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Principal's Paragraph

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members

I urge you to help your child acknowledge his or her teacher this Friday.

This Friday 30 October is World Teachers' Day. Celebrated in more than 100 countries, World Teachers' Day acknowledges the efforts of teachers in an increasingly complex society. The theme for this year's World Teachers Day is *EXCELLENT TEACHERS ARE EVERYWHERE*.

Every day, our teachers at Bohlevale give 110% to ensure that every child has the best possible chances at succeeding academically, socially and emotionally.

Students, parents and community members are invited to help show their appreciation by joining in our special school assembly on Friday. Our student leaders will be hosting this assembly to honour our teachers. The P and C have also kindly agreed to host a morning tea in recognition of our teachers. I wish every one of our teachers a wonderful World Teachers Day and offer my public thanks for the work that they do on any given day.

On World Teachers Day, I will be in Brisbane, as I am participating in the State Showcase Awards for Excellence in State Education finals judging. Let's Stay Put' http://www.soe.jcu.edu.au/Mobility_Web/ is one of 3 state finalists in the Excellence in Leadership category. This is a culmination of the work I was leading in the Riverway cluster, where we implemented this project to address student mobility. 'Let's Stay Put' has now gained national attention, and I will also be presenting a paper at a conference in Canberra in early December. By the end of this semester, I will have completed my commitments from the Riverway cluster. Next year, I plan that we will position Bohlevale to be successful in the State Showcase Awards as a result of the focussed work we are doing in whole school improvement.

I wish to advise parents that yesterday we had a standard procedure lock-down drill. Once per term, we practise either emergency evacuation or lock-down as part of our Workplace Health and Safety requirements.

Finally, I ask parents to remind children about road safety, as on Monday afternoon, one of our year one students was hit by a car while crossing the highway. Thankfully, the youngster escaped the ordeal with only minor scratches and bruises. Our children are precious to all of us.

With kind regards

Loretta Swayn

PLAYGROUND VOLUNTEERS

Any interested parents who would be willing to volunteer their time to **'play'** with our students at lunch time, please phone the school office for more information. We are looking for positive, encouraging adults to coach children to play happily together.

RED CROSS VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

Red Cross require more volunteers to help run the school breakfast club between 7.20am – 9.00am.
If you can help, please contact Debbie on 0428 561 465

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

PMSP	Grace	Making great choices
PPB	Sam	Being a responsible student
PWLL	Matthew	Doing some great thinking about numbers
PDMA	Mick	Contributing well in class discussions
1/2AB	Dominic	More focus and effort in classroom activities
1LVI	Jack	Persisting with his work tasks
1MWH	Nahum	Big improvement in classroom behaviour
1KBA	Daniel	Doing a great with singing on Thursday
2DWI	Bridie	Always setting her work out neatly. Well don Bridie
2 JPH	Cooper	Always doing his best
3RFO	Owen	Great effort in Maths
3RFO	Amber	Doing her best
3LHE	Brodie	Being organised
3KFE	Zane	Being organised and positive about his work
3KFE	Jordyn	Always trying her best
3MHO	Sarah	Doing her best work at all times
3MHO	Chloe	Being organised & helpful in class
4LLI	Lynden	Improved concentration in class
4CMA	Jae	Putting effort into completing tasks
4AWO	Jayson	Always working well and staying on task
4GC	Darcy	Being helpful during class
5MVI	Sydney	Exhibiting model behaviour at school
5HAL	Raymond	Producing neat and careful work
5/6AM	Shannon	Being the quiet & successful achiever
5DPR	Kyle	Attempting class tasks
5MFR	Emily	Working well during language
6MMO	Chelsey	Always ready to lend a hand
6SBO	Shanae	Excellent behaviour & attitude
6STI	Blake	An excellent effort on camp
7JSO	Rhys	Achieving outstanding results in maths tests
7KWO	Christian	Being a polite and respectful student
6/7KA	Isaiah	The impressive improvement in your playground behaviour

HONOUR ROLL - FINISHING WORK

PMSP	Bridget	2JPH	Aaron	5MFR	Tilana
PWLL	Megan	3RFO	Amber	5HAL	Colin
PDMA	Taryn	3 KFE	Chris	5DPR	Edin
			Konner		
PPB		3 MHO	Anthony	6STI	Karleigh
1KBA	Leon	4GC	Zane	6MMO	Michael
1MWH	Shye	4CMA	Kallum	6SBO	Sean
1JSW	Kymbalee	4LLI	Jessica	6/7KA	Harvey
1/2AB	Zach	4AWO	Leilani	7MBU	Xanthe
1LVI	Jeb	5/6AM	Robert	7KWO	Brianna
2DWI	Dylan	5MVI	Ryan	7JSO	Jason

Library News

Book Fair: 12-18 November. More details next week!

