kicking skills throughout the game.
Captain: Ben Kidd

Due to the Concert Band performing at the Yamaha Festival, we took away a combination of Red and Blue players in one mixed team. We played as the Blue team against Middle Harbour, followed by a fun game with a mixed team of both Middle Harbour and Beauty Point. Given the difficult circumstances of the day, I was very pleased with the effort and contribution from all our players.
Coach: Danni Conway

CHESS NEWS



If parents would like their child to participate in tutored chess lessons next term, please send a note to Mr Phillips or come and see Mrs Curvey.

ICE BLOCK NEWS



Unfortunately our supplier of ice blocks has informed us that they are no longer producing the mini ones for 50 cents. We will now be selling lemonade ice blocks for \$1.00.

KINDY PARENT REMINDER

If you still haven't picked up your plate or platter from the Kindy Café at Fireworks night – please go and check the canteen – there are a number of plates waiting to be collected.

BAND NOTES

The Yamaha Band Festival:

Many congratulations to the Concert Band for their performance at the Yamaha Band Festival. The pieces were challenging and all performers played their very best. The Festival adjudicator provided some practical comments as the band replayed Cedarwood Holiday for him. He was very impressed with the band's rendition of Funkytown! Well done to all Concert Band performers! Many thanks to parent volunteers on the day, and to Mr Phillips and parents for coming to watch the Concert Band perform. Rehearsals start again early on Monday morning (22 June).

Good luck to our Training band this Friday for their performance at 10.10am. Brad has requested a rehearsal at 7.30am as all performers will need to leave by 8.30am. Please return your permission slips to enable our volunteer drivers to take the performers out of school. Many thanks to Carolyn Campbell for co-ordinating the morning.

Training Band: 19 June 10.10am

- Music! Music! Music!
- Dervish
- Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star

The Band Committee

LIBRARY NEWS



Premier's Reading Challenge

Well done to all those children who have completed the Premier's Reading Challenge. The following students should make sure that they have collected a merit certificate from Mr. Cockerill:

Kindy: **Alex, Jay, Zac**

Year 1: **Elliot, Tom**

Year 2: **Laura**

Year 4: **Charlotte, Carla, Caitlin, Wye-Yern**

All other children who are participating should make sure they log on to the Premier's Reading Challenge website at

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge

and enter any books they have read. Remember that students in K-2 need to read 30 books, of which 25 need to be on the list, and students in 3-6 need to read 20 books, of which 15 must be on the list.

Happy Reading!

Alan Cockerill, Teacher Librarian

OOSH NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

Beauty Point OOSH now has a **website!!!** Check this address:

www.beautypointoosh.webnode.com

Thanks to one of our parents – Michelle Theunissen - OOSH now has a website!! On it you can find our current program, weekly menu, Enrolment Form, Parents' Handbook, and our Policies and Procedures. We also have our Photo Gallery where we will publish our memorable moments and our beautiful children's art. We also put links to some useful websites. We hope this website will be useful source of information for Beauty Point parents as well as for broader community. We always welcome your feedback, so do not hesitate to express it ☺

The Photo Gallery: if your child attends OOSH and you do not consent to have your child's photo published on our website, please inform the Director AS SOON AS POSSIBLE via e-mail. Our photo gallery will not have photos of any children until the end of Term 2. From Term 3 we will publish children's photos on the website. We will try to avoid personal photos, using group ones whenever possible. We respect your right to privacy and confidentiality.

Our July **Vacation Care Program** is ready!!!! This winter, rather than keeping your children at home on rainy, cold days, bring them to OOSH. We have lots of interesting excursions, some visitors coming and an amazing candle making workshop. Please see our program below. The program is open to the broader community and it will also be distributed to local schools so book early as places will fill quickly. Early bookings close on Thursday, 9th July.

You can now view and download the July Vacation program and Booking Form from our website

Thank you to all the parents and children who completed our Quality Assurance Survey. Please return your survey to OOSH by 3rd July. It is a very important part of our successful accreditation. We are expecting Validation Visit to take place anytime within next 6 weeks. We are sure that the National Childcare Accreditation Council will evaluate our Centre as high as OOSH parents and children do.

Kind Regards, Meg Trop, OOSH Director

Our July Vacation Care Program

Friday, 10th July

Pupil Free Day

Movies

Hey, hey!! It's Friday!!!!!! It was a long Term, so our movie day would be a perfect ending to hard working weeks! We are going to Greater Union at Mosman to see the latest release. Popcorn and goodie bag provided! After the movie we will relax in OOSH, build a Big Cubby and set up the centre for the whole holidays. Let's go to the movies and relax.

Cost: \$50.00 / Walk in \$55.00



Week One

Monday, 13th July

Puppet Show

Ever wonder what's going on behind the theatre curtain? Today is your chance to discover it! Today we will make our own special puppets; we will build a stage, make decorations and write a script for them. Then we will perform a show which we will record it for everybody, and we will publish it on our new website.

Cost: \$45.00 / Walk in \$50.00



Tuesday, 14 July

Lollipops Play land

Rainy day? Bored at home? Not a problem!! Come to OOSH. We are going to jumpy/bouncy/spinning/sliding place. Kick of your shoes and have heaps of fun. When we come back – we will be playing games including Extreme Pictionary and Treasure Hunt

Cost: \$55.00 / Walk in \$60.00



Wednesday, 15 July

Wheels Wednesday

Got wheels??? Bring your bike, scooter, rollers! We will arrange an obstacle course. You will pass a riding test and receive a special licence. We will also have a team rally. If you don't have any wheels – you will be an officer in charge of all the kids!!! Helmet is a MUST

Cost: \$45.00 / Walk in \$50.00



Thursday, 16 July

Power House Museum

Roll up! Roll up! Roam the Powerhouse Museum's Odditorium complete with strange oddities: a robotic petting zoo, storytelling, craft and even a bearded lady. A zoo experience like no other! A menagerie of strange, wondrous electronic creatures, set up as a petting zoo, and overseen by a pair of unusual keepers. Dare to place your head in a box and become one of the wonders of the museum world, Discover the wonderful world of slime and even learn how to make your own at home!

