PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS

Greetings all and welcome to Week 8.

Unfortunately we have had more complaints regarding the traffic at the front of the school. It seems that lately I am pointing out the issues of illegal parking and dangerous U-turns on a weekly basis. Please adhere to the road rules and keep our children safe.

I would also like to reinforce the rule that parents cannot park in the staff car park without direct permission from the school. We allow very limited parking to accommodate children with disabilities but it is not an invitation to the general community to park in the restricted area. Please assist us and follow the rules.

Billy Carts Ready to Roll
We have 18 carts registered for the Billy Cart Derby and we expect more as we get closer to the date of Monday 8th December. I am looking forward to the event and seeing the carts and watching the races.

School Garden
Our school garden is going great guns. We have fresh vegies for sale at the front office. If you would like to purchase any of the fruit and vegies please call in and check out what is fresh off the vines today. We only have a limited amount at present, but as we produce more we will make it available for sale. All profits will go back into plants and garden upkeep. Miss Gibson and her garden group are to be congratulated for their work.

Stage Parties
We are fast approaching the end of the year and our stages are preparing to have their end of year excursions and parties. Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 will be going to Boolaroo Cinema and Megamania on Wednesday 10th December. Stage 2 will be going to Strike Bowling on Friday 12th December. Stage 3 will be Ice Skating on Tuesday 16th December. Please get permission notes and money in early to avoid disappointment. Families who need assistance please contact me.

New Demountable Building
Construction has begun on the foundations for our new demountable building. The new building will be erected on the site beside the current 3/4W classroom. We hope to see the demountable on site next week so services can be connected as soon as possible. This is our second demountable building in the last 12 months and is a real indication of how quickly we are growing.

New Assistant Principal
As I said last week the process to choose our new Stage 3 Assistant Principal has begun. We move to the next stage when the advertisement closes today. Hopefully we will be able to announce the successful applicant before the end of the year.

Presentation Day
Presentation Day will be held on Monday 15th December. We have listened to feedback from staff, children and the community and we are now planning to bring Presentation Day back to Bonnells Bay. The presentation day ceremony will be held under the COLA area behind the hall.

We have hired a stage and sound system and plan to split the ceremony in two to better cater for the difference in ages and attention spans of the children. The senior presentation will commence at 9:30am and will conclude at 10:30am. The Kinder to Year 2 presentation will commence at 10:45am and conclude at 11:45am. Families are then encouraged to come together for a picnic lunch. This new format will stop the need for extensive travel, noisy hot venues and children who are distressed because they have not eaten or drank sufficient water as has happened in the past.

Have a wonderful week.

Mark Stiller
Principal
DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

December
1st  Toy Drive
3rd  Volunteer Helpers Morning Tea
   High School Orientation Day
8th  Billy Cart Derby
10th  K-2 Party Day – Pay by 1.12.14
   International Children’s Games Excursion
12th  3-4 Party Day – Pay by 28.11.14
15th  Presentation Day Assemblies
   Family Picnic
   Year 6 Farewell
16th  5-6 Party Day – Pay by 5.12.14
17th  Last school day for students
18th & 19th  Staff Development Days

NOTES SENT HOME DURING THE WEEK
Community Partnership
End of year party reminders

CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to the following students who received a Merit Certificate at one of the Assemblies....

Kinder to Year 2
Zoe M, Rhiannon W, Danika M, Charlotte V,
Teneika B, Ella W, Alix K, Kyla P, Matilda D,
Sarah O, Jodie G & Amber W.

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Library News
With only a few weeks left in the term borrowing has ceased for the year. Please return all library books ASAP. If the books have been lost, please see me for the replacement cost.

The figures from the Book Fair have been calculated and we were lucky to receive over $1500 in books from the fair as our commission. I would like to thank everyone again for supporting the fair and look forward to the students enjoying the books we received.

Book Club
Thank you to all the parents who made purchases from book club this year.

Happy Reading
Ms Tate

Volunteers Morning Tea
Volunteers have been invited to attend a special morning tea to thank them for their kind assistance over the school year. It will be held at 11:50am on Wednesday 3rd December.

International Children’s Games
There are still a couple of vacancies for the students in Years 3-6 to attend the International Children’s Games which our students will be going to on Wednesday 10th December. Due to the overwhelming response we have decided to put on another bus. Be quick to get your permission note and money in as there are only 12 places left! Cost is only $7 per student.

Bus Pass Applications
Year 2 students who are going into Year 3 in 2015 who travel by bus to school will need to submit a new bus pass application as a new bus pass will not automatically be issued. Application forms are available from the school office.

If your child currently has a bus pass and you have changed your address, a new bus pass application will need to be submitted also.

Billy Cart Derby
Competitors have been handing in their teams and some have provided a picture of their wonderful billy carts! There is still plenty of time to submit your billy cart team. Forms are available at the school office.

Health Message
We have seen several children in the school suffering severe sunburn. Please ensure children’s skin is safely protected from the harsh effects of the sun. Students suffering sunburn will be sent home as they cannot be treated in Sickbay.

Commonwealth Student Banking
Student banking will resume tomorrow. Any bank books that were handed into the office have been locked away and will be given to the banking coordinator.

Morisset High School
The Year 6 students will be attending the Orientation Day on Wednesday 3rd December. Just a reminder, return permission notes if you have not so already.

School Spectacular
The 30 students who will be attending the School Spectacular performance in Sydney this Friday 28th November are reminded to meet at the train station at 8:30am. Bring your lunch and manners.

Lost Property
Lost property is full of lunch boxes and other non-school items, if these are not collected they will be thrown out at the end of each week. School clothing will go to the Uniform Shop for distribution or resale.
Next Wednesday, 3rd December, our school will be writing special messages to the boys and girls at The Children’s Hospital at Westmead. We are asking all students and teachers to bring in a gold coin donation and in return each person will receive a heart to leave a very special message for all the boys and girls at the Hospital. The gold coin donations will assist in making this Christmas extra special for the patients and their families. Thank you for your support.

Christmas Raffle tickets will be distributed to students today. The raffle will be drawn at the Presentation Day assembly. Tickets are only $1 each.

BBQ will be held at the Billy Cart Derby. Buy some lunch if you can’t bring a picnic.

The family portraits were very successful. Good feedback from everyone who had their family photographs taken.

The last disco was a great success and everyone who attended had heaps of fun.

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**Bonnell’s Bay PS P & C NEWS**

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**Nutrition Snippet**

The simplest way
...to make healthy Santas.

This Christmas, get your kids eating strawberry Santas – they’re cute to look at, and delicious to eat!

Follow these instructions to keep your Christmas fun and healthy:

1. Wash your strawberries, dry, then slice off the tip
2. Spoon/pipe reduced-fat ricotta or cream cheese on the larger half, then put the ‘hat’ on top
3. Top hat with a little more of the cheese to make a pom pom
4. Cut a small amount of sultanas up for the eyes and place on gently.

Merry Christmas from all of us at Eat It To Beat It!

For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

**Return this section to the School Office asap**

**BILLY CART DERBY**

Monday 8th December 2014

We will be entering our Billy Cart into the Billy Cart Derby on Monday 8th December 2014. Details below:

Names of Team Members: _____________________________ & __________________________________________

My Billy Carts Description:
_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________

Attach a drawing if you like!