Dear Parents and Caregivers

Athletics Carnival TODAY
Yes - the weather held out and the Primary Athletics carnival was held today - a little bit chilly but still loads of fun and plenty of talent on display. Photos and results coming soon. Thank you to Ms Wallace and all of our staff and parents for making the carnival such a success.

PLP Meetings
We will soon begin conducting the second round of Personalised Learning Plan meetings. This will be an opportunity to set more collaborative learning goals for all of our students and discuss the Semester 1 student reports in more detail.

Quality Work
Jade, Carter, Fleur, Emelia and Taylah from 5/6H worked extremely hard on a maths investigation about area. While designing an entire zoo they had to make considerations about the area needed for each animal enclosure, make calculations, be creative about the zoo layout and of course use the formula for working out area.

Students Kicking GOALS
Every BPS student sets learning goals, which they work hard to achieve. These goals are ‘kicked’ with ongoing learning, encouragement and specific feedback from their teachers and SLSO’s. Laura from 2A ‘kicked’ her maths goal recently. She can now recognise 2, 3 and 4 digit numbers - she read me some tricky ones! Laura was also the very first student to receive our new ‘I achieved my goal’ ribbon.

Holiday Reading
If you were one of the keen readers who did holiday reading and were provided with a bundle of books, please hand these back to your teachers as soon as possible. Thank you Mrs Martin and all parents who supported this important initiative.

P&C Meeting THIS THURSDAY
Please join us for this Thursday at the P&C meeting. There will be discussions about the SPRING FAIR, markets, nitbusters, playground upgrades, canteen and uniform. Thursday 23rd July at 4pm in the staffroom. See you there!

Rotary & BPS Markets
The monthly markets will be on again THIS SATURDAY at school. This monthly event could be an excellent ongoing fund injection for our school if we can get helpers. Please leave your details at the office if you can help. We really need more than two parents to run the BBQ and canteen.

NITBUSTERS
Our NITBUSTERS day will be held THIS: WEDNESDAY JULY 22nd and then a follow up day on THURSDAY JULY 23rd. Everything is ready to go and we have a bank of amazing parent volunteers ready to help check each child and then treat if necessary. Please return your child’s permission note so that we can make the day a success in helping to check our whole school and work towards eliminating this ongoing problem.

Power FM School Breakfast
On Thursday 30th July, Loz and Jack from Power FM will be coming to BPS for the “School Brekky” program. They will be supplying us with a free continental breakfast and entertainment including Karaoke and Zumba. Please come to school between 7.30am-9.00am on the day. Events will be held at the COLA, hall and oval. Mark this date on your calendar as it will be a fun-filled morning and a great opportunity to showcase our school on the radio. The event is sponsored by Power FM, IGA, Kinghorn Motor Group and Habitat Personnel.

Crazy Camel Fundraising
Due to popular demand, BPS will once again be offering the Crazy Camel fundraising this year. Your child’s artwork will be available for viewing on the school website from Friday 21st August. More information and order forms will be coming home soon.

JOKE OF THE WEEK
Who’s the king of the pencil case?
The ruler!

Aim High, Achieve High
Ms Dionne Hanbidge - Principal

BPS Marathon Club
In Term 3 we are having a Marathon Club that will meet every morning on the oval. All students will be encouraged to walk or run at least 3 laps of our track. If they do this they will have completed at least a Marathon – 42.195 kms by the end of term!
Parents are welcome to join in… Our senior students will help to organise and record all the laps, excellent practical Maths work.

Jenny Barry and Andrea Coleman
This term we are enjoying our science unit of work. We are learning about how animals and plants adapt to their environments, with a focus on deserts. This unit is very hands-on, involving a number of experiments. We are investigating how plants and animals survive and thrive in extremely harsh conditions.

In our numeracy work we have been exploring prime, composite and square numbers. We learned about a famous mathematician named Eratosthenes who lived in ancient Greece around 230 BC. He created a method of sieving out (removing) prime numbers from all other numbers.

One of the activities we did recently was use a number of our mathematical skills and knowledge to design a wildlife park. Our designs had to show the total mass of the animals in each enclosure, the amount of space they required, how much food they received and the amount of time the animal carers spent with the animals during feeding time.

