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Principal's Paragraph

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

Student Leader Positions – 2018

Congratulations to our 2018 student leaders who were formally inducted into their leadership positions at an Investiture Ceremony on Monday.

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| School Captains: | Krypton , Kayla |
| School Vice Captains: | Michael , Addyson |
| Indigenous Captain: | Rahquon |
| Music Captain: | Zahli |
| Blackhawks Captains: | Christine , Sydney |
| Blackhawks Vice Captains: | Ashton , Rebecca |
| Bohle Captains: | Kaspa , Arion |
| Bohle Vice Captains: | Rebekah , Abby |
| Stoney Captains: | Brenden , Sonny |
| Stoney Vice Captains: | Sebastian , Emily |
| Saunders Captains: | Callum , Lakeisha |
| Saunders Vice Captains: | Paige , Kyria |

Student Council: Nicholas, Ngaire, Eva, Bailey, Seth, Kyle, Mackenzie, Seth, Lea, Cassandra, Skye, Noah, Brayden, Kye, Kai, Tegan, Selena, Robert, Maximus, Eliza I, Patrick, Samuel

Staff Update

This week we welcomed two new teachers to Bohlevale.
Ms Sacha Uern (MPB) and Ms Kaitlin Thomas (EPS)

We also congratulated Mrs Murphy on her appointment to Acting Master Teacher in Semester One and Ms Nicole Churchyard to an acting Guidance Officer position in Central Queensland region in Semester One. We are in the process of recruiting a replacement Japanese teacher.

Bohlevale State School Meet and Greet

The "Meet and Greet" will be held on Monday 19th February 2018. Each year level will be running three

information sessions to provide an overview of the year ahead. Each of the year levels will present the sessions in their teaching blocks. The session times are as follows: 2:50p.m. -3:10p.m.; 3:15p.m. – 3:35p.m. and 3:40p.m. – 4:00p.m. The same information will be provided in each session.

We look forward to seeing as many parents/caregivers as possible over the course of the afternoon. Children are welcome to attend. Parents are responsible for supervising their own children.

Parent Volunteer Training

Do you have a small amount of time to spare each week or month and would like to make a contribution to your child's classroom or school? We have a range of volunteer tasks available for interested parent/caregivers to become involved with and would greatly appreciate your support. Please speak to your child's class teacher or drop into the administration block office to express your interest in assisting or even to simply enquire about some additional information. We will be holding a Parent/Caregiver Volunteer Induction Program and Morning Tea in the Resource Centre on Tuesday, 6 March from 8:30 a.m. - 10:15a.m. Invitations for this will be issued via class teachers to all current volunteers. We look forward to seeing you there!

Parents and Citizens Association Meeting

The first P&C meeting of the year is scheduled for Monday 19 February at 6:30 pm in the staffroom in A Block. We look forward to working with new and returning members of the P&C this year to enhance the quality of the schooling experience offered to the students of Bohlevale State School.

Every Day Counts

Please ensure your child/children are attending school each and every day unless they are sick or have a legitimate reason to be absent. If your child is absent from school you are reminded that we require all parents to notify the school by telephoning on 4729 3555 or by utilising the SKOOLBAG APP function each time your child is absent from school. However, when your child is absent from school and we are unaware of the reason we will generate an SMS message asking you to contact the school regarding your child's absence.

Kind regards,
Helen Morris - Principal

PE and Sport News

Swimming Carnival

The Swimming Carnival will take place next week. The Competitive Carnival and Year 1 and 2 Novelty Events will take place on Thursday 22nd February. The Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 Novelty Events will take place on the Friday 23rd of February. We look forward to an awesome planned water Fun Day!

Electives

There will be no electives this week Friday the 16th of February. Electives will resume on Friday 2nd of March.

Calendar of Events

| February 2018 | |
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| 19 February | Parent Meet and Greet |
| 19 February | Parents and Citizens Meeting – 6:30 pm |
| 22/23 February | Swimming Carnival and Water Fun Day |
| March 2018 | |
| 6 March | Parent Volunteer Training 8:30 am -10:30 am |

Bohlevale  **Bumblebees**  **are buzzing!**

Thank you to those parents and their wonderful children who came along to our second week of Playgroup. I was surprised at how many can count so well when they were playing the Fishing Game. It was lovely to see the interaction amongst the children, learning to share and take turns. In addition, thank you to the parents for supporting them in their learning and play. There will certainly be Bumblebees ready for Prep next year.