Congratulations to 7MBU, 6/7KA, 6MMO, 4AWO & 3MHO - NO overdue books this week! Please remind your child/ren to return their library books every week – if they wish to keep them for longer they can re-borrow them!

*Wanda Austin
Teacher Librarian*

STUDENT ART WORK CALENDARS, GIFT CARDS AND MOUSE MATS

Tomorrow is the last day to order calendars, gift cards or mouse mats with your child's art work on it. The costs are Calendars \$11, Gift Cards \$14 and Mouse mats \$14. All orders are to be paid at the cash window.

PREP PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

The school will be holding an information evening for parents of children who are beginning Prep in 2010.

Date: Wednesday 4th November

Time: 5:30 pm

Venue: Bohlevale State School Library

The evening is designed to inform parents of Bohlevale's:

- curriculum
- uniform requirements
- sun safe policies
- Prep booklist
- daily requirements
- first day procedures.

Enrolment forms will also be provided on the evening. If your child is due to begin Prep, please come along and learn about what Bohlevale has to offer.

SCHOOL LEVY REMINDER

Just another reminder for all families who still haven't paid their Classroom Resource Scheme (CRS) levy for 2009, that the levy is \$55 for years P-7. This voluntary resource scheme, which has the full support of our P&C Association, is vital for the purchase of classroom resources and consumables that enhance the learning opportunities for each class. If we don't receive these levies from families, the funds must come from school grant funding that could be used to purchase additional resources for the benefit of all our students. Thank you to the families who have already paid their contribution. We would appreciate the families who have not yet paid to please do so at your earliest convenience.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4 November	Prep Information Evening 5.30pm
20 November	SKOOL TIME Orders and Money Due

P & C NEWS

Please be advised the 'Lost & Found' bin will be emptied this Friday 30th October, so if anyone has any items which might be in here and they would like them back please check. .

Watches - Orders are to be back to us by no later than **20th November**. They will begin to return to the school from 1st December, so they will all be returned before school breaks up. **REMEMBER** to include your correctly spelt names for the **FREE** engraving. If two or more watches are ordered by you then you will also receive a free gift.

WELL DONE BOHLEVALE ! Thankyou to everyone who brought in their plastic bags. We collected a whopping **1541**. Results of the competition will be released 9th November. If you would like to have a look at all the plastic bags that were collected by everybody who entered go to:

www.juniorlandcarechallenge.com (Our school's is picture no. 37)

FREE DRESS DAY is being held on Friday 6th November. Students are asked to bring donations listed below. These items will then make up our Xmas Hampers for our Carols by Candlelight night. Also keep an eye on next week's Links.

Donations of NON Perishable Items for Xmas Hamper. Raffles to be drawn at Carols by Candlelight

Prep – Packet Food – pasta, rice, herbs, spices, tacos, gravy, jelly etc

Yr 1 – Baking – cake mixes, coconut, flour, sugar, cocoa, icing sugar etc

Yr2 – Cleaning – **NO CHEMICALS**, gloves, cloths, garbage bags, tissues, toothpaste, toilet rolls etc

Yr 3 – Kitchenware – Paper towel, zip bags, lunch bags, baking paper, gladwrap, spatula, foil etc

Yr 4 – Lunchbox Food – muesli bars, vegemite, peanut butter, biscuits, snackabouts, le snaks etc

Yr 5 – Xmas Items – cards, wrapping paper, labels, serviettes, paper plates, decorations, bon bons etc

Yr 6 – Pantry Stuffers – longlife products, coffee, tea, milo, cereal, dried fruit, pasta sauces, soups, salsa, recipes bases, tuna, tinned fruit etc

Yr 7 – Snack Food – biscuits, cordial, lollies, chips, nuts, rice crackers, shapes biscuits

Author Study on Mem Fox

This term class 1KBA have been learning about the author Mem Fox and have read many of her books. Last week, the students were asked to write a different ending to one of Mem Fox’s favourite books, “Koala Lou”. Here are some examples of how students in the class would have ended this story.

“On your marks” said the Kookaburra. “Get set. Go!”

Koala Lou won the race. Her mum said “I Love you Koala Lou forever and ever and ever.” She was happy and she would never forget that time.

By Cody

“On your marks” said the Kookaburra. “Get set. Go!”

