

Principal's Report

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

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Dear Parents,

We are already in the 6th week of the term. At this time of year a school is starting to prepare for the next year. This week I have given our student leadership nomination forms to the year 5 students. Before that I had spoken to this year's captains about their views on being school student leaders and what the nomination process should be, I had a discussion with staff and also parents about the style of nominations the school would follow. Consequently the nomination process has changed from previous years. Surprisingly all parties had the same opinions about the nominees having an interview and the selection process.

The year 5 students were provided with a description of the nomination process when they were handed their nomination form. All year Mr McCroary has discussed the type of behaviour and attitude student in mentoring and leadership positions should have. This year preparation for student leadership has been guided by discussions built on student leadership courses Mr McCroary has been involved in.

Student Leadership Nomination Process at Bringelly School 2014

- Nominations will be asked to be given to teachers by Friday 14 November, 2014.
- Those students who have been responsible for their studies, presented themselves well in school activities, had expected behaviour and followed school rules will be considered eligible to be part of the school student leadership elections.
- They will be invited to have an interview with Mr McCroary, Mrs Billinghurst and Mrs Scott
- Speeches and voting will take place and all students from Kindergarten to Year 6 can vote.
- The top 6 students will be accepted and the positions of captain and vice-captain will be decided by the Principal Mrs Scott and teachers.

- The announcement of positions will be made at the Presentation Night 9 December, 2014.
- All student leaders will sign an agreement about the expectations of leadership in the school, co-signed by parents and staff.

2015 Kindergarten

The transition program for our 2015 kindys was completed with an excellent presentation from 'Chatterbox' Speech Pathologists at Narellan. Originally called 'Talk of The Town' owner Jenny Kay presented parents with a great insight into how difficulties in communication affects their start and progress at school. If parents are concerned and want your child checked by the pathologist please contact the school for further information.

State Representatives In Oz Tag

Wonderful congratulations proudly go to two Bringelly students for their show of talent and level of competition in Oz Tag. Hudsyn Murphy has gained a place in the NSW State Oz Tag team for the under 12's. Reid Murphy has gained a place in the NSW Oz Tag team in the under 14's.

Razorback Oz Tag

Next Tuesday 36 Bringelly boys and girls will be playing in the Razorback Competition at Picton and families are invited to go and watch. Mr McCroary, Mrs Murphy and Mrs Borg will be accompanying the three mixed teams competing. Thank you to parents and supporters who have already indicated they are going.

School Presentation Night The school **presentation night** will be held on **Tuesday 9th** December at John Edmondson High School Hall. Students need to be at the hall by 6.30 pm. The evening begins at 7pm. Please look out for the notes from the school concerning times and instructions for students. The students are practicing for dance items and this evening is the major award event of the year.

Compassion for Others- a Life Lesson

At Bringelly School we pride ourselves on being community minded and this week the small class of 2M has held a stall for Walk For a Cure for Diabetics. They brought in small items of toys, games and cakes to sell and made over \$600. Many mums helped and Mrs Murphy used the stall as part of the mathematic program. More importantly all students had a great understanding of what empathy, compassion and generosity gives you back in return. We are so proud you 2M



Special Sport Award Assembly

This year we have had an excellent year in sporting achievements and the **Sport Award Assembly** will be held on **Monday 8th December at 1.45 – 2.45 pm** under the school cola. Families are welcome to attend this event.

New Bus Arrangements Concern

As many of you are aware the bus times have changed with the new bus company contract. The last bus to arrive to pick up students now comes at 3.15 which means students are waiting for half an hour after the bell. Teachers legally have to have responsibility for students for 30 minutes before and after the classes start and finish, except for extra activities such as excursions and camps. Staff are now finding they finish teaching at 2.45 but are still waiting for buses half an hour or more later. We need to adjust the times so all legal responsibilities are covered. Please see the information in this newsletter regarding the parents' survey and change to school times and give the school feedback so we can make a decision about the school times for 2015.

Trees

The Education Department and Communities have paid for two large trees in the school to be cut down and some trees trimmed in the school grounds that had been identified as unsafe. This is part of a two phase program of removal. The next phase will happen in 2015.

Sharyl Scott

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The final statements of overdue accounts have been sent home with your child/ren.

Please pay ASAP as we are in the process of our end of year close off and need to move into 2015 now. If you have any problems please contact the office in office hours on page 1. We will be happy to help. Also a reminder no change is given or money left on premises. Any P & C notes or payments are to be in a separate envelope and cheques to be made out to the P & C. All money is to be placed in an envelope and put into the slot available in the front office.

Please ensure if your child/ren are running late that you as their parent come to the front office to sign them in as it's a legal requirement to do so.



Dates for your Diaries



Monday 17th November	Assembly
Tuesday 18th November	JEHS Information Night 5.30pm till 7.00pm for Year 6 That are attending JEHS next year in 2015.
Tuesday 18th November	Tiger Tag
Wednesday 26th November	MADD Performance
Monday 1st December	Assembly Xmas Item

COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Sunday 16th November
 8.00am to 5.00pm
 936 Greendale Rd Greendale
 Household Goods, Plants, Antiques, Garden Ornaments.
 Lots More Items.....



Next P & C Meeting is on **Wednesday Night the 26th of November**. It will be to finalise the Year 6 Formal and our last fundraising event so please come along.

The P & C Committee would like to thank all the students and parents who attended the Halloween Disco on the 31st of October. What a successful night it was. The costumes were outstanding. A BIG Thank You goes to Miss Kunkler, Mr McCroary, Mrs Billingham, Mrs Keegan, Mrs Sullivan, Mrs Woolgar and Mrs Keegan's daughter for all their help on the night we really appreciated it. To all the mums who helped on the night "What A Group of Woman" Thanks so much for the smoothly run night.