If you and your child would like to join us, the details for Playgroup are below.

Details at a glance.....

Location: Early Childhood Development Program Room – Modular 4 – Bohlevale State School

Day: Tuesdays weekly during the School Terms

Time: 8:45am-11:00am

Facilitator: *ECDP teacher, Mrs Robyn Archer, will assist parents in facilitating their child's play*

Target Audience: 3-5 year old children living in the Bohlevale SS enrolment catchment/siblings who have an intention to transition to Bohlevale SS in future years. Younger siblings of 3-5 year old children attending Playgroup are also most welcome to attend with parents/caregivers

What will Playgroup involve? Each week will be different!! Children will engage in such fun experiences as imaginative play, dress-ups, outdoor activities, indoor craft, painting, games, shared book reading and songs

What to bring: a healthy morning tea snack for your child, bucket hat and water bottle. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available for caregivers. We will provide sunscreen for outdoor play.

Cost: nil and you are also given Complimentary Membership to Playgroup Queensland.

So don't be shy, come along and enjoy some fun together! It is also a great way for parents to meet other parents, see how their child interacts with other children and how they learn about the world.

For further information, please contact Robyn Archer through the School or email raarc0@eq.edu.au



Bohlevale State School acknowledges that our school is on the lands of the traditional custodians, the Bindal and Wulgurukaba people. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and future.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

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| EPA | Sienna | | For consistently following classroom expectations |
| EPB | Elijah | | For being a fabulous role-model for EPB |
| EPC | Ethan | | For following our class rules, and always trying her best |
| EPD | Nathaniel | | For always trying his best |
| EPE | Hannah | | For being ready to learn |
| EPE | Sophie | | For looking after her classmates |
| EPG | Kailan | | For a great job of settling into Bohlevale and Yr 1 |
| EPH | Mason | | For working hard in reading groups |
| EPI | Jacey | | For staying focussed during learning |
| EPJ | Rahyn | | For always trying his best |
| EPK | Phoenix | | For working hard following expectations |
| EPK | Tremaine | | For following class expectations |
| EPL | Nathan | | For always following instructions |
| EPM | Rex | | For working hard on challenging activities |
| EPN | Gabriella | | For being responsible in the classroom |
| EPO | Maddison | | For being Responsible, Safe and Successful |
| EPP | Mason | | For putting in a great effort in all learning areas |
| EPQ | Kelvin | | For being responsible for his own learning |
| EPS | Saraya | | For an excellent week of English writing |
| EPT | Logan | | For a fantastic effort in English |
| EPU | Summer | | For always being respectful in class |
| EPV | Nikita | | For excellent effort in English |
| MPA | Ethan | | For putting a great effort into your bookwork |
| MPB | The Whole Class | | For working beautifully all week |
| MPC | Chelsea | | For working hard in Math lessons |
| MPD | Erin | | For great participation during Maths lessons |
| MPE | Talan | | For learning and letting others learning |
| MPF | Jordan-James | | For being a great role model in the classroom |
| MPG | Danielle | | For colouring our world with kindness |
| MPH | Alyssa | | For always participating in class |
| MPI | Jayde | | For an outstanding effort in all areas |
| MPJ | Evelyn | | For being a great friend to everyone |
| MPK | Hannah | | For always using kind words |
| MPL | Chelsea | | For using strategies to stay in the green zone |
| MPM | Kiara | | For having a wonderful attitude towards her learning |
| MPN | Jack | | For always being on task |
| MPO | Elijah | | For working hard to finish work on time |
| MPP | Saioa | | For having a positive attitude and always being on task |
| Read Around Australia | Liam | EPU | |
| Scientist of the week | Hayden | EPT | Question: What season do we have Christmas in Australia. Answer: Summer |

Super Attendance Awards

The 'Super attending' classes for Week 3 are: (based on full day absences)

P-2 = EPD – 98%

3 -4 = MPA – 97.6%

5 -6 = MPJ – 97.4%

Congratulations to all of these classes.

