PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS

Greetings all and welcome to Week 5 Term 2.

I have had contact with the Highway Patrol from Cardiff and they have told me there will be a blitz on parking and illegal traffic flow in the area. I have not been told when the blitz will occur but I have been assured it will happen. Police will target illegal speed and U turns as well as parking. I realise this warning will not affect those who do the right thing around the school but for those who break the rules, beware!

YOUNG TEEN TALK

The informative and educational course for Year 6 children, Young Teen Talk is running at school today. This course helps explain the teenage years in terms of body changes, feelings and emotions. The course is one we really recommend for our children. We have a chance to extend the course to include our Year 5 children later in the year, so watch this space as we advertise the new course in Term 3 or 4.

DISCO

The next school disco will be held on Wednesday 11th June. More information will be published next week but reserve the date.

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

The school performance musical for 2014 will be held in Week 7 next term. The dress rehearsal will be held on Monday 25th August and there will be two performances on Tuesday night at 5pm and 6.45pm and two more performances on Thursday 28th August at 1.30pm and 6pm. More information will be made available early next term. The theme for this year’s musical is ‘A night at the movies’. I cannot wait.

BUS BEHAVIOUR

I have been made aware that poor bus behaviour is again on the rise. We have worked hard over the last year to address the situation and we thought the problem was solved but obviously the message has not been received clearly enough.

Please be aware that to get a bus pass parents sign a code of conduct on behalf of their children. If children break the code of conduct they will be suspended for a time or their bus pass will be revoked permanently. Children who distract the driver, move around the bus while it is in motion or otherwise act in a dangerous way will be warned, then suspended from the bus. This behaviour is a bad reflection of our school. These children do not behave in this way at school and they should not think they can behave like this on the bus. Be warned I will enforce the Code of Conduct to stop this behaviour.

SMOKING BANS

As you might be aware smoking has been banned from a range of public outdoor places since 2013. This includes transport stops and stations within 10 metres of children’s play equipment, spectator areas of sporting grounds, within 4 metres of a pedestrian entrance or exit point from a public building and open areas of public swimming pool complexes.

The second phase of the campaign will target transport stops and stations and spectator areas at sporting grounds. Please be aware of the new focus and support this health initiative.

Please refer to Tobacco Campaign notice insert in this week’s newsletter.

Have a great week

Mark Stiller
Principal
DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

May
29th Starstruck Rehearsal

June
4th ICAS Testing – Science
5th Afternoon/Evening Information MHS
9th Queen’s Birthday Holiday
10th Blackbutt Reserve Excursion
11th Starstruck Rehearsal
12th Starstruck Dress Rehearsal
13th/14th Starstruck Performances
27th Last day of Term 2

July
15th Students return Term 3
17th Athletics Carnival

CANTEEN ROSTER

| 2/6   | Gabriala V |
| 3/6   | Allison Y  |
| 4/6   | Natalie M, Dawn D |
| 5/6   | Rebecca K, Nyssa A |
| 6/6   | Michelle M, Gabriala V, Melissa M |

NOTES SENT HOME DURING THE WEEK

Athletics Carnival Permission Notes
Community Partnership Page
2014 Tobacco Public Notice Campaign
Thompson Pie Drive Order Form
Welfare Policy
Expression of Interest for Norta Norta Tutoring

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following students who received a Merit Certificate at the Assembly.

Kindergarten to Year 2
James T, Jodie G, Beau N,
Elise B, Jessica R, Lauren F
Riley M, Piper A, Miley K-D
Solomon K-D, Joshua M, Flynn P

Year 3 to Year 6
Josh W, Erica W, Nathan G, Wesley M
Brandon G, Amber P, Alex B, Ruby C,
Chelsea R, William R, Mia Z, Ryan S
Jessica D, Callum W-T, Noah B-A

Computers
Ky B, Koby J, Chloe G

Chicken noodle soup is available over winter - $1.00 and don’t forget we have nachos available Tuesdays for only $4.50.

Please remind children about their healthy eating reward cards. They can be stamped for any green item purchased from our menu. Once it is full, take it to the canteen to go into the draw for the prize at the end of term.

MAKE ONLINE PAYMENTS

It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting $ Make a payment.