Some of the stars of our class who have produced Quality Work are Fleur, Emelia, Jade, Carter and Taylah because they showed great persistence and a high level of accuracy when tackling this complex task. Their hard work was really worthwhile as they produced some creative, innovative designs.

This term we are looking forward to our excursion to Mogo. We are excited about gold panning, going to the zoo and learning more about life on the 1850’s goldfields.

Mr Heather - Class Teacher

Library News
Welcome back. There has been many overdue books come back this term which is very pleasing. Please continue to look for books at home and return them to the library as soon as possible. Reminder letters will be sent home shortly. A Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the library during Book Week this term. The Book Fair will be in Week 7, the week beginning Monday 24th August. Books will be able to be purchased before school 8.30 -9am and after school 3-4pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday that week.

The first Scholastic Book Club order this term is due back at the school office by Wednesday 29th July.

BIG BLUE AWARDS

KH  Shanley, Megan, Evelyn
KS  Darren, Dekoda, Kylinta
1R  Blake, Aurelia, Isabella
2A  Madison
2G  Amelia, Maddie, David
4C  Akala
5/6H  Tara, Bree, Jordyn, Lara
3-6T  Ben, Sarah, Chloe, Jai, Emilia

Unhelpful Thinking
Unhelpful thinking is very common in both children and adults. Often we don’t notice it because the thoughts happen automatically. By listening to the things children say about themselves and their experiences, parents and carers can learn to notice and gently challenge children’s unhelpful thinking. The best way to do this is to help children think through the reasons why they think a particular way. Saying things like, “I can see how you might think that, but maybe there’s another way of looking at it,” or “Let’s see how we can check that out,” are very useful for helping children change their unhelpful thinking. It can help children to know they are not wrong to have unhelpful thoughts (everybody has them), but that learning to identify and change unhelpful thinking is a way of managing their feelings better.

P&C NEWS
The next P&C meeting will be on Thursday 23rd July at 4.00pm in the staffroom.
ALL WELCOME!
Home Reading Levels

Bomaderry Public School rewards efforts with Home Reading. Our level system promotes reading at home, motivates readers with special reading “gifts” and helps students aim for improvement. Congratulations to the following students who have reached these levels in Home Reading:

**LEVEL 2 - 25 BOOKS**
- **Stage 1**: Thomas, Summer
- **Stage 2**: Edyson
- **Stage 3**: Charlie

**LEVEL 3 - 50 BOOKS**
- **Early Stage 1**: Dekoda
- **Stage 1**: William, Jack, Caroline
- **Stage 2**: Joel, Braydon
- **Stage 3**: Jackson, Taylah

**LEVEL 4 - 75 BOOKS**
- **Stage 1**: Wendy
- **Stage 2**: Sarah
- **Stage 3**: Kyran, Alistair, Jai

**LEVEL 5 - 100 BOOKS**
- **Stage 1**: Ryan
- **Stage 2**: Grace, Amy, Billy
- **Stage 3**: Lara

**LEVEL 6 - 150 BOOKS**
- **Stage 3**: Myah, Jordyn, Tara

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Take-away Food

Recently there has been a few cases of parents delivering take-away food to students at school. Please consider purchasing from our school canteen instead, as some of the profits from the canteen are used to purchase resources for our school. Our school canteen is a Healthy Food canteen, so there are also healthier options available. The health and wellbeing of our students is relevant to their learning. We encourage healthy eating and good nutrition, both at home and at school, to enhance learning and a healthy lifestyle.

Book Club

Please return your Book Club orders to the office by **Wednesday 29th July with payment**. Please make cheques out to “Scholastic”. **Thank you, Book Club Co-ordinator**

Developing Responsibility

To develop responsibility, children need practice in making choices that are appropriate for their age and experience level. You can help children build decision-making skills by encouraging them to explore options and helping them think through the reasons for their choices.

Canteen News

This week’s $5.00 Lunch Special
- Beef Ravioli
- Choice of popper, plain milk or small water
- Super Dooper

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P&C Uniform Shop

- **Mondays**: 2.30pm - 3.30pm
- **Wednesdays**: 8.30am - 9.30am
- **Fridays**: 8.30am - 9.30am

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