HONOUR ROLL

Prep: P-2: Be Safe - Hands feet and objects to yourself, Use your words not your hands.

Year 1-6: Follow instructions the first time, every time.

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| EPA | Jacob | | EPT | Breyana | |
| EPB | Caleb | | EPU | Tahi | |
| EPC | Jesse | | EPV | Chelsie | |
| EPD | Emma | | MPA | Kirra | |
| EPE | Melodi | | MPC | Ella | |
| EPE | Alistair | | MPD | Ryder | |
| EPG | Liam | | MPE | Clea | |
| EPH | Amarli | | MPF | Ruben | |
| EPI | Lillie | | MPG | Erik | |
| EPJ | Skyla | | MPH | Sean | |
| EPK | Jake | | MPI | Brooke | |
| EPK | Peyton | | MPJ | Shelby | |
| EPL | Sienna | | MPK | Nikkita-Lee | |
| EPM | Elliot | | MPL | Lakeisha | |
| EPO | Macey | | MPM | Jack | |
| EPP | Eboni | | MPN | Joshua | |
| EPQ | Lincoln | | MPO | Selena | |
| EPR | Lincoln | | MPP | Daniel Noel | |
| EPS | Naseerah | | | | |
| EPS | Jada | | | | |

100% attenders

This year we would like to congratulate those students who have 100% attendance at the end of each term. On Thursday 29 March 100% attenders will be invited to participate in an afternoon of fun. In addition to this all 100% attenders will go into the draw for a special prize, with one winner being chosen. Details of the prize will be released over the coming weeks.

Over the last 2 years we have finished the year with an attendance rate of around 90%.

Our **goal for 2018** is to have a school wide attendance rate **higher than 92%**.

Be sure to help us by bringing your child to school every day.

Why student attendance is important – improved outcomes for students

Students who stay in education for longer have better educational, occupational and social outcomes. Being at school is one of the best investments young people can make for their future. Regular attendance at school is fundamental to student learning. Students who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve educational success and increase their career and life options.

It is not only students who benefit from regular attendance. Teachers, parents, caregivers and the wider community all benefit when students are attending school and achieving. These benefits include greater student safety, community well-being and a sense of connectedness for all.

Our school, families and community can work together to send a strong collective message about the importance of going to school; student attendance must be a priority.

Remember:

- If students miss the basic skills in the early years of schooling they often experience learning difficulties later on.
- There is a direct link between attendance and achievement.
- It has been shown that poor patterns of attendance in the early years can lead to poor patterns of attendance throughout the school years.
- Poor attendance makes it difficult for students to form positive friendships with their peers.

Music Program

We have some lonely instruments looking for good homes.

If your child is in Year 4, 5 or 6 we are currently seeking enthusiastic and responsible students for our Woodwind, Brass and Percussion programs. If your child is interested in learning a musical instrument in 2018 please see Mr Braney in the office. If your child has already shown interest and returned their form one of the music teachers will make contact with them this week.

Continuing music students will receive their contracts in the coming week.

Tuckshop News

Welcome to the start of the 2018 school year, all families of the Bohlevale State School Community. I hope everyone is settling in to new classes and routines. Please help yourselves to a new tuckshop menu which is available from the office, the tuckshop and off the school website. It will also be published a few times a year in the newsletter.

We have sports shirts, (\$30.00) and hats (\$15.00) in all sizes and house colours. Either of these can be purchased during tuckshop hours 8.00am to 1.00pm Monday to Friday.

Cash only no EFTPOS at tuckshop counter or use www.flexischools.com.au for online purchases of these items by 4pm and they will be ready for collection from the tuckshop the next day.

What to do if you want to order tuckshop.

Online

Save time and order online at www.flexischools.com.au We have a great online system to make the ordering of lunches easier and more convenient. Order at a time convenient to you, in the morning, the night before or weeks in advance. Order from your phone, computer or tablet. Go online using the above link and register now. Flexischools orders close 8.30am day of order.

URGENT REMINDER: Could all parents who have previously registered with Flexischools for online canteen ordering, please update your children's classes in your personal details for 2018. Thank you.

