School holidays start after School this Friday 22nd June. We really hope the students have a very restful holiday as many of them are really showing signs of tiredness with a number of behavioural issues emerging. So please rest up children!

Please don’t forget to keep reading every day during the holidays. It is absolutely vital that all children are reading every day. A balance between reading and computer time is very important.

School for term 3 starts on Monday 9th June.

Vacation Care is operating every day over the holidays. Phone 5545 9124 after 3pm this week to book in. To get a booking form, go to our website www.beechmontss.eq.edu.au and on the home page you’ll see the first news item, ‘School holidays and Vacation care’. If you click on the news item, you’ll open it up and then you can click on the vacation Care program and all will be revealed.

Don’t delay, book in today!

Our first week back in Term 3 is a packed week, have a look at what’s on.

Monday 9th July School’s back for Term 3
Wednesday 11th July Senior Band 7.45am
Wednesday 11th July NAIDOC Day activities
Wednesday 11th July P&C Meeting 7pm
Thursday 12th July Raw Art activities $9.50
Friday 13th July Canungra and Beechmont Athletics Carnival at Canungra
Sunday 15th July P&C Bunning’s BBQ
Sunday 15th July Year 2/3 Beechmont Market BBQ

Some of these items are detailed further in this newsletter.


Congratulations also to our Possum Award winners, Faigan Meadowcroft, Taylah Dunkerton, Spencer Wood, Lochlan Ayers, Lachlan Ayers, Grace Harrison, Phoebe Burchell, Blake Gaardsted, Jasmine Lang, Kane Harrison, Kaja Mobbs and Nyah Piggott, your positive sportsmanship and sportswomanship is a wonderful trait to have.

I must make special mention of Lorikeets House Captains Jodi Kapusin and Inari Beyer on the wonderful efforts they made to decorate and bring colour to our special sports day.

10, 11, 12 and 13 year old students will be advised this week if they have reached the qualifying times / distances to compete in the Canungra and Beechmont Athletics Carnival on Friday 13th July to select a team to compete in the Gold Coast North district Athletics carnival.

Please be aware we need to transport children to Canungra on Friday 13th, so any assistance you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

A caring family school...
**COMING EVENTS**

**MAY**
- Wed 20 Parent and Teacher discussions
- Wed 20 Senior Band 7.45am
- Thu 21 Parent and Teacher discussions
- Thu 21 Instrumental Music, bring instruments
- Fri 22 Parade 8.50am
- Fri 22 Last day of Term 2
- Sun 24 Zest Fest Graceleigh Park 9.30am - 4.30pm
- Mon 25 Vacation Care Ph 0417 775 741 to book
- Mon 25 Vacation Care – Pasta and Plaster
- Tue 26 Vacation Care - The Block Challenge
- Wed 27 Vacation Care - Collage Day
- Thu 28 Vacation Care - Pyjama Day
- Fri 29 Vacation Care - Nerang Cinemas 9am

**JULY**
- Mon 02 Vacation Care Ph 0417 775 741 to book
- Mon 02 Vacation Care - Mad scientist Monday
- Tue 03 Vacation Care - Bugs and Butterflies
- Wed 04 Vacation Care - Wheellie Day
- Thu 05 Vacation Care - Pillows and Play foam
- Fri 06 Vacation Care - Mid Winter Christmas lunch

**Mon 09 Yahoo! School’s back!! 😊😊😊**

**P + C BUNNINGS BBQ**

Our Parents and Citizens Association has managed to secure a BBQ at Bunning’s Nerang on Sunday 15th July. This is a wonderful fundraising opportunity for the P&C, often raising over $1,000. We really need your help on this day, even if it is just for 1 hour. Please volunteer so we can raise valuable funds that are spent on your children. Please complete the volunteer form that is part of this newsletter.

**COLOUR DAY**

Colour Day is on the 1st Wednesday next term, 11th July. Colour Day is Beechmont speak for non uniform day. If you choose to send your children in ‘colour’, then you must send 50c unless you paid $5 at the beginning of the year.

We are finding a significant number of children are not handing in their 50 cents. Please remind your child to hand in their 50 cents.

The theme for this Colour Day is Pyjamas.

**P+ C BAR AT ZEST FEST THIS SUNDAY**

This Sunday, Zest Fest happens on Graceleigh Park. The P&C Association is running the bar in the Hall from 10am until 4.30pm. We are desperately looking for helpers on Sunday. Can you spare a little bit of time to help us raise money for our children here at school? There is a volunteer form in the newsletter.

**REPORT CARDS**

Most families should have received their child’s report card on Friday afternoon.

When teachers report they do so on an A-E standard. Achievement standards indicate the quality of learning students should typically demonstrate by a particular point in their schooling. It is important to note that under the Australian Curriculum there has been a marked raising of the bar for student achievement standards. Parents and students need to be aware that when they read through the report cards that a student who is understanding and completing the work that is expected of a student in a particular year level is meeting the standard for that year and thus would be awarded with a C standard. Some clarification around the meaning of achievement standards:

- **A standard:** Working well above the expected standard for this year level.
- **B standard:** Working above the expected standard for this year level.
- **C standard:** Working at the expected standard for this year level. This means that they are doing everything that they should be doing!
- **D standard:** Working below the expected standard for this year level.
- **E standard:** Working well below the standard for this year level.

When awarding a standard in reporting, teachers will use a range of assessment items and will moderate with each other to ensure consistency of judgement.

If your child receives a ‘C’ standard, he or she is doing everything that they should be doing academically.

Effort and behaviour levels are an indication of how hard your child is working and the effort your child is putting in, in class.

In this standard an ‘A’ tells you that they are working really well in class.

