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PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

YOUNG LEADERS DAY

On Monday this week, Miss Dela Fuente and I had the pleasure of taking our eight School Leaders to AllPhones Arena at Olympic Park to listen to a number of inspiring speakers about leadership. I would like to commend Rossaly, Bohan, Kedeeja, McCoy, Mandiya, Sharni, Nathan and Noah on their outstanding behaviour throughout the day.

INDUCTION ASSEMBLY

It was wonderful to take part in my first Induction Assembly last Friday. I was very impressed with all of our students, who showed that they were safe, respectful learners during the assembly. Congratulations to all the leaders across the school – Captains and Councillors, SRC members, House and Vice Captains and Library Monitors. I’m looking forward to working with our student leaders this year.

COMING ONTO SCHOOL GROUNDS

Parents and carers are welcome to be on school grounds in the morning from 8:30am to 9:00am and in the afternoon from 2:45pm. If you need to come onto school grounds during the day to drop off your child’s hat, lunch, jumper etc. you MUST come to the office first. It is not appropriate to visit your child’s classroom or be on the playground during recess and lunch times, without permission. This is a Work, Health and Safety requirement and allows us to monitor who is on school grounds in order to keep our students safe. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Lisa Littlejohn
Principal (rel)

PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL

- 11th March – Years 3 & 4 ZooSnooz deposit of $20

When making payments you can choose the following methods: cash, EFTPOS (before midday) or online. Online payments should only be made via the school website which is listed at the top of this newsletter. Once you are on our website you click on $ make payment and follow the instructions.

KINDERGARTEN BEST START ASSESSMENT

At the start of the school year, all Kindergarten students participated in the Best Start Assessment program. This program helps teachers to find out what each child knows when they begin school. These assessments ran very smoothly and allowed for all student’s knowledge to be assessed.

Parent reports about the Best Start assessment have now been forwarded home. This report shares your child’s achievements and also provides suggestions of ways you can help your child at home.
If you have any questions about this report please speak to your child’s class teacher.

**Language Learning and Literacy Program (L3)**

At Bennett Road our Kindergarten students are involved in the literacy program ‘Language, Learning and Literacy’ (L3).

L3 is a research-based program that targets text reading and writing. It provides students with the opportunity to achieve outstanding results in all aspects of literacy.

L3 is one component of the Best Start Initiative that aims to ensure all students are on track in their literacy and numeracy learning by the end of Year 3. During the literacy session your child will be taught in small groups of three students. While each group is being given short, explicit reading and writing lessons, the rest of the class will complete carefully selected activities to extend their literacy learning.

Class teachers will attend ongoing professional learning sessions to support their implementation of L3 throughout the year.

**FRIENDSHIPS TO BOOST YOUR CHILD’S LEARNING**

If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. So teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs. Find out more:


**PET EDUCATION SHOW**

Kindergarten really enjoyed our Pet Education Show, organised by our local council to teach us all about dogs and ways to be safe. Our educator Niki and her friendly dog, greeted two lucky children from each class. We know what to do if we see an aggressive dog and how to greet a friendly dog safely.
INDUCTION ASSEMBLY 2016

Congratulations to the following students who were successful in their attempt to become one of the school leaders for 2016.

A special mention goes to Bohan and Rossaly, the incoming school captains for 2016, both of whom are incredibly eager to begin their new roles and responsibilities.

Here is the complete list of the student leaders for 2016

- **School Captains**
  - Bohan - 6D and Rossaly – 6D

- **Vice captains**
  - McCoy – 6F and Kadeeja – 6F

- **Councillors**
  - Nathan – 6T, Noah – 6D, Mandiya – 6D and Sharni - 6D

**House Captains and Vice Captains**

- **Banksia**
  - Captain – Ricky – 5E
  - Vice-Captain – Brianna – 6F

- **Jacaranda**
  - Captain – Alison – 6T
  - Vice-Captain – Jemaine 5E

- **Waratah**
  - Captain – Jayden – 5D
  - Vice-Captain – Charlotte – 6D

- **Wattle**
  - Captain – Damon – 6T
  - Vice-Captain – Roseanna - 6D

- **SRC Representatives**
  - 1/2K Madeline
  - 2C Charlie and Aliesha
  - 2D Dylan and Ambriehl
  - 2S Koby and Matilda
  - 2W Jai and Maddison-Rose
  - 3/6M Brayden
  - 3/6P Riley and Shauna
  - 3B Taliyah and William
  - 3S Katie and Casey
  - 3W Danielle and Joshua
  - 4B John and Montanna
  - 4P Aiden and Maisie
  - 4T Jared and Savannah Taufa
  - 5D Jayda and Jai
  - 5E Kyra and Grayson
5M Kayla-Lee and Zac
6D Roseanna and Jonathan
6F Brianna and Kingz
6T Ravina and Damon

- **Library Monitors**
  4B John, Ayla, Jayden, Dakota and, Skye
  4T Cayley
  5M Aisha and Taylor
  5D Maria and Amanda
  5E Briana
  6F Tomas, Makayla, Darcell, Tamica and Bailey
  6T Ravina, Sarah, Chelsea and Katrina

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**PBL**

Students who are Safe, Respectful, Learners in the playground can get a playground ticket. This is collected throughout the term and drawn at the end of each term. From K-2 and 3-6 one winner is picked and then the tickets are put together for a major prize draw. At the end of last term we draw the attendance and PBL raffle.

