What a fabulous day kindergarten had at Calmsley Farm last Thursday. I was thrilled to receive reports from the staff at Calmsley Farm, congratulating our students on their outstanding behaviour. It makes me very proud to hear that our kindergarten students are representing Bass Hill PS in such a positive way. Thank you to the staff that attended on the day.
HAVE YOU HEARD......

5/6T is thinking outside the square when it comes to learning and student engagement. Research suggests that learning is best supported when students have a say in how they learn and the teacher becomes a facilitator of that process. Students learn best by actively ‘experiencing’ their learning rather than being passive listeners. Mrs Tate and 5/6T approached me last term about trialling a flexible learning environment and I was thrilled to see how excited the students were in having a say about the way they learn.

The proposal students put to me were the result of weeks of planning, budgeting, designing and negotiating their dream flexible classroom. They are now just at the start of this gradual process of change that will continue to be evaluated and altered to suit the needs of all students in the 5/6T.

We are educating children for a future, which may not exist yet, for jobs and skills still to be invented. Our aim is to create independent students that can creatively think, continuously learn and work together in collaborative teams to solve problems. Congratulations 5/6T and Mrs Tate for working together to do this.

Welcome

This week I have had the pleasure of warmly welcoming Alara Yildirim and Fawzi El-Ali and their families to our school community.

Mother’s Day Stall

Parents and students are congratulated and thanked for their support of our Mother’s Day Stall. Over $800.00 was raised. Thank you also to the P&C for their efforts in organising and running the stall. These type of events wouldn’t take place if it wasn’t for our wonderful parents that give their time to the school and community.
**Staffing**
I have been advised by staffing to fill two vacant teaching positions. One position will be a service appointment through the targeted graduate selection pool and the other position will proceed to open merit selection. I shall keep you informed as more information comes to hand.

**School Values**
Thank you to all the families that have returned their values survey. If you have not had the chance yet please return to the office by this Friday.

**Assemblies**
Please join us this Friday for our whole school assembly. Assemblies will take place on Fridays in week 3, 6 and 9 each term, commencing at 11:30am.

**Road Safety**
Earlier this week there was a report of an incident involving a parent almost being injured as she went to hop into her car due to someone speeding up the street to get the green light. Whilst I understand people are in a hurry, I ask that all parents slow down around the school and follow the road rules at all times.

**Parent Teacher Interviews, Student Reports**
Please be aware that student reports go home this term and our 2014 Parent Teacher Interviews will be conducted in the final week of term. More information about this will follow in later newsletters.

**Walk Safely to School**
Next Friday, start a healthy habit by leaving the car at home and walking your child to school. If you can't walk the whole way, walk to and from public transport or, if you must drive, park the car a good distance away from the school gates and walk the rest of the way.

Walk Safely to School Day aims to:
- encourage parents and carers to walk to school with primary school children to reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour
- Ensure that children 10 years and younger cross roads only when holding the hand of an adult
- Promote the health benefits of walking

**Thank you for your continued support.**

Melissa Proctor
Principal
Stay in your PJ’s to help people with asthma

Did you know that one in 10 adults and children has asthma? Sadly, asthma symptoms can often mean that people miss out on school or work and other activities they enjoy.

WE CAN HELP reduce the impact of asthma by raising awareness and money for this chronic condition that affects over 2 million Australians.

To celebrate World Asthma Day, on Tuesday 3rd of June, Bass Hill Public School will ask students to wear their Pyjamas to school and donate a gold coin for charity.

WE'RE TAKING IT IN OUR STRIDE ON FRIDAY 23 MAY 2014

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. Although walking all the way to school isn’t realistic for many of us, it’s quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family’s daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:
- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

We will be acknowledging Walk Safely to School Day at Bass Hill Public School by having a colouring competition for preschool to year 2 and a poster design competition for years 3-6. Each class will also be involved in lessons on Friday 23 May which focus on the key messages of the Walk Safely to School initiative.

Remember, Active Kids are Healthy Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 23 May 2014!

For more information, visit www.walk.com.au
MATHS GAME TO PLAY AT HOME

All Ages  Addition  A Pack of cards 1 – 9
              Subtraction  Each player is dealt 4 cards face up.
              Multiplication  Each player then tries to make a number sentence
              Division  which gives a single digit answer using their four
                        cards. The answer becomes the score for that player.
                        e.g. If the four cards were 2, 6, 3 and 7 answers could
                                be:
                                7 + 3 + 2 - 6 = 6  6 points
                                6 + 7 – 3 – 2 = 8  8 points
                                36 – 27 = 9   9 points

P&C

Mothers Day Stall

Thank you to all who helped us with donations, and to the mums who ran the stall. We had a good day raising over $800.00.

The next P&C Meeting will be June 4 at 7pm in the School Staffroom.

Canteen

As listed in the last Tom Thumb:
Noodles are now $2.50
Wraps are now $3.50

Please remember when ordering lunches that we only carry a small float each day, which means we are unable to change any notes higher than $20.00.

Clothing Pool

Please note that the Clothing Pool is run by volunteer mums and is a cash only store. We do not have EFTPOS Facilities.

Unfortunately we are still waiting on zip up fleecy jackets due to a delay in stock from our suppliers. We expect them to arrive in the next couple of weeks.
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