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Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members

Bohlevale School is at an exciting stage as we embark on the Strategic Plan 2009 – 2011. You will see an A3 copy of this plan in every classroom block. I would like you to become familiar with the priorities we have outlined for achievement over the next couple of years.

Teachers are working in teams – *Learning, Wellbeing & School Culture* and *School Community* – to deliver the goals for consistent total school improvement. At the staff meeting on Monday, as part of the Learning team, I was excited to hear teachers plan to publish whole school overviews for English and Maths by the end of this school year. Our considerations of the teaching of Maths have resulted in our decision to discontinue Go Maths from next year, and to allocate levy money towards purchasing hands-on maths equipment to support student learning in every classroom.

As a whole school, we are also committed to eliminating bullying, rough play resulting in hurt, and any violent behaviour. In the coming weeks, I will be inviting our Behaviour Support Teacher to address the issue of bullying in the weekly newsletter, so that, as a community, we have a very clear understanding of what bullying is – and is not.

Finally, a request! We invite families to donate 2 or more link-wall pavers identical to the ones in the raised gardens on the western side of the Admin building. We want to continue to improve our gardens throughout the school. If you are able to make such a donation, please check with the wonderful staff at the front office, and they will point out the exact type and size of pavers we need.

With thanks and kind regards

Loretta

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

Please note the school performance which was scheduled for Wednesday 5 August has been changed.

It will be held on Tuesday 4 August due to the impending Teachers Strike.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

PMSP	Tristan	For a great effort all week
PWLL	Daniel	For contributing to group discussions all week
PPB	Hasheria	For being a quiet achiever
PDMA	Ashley	For contributing well to class discussions
1/2AB	Caitlin	For working well in group situations
1LVI	Job	Persistence to complete work tasks
1JSW	Luke	Trying hard to be a good learner
1MWH	Aleishia	Achieving 100% on weekly spelling
2DWI	Jason	Fantastic name writing
3LHE	Ewan	For working independently
3KFE	Jerika	Trying her hardest with all aspects of school
3BN	Shari	Always completing her work on time
3MHO	Bayley	Wonderful manners and always working well
3RFO	Abigail	For doing her best
4GC	Darcy	For continuing to give 100% effort with your work
4AWO	Lachlan	A great improvement in his attitude in the classroom
5MFR	Shayne	Always working hard and doing her best
5HAL	Danielle	Demonstrating persistence with difficult tasks
5DPR	Kayla	Outstanding class work
5/6AM	Michelle	Demonstrating the keys to success
6MMO	Jemma	Settling in well and trying hard with all her work
6STI	Zac	For being a quiet achiever in class
6SBO	Jack	Always displaying a great work ethic
6/7KA	Nicholas	Your patience with your classmates. Thank you!
7KWO	Jessica	For having a great work ethic. Well done!
7JSO	Angel	For listening carefully during maths lessons and completing tasks accurately
7MBU	Kirby	Always making a big effort in class

HONOUR ROLL – READY TO WORK

PMSP	Davina	3BN	Reece	6SBO	Mitchell
PWLL	Kaitlyn	3KFE	Shyanne	6STI	Braydon
PPB	Simi	3MHO	Lachlan	6MMO	Tiah
PDMA	Billie	4AWO	Leah	6/7KA	Adelaide
1LVI	Timothy	4GC	Alicia	7KWO	Josh
1JSW	Kelly Anne	5DPR	Meagan	7MBU	Jackie
1MWH	Chelsie	5HAL	Jack	7JSO	Jason
1/2AB	Zach	5MFR	Tasia		
2DWI	Dean	5/6AM	Haylee		
3RFO	Brock				
3LHE	Hope				

FETE

Our fete is now only 3 short weeks away (21st August 2009) and we hope to be able to keep you informed of all that's happening in the weeks leading up through Links and our school website. Dodger tickets will be issued within the next week – so please keep your eyes peeled. These tickets will need to be returned to the Cash Window by Tuesday 18th August.

All classes have taken on a stall to contribute to the fete and some of these are requiring donations and assistance – see below. Anything you are able to donate, time you are able to volunteer, or help you are able to give to any of the stalls is going to be greatly appreciated.

Thank you to everyone for their donations at the end of last term for the free dress day. Our grocery buckets should be quite spectacular!

Plant Stall

4GC, 4AWO and the SEP team would like to thank those families who have contributed to the plant stall. We still need more of the following items: bags of soil, pots, plant clippings and 600ml plastic bottles with the lids. If you can help, please send all donations to class 4GC. We thank you in advance for your contributions. Miss Chapman, Miss Grogan, Miss Woods and the SEP team.

Cake and Bake Stall

7KWO and 6/7KA are holding the **Cake and Bake Stall** at this year's Fete. If you can cook a cake, biscuits and/or muffins of any variety OR donate any cooking ingredients, we are seeking your **HELP**. If you are able to help, can you please bring your yummy goodies to school on the day of the Fete – Friday 24th August (4 weeks away). Donated ingredients can be handed into the office cash window. We ask that if your recipe has nuts in it, can you please mark it clearly 'Contains Nuts'. If you have any questions, please email me on kwoln1@eq.edu.au or phone the school. We thank you in advance for your contributions. Ms Wolno and Mrs Allman.