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**K-2 ASSEMBLY AWARDS**

K – 2 Assembly for Term 1 Week 4 was held on Friday 19th February, 2016 and the following children received assembly awards:

- **KC** – Sabella and Benjamin
- **KF** – Ruby and Chloe
- **KM** – Viennah and Malachi
- **KL** – Cameron and Chelsea
- **KP** – Amelia and Isabella
- **1/2K** – Liam
- **1C** – Khyy, Ellise and Cooper
- **1P** – Georgia, Nyandeng and Bowen
- **1R** – Nevaeh, Jiye and Selvan
- **2C** – Taya, Alyce, Cory and Dimitri
- **2D** – Brock, Beau, Ambriehl and Gloria
- **2S** – Kayla, Noah, Yassaman and Blayden
- **2W** – Nate, Erika, Beckham and Jayde

The Mystery Teacher Award was awarded to class 2S. Congratulations and well done to all award winners.
5D In action

The students of 5D come to school ready to learn. They have set themselves four goals for the year.

- to learn
- to be a team
- to have fun and
- to learn.

While focusing on literacy and numeracy, sport is a great passion of most of the students. There is still time to add singing and reciting to their string of growing talents. Some of the songs they enjoy include The Meatball song, 1841, Ushkara and Mickey Mouse.

Currently 5D are working in the library, learning more about light energy. Using Worldbook online and APPs including Telligami, Action Movie and Funny Movie Maker they have scripted and made their own movies segments.

Here are some of the things that they have already learnt while having lots of fun:
BREAKFAST CLUB
The school breakfast club has become very popular with the students and we are now running it on four days each week. The Breakfast Club will run every Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning in room 19 from 8:30am to 8:45am. All students are most welcome to join in. We have a variety of cereals and toast available. This is a free service which is made possible by the generous donation and continued support from Baker’s Delight at Springwood, who have been supplying our bread each week. Thank you for your continued support.
On Monday the 29th of February, our 2016 School Captains, Vice Captains and Councillors made the trek to Olympic Park in Homebush to attend the National Young Leaders Day Conference. In attendance were 6000 primary school students from across NSW eager to create positive contributions in their school community and learn valuable leadership skills. Hosted by The Halogen Foundation, guest speakers included Commissioner Andrew Scipione, paralympian Ben Austin, youth ambassador Nathan Want, author Melanie Lee and TV presenter Scott Tweedie.

Here are some comments about the day:

“Today we went to Allphones Arena and listened to inspirational leadership stories about mastering the little.” – Nathan

“All the little steps that you take lead to big things in your life” - Kadeeja

“Make an effort because everyone is a leader. Develop your ideas because actions can make a real change.” – Mandiya

“Believe that you should never give up and be brave!” - Noah

“Today I was able to meet the guest speakers and listen to their life stories. The arena was filled with life lessons and experiences of leadership. A fun part was playing with giant beach balls that rolled from the top to the bottom of the arena.” - Rossaly

“If you have a big dream, don’t just dream it. Make it happen!” - Bohan

“Little steps can take you anywhere if you try and keep trying.” – Shami

“Achieve your goal and don’t forget the little things that matter.” – McCoy
WHAT'S GOING ON AT BENNETT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL?

We have a number of ways of finding out what is happening at our school, you can either check out our new notice board on Bennett Road, we have a Facebook page, our Web site or the Skoolbag app which is free to download.

How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

For iPhone and iPad users:
1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "Install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open".
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

For Android users:
You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.
1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device.
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:
1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device.
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search.
3. Install the Skoolbag app.
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
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Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.

Find out more at www.skoolbag.com.au  
Don't forget to like us on Facebook! ★
Chifley College Dunheved Campus caters for the academic, cultural, physical and spiritual development of students in the context of family, friends and community.

Teaching programs are aimed at growing young people as responsible and productive learners, citizens and leaders. The success of our progressive Literacy and Numeracy programs is evident by a Director General Achievement Award in 2010 and an Excellence in Education Award for Outstanding Achievement - Stage 4 Enrichment Program in 2011. Building on this excellent work, in 2015 the school established an Enrichment Class for Stage 4.

Our students engage with learning in an innovative and supportive environment with interactive whiteboard technology in air-conditioned classrooms, state of the art technology rooms, multimedia conferencing facilities, modern technology based two-storey library, expansive grounds and extensive sporting facilities. Our highly accomplished and experienced teachers are committed to ongoing rigorous professional training and development each year. Teachers know our students well and encourage initiative, personal responsibility and self-regulated learning.

We are particularly proud of our partnerships with parents, local businesses, employment agencies and tertiary institutions. We offer unique programs that give students access to university mentoring programs, employment and TAFE courses. Students receive the advantage of increased vocational skills and hands-on learning experiences. Students attending Dunheved then have the choice of attending the Senior Campus, which is a modern, purpose built campus, situated next to Mt Druitt TAFE, or, Bidwill High School.

Staff will be available on the evening to speak about the school, subjects and speciality programs we offer. The evening will also include a tour of the school's outstanding facilities. We look forward to seeing you.

Location:  
Chifley College Dunheved Campus  
120 Maple Road North St Marys  
School Library

Time:  
Session 1: 4.30 - 5.00pm  
Session 2: 5.00 - 5.30pm

Light refreshments will be served in each session.
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Specialty cakes for all occasions.
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Every Monday During the School Term
9:00am—11:00am

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Come & meet new friends at Playgroup!

Plenty of craft and fun activities to do!

For more information
Please call 02 4724 3018

Find us at the front of the school

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Bennett Road Public School

Dear ... Please excuse my child's absence on ... due to ...

(date of absence) ... Child's name ...

Class ...

Yours sincerely, ...

... Parent / Caregiver ...