Cost: \$55.00 / Walk in \$60.00

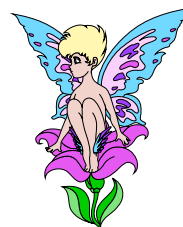


Friday, 17 July

Fairies in OOSH?

Oh yes!!! Fairies come to OOSH today, but don't worry boys; there will be something special for everybody. Fairies will show us special art and some magic from Harry Potter.

Cost: \$50.00 / Walk in \$55.00



Week Two

Monday, 20 July

Art Day- Candle Making Workshop

Our Art Day couldn't get better!!! Did you ever wonder how to make a candle that looks like an ice cream or a muffin? We will show you how!!! There is heaps of wax for everyone to make their own candles. The small kids will make their wonderful creations and they will decorate them. The Big kids will make candles that make super-fantastic present for anyone!!!

Cost: \$45.00 / Walk in \$50.00



Tuesday, 21 July

Reptiles Day

It's winter, so let's invite our reptile friends to warm up inside!! We will see crazy lizards, creepy-crawlies, stick insects, snakes and spiders! Everyone will have a chance to pet, touch, and hold the animals.

Cost: \$50.00 / Walk in \$55.00



Wednesday, 22 July

Rock Climbing

Today all the girls will wear pants and everyone will wear comfy shoes because we are ROCK-CLIMBING!!! We are going to Brookvale Indoor Climbing Centre. We will also explore a cave, it's so dark in there that you have to wear a head-light.

Cost: \$55.00 / Walk in \$60.00



Thursday, 23 July

Indian Bazaar

Anything and everything from India!!! We will spend all day exploring Hindu culture. We will learn about bindies, henna tattoos – why to wear them? We will dance, do art using natural spices, play games and have yummy Indian food for afternoon tea. We will also cook our Indian food late snack.

Cost: \$45.00 / Walk in \$50.00



Friday, 24 July

Ambulance Day

Today we are going to North Sydney to learn about ambulances. The paramedics will explain to us what they do. We will see the ambulance inside-out. But most importantly we will learn how to stay safe. When we come back we will have an art competition with prizes.

Cost: \$50.00 / Walk in \$55.00



PHOTO GALLERY

Update on 5C's push cart construction for the event at Eastern Creek Raceway.

5C is building a push cart to enter in the 2009 Techno Push at Eastern Creek Raceway next term. This is a great challenge that we are really enjoying. We need parts for the push cart, so we are holding a cake day and colouring competition to raise funds.

The cake sale will be at lunch time on **WEDNESDAY 24 JUNE**.
Delicious cakes can be purchased for \$1.00.

Entry to the colouring competition is by **GOLD COIN DONATION** and the winning entry will have their picture featured on the push cart.

Thank you for your support. Happy colouring. 5C



COMMUNITY NOTES

PARENT TIPS AND IDEAS

School holiday travel ideas

What can you buy for a dollar these days?

Believe it or not you can take your child on a trip to Coffs Harbour, Brisbane, Melbourne, Canberra and many more places in the school holidays for as little as a dollar. CountryLink lists all sorts of vacation ideas and great travel deals for families on its website. www.countrylink.info/promotions#dollar

If you are in Sydney or travelling to Sydney, make use of the Family Fare deal when seeing Sydney by public transport. When at least one fare paying adult travels with their children or grandchildren, the first child travels for a child fare and the other children travel free.

On Family Funday Sunday, \$2.50 per person will get you all day travel on CityRail, Sydney Buses, Sydney Ferries and participating private bus companies. It's available every Sunday, when a minimum of one adult and one child related by family travel together.

For more July school holiday ideas go to School Parents ezine. www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ezine

Be your best Budd:e!

To help your child stay safe online, the Federal Government has launched a new tool called Budd:e E-Security which is available free for all Australian schools.

The Budd:e E-Security Education Modules feature e-security tips, games and video content. They have been developed specifically to provide an enjoyable and informative experience for students from Year 3 to Year 9.

To download this free resource or order a CD-ROM go to: www.staysmartonline.gov.au/games-videos/budde



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- ✓ Choose days you wish to attend

Remember our massage centre - call Maxine on 0411 461 295 and our yoga instructor Georgina on 0449 131 422
Owners: Wendy Camelotti & Howard Smith

School Holiday Tennis

*Single day 9-12pm \$23/day OR

*Single day Mon-Thur 9-3pm \$35/day

*Fridays 9-3pm \$37 (includes McDonald's lunch)

Dates: 13-17 July and 20-24 July

Full wk \$110 for 9-12pm & \$159 for 9-3pm

\$5/child/day if you turn up without booking at least 12 hrs prior.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL - the earlier you book, the easier it is for us to organise enough staff.

Payment: over the phone, cheque in the mail or cash at the counter before your child's first day or in the morning (not the afternoon) of their first day.

Please note: \$25 minimum for afterpay and 2.5% charge for credit cards. To get the weekly rate, payment must be made on Monday morning. Please arrive @ 8.45am on your first day. Camps are still run in wet weather. Note: Term 3, 2009 coaching starts Monday 27 July. Please book in your child so that we can organise the correct number of coaches - to keep group sizes small.

Kids should bring: hat, sunscreen, anything they wish to eat or drink at morning tea and lunch and a racket (if they have one). Call 9977 1307.