Thursday 25th June 2015

Congratulations Falcon Team on a spectacular win at the 2015 Athletics Day. The competitiveness and determination of the students was outstanding. Congratulations to Fantomes and Rattlesnakes who participated in great spirit. Thank you to Mrs Jackson, Mrs Searle and the staff and parents who helped on the day. It was also great to see the students getting behind the day with face painting, coloured hair and colourful clothing. Congratulations Bluewater!

The Red track team that will be representing us at the school interschool athletics will be announced after the holidays.

Principal Development

Although the sports carnival is one of my favourite events, I was unable able to be there due to my attendance at the new National Tool for School Improvement training. More information can be found at the following website: http://www.acer.edu.au/school-improvement.

Report Cards

This semester, the school has worked on simplifying the report card. In consultation with the P & C and from parent feedback, you will now see all the subjects which will indicate whether your child is meeting at, above or below level in line with the Australian Curriculum.

The behaviour and overall comments will be personal to your child. Each teacher will also provide an outline of each of the subjects that students have been taught this semester, which is in line with the Australian Curriculum and the Bluewater Curriculum Plan.

If you have concerns or questions please speak with your child’s teacher. They will only be too happy to have a conversation with you and provide you the student evidence for your child’s overall assessment. I would ask that you make an appointment through the office so the meeting can be more beneficial than a drop in meeting.
School Opinion Surveys
The School Opinion Surveys are undertaken each year to give parents/caregivers, students and staff in state schools an opportunity to have their say about what their school does well, and how their school can improve. All responses are confidential.

The 2015 School Opinion Survey will open between 29 June and 31 July 2015.

You will receive an invitation to participate in the survey to hear the views and opinions of the whole parent body. Please follow the directions listed on the hand out we have sent with the report card. There is more information on the following website http://education.qld.gov.au/schoolopinionsurvey/

Farewell
Farewell to Miss Toulmin. Thank you to Miss Toulmin for taking the year 5B class for the last 5 weeks. Miss Toulmin will continue her travels overseas. Mrs Best will be teaching 5B for the remainder of this year.

Safe Holiday
Please have a safe and happy holiday. Term 3 starts on Monday 13th July.
If you live around the school area, please keep an eye out. Report to the police through Policelink 13 14 44 or School watch 13 17 88.

Regards
Chris

Keep a watch on our school these holidays
The School Watch program is a partnership between the Department of Education and Training, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools. If you do see something suspicious, please don’t attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.
Keep the number handy – 13 17 88 – and let’s work together to help create a safer school community.

PBL (Positive Behaviour of Learning) News
“Be Green, Be Clean”
We are very proud of our beautiful surroundings here at BWSS! To show our pride, we aim to “Be Green, Be Clean”. Litter and food scraps are placed in the correct bins and we leave our eating areas clean. When we are green and clean, we are also looking after our ocean animals, as most litter ends up in waterways.
We have different bins for students to place their rubbish in. Please help 6B look after the worm farm by placing items into the worm bin. If you’re not sure what item belongs in there, please check the pictures on the bin.

“Hey! This is not our rubbish but we will pick it up to keep Bluewater School clean”

When walking around the school pick up rubbish, even if it is not yours!
NAIDOC WEEK – “We All Stand On Sacred Ground”

Our school will be holding NAIDOC celebrations next term, during week 1 (Monday 13th July – 17th July). Students will be involved in traditional indigenous games, storytelling and art activities, as well as competitions throughout the week.

There will be a whole school assembly on Friday 17th July at 2.10pm.

Please join us in celebrating NAIDOC week!

String Instruments

For any issues with instruments over the holidays please wait till the return of school. Most issues can be fixed by Mrs Fairbank. If any instrument is damaged it still needs to come back to school for processing.

2016 ENROLMENTS

ENROLMENTS for NORTHERN BEACHES STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Enrolment applications are now open for 2016. Enrolment packs are available at the NBSHS office and applications need to be returned to the school by the 26th June 2015. Parents will be contacted during Term 3 for an enrolment interview. Looking forward to seeing you at Beaches.

Natalie Taylor
Deputy—Junior Secondary School

Bluewater P & C News

Pie Drive Thank you to all who supported the pie drive. Hope you enjoy the pies over the holidays!

How can you get involved?

The P&C are always looking for new members. If you are interested in becoming a member or just want to see what happens at a P&C meeting please come along to the next meeting at 6:30pm on Tues 14/07 (in the library). If you are unable to attend P&C meetings, we are always looking for volunteers in the tuckshop and for people wanting to help out with fundraising events and the Country Fair.

2015 Country Fair

The P&C’s major fundraising event for the year is its annual Country Fair (fete) on Friday 30th October. Volunteers are needed to help out with planning for and running this event. Anyone that is able to assist in any way, can you please contact the Country Fair Coordinator Tracey Walker (via the school office).
Townsville Primary School Sport
Congratulations to Allyra W who has been selected for the Townsville/Thuringowa Sports Team to compete in the NQ Softball Trials to be held in Charters Towers in late July.

