PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS

Greetings all and welcome to Week 7. The term is really flying by and we have lots of things to look forward to.

School Disco
Tonight is the first of our popular school discos for 2013. The theme for the disco is surfing or Hawaiian. Dressing up is optional but it is always fun. The cost of the disco is $6. The Junior disco will start at 5:30pm and finish at 6:45pm. The Senior disco will start at 7pm and finish at 8:30pm. Please ensure that you are there to pick children up on time at the conclusion of the Primary disco. Our wonderful P&C will be cooking a BBQ so there is no need to cook, just turn up and buy a sausage sandwich.

‘Shave for a Cure’
On Friday we will be participating in ‘Shave for a Cure’ to support Ethan Geeve. Ethan will have his hair shaved on Friday at 12:30pm and we ask them to bring a gold coin so we can donate to the Cancer Council to support Ethan. We are all looking forward to the shave day.

Soap in the Toilets
It has been pointed out that there is no soap in the toilets. We have ordered replacement soap dispensers to replace the ones vandalised and destroyed in the past. We have trialed soap bars and they too became play objects and are destroyed or wasted. We will try again to provide soap and hope the vandals leave the dispensers alone.

Voluntary Contributions
Voluntary Contributions are a necessary part of providing the little extras at school. We have really made huge strides in providing the children at Bonnells Bay with the very best in schooling over the last 2 years. To continue to give our kids the little extras we need to ask parents to help out with paying the Voluntary Contributions. Our Contributions, $30 for one child or $60 per family, is cheaper than most schools and we would ask parents to consider paying them. No child will be disadvantaged by non-payment. Those who pay will receive a free year book at the end of the year.

P&C Meeting
The next meeting of Bonnells Bay Public School P&C will be held at 6pm on Tuesday 19th March. The meeting will be held in the staff room. Everyone is invited to attend.

100 Year Book
Don’t forget our wonderful Centenary Book of Bonnells Bay Public School is on sale for $33. Copies are available from the school office. This is a fabulous book and covers the long and wonderful history of our great school.

Illegal parking and U-Turning
I sound like a broken record but the number of near misses outside the school is alarming. I have notified Cardiff Highway Patrol and they have promised a police presence in the near future. You have been warned!
Impetigo
We have had a confirmed case of Impetigo (school sores) at school. I have enclosed a fact sheet for your information. Please contact us if you have a question.

Nit Busters
We have had a great response to our Nit Busters day on Friday 22nd March. We now need volunteers to help out examining the hair. The Nit Busters session will start at 12:30pm and should only take an hour. Please complete the volunteer slip at the end of the newsletter and return it to the school to be part of the team.

Have a great week.
Mark Stiller, Principal
Term 1, Week 7

DATES TO REMEMBER

March
13th Disco
15th Crazy Hair Day – ‘Shave for a Cure’
15th $25 payment for Tocal Homestead due
19th P&C Meeting 6pm
20th Deposit $25 for Stage 2 Camp due
21st Tocal Homestead Excursion Years 1 and 2
22nd Year 7 Expressions of Interest for 2014 due
22nd Nitbusters
25th Billy G’s Cookie Dough orders due
28th Cross Country Trial Permission Note due
28th Easter Hat Parade (K, Yr 1 and Yr 2)

April
5th Cross Country Trials (8 years – 13 years old)
6th ICAS Competition for Years 3 – 6 due

July
26th Full payment for Stage 3 Excursion due

August
23rd Full payment Stage 2 Camp due

NOTES SENT HOME DURING THE WEEK
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CANTEEN NEWS
Reminder that Cheese and Bacon Rolls are now $1.20.

YOU CAN DO IT AWARDS
Key Area: Confidence

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LIBRARY NEWS TERM 1 WEEK 7
This term is disappearing very quickly!

Students are working hard and reading their way through the Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC). All students should have a paper copy of their reading log to record the books they read as they read them. Some of the Years 3-6 students are keeping them here at school to record the PRC books they read during their library lesson. If the paper copy is being kept at home please keep it safe as it will be needed to enter the record online. The online record is open for those who wish to start entering their record now. Please access the PRC website through the students’ internet portal. If you need any help regarding the PRC or access at home to the portal please see Mrs Vitnell or myself.

