PRINCIPAL TALK
Concert
This week we have enjoyed the bonza hits of Aussie pop and rock in this year’s concert called “Count Down”. It’s an unashamed opportunity to inflict the favourite Aussie songs of our era onto the next generation. Such ripper hits as Sherbet’s ‘Howzat’ and Men at Work’s ‘Down Under’ will rock your socks off! It’s another great production which highlights the terrific talents of the staff and students of our wonderful school!

Father’s Day
There are a few items left for sale for Father’s Day. Come to the Uniform Shop between 8:30 and 9am tomorrow, as well as recess, with $5 for a last chance to purchase something nice.

The school will celebrate Father’s Day next Friday 9th of September from 7:30am with a BBQ breakfast and fun activities followed by a quick assembly at 9am for those who can stay.

Recognition of School Administrative and Support (SAS) Staff
This week is SAS Staff Recognition Week. Our school’s SAS staff includes our office staff, our school learning support officers (previously known as teacher’s aides), our general assistants and our cleaners. We would like to publicly thank our SAS staff for the wonderful contribution they make to our school community.

Without the wonderful support of our SAS staff, our school would not function as well as it does.

Mobile Phones at School
Although mobile phones are not banned at school, they are discouraged. If parents/carers feel their child needs to have a mobile phone with them for their travel to or from school, then students are asked to leave their mobile phone with the front office when they arrive at school. All care but no responsibility for the phone will occur during the school day while in the office. The student can collect the phone at the end of the school day. Thanks for your co-operation.

Last Week’s Quiz
Who is our new Federal Parliament representative?
Meryl Swanson is our new representative in the Commonwealth government. She is the member for Paterson, and is with the Labor Party.

Mr Jonathan Ridgway
Next week's focus is: Safe Hands, Safe Feet

When I have safe hands and safe feet:

😊 I have a calm body
😊 I keep my hands and feet in my own space
😊 I keep my own space

Regional Athletics

A big congratulations to Libby for qualifying for the girls 11 years long jump which she will compete in this Friday 2nd September at the Glendale Sports Centre. It really is a great achievement to represent the Maitland Zone at the Hunter Regional Athletics Carnival and we are so proud of Libby's achievements. Libby finished in 1st place at the Zone Athletics with a jump of 3.63metres. We wish Libby and her family all the best for this Friday and look forward to hearing about her efforts.

"I decided I wasn't going to come down" - Jesse Owens before his record breaking long jump in 1935 of 8.13m

Years 3-6 Maitland Inter-school Sports Competition

Next Thursday will be our first round in this competition and the students are really looking forward to playing. Just a reminder to soccer teams to wear shin guards and to see Ms Doornbos if they don't have any. Socks will be provided each week for soccer only. All other students are to wear their sports uniform and joggers. Also, please remember that lunch and recess have been switched around on Thursdays to accommodate sport so if attending sport, do not order recess from the canteen.

Michael Edwards

Maitland Touch Gala Day

On Thursday 15th September (Week 9) our students in Stage 2 and 3 will participate in a Touch Gala Day. Students already participating in the Thursday Maitland Sports Competition in Stage 2 will play in this Gala Day. This will mean that we will have a junior girls and a junior boys team for this day and Year 6 will field a senior girls and a senior boys team. As this is Camp week for Stage 3, it will be a busy week for our Year 6 students as they will be at camp from Monday - Wednesday and then attend the Touch Gala Day on the Thursday. Students in Year 5 who are not attending camp are able to also attend this event. Notes will go out next Monday to students who are invited to attend. Could you please contact me if you have any questions regarding this event.

Michael Edwards

Pantry Drive

I and my Parish thank Beresfield Public School, its P&C, students, staff and families for their generous support of the recent food drive. We hand out, on average, 30 or more food parcels a month to those in need. Some of you have been the recipients of our food parcels and know their value. Due to your incredible generosity, we have enough food for at least one month of food parcels! Again, thank you for your amazing support.

Rev’d Doug Morrison-Cleary, Parish Priest.

Fixed Equipment Upgrade

This week we are having a make-over for our fixed equipment. The intention is to extend, modify and make the equipment more appealing for all of our students. We thank Steggles for the grant to carry out these works and we will place a before and after photo of the equipment in next week’s newsletter. Note: The play equipment is out-of-order until Friday of this week as some of the work requires drying and curing time. We appreciate your support during this small but important project.

Book Club

Book club order forms went out last week and are due back to the office by 10am Friday 9th September. Please make sure that all orders have your child’s name and class clearly marked on the order form.

Notes sent home

☒ Intensive Writing Support Program - Selected students
☒ Various class costume notes
VALID - 2016 Science Assessments
During week 8, all Year 6 students will undertake the VALID Science Assessment. It is an online assessment to assist schools monitor student achievement and inform planning, programming and assessment practices. Please see the Letter to Parents on the next page for further information or contact Mrs Wiedermann.

This Week’s Quiz
How many digits in the Hindu-Arabic system (the number system we use around the world)? Name them.
Write your answer on a piece of paper with your name and class and post it in the Quiz Box next to the office counter by Wednesdays at 10am.

Do you have a child starting Kindergarten next year or do you know someone turning 5 next year?
We are taking Kinder enrolments now!
Call the office to enrol your child.
Dear Parent or Carer,

The Validation of Assessment for Learning & Individual Development (VALID) test for Year 6 students will be held between Monday 29 August and Friday 9 September 2016. The test takes approximately 60 minutes. The VALID Science & Technology 6 test is an interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer.

