Principal’s Message

2015 Staffing

Beresford Road Public School looks likely to begin 2015 with 530 students – about 65 more than this year. The increase is due to the additional two multicategorical classes, a small Year 6 leaving and a large kinder starting and a number of families returning to public education from local catholic schools.

It is with a mixture of happiness and sadness that I announce the transfer of Mr Wicks to John Palmer Public School. I am happy that he has the opportunity to continue to develop as a teacher in a new setting but he has left a big hole for us to fill at Beresford Road. Everybody knows Mr Wicks; he is the sports co-ordinator, computer co-ordinator and our stage three enrichment teacher. Any one of these roles a difficult task on its own but Jerome Wicks does an outstanding job managing all three. He will be sadly missed by students, staff and community.

A number of new staff will be appointed to our school to cater for the growth in student numbers. Congratulations to Jo Folino and Tom Bignell who successfully interviewed for permanent teaching jobs from 2015. The Department of Education & Communities have also appointed Juliana Markovska and Desiree Jenkins to teaching positions at BRPS from 2015. I’d like to welcome all 4 to Beresford as permanent staff members.

P & C

A big thanks to the P & C for organising the working bee to help tidy up the school gardens last fortnight – the grounds look much better as a result. The P & C organised Christmas markets and Portrait photo day (Saturday 29th November) is full steam ahead and looks to be a great day – please support it anyway you can.

Safety

Can I remind parents to be extra careful around the school – cars are big and kinders are small! We have had a couple of parents stopping directly in front of the school and even in the bin area to collect kids after school. It is not safe to reverse across a footpath outside a school. A couple of our parents walk straight out the gate and cross directly opposite Bathurst Street. It couldn’t take more than 2 minutes to walk the extra 20 metres to the school crossing which keeps everyone safe. It only takes one child who is following you, and not paying attention, to walk out onto the road.

Please consider the safety of all our students when you are making decisions to save 30 seconds! Thank you.

MONEY DAYS

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY
ONLY by 10am. Please also make sure that all money is in an envelope and clearly marked with child’s name, class, excursion. If money is paid via credit card please make sure this is marked on front of envelope also.

Upcoming Events

November

Wed 26th Scripture concert
Thurs 27th Beresford Idol 11:30-1:00

December

Fri 5th Sports Presentation 2.00pm
Tues 9th Stage two party day
Wed 10th Year 6 Graduation
Wed 10th Year 6 Farewell
Thurs 11th K-2 Xmas concert
Fri 12th K-2 Party Day
Tues 16th Presentation Day
Wed 17th Students Last Day Term

Assemblies

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Library News

Congratulations to 2/3E, who won the Book club prize for issue 7.

Reminder that this is the last week for borrowing in 2014. Please bring all library books back to school next week.

Parent Book Club

I have had some interested parents wanting to organise a parent book club. This club would be run from our library on a Friday. They would meet once or twice a term (as decided by the group). This group will be run by the parents, for the parents. It would be a great way to meet new people, chat about interests and read at the same time. The group will only go ahead if there is enough interest to warrant it. If you are interested in attending please let me know in person, via e-mail or phone the front office.

K.Hamersma

Kids Matter

Just a reminder to come in and check out our parent information wall in the library foyer. There is information on community events and helpful hint to help with everyday life:

- Child development
- Children with disabilities
- Dealing with anxiety
- Depression
- Events within our local community
- ADD
- Finding assistance
- Men’s health
- How to eat well

This information will change on a regular basis so make sure you keep checking in! If there is a topic that you would like information about don’t hesitate to ask. If we don’t already have it we will find it for you.

Rule of the Week

Week Six – Respect – I cooperate with everyone

Week Seven – Be Safe – I go to and from school safely

The following website gives road rules and information to get your children to and from school safely.


Jump Rope for Heart (JRFH)

Thanks you to all the families who supported JRFH. The kids had a great Jump Off Day on Thursday last week. If you haven’t sent in sponsor forms and money yet, could you please send them to the front office.