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, excursions, book packs and sales to students, such as the Year 6 Souvenir T shirt.

When you access the $ Make a payment you must enter: the students name and class or the students name and date of birth. name of item being paid for.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed. Permission slips will still need to be returned to school and a space will be added for the online receipt number. Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child’s account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact the School Administration Office.

PEER SUPPORT

During Peer Support this week the children will look at qualities their friends may have and the concept that we choose friends based on the qualities we admire in them. They will also explore the skills of friendship, specifically those of cooperating and listening.
During the week encourage your child to show they are interested in the person they are talking to by being an active listener.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO CONTINUE ETHICS CLASSES**

At Bonnells Bay Public School we currently have three ethics classes. Classes are currently being taught and organized by volunteers. We need one person to volunteer as Ethics Coordinator to replace the current Coordinator who will be stepping down very soon, and one more person to volunteer as Ethics Teacher for the kindergarten curriculum that will be available next term. Full training and ongoing support is provided by Primary Ethics. Coordinating can mostly be done by email in your spare time and would take approximately 1 hour per week. Teaching would take approximately 2 hours each week. Without a new Coordinator, classes may have to be suspended.

Primary Ethics welcomes applications from our school and wider community. To find out more, or apply please visit: [http://www.primaryethics.com.au](http://www.primaryethics.com.au).

You can also contact our current Ethics Coordinator, Len Crawford, for more information: Ph: 0438373595 email: bbpsethics@bigpond.com

**DISCO**

This term’s disco is in week 7, Wednesday 11th June. We will be selling hotdogs for an easy family dinner….. we all know how busy afternoons can be. The usual $6 for disco entry will include chips and a drink at intermission.$10 a child would get them a hotdog, can of drink and all the disco fun.

- Junior disco (K-2) 5:30pm-6:45pm.
- Senior disco (3-6) 7pm-8:30pm

**TRIVIA NIGHT**

Donations are flowing in for prizes to use at our Trivia Night. Now, it's time to start filling some tables.

- When: Friday 20th June, 7pm
- Where: Morisset Country Club (who have kindly donated the venue)
- Cost: $10 per head

Mortgage Choice is kindly donating 8 hampers to be used as first prize for the trivia winners!!!! Thanks Deb. Get together a group of friends/family to fill a table of 8 or just come along on the night and join a table. If you do know who you're sitting with in advance, join in the fun and enter the themed table competition.

Buy your tickets now from the school office, or calling one of the committee members listed below.

- Call Anna 0409 538 370
- Natalie 0419 911 026 or
- Kirsten 0411 449 300

Supporting businesses:
- Kim&Says Bakery, Brumby's Bakery, Pete's Meats
- Nargi's Gourmet Food, Priceline, Lift Beauty Morisset
- Main St Pharmacy, Subway, Bakehouse Bakery
- Tree Tops Adventure Park, Hunter Valley Ice Skating
- Lindemans, Kirton Park-The Sebel, Dora Creek Pharmacy
- Black Pepper Butchery, Bonnells Bay Newsagency
- Bonnells Bay Pharmacy, Nail Place, Party Things
- Ace Dancewear, Sole Vocation, Hunter Drama
- Moore's Meats, Becky Lee’s Pet styling, Catalina Pets

Please support those businesses that support us. Without the support of them, we wouldn't be able to provide our children with as much as we currently do.

**DATES FOR THE TERM**

- Week 7 Wednesday 11th June - Disco
- Week 8 Tuesday 17th June - P&C Meeting 6pm
- Friday 20th June - Trivia Night 7pm

**P&C – Parents and Citizens Supporting Our School**

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

Looking for some school holiday fun
- HMRI Open Day – July 4th 2014 from 1pm

For more information contact Ellie McNamara Ph: 4042 0588
Email: elle.mcnamara@hmri.com.au

**FAMILY FUN DAY**

Sunday 8th June 2014 10am – 2pm
Railway Sheds, Newcastle Foreshore
FREE ENTRY
For more info call 4969 3171

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**Family Day Care – Bonnells Bay**

Beautiful purpose built play room has 2 Friday vacancies for babies or toddlers.

* Qualified Pre-school Teacher for over 20yrs
* All fee rebates available
* Registered with Lake Macquarie F/D/C

Please call Linda - 0401 573 567