Bags

Where possible, please have orders dropped off to the tuckshop by 9am with the correct money enclosed, it is too easy to lose change and saves any dispute. Alternatively, orders can be processed for you straight away and change given back to you. **Phone orders are not accepted.** Using a suitably sized bag, paper (**NOT plastic**), clearly write your order with child's name, break, class and food. Doing the order at home is ideal; however, the tuckshop does have a supply of bags, at a cost of **5c** each. Bags need to be clearly marked for both breaks (**each break is to have its own bag**).

When paying for small orders at the counter, could we please ask that something smaller than a \$50 note be used for purchases as we only have a small amount of change and on occasion run out very quickly. Your help with this would be greatly appreciated. Ice blocks are only available at second break and can be ordered with the bag system as well. Only Years 4-6 students are allowed to purchase over the counter snacks at 1st and 2nd break. All other classes need to use the pre order system.

If there are special dietary needs, please stop in for a chat, we are only too happy to help where we can.

Thank you for your support.

Julie Vickery

Tuckshop Convenor

Chappy Chat

Well done to everyone for a fantastic start to the year – I'm staggered to see how tall some of our students have grown in only 6 weeks!

This term we are on the count-down to Easter break (have you noticed that chocolate eggs are *already* on sale at the shops?), but it's more than a great excuse for a sweet treat. Easter is a time to celebrate new beginnings, and perhaps some of you are in need of a fresh start; so where to from here?

In life you are either the passenger or the pilot – it's your choice.

New beginnings don't just happen, they start when we say so. There are choices that must be decided, steps that must be forged into new terrain, and perhaps sacrifices that must be made. To begin again is to leave a part of you behind. Admitting this can be difficult, learning to trust yourself is a journey and taking the first steps into the unfamiliar can feel like falling, but hang on.

New beginnings mean new opportunities and possibilities for change – if you feel this is something you need, it's important to take some time to think about what that means and how any changes will affect your loved ones. Consider that your life has a ripple effect, and your choices can affect those closest to you. If it's time to take the plunge, find a network of people who will motivate, encourage and support you towards positive change.

Oh, and one more thing...it's never too early for Easter eggs either.



Have a great week everyone, see you around!

Chappy Tracey

Defence News

If you have any concerns about your child or if a parent is going away, if you could please let me know so that I can give your child some extra TLC.

Our next Defence Morning tea is scheduled for 26th February at 8.30am in the SAKG. We didn't get a chance to get our bake on last morning tea. So let's make this happen!

You would have received a letter home with a quick questionnaire and the details about our upcoming Kids Club! The Kids Club will be a great chance for your kids to meet other defence kids and have a little fun. If you could please remind them it's on! Starts week beginning 19th February.



There are some great events coming up in the Defence and the local community so be great if you can attend. Lots of information and fun activities for the kids.

Upcoming Defence & Community Events

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| 17 th February | Welcome to Townsville Expo hosted by DCO. 10am – 1pm, Townsville Stadium, Murray Sports Complex, Annandale. Lots of information on services available, 1RAR band will be there (They are amazing!) and activities for the kids. |
| 26 th February | Defence Morning Tea/ Lunch Box Cooking Class. 8.30am |
| 9 th March | Partner Information Event – Geckos 5.45pm. Advertised on DFA Facebook page. |
| 10 th March | Partner Information Event – The Wirraway Club, RAAF Base Advertised on DFA Facebook page. |

If you would like to get in contact with me, please leave your contact details with the ladies in the Office and I will contact you as soon as possible!

Hope to meet you soon.

☺ Kira Walshaw – DSTA

defence@bohevaless.eq.edu.au



Some useful numbers to remember:

Need Support, advice or connection with you or local community? Call the all-hours

Defence Family Helpline : 1800 624 608 or www.defence.gov.au/dco

Support and Information for Defence and Families, **National Welfare Coordination Centre**

1800 801 026 – 24 HOUR SERVICE **Phone: +61 2 6127 1812** – www.defence.gov.au/nwcc/

PMKeyS Number required

VVCS – 1800 011 046 24 Hour service.



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CASUAL POSITION AVAILABLE

SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISOR

Bohlevale State School

We are seeking interested persons for a casual position, approximately 1hr 30mins per day, on a rotating roster, school days only.

Approved applicants will be required to undergo a medical assessment and pass a blue card application.

Pay rate starts at \$28.90 per hour.
Call 47587505 for an application package.