A number of students have received reminders regarding overdue library books, please return them ASAP.

Happy Reading
Mrs Tate

HUNTER REGION TENNIS TRIALS
Congratulations to Ellie Redman who went to the Hunter Region Tennis Trials and is now a member of the squad. Ellie will travel to Albury later this year to represent the Hunter in the NSW Championships. Keep up the great work and training Ellie!

KINDERGARTEN AND STAGE 1 EASTER HAT PARADE
Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students will be having an Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 28th March 2013 commencing at 1pm. Please come along and join in the fun, as the students sing Easter songs and proudly parade around in their Easter hats.

The students will be creating their Easter hats in the classrooms during school time. A note will be sent home by your child’s class teacher with information regarding materials students could bring in to decorate the hats.

We are anticipating another year of fabulous and imaginative hats and look forward to seeing you at the parade!
Mrs Rowe
REMINDER TOCAL HOMESTEAD YEARS 1 AND 2
A reminder that payment of $25 and permission note are to be returned to the school office by this Friday 15th March. If you are experiencing financial difficulties and cannot pay by the closing date please phone the school on 4973 1149 prior to this date.

CRAZY HAIR DAY – ‘SHAVE FOR A CURE’
To support our student Ethan Geeve and teacher Mr Pratt who are having their heads shaved this Friday at 12:30pm for the ‘Shave for a Cure’ fundraiser, the school is holding a Crazy Hair Day. Students need to wear crazy hair, full school uniform and bring along a gold coin donation. All monies raised will be donated to ‘Shave for a Cure’ to assist research into a cure for cancer. Looking forward to seeing lots of crazy hair.

WHAT IS IMPETIGO?
Impetigo, sometimes called “school sores” is an infection of the skin with bacteria. The main bacteria causing it are strains of staphylococcus aureus (golden staph). The usual golden staph strains which cause impetigo are not dangerous.

What does it look like?
Impetigo occurs in two forms, blistering and crusted. In blistering impetigo the blisters arise on previously normal skin and grow quickly in size and number. Crusted impetigo has a thick soft yellow crust. Beneath this crust is a moist red area. Crusted impetigo spots grow slowly and are always smaller than the fully developed spots of blistering impetigo. The condition is not usually painful but can be itchy.

Impetigo can occur on top of other skin conditions, particularly itchy ones. When the other skin condition is scratched the infection can enter through the broken skin.

How is it treated?
Take the affected child to the doctor as antibiotics are required.

Impetigo is very easy to catch from other people. If prescribed antibiotics it is important to finish the whole course to make sure the impetigo will not recur.

SCHOOL DISCO TONIGHT!
The students are looking forward to the disco tonight! A big thank you goes out to our local Coles at Bonnells Bay for their generosity providing a donation for the BBQ tonight.

K-2 Junior Disco 5.30-6.45pm
3-6 Senior Disco 7-8.30pm

Entry $6 and includes drinks and chips
BBQ - $2.50 sausage sandwiches, $1.50 drinks

BILLY G’S COOKIE DOUGH
We have heard that many of you are busy collecting orders for the Billy G’s Cookie Dough Fundraiser. Thanks to those that have already brought your forms back. Payment and forms are due back to the office, no later than Monday, 25th March.

P&C MEETING
Next Tuesday, 19th March, is the P&C Meeting. Remember that all parents and carers are welcome to come to these meetings. No rsvp required! Your support is valuable to the school to help shape it into an even better one! Meeting starts at 6pm. Thanks to those that have submitted issues for discussion. If you have any ideas, questions or topics to add to the agenda please email bonnellbay-p.schoo@det.nsw.edu.au with the details or leave a message at the office.

DATES FOR DIARY
Tonight, 13th March - School Disco
19th March - P&C Meeting 6pm, Staff Room
25th March – Billy G’s Cookie Dough Forms due to office

LOST PROPERTY
Lost property is overflowing. At the end of the week any items left will be given to the Uniform Shop for resale.

NIT BUSTER VOLUNTEER
I am available to volunteer to help inspect children’s hair as part of Bonnells Bay Public School Nit busters Program on Friday 22nd March 2013 at 12:30pm

Name: ............................................................ Contact Phone Number: ..................................

Signed: ....................................................