

#### **Parent Communication**

## Week 2 May 5th 2017

## **Swimming Lessons Pre Primary to Year 6**

Thank you parents! Nearly everyone has paid or made a payment plan for our upcoming swimming lessons. Please don't let your child miss out. Swimming starts in Week 4 and we will send out a note this coming week with specific instructions on what to send to school. Students will be wearing their bathers to the pool and changing at the pool to return back to school.

## Walk to School Day Friday May 19<sup>th</sup>

Did you enjoy our Ride to School Day? Did you love the sense of community at the breakfast? Would you like to do it again?

Friday May 19<sup>th</sup> is the official Walk to School Day. As you know the Baldivis Gardens school community does walk to school every day. This is such a positive thing for your child's health, brain development and their safety on the road. It is also good for our environment. I think we are the only school with empty car parks at pick up or drop off times! Mark this date in your calendar as we missed it off the planner last week. We look forward to once again seeing the streets full of families walking to school for an early morning breakfast.

#### Footy Before School

Fifteen students attended this before school activity yesterday but there is room for more next week. So if you want your child to attend then fill in the note attached and let your Year 4, 5 or 6 child enjoy some early morning physical activity. Great for the body and the brain! Thanks Mr Gardiner for giving so generously of your time.

### **PPP Parenting Workshops**

These workshops are filling fast. Please don't miss out and take this opportunity to gain some useful parenting strategies and at the same time meet some local parents. These workshops will be held on the 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> May at 9.00 am. Please see the attached flyer and please register ASAP. You don't have to be a Baldivis Gardens parent to attend so invite your friends and family.

#### NAPLAN for Years 3 and 5

NAPLAN happens this coming Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May. However, there is no need to stress. The best thing parents can do is ensure your children are present on these days and get a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast as this will help them achieve their best possible results.

#### **Uniform Reminder**

Thanks for naming all your uniforms. Our lost property boxes are staying empty! Please make sure your child has a school uniform hat please. No caps please. You can buy your hat at the front office.

## **Voluntary Contributions**

Your voluntary contributions are now due. Your prompt payment through Qkr! or by cash or cheque will be greatly appreciated. We are keen to buy more resources and playground equipment. This is one way you can help us if your financial situation allows.

## When things go wrong at home ....

As parents we all know life isn't always perfect and sometimes your children experience some rough times. This may be one significant event, or a change in their family situation. Please let your classroom teacher know if they are having a rough time as this helps our class teacher to give them the time and understanding they deserve.

We have parent interviews coming up later this term but remember your teachers are only too happy to meet with you at an arranged time to discuss your child's needs. We want to have a close working relationship.

# P and C Meeting (7pm) and Morning Tea (after drop off time) Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May

Please see the notes attached and come along and show your support to our P and C executive who are keen to get things moving so your children can benefit from an active and vibrant P and C.

## Assembly next week 12th May 8.45 am

Come along to our assembly next week as students are awarded their GROW awards and our Year 4 class leads and entertains us. I would love to see lots of parents at our community assemblies to show our support to our students who lead, perform and participate at our assemblies. Please stay for morning tea as this is how we build a strong parent community.

It has been a very positive week this week. I would particularly like to acknowledge my senior Year 5/6 class for the way they are taking on their leadership responsibilities in the school. Yesterday I attended their council meeting and it was a privilege to watch them lead and participate in the meeting. Top job Year 5/6 students and their teacher Mrs Ashwood.

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