Sports News

Summer PSSA News

Here is the next few weeks’ PSSA draws...these will be the final games for the year and PSSA will finish on Friday of Week 7

Friday 14/11/14 Round 12

- Softball vs Metella Rd @ Darling St
- Teeball vs Metella Rd @ Darling St
- Newcombeball vs Girraween @ Girraween PS
- AFL Blues vs Westmead @ Binalong 4
- AFL Reds vs Toony West @ Binalong 1
- Bus 3 - AFL teams to Toony West PS then onto Binalong
- Bus 4 - Newcombeball to Girraween PS

Friday 21/11/14 Round 13

- Softball vs Toongabbie @ Darling St
- Teeball vs Toongabbie @ Darling St
- Newcombeball vs Pendle Hill @ BRPS
- AFL Blues vs Toony West @ Binalong 1
- AFL Reds vs Darcy Rd @ Binalong 2

Jerome Wicks
Sports Coordinator
Toys N Tucker

It is that time of year again when we are asking for donations for our annual toys n tucker drive. If you are able to donate either a toy (not second hand) or food please do so by bringing to the front office and placing it under our tree. Please make sure that the food is not perishable or out of date. For some Ideas on what may be needed you can visit the website.

http://toysntucker.org.au/

Thank you for your generosity

Mrs Akhurst

Medical Alerts

Scabies
There has been a report of scabies in the area, This is a skin condition which may cause a itchy red rash. There is more information at this link. http://medent.usyd.edu.au/fact/scabies.html.

Whooping Cough
There has been a increase in whooping cough notifications in the western Sydney region since June 2014. If you or your child has a dry or persistent cough, which may be especially bad at night, please see your doctor. For more information there is more information at this link:

Parking

It is not safe to park in the school carpark after 7.50am in the morning or before 4.00pm in the afternoon. The carpark fills up quickly around these times and you will end up reversing out of the carpark across a footpath full of children coming to school. The carpark is a place for staff only. There has also been some complaints from some worried parents about people parking in the garbage bin bay at the front of the school. This is NOT a parking spot and is definitely not safe. Children have been seen walking behind these cars whilst they are reversing out and this could have a terrible outcome. We understand that everyone runs late some mornings and parking can sometimes be hard but please think of the safety of the children.
How do you help and care for others and contribute to the community?

Maikera helps his mum and dad clean the house.

Brigham helps his family

Pat picks the rubbish up in the playground.

Shaniqua recycles at home and makes things from recycling.

Aliesha feeds her guinea pigs and gives them blueberries.

Charlotte helps her sister learn how to say words.

Josh visits his Nan and all her friends at the nursing home.

Shreya helps people at school when writing.
Lilly helps her mum in the vegie garden.

Amreen helps her mum dig out

Yasmine plays with people who feels left out.

Justin helps his mum water the plants.

Tanvi helps her mum by looking after her sister.

Josh helps his mum clean

Prayag helps his dad fix cars.

Ethushan helps people when they fall over in the playground.
Mya helps her aunty feed her baby cousin.

Salome helps with the gardening at school.

Jarrod likes to help his friends with solving maths problem.

Jordan takes people to the office if they are

Mia likes to help the Green Team in the garden.

Olivia likes to care for her friends.

Damon helps his mum to clean his room.
Beresford Road Public School Merit Cards Presented on Week 1

Blue Certificate

**Dimitri Halacus**  |  **Teagan Neiche**
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**Angel Arcenal**  |  **Kayla Nader**
**Jack Green**  |  **Anthony Topic**

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Girls aged 7–12 are invited to come and try Girl Guides.

Parramatta Park, Sunday, 23 November, 2014
11am–2pm

For more information about Girl Guides visit:
www.girllguides-nswact.org.au
or call 1300 447 548

Learn Music on the keyboard at
Beresford Road Public School

Great songs! | Musical games! | Cool music knowledge!

- Convenient at-school venue
- Small group - 45 min weekly lesson
- Competitive rate - $37 per session

(special - $100 for 10 sessions)

Instrument not required initially
Music material provided

Please call 9411 3122 to register for 2015
or enrol for immediate commencement

Visit www.BRPMusic.com.au or call 9411 3122 at the school, or email beresfordroadpublicschool.com.au