Principal’s Report

NAPLAN Testing Week 13 May – 17 May

Next week students from Years 3, 5 and 7 will undertake the National tests in Literacy and Numeracy. The tests will be conducted over three days – Tuesday to Thursday, with Friday available for students to catch up any tests that may have been missed.

Students have been preparing for the tests in small focus teaching groups over the past few months. What can families do to help students achieve their best during test times? Firstly, by ensuring students get a good night’s sleep each night – you know the old saying, “early to bed, early to rise….” Secondly, a good protein based breakfast will help students stay focussed during the first session and a healthy lunch for first break will keep the ‘brain power’ going in the second session. Lastly, and as important as the first two tips, talk to your child about how things went. Debriefing the day helps for a good night’s sleep.

It is important to point out that these tests are a ‘point in time’ measure of student performance. A more rounded picture of your child’s progress will be in the end of semester report card which will go home in the last week of this term.

Our formal parent/teacher interviews will be conducted on Tuesday 16 July from 3.15pm to 8.00pm. We will use the same format as last year, with all interviews being conducted in the Hall. If you have any concerns regarding your child’s current progress, please make an appointment to see your child’s teacher.

ANZAC Day March

Many thanks to all of the parents who brought along children to represent Bray Park State School at the ANZAC Day March. It was lovely to see so many children wearing their school uniform with pride as we marched along ANZAC Avenue. Generally, representation from schools was at an all-time premium this year. With so many students paying their respect to those who have made, and to those who continue to make, our country safe, the words “Lest We Forget” will remain strong.

P&C Meeting

The May P&C meeting is on Wednesday 8 May at 6.30pm in the staffroom. Please come along and support the work of the P&C. Remember, it is only through the P&C that we have a tuckshop, uniform/bookshop and Outside School Hours Care. I look forward to seeing you there.

Have a great week

Maree Mortlock, Principal
STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to the following students on being chosen as ‘Student of the Month’. You are a great example to the other students at this school and should be very proud of your achievements. Afternoon tea will be held for these students this week on **Wednesday, 8/5/13 at 2.30pm**.

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WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

Our school is participating again this year in the Woolworths Earn and Lean Program. Last year we were able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to you! For every $10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. We have a deposit box up at the school office for you to bring in your stickers. These don’t need to be put onto a sticker sheet, just pop the loose stickers into the box. Thank you for your support!

P&C NEWS

The Mother’s Day Stall is on again this year. It will be held in S block on **Thursday 9th and Friday 10th May**. Items will range in price from **$0.50 to $5.00**. Students from years 5, 6 and 7 will be attending the stall on Thursday to avoid any clash with Inter-school sport and Cross Country trials on Friday. Students from Prep to year 4 will be attending the stall on Friday. Any year 4 students who are participating in Cross Country on Friday, please advise your teachers and you will be able to visit the stall on Thursday instead. Come along and buy something nice for your special mums. Thank you, Raelee.

Pizza Day – Just a reminder that Pizza Day is on again this Friday, 10 May at 3.00pm at the Assembly Hall. Pizza will be $1.00 per slice, Cordial will be $0.50 per cup. There will be Cheese, Meatlovers and Hawaiian pizzas.

BOOK/UNIFORM SHOP

Opening hours changed recently, please note the new days and times are: **WEDNESDAY 2.30pm – 5.30pm, FRIDAY 7.30am – 10.30am**. If you have any queries please contact Mandy on Ph: 07 3480 7345.

SCHOOL BANKING

Great to see so many students banking each week. Our banking day is **THURSDAY** each week. Please bring your banking books to the Office. Prep A&B students can take their deposit books to the classroom and the teachers will bring them over to the office. Many students will have 10 tokens by now and so can start to claim some prizes. If you would like to order a prize with your tokens, don’t forget to fill out the prize slip with your name and class and bring them in on banking day. Don’t forget this term there are also some great competitions. To have a chance to win, just make three or more deposits during Term 2 and you’ll automatically be entered into the competition. **1st prize is a $5000 family holiday.**
MUSIC NEWS
String ensemble rehearsal started last Friday. These are in the music room at 11:15 am. Band rehearsals have been opened up to include all brass, woodwind and percussion students. Children start playing at 7:40 am so please arrive at 7:30 for set up and warm up!

Performance choir is now rehearsing on Tuesday mornings at 8:00 am in the music room, as well as Wednesday at first break. When there is a clash with Student Council meetings, the student councillors are expected to attend the Student Council meeting. Junior choir rehearsal is on Tuesday at first break.

I am looking for parents who can spare a couple of hours in the coming weeks to outfit our string, band and performance choir in their music uniforms. Please come and see me for more information.

Many Thanks,
Ally Gray
Music Teacher

CHAPPY’S CHAT
Chappy Week is coming up, 19 - 26 May. To celebrate, there will be a Chappy Reef and Beef Raffle, $1.00 a ticket which will be drawn the week after Chappy Week. Hopefully tickets will be going home on Tuesday this week (to the youngest in the family) to coincide with the newsletter.

BOTTLE TOPS NEEDED PLEASE
As part of NAIDOC week later in the year, we are going to be doing a creative artwork using plastic bottle tops. These can be from any size soft drink or water bottles, any colours are fine. We will be collecting throughout Term 2, so if you would like to start collecting at home the bottle tops can be taken to Mrs Milne in the Inclusive Learning Centre (Old Library, B Block).

COMMUNITY NEWS
GET INTO TABLE TENNIS! The Moreton Bay Table Tennis Club is holding a FREE Come and Try day 4.00 pm – 6.00 pm Friday 10 May at Shaftesbury Campus Sports Hall, Cnr Deception Bay Road and Bruce Highway. This leads into the ‘Totally Table Tennis’ program which is a six week introductory program to the fun, safe and friendly sport of table tennis covering the basic strokes and the rules of the game. For more information please contact jason@tabletennisqld.org or visit www.tabletennisqld.org/fun

Is your child eligible for Prep in 2014?

Children born July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009 are eligible to attend Prep in 2014.
Contact the Office on 07 3480 7333 for an enrolment pack.
The Pre Prep program commences in Term 4 for children enrolled for Prep at Bray Park State School in 2014.
Enrol early to secure a position.