VALID Science & Technology 6 contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks that are grouped around real-world issues, including scientific investigations and design problems. This is a diagnostic test, with tasks framed on Stage 3 outcomes and essential content in the NSW Science Years K–10 Syllabus. Students will be tested on their:

• knowledge and understanding of science and technology
• understanding and skills in the process of scientific investigation and design processes
• ability to evaluate evidence, make judgements and think critically
• ability to access information and communicate scientific ideas.

Students also complete a survey about their opinions, attitudes and values about science and technology.

Since students complete VALID Science & Technology 6 on a computer, each student needs to bring headphones or earbuds that plug into a school computer. Earbuds for an iPod or portable player are suitable.

If your child has a disability that needs special consideration or has been educated in English for less than one year, please contact your child’s school to discuss special provisions or possible exemption from the test.

Results of the test will be available during Term 4 2016. Information about each student is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that the right to privacy of all students is maintained. A personal report for each student will be sent to parents/carers to describe the knowledge and skills demonstrated by the student in the test. There will also be information about how your child’s results compare with overall performance of all students in the test across NSW.

The principal of your child’s school is able to provide you with more details about the VALID program if you require additional information.

Yours sincerely

Bruce Inwood
R/Director, High Performance
Department of Education
COMMUNITY NOTICE

Dear Stakeholder

M1 Pacific Motorway extension to Raymond Terrace design changes – Have your say

Roads and Maritime Services is progressing planning for a future extension of the M1 Pacific Motorway to the Pacific Highway at Raymond Terrace.

We have changed the design in response to community feedback since it was displayed for community comment in late 2015.

Information about these changes can be found in the attached project update.

Your feedback on the changes is invited by 28 September 2016. Feedback received will be considered in finalising the concept design and environmental assessment.

Please provide your feedback by:
Email: M1RT@jacobs.com
Phone: 1800 094 895 (during business hours)
Mail: M1 to Raymond Terrace Project Manager, Roads and Maritime Services, Locked Bag 2030, Newcastle NSW 2300.

Bradley Parkes
Project Development Manager

Roads and Maritime Services
59 Darby Street, Newcastle NSW 2300 |
Locked Bag 2030, Newcastle NSW 2300
www.rms.nsw.gov.au/m1rt  |  1800 094 895

The full Raymond Terrace M1 proposal is on the school website http://bit.ly/2bN4K6R

P & C News

Fathers Day

Fathers Day gifts will be for sale on Friday before school and at recess for those who need to purchase last minute gifts. Each gift is $5.

A big thank you to all the ladies that helped on our Fathers Day stall. It was a great success.

All Fathers Day BBQ breakfast RSVPs are to be handed to class teachers by tomorrow, Friday 2nd September for breakfast on Friday 9th September. Please mark this date on your calendar!

We are looking for BBQ chefs and helpers for our Father’s Day breakfast. If you are able to help please contact Tracy on: 0418 979 514 by Friday 2nd September.

Thank You

We are truly overwhelmed with the support from the community for our Pantry Drive. We would like to thank each and every person who has supported us in this worthwhile cause, the response has been amazing.

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop opening times are:
Tuesdays - 8.30am - 9.00am
Fridays - 8.30am - 9.00am

There are no EFTPOS facilities, so please bring cash.

Canteen Roster 2016

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If you are unable to attend on your rostered day, or if you would like to help in the canteen, contact Tracy Twitchin on 0418 979 514
COMMUNITY NOTICES

CRICKET REGISTRATIONS

WHEN
Fri August 26 4pm – 6pm
Sat August 27 12pm – 2pm
Sat September 3 12pm – 2pm

WHERE
Lindsay Oval
Lennox St, Beresfield

SENIOR AND JUNIOR PLAYERS WELCOME

FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT
DAVE CRAWFORD AT
secretarybmcc@gmail.com

REGISTRATION COSTS

SENIORS
$80 for full time players plus $15 per week (includes shirt)
$20 per week for part time players (shirt not included)

JUNIORS
$60 one upfront payment. No weekly fees. Includes playing shirt

SPONSORS
Beresfield Bowling Club
Beresfield Tavern

Beresfield Memorial Cricket Club Inc

MAITLAND TOUCH FOOTBALL

JUNIOR TOUCH FOOTY COMPETITION
AGES: 8’s, 10’s, 12’s, 14’s, 16’s and 18’s Boys & Girls Competitions
Started on Thursday afternoons, all of Term 4

ADULTS TOUCH COMPETITIONS
Ladies, Mens and Mixed & Family Mixed Competitions Available
Competition starts mid-Oct and continues until early March

REGISTER NOW - ONLINE!!

www.maitlandtouch.com.au
Registrations CLOSE end of September
For all individual registrations online,
www.facebook.com/maitlandtouch

OFFICE CONTACT:
Phone: 02 4971 1208
Email: admin@maitlandtouch.com.au

Earn some extra $$ and become a touch referee
Maitland Touch is also looking for teenagers and adults to become official referees, and GET $$100 for every touch game!
For more info, visit www.maitlandtouch.com.au or contact our office on the details above.

You’re invited to a
Father’s Day BBQ Breakfast!
Friday 9th September
from 7:30am until 9:30am.
For fathers, and father figures!
Dad can’t make it??
Then bring granddad, or uncle,
or older brother, or mum etc

Please return this section to your child’s teacher for catering and planning purposes by Friday 2nd September

Child/ren’s name/s & class: __________________________________________

Name of father / father-figure attending: __________________________________

Number of Egg & Bacon Rolls: ___________ Number of Sausage Sandwiches: ___________

***Please note that there is only one roll or sandwich per person. ***

Please note that we need “Mums” to come along to help with the BBQ.
Please see Mrs Kirby/Miss Dooner if you can help. Thank you!!!