Koala Lou ran away because the tree fell down. Then she got a medal, then she went home.

By Stevie

“On your marks” said the Kookaburra. “Get set. Go!”

Koala Lou climbed up the tree. Then she got a medal. Then everyone cheered. She went down the tree. Then she went back home to get a drink. Then she had a rest then she had a sleep.

By Leon

“On your marks” said the Kookaburra. “Get set. Go!”

Koala Lou climbed up the tree. Koala Lou won the trophy. Koala Lou and mum went back home for a rest.

By Dylan

“On your marks” said the Kookaburra. “Get set. Go!”

Koala Lou was brave. She climbed up the tree. She was the first one ever. She was very proud.

By Ethan

We are now beginning to write our own stories. Here are some examples of what ideas the students would like to write about.

I would like to write about clowns.

By Hannah

I would like to write about monkeys.

By Kyle

I would like to write about frogs.

By Tristan

I would like to write about dolphins.

By Sarah

INSTRUMENTAL RECRUITING – 2010

Please note that if you wish your child to learn a musical instrument. Applications forms need to be returned by Tuesday 3rd November, so that we may start testing students. Here is the expression of interest again. Please fill in the form below. Please note it is Queensland Education Policy to take students who are current yr 2 and yr 4. Yr 3 are not able to learn a brass woodwind and percussion instrument till they are in yr 5. They may put an application in to learn at the end of year 4.

I would like my child _____ in Year _____ to be tested to commence learning an instrument in 2010.

Signature _____ Date /10/2009.

Name (Please print) _____

If your child is playing an instrument this year, please complete the following:

My child _____ currently plays _____

School Instrument () Own Instrument ()

Education Queensland’s policy is that children supply their own instrument after one year of instruction.

We wish him/her to continue in 2009. We are purchasing our own instrument. Yes / No

PE AND SPORTS

Term 4 Prep to Yr 3 Swim Lessons Prep to yr 3 students will be given the opportunity to do swim lessons at the North Shore Pool in term 4. The students will receive 8 lessons for \$56.00 – which is \$7.00 each lesson (40 minutes per lesson). The lessons focus on life saving skills and stroke correction for the better swimmers. Permission notes and payment forms have gone home and lessons start 10th November. If you need to make a payment plan please speak to the admin office staff. Please also note that the school helps reduce the cost for each student attending through the Education Queensland Learn to Swim Grant and this has already been taken from the final price.

The 8 lessons will be done on Tuesday and Thursday for some classes and Wednesday and Fridays for other classes. Two lessons a week for four weeks. Class teachers will advise students and parents of days and times as we get closer.

Athlete Development Program NEWS ADP Camp Raffle Winners – Congratulations to the following people who have won prizes as below for the last camp raffle:

AC/DC Framed Poster – Will Coote

Sportscene Voucher – Margi Marshall

Bohle Barn Voucher – David Miller

Hairdressers Pack and Voucher – Sharon Chase

Bunnings Voucher – Jim King

Brisbane Roar Pack – Aaron Gibson

Please contact the school office to arrange prize collection

2009 ADP Parent Surveys – thank you to all the parents of students in the program who returned the surveys. The teachers involved will know look at the 2010 program planning with your feedback in mind.

2010 Expressions of Interest – Mr. Floyd will pass out forms and information for next years Athlete Development Program over the next few weeks. If you are interested please ensure your class teacher provides you with a form. Only students in yr 3 to yr 6 for 2009 can be considered for next year's program. ADP Camp Sausage Sizzle – this is the last Saturday – 31st October 2009.

ADP Athletes of the Week – Congratulations to the following students who have been achieved their Lead Fitness Medal Certificate – Jake, Jackie, Matthew, Jesse, Declan, Sascha

ADP Camp **FINAL PAYMENT** – the final cost of the camp has been calculated at \$670.00 per student attending plus \$30.00 cash spending money for the event travel days for lunches. Students attending the camp must have full payment completed by week 6 of this term and a final payment note will be given to parents after the last Sausage Sizzle on 31st October with details of final amount.

Camp Sponsor THANKS – the students attending the camp would like to thank the following companies and families for their kind support/sponsorship which has helped with the costs of attending the camp this year.

Townsville Earth Moving	Douglas and Miller Motor Body Repairs	Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd
Wood Family	Sportscene	Bohle Barn Hotel
Beach Cutters Hair Salon	Anaconda	Fielding Family
Marshall Family	Parkside/Tropical Homes	Woodlands Woolworths
Fornasier Family		