FROM THE PRINCIPAL
The P&C meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the Staffroom at 6.30pm

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Principal’s Report
In the past two weeks I have had the great pleasure to visit Bray Park State High School to welcome the Year 7s and induct the Junior Secondary School Leaders and Senior Secondary School Leaders at the Induction Ceremony.

How grown up our Year 6 students of last year looked in their Bray Park State High School uniform as they were welcomed into Year 7 by students and staff. During the assembly, scholarship winners were announced with four of the scholarships going to Bray Park State School former students:
Harrison Tann - Music Scholarship
Mitch Wilson – Sports Scholarship
Scott Menzies – Academic Scholarship
Rajvir Randhawa – Academic Scholarship

What a wonderful achievement for these former Bray Park students.

After the ceremony, I visited the Year 7 classrooms and spoke to some of the students. “Awesome!” would be the most frequently used expression to describe how they felt about doing Year 7 at Bray Park State High School. They love their classrooms and working with different teachers. Smiles all around as I left the classrooms.

At the Senior Leaders Induction, I felt so proud to see Bray Park students in the band and the choir having only left us such a short time ago. They certainly have settled into high school life well.

Back here at Bray Park State School, we celebrated our own Student Leader Induction Ceremony. Leaders were awarded their new badges and they were worn with pride as students undertook the Student Leader Pledge.

School Captains: Melody Murray and Laurina McCormick
Vice Captains: Kate Hickey and Jayden Gaudry
House Captains
Armstrong: Raemi Connor, Taylah Berderow, Kobe Aiono (V)
Barnard: Kate Hickey, Jayden Gaudry, Aislinn Hicks (V)
Fraser: Laurina McCormick, Cassie Menzies, Ashleigh Mumby (V)
Sutherland: Joel Strasser, Mykaila Sauaga, Tana Vaeagi (V)
Music Captains: Claire Smith (Band), Cassie Menzies (Strings)

I look forward to working with our Student Leaders throughout the year as they fulfil their range of duties.

Reminders:
The next P&C meeting on 13 March is the AGM. We look forward to having lots of new faces at the meeting and volunteering for help on Sub-Committees.
The first School Council meeting of the year is on 14 March at 3.15pm. Applications to fill the parent vacancy are available at the Office and close on 11 March.

Have a great week.
Maree Mortlock
Principal

P&C NEWS

One of the major functions of the P&C is to provide or assist in the provision of financial or other resources or services for the benefit of students of the school. The P&C are able to provide this service by undertaking various fund raising events throughout the year. 2013 is no different and we are starting the year with all pistons at full throttle.

Our first raffle for the year will be our Easter Raffle. It will be running in conjunction with the P to 3 Easter Hat Parade. Attached to the Newsletter is the Easter Raffle flyer advising a book of 10 tickets will be sent home to each family. It would be greatly appreciated if you can please bring the tickets and money back to the school office asap prior to the Easter Hat Parade on Thursday, 28th March. If you require more ticket books they will be available at the school office."

Donations for our Easter Raffle – Each year we seek the assistance of the school community to provide donations for our Easter Raffle. This year we are looking for your assistance in donating Easter eggs, baskets and anything else to help make up hampers as prizes for our Raffle. It would be appreciated, if you can please bring your donations to the office prior to Wednesday 27th March.

We are also organising an Easter Drive. You may have already, or, in the coming days you will receive a Homestyle Bake Easter 2013 Drive brochure and order form. Ask your family and friends to help support our school community by ordering some delicious Easter treats, pies or something for their sweet tooth. Orders are to be placed in the mail box located in the office by 3pm Friday, 15th March for delivery on Friday, 22nd March.

Pizza Fridays are BACK. Dates to book in for Term 1 are Friday, 1st March and Friday, 15th March. So come along to the Hall from 3pm to enjoy a slice of Eagle Boys delicious Ham & Pineapple, Cheese or Meatlovers pizza. Cups of cordial will also be for sale for $0.50 each.

We held our first P&C meeting for the year last week and it was great to see some new faces. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, 13th March at 6:30pm. This meeting will be our AGM and all Executive positions need filling. Nomination forms are available from the office. Look forward to seeing you there.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH - FEBRUARY

Congratulations to the following students on being chosen as ‘Student of the Month’. You are a great example to other students at this school and should be very proud of your achievements.

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**Parents are reminded that afternoon tea for the ‘Student of the Month’ is now being held in the assembly hall**
MUSIC NEWS

Music programs have begun for the year. For your information:

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<td>Recorder Club at 11:15am in Music Room</td>
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Strings students please note, string ensemble rehearsals have not yet started for the year. Ms Cahill will let everyone know when ensemble rehearsals begin. Due to supervision commitments across the school, Junior Choir rehearsals are cancelled during a wet weather lunch. If you need to contact me I am at the school on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. I can be contacted via the office or by email agray19@eq.edu.au.

Ally Gray
Music Teacher

BOOK/UNIFORM SHOP

Opening hours for the this week are: TUESDAY 26/3/13 – 7.30am to 10.30am, THURSDAY 28/3/13 – 2.30pm to 5.30pm. Please note during week 11/3/13 – 15/3/13, the bookshop will be closed on THURSDAY afternoon, but will open on WEDNESDAY instead 2.30pm – 5.30pm. If you have any queries please contact Mandy on Ph: 07 3480 7345

DENTAL VAN

The Dental Van will be leaving our school next Monday, 4 March 2013. Any students with dental emergencies should contact the Call Centre on 1300 365 997.

TUCKSHOP

We are urgently looking for a volunteer to help on a Wednesday as we are currently short of helpers. If anyone can spare a few hours please come along to the Tuckshop for a chat. Donations also required please – Jelly Crystals / Dishwashing Liquid / Ritz Biscuits / Tinned pineapple, beetroot, two fruits and tuna / SAO crackers and Rice Cakes. Thank you, Sharon and Vanessa.

VISCOUNT STREET PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

If there is a parent who is happy to volunteer to put out the crossing flags in Viscount St at 8am, and take them down at 3.30pm each day, please contact Jenny Neate on 07 3205 6594. Thank you 😊

NEWS FROM OUR LOCAL HIGH SCHOOLS

Pine Rivers State High School - Three of our students gained an OP score of 1 in 2012. 15.9% of our students achieved an OP 1-5. One former Bray Park State School student performed exceptionally well:

“On Friday January 25, one of our most successful Year 12 2012 graduates commenced his career with the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA). Coen Imoda armed with his experience as a Student Leader (Treasurer of the Student Representative Council) and his OP score of 3 and the respect of the school community of The Pine officially took his oath of allegiance at a formal Appointment Ceremony conducted at St John’s Cathedral.”

Bray Park State High School - BPSHS received some very good results for the Seniors in 2012. We have had an OP 1 two years running as well as some excellent Vocational Education results and above average satisfaction measures.

COMMUNITY NEWS

LEUKAEMIA WORLD’S GREATEST SHAVE

Albany Creek Leukaemia Group is holding two Shaves this year:

- Thursday 14 March, 3pm-6pm, Charter Hall (Coles);
- Sunday 17 March, 2pm-5pm, Eatons Hill Hotel

If you wish to participate in the Shave (Shave/Colour), please
- Register online - http://www.worldsgreatestshave.com/
- Contact Kate 3318 4457, Kaye 3264 3050 for further details

To keep the germs away, remember what I say.

Always wash your hands: After using the toilet, before and after you eat, and after you play.