STUDENT COUNCIL FAMOUS FRIDAY

Friday 31st July the Student council will be holding 'Famous Friday'. Please come dressed as your favourite famous person. Gold coin donation. Remember to wear your closed in shoes and have a shirt with a collar to follow our sunsmart policy.

LIBRARY NEWS

Premier's Reading Challenge for students in Prep-Year 7 – 4 weeks to go!

Are you up for the Challenge? Can you read 20 books before 21 August?

Thirty-two students from 10 classes have already returned their Reading Records – they have read 20 books! P-2 students can have the books read to them. **Please return your Reading Record to the Library as soon as you have finished your 20 books.** Collect your Reading Record form from the library – it's not too late to get started. *We are aiming for 100% participation from P-7 this year!*



Borrowing: Please follow up with your child to ensure that they are returning their books each week. Thank you to those who return their books regularly and to those who have returned overdue books or paid replacement costs. Each week overdue reports are distributed to class teachers. Classes with no overdue books receive a certificate acknowledging their efforts – congratulations to 2JPH, 3RFO and 6STI. Individual overdue letters have also been distributed to students this week. If students are still reading their books, they should bring them to the library to re-borrow them.

Book Club: Issue 5 order forms and payments are due back to the Cash Window by Friday 31 July. Please note that parents are under no obligation to purchase products from Book Club, however all purchases do earn free products for our library.

*Wanda Austin
Teacher Librarian*

Community Software Plan – Maths Made Easy

Our school is participating in the CSP (Community Software Plan) featuring the Australian-Made Maths Made Easy series along with all the regular EdAlive favourites. This will be the only CSP for 2009, so don't miss out! As well as the CSP saving, all titles are also eligible for the new 50% Education Tax Refund. Please consider making an investment. The leaflet was handed out with the newsletter in Week 1 of this term. **Return orders to the Cash Window by Friday 31 July.**

CURRICULUM CORNER

This week we would like to share with you some free educational websites for students to use at home.

English

Word Art – www.wordle.net

Sight Words with Samson – www.sightwordswithsamson.com/sw/sight_words

Interactive Reading Activities - www.tv411.org/teaching

Interactive Literacy Activities – www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/interactive/literacy.html

www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/interactive/literacy2.html

Poetry – www.gigglepoetry.com

Mathematics

Skill Builders – www.arcademicskillbuilders.com

Maths Dictionary – www.amathsdictionaryforkids.com

Interactive Math Activities – www.aplusmath.com , www.coolmath4kids.com

All of these sites can be accessed from our school website – click on WebLinks.

**ROLLINGSTONE STATE SCHOOLS
ANNUAL 9 HOLE
4 BALL AMBROSE EVENT
P & C Association
SUNDAY 2 AUGUST**

**9am shot gun start at Mystic Sands Golf Club
\$25 per person/\$100 per team includes GREEN FEES and
BBQ LUNCH provided by Rollingstone and District Lions Club followed by BOWLS in the
afternoon and a SWIM in the pool
Phone Mystic Sands Golf Club 47707355 to register your team**

WHAT'S ON AT CITYLIBRARIES

Storytime for Preschoolers – Dress up Day

Dress up as an insect or wear an insect mask to Storytime and listen to stories, rhymes, songs and participate in craft.

Friday 29th July, 2009 >> 10am

CityLibraries Aitkenvale

Baby Rhyme Time

Nurture a love of literature and learning through songs and rhymes. For babies aged 4 – 24 months and their carers.

Tuesday 4th August, 2009 >>10am and 11am

Target Forecourt, Castletown Shoppingworld

Discover Astronomy: public viewing night

Discover the night sky with the Townsville Astronomy Club. Subject to weather. If rainy listen to 4TO or 4TTT.

Wednesday 5th August, 2009 >> 6.30pm – 9.30pm

Three Mile Creek, Pallarenda.

FOR SALE: Single bed – White desk underneath and Fire Engine Bed – single PH:47880076

NBSHS: UNIFORM SHOP – Open Monday mornings 8.30am – 9.00am

Family Fun Day - Sunday 9th August

To celebrate our official launch to the public, **Oakdale Heights Estate** will be hosting a Family Fun Day on Sunday 9 August. Round up your family and friends – this is a day not to be missed!

Action starts at 10am with 4TO FM's "Minty" broadcasting live in our parklands... From a crane (!).

Attractions throughout the day include Melville's Farm Animals, jumping worm, face-painting, food stall & live music... PLUS give-aways + prizes! Sales staff will also be on-site for those families looking to purchase bigger allotments, close to all amenities.

For all enquiries, please call Sally on 4725 2322 or visit our website: www.oakdaleheights.com.au .

TIME: 10am – 4pm (4TO FM broadcast from 10am – 1pm)

LOCATION: Innes Drive, Deeragun

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

31 March	School Levy Past Due
31 July	Famous Friday – Student Council fundraiser
3 August	P-3 Tabloid Sports Carnival
4 August	ICAS English Competition
4 August	Monsters in my Wardrobe – please note change of date
5 August	Teachers strike
6 August	AMT Mathematics Competition
12 August	Deadly Australians
21 August	School Fete