Bluewater School Rugby
A couple of dozen lads enjoyed an intra-school rugby game last Friday afternoon at the school. Col Leslie had the field in tip top condition in spite of the dry spell we are having and the time was set for the two teams to clash. We had Curtis out from the Townsville and District Rugby Union to put the lads through some drills before the game and then it was on. The players were exhausted after nearly fifty minutes of rugby. The parents and grandparents that attended were delighted to see their charges getting stuck in and enjoying this marvellous game. One team won but for me the interest in playing rugby was the real winner. Hopefully next term we can have an interschool visit with our co school Currajong. Thanks to the Mums that washed the jerseys for the teams.
Grant Whiteford; Coach.

Athletics Carnival
I would like to start by saying a huge thankyou to all the staff and parents that helped out yesterday to make the sports carnival a fantastic day for all. Thank you to the P&C for holding the sausage sizzle. To all the students who participated, congratulations on all of your events that you took place in. The talent and sportsmanship shown was outstanding. When tallying up points for age champion there were only a few points separating students in age divisions.

Our age Champions were
Boys 9yrs Ethan R Girls 9yrs Heidi B
Boys 10yrs Tarrant P Girls 10yrs Olivia E
Angus H
Boys 11yrs Cooper A Girls 11yrs Brooke G
Boys 12yrs Matthew B Girls 12yrs Aleena H

The winners for the Track, Field, Team and Champion house are as follow:
Track events went to 1st Falcons on 602, 2nd Rattlesnakes 516 and 3rd Fantomes 464.
Field events went to 1st Falcons on 486, 2nd Rattlesnakes 471 and 3rd Fantomes 449.
Team Events went to 1st Falcons on 134, 2nd Rattlesnakes 118 and 3rd Fantomes 108

The Champion house was Falcons on 1222, then Rattlesnakes on 1105 and Fantomes on 1041.

Thank you again to everyone who assisted in some way and thank you to all the parents, friends and family that came to watch. The way in which you showed your support means a lot to your children and to the school.

I will be looking at the results and putting together the team ready for Red Track on the 12th August. There will be a note going out to students that have made the team and a training schedule for each event. Training will be conducted during lunch times.

Thank you again and enjoy your holidays.
Jenni Jackson
PE Coordinator

NATIONAL NETBALL DAY
CPNAI FAMILY DAY

WHEN
25th
JULY 2015
2pm-5pm

WHERE
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111 Queen's Road
Hermit Park

FREE EVENT
All Ages Welcome
Email your team nominations to Karen at bernard.mquarre@bigpond.com
All nominations due by 18 July
Come along in fancy BLUE attire
I appreciate clever and meaningful quotations. The following from Herbert Kaufman stresses the value of persistence. "...The habit of persistence is the habit of victory."

One of the school's rules (Be Resilient) is linked to persistence in the following quote...

"[Whereas] persistence keeps you going, resilience allows you to keep going."

To build persistence and resilience into children, we must resist the temptation to step in and do something or finish something for them. Even though we could do it faster or better, we need to restrain ourselves.

After School Youth...Finished off the term with a 'Parents Vs Students' soccer match; the parents won the match two goals to one, bringing the tally so far to - Parents 2 wins, Students 1 win, with 3 matches drawn. The game was followed by a lovely sausage sizzle. Thank you to all the parents and siblings who turned up to make it a very enjoyable afternoon. Thank you also to the P&C for the loan of the BBQ. ASY will re-commence in the 2nd week of term 3 on Wednesday 22nd July.

Change in my Working Days: Commencing term 3 my two working days each week will Tuesdays and Wednesdays (both full days).

Blessings...and have a great holiday! ☺

Chappy Drew

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**Missing something?**

Good chance you'll find it in the lost property box! This red box is located in the eating area and is overflowing with drink bottles, hats and lunch boxes looking for their owners.

**FOUND:** A USB stick was found on the oval at the Athletics Carnival. Please see the office.

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**Patches of Bluewater Craft Group**

Meet every Thursday at the Bluewater Community Centre 9am to 1pm

New people are welcome

For more information, please ring Shannon Stanford on 4788 6465

Patches of Bluewater are proud sponsors of 3 x $100 Encouragement presented at the 2015 Bluewater State School Christmas Concert

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**Woolworths Earn and Learn is back!**

It's simple to participate. From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There'll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent. Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box, either at school or at your local Woolworths.

We are then able to redeem our Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers for valuable education resources for our school.

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**Playgroup meets at Bluewater State School**

the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month (during school term) 9.00am - 11.00am

Come along & have some fun with your child and meet new people in the area.

All Welcome Cost $3.00 per session Bring along a healthy plate of food to share.

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