**KEEP A WATCH ON OUR SCHOOL THESE HOLIDAYS**

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in your school. If you see anything suspicious call the School Watch on 13 17 88. The School Watch Program is a partnership between the department and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in schools. Call the School Security Program on 3237 0874 for more info.
RAW ART

Our 2nd Raw Art activity is Thursday 12th July. If you didn't pay the School Fees at the beginning of the year, then if you want your child to participate in this engaging event, then you must send $9.50 in a clearly marked envelope. Also students who have enrolled at our school since the beginning of the year this will affect you as well.

Students who do not bring $9.50 by Wednesday 11th July will not be able to take part in this wonderful art activity.

P & C MEETING

Our next P&C Meeting is Wednesday 11th July, 7pm in our School Library. Everyone welcome.

TUCKSHOP

We have no Potato Top Party pies left in stock, so for this week, the last week of term 2, you will have to order something else.

We all had a great day at the Athletics Carnival. Special thanks to all the Volunteers who helped in the Canteen. We couldn't cater any event without your continued help and support. Thank You also for your weekly volunteer support in the Tuckshop. Without you we wouldn't be able to run a Tuckshop at Beechmont. You all do a fantastic job.

Also we need to Thank Marj and Damian who last week did a great job cleaning walls in the Tuckshop and a few extra cleaning jobs that needed some extra attention. Thank You Marj and Damian

WOOLIES EARN AND LEARN

Don't forget to send in your stickers or sticker cards. We have heaps of sticker cards here at School, just ask your child to get some from the Office.

COLES SPORT FOR SCHOOLS

If you are a Coles shopper, please collect the vouchers for us so we can increase our supply of sporting gear. Thank You.

UNIFORM NEWS

The Uniform Shop, which is the first door on the right as you enter the undercover area, will be open every Friday from 8.15am – 8.45am.

Winter uniforms are now in stock.

Sale items:
Girls Gabardine Trousers $6.00 (all sizes available)
Girls Boot Leg Pants $22.00 (limited stock available)

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Congratulations to the boys and girls in the Student Council Weed Busters club who have worked hard all term to extract those nasty weeds from our gardens. Unfortunately the weeds are relentless, however, every effort makes a difference so good on you for your perseverance.

The Weed Busters Club will have their first celebratory meeting tomorrow where pizza and a cool drink will be shared. The hard working and diligent organisers of the club; Carla Blunt, Emma Bennett and Natasha Trikilis, also handed out certificates of merit to those who have given up their time to weed each week.

Some council members are still working on getting their particular idea up and running and we hope this will be achieved in the new term.

HEALTHY LUNCHBOX IDEAS

Some of our children are coming to school with lots of pre-packaged foods in their lunch boxes. These kinds of foods don't help to get the best out of your child at school.

You want to make sure your kids are eating healthily at school, but you also don't want your lovingly made sandwiches left uneaten and thrown in the rubbish. So how do busy mums strike a balance? These top healthy lunchbox ideas from the Heart Foundation Website are a help. Visit the website and search for lunchbox for more ideas and great family recipes at http://www.heartfoundation.org.au/Pages/default.aspx

Other great websites with lunch ideas can be found at:
http://healthiergeneration.org/schools.aspx?id=3312

Fruit Break
For morning fruit breaks, fruit that is small hands-friendly is essential: pack a handful of dried fruit, seasonal berries or mandarin segments. Alternatively, chop up bigger portions of fruit (apples, pears, mangos) into bite-size chunks. Prevent browning by sprinkling a little lemon juice over the chunks. Top tip: For the best value for money, look out for seasonal fruit that is often on special. Canned fruit in 100% natural juice is also a good option, and they often come in lunchbox-friendly, single serve tubs.

Smart Sandwiches
The staple of the school lunchbox, sandwiches are a great way to get lots of different healthy ingredients into your kid’s diet, especially veges.
Mix and match with these filling ideas: Tick approved ham, low fat cheese slices, tuna mixed with tick approved mayonnaise, grated carrot, mashed egg or boiled egg slices, cucumber slices, shredded lettuce leaves, tomato slices, mashed kidney beans, alfalfa sprouts, creamed corn.

Spreads and Accompaniments: Use margarine instead of butter: a Tick approved variety is even better. Avocado is also a great alternative as it contains good, monounsaturated fat. Low fat dips like tzaziki and hummus can be used instead of butter, or as a dip for carrot, cucumber and capsicum sticks.

Bread: Try to vary the type of bread you use for sandwiches for interest: wholemeal, wholegrain, rye, linseed, hi-fibre white, pita pockets and Lebanese bread. Many of these varieties carry the Heart Foundation Tick. Top tip: 'Zebra' sandwiches are great for encouraging kids to eat wholemeal bread. Use one slice high fibre white and one slice wholemeal. Perhaps cut into triangles for a more manageable portion.

Luscious Leftovers
Save time and money by packing dinner leftovers for lunch the following day. Use leftover mince (from spag bol or chilli) to make homemade burritos: simply add some shredded lettuce and grated low fat cheese and wrap up tight in foil. Left over rice and pasta dishes are also perfect for boxing up. Be sure to keep these items cool with a freezer block. Be sure to keep these items cool with a freezer block. Top tip: Make homemade pizzas the night before. Use Lebanese bread, salt reduced tomato paste, reduced fat cheese, and plenty of chopped vegies. They taste great cold the next day and will save you heaps of time too!

Thirst quenchers
Water should be the main drink of the day for kids to stay hydrated. Low fat plain milk (in a thermos, to keep it cool) is a good, occasional alternative. Avoid drinks high in energy like soft drinks. Top tip: In summer months, freeze water bottles and strap them to lunchboxes to keep the food cold.

For dinner this Thursday we are having Mountain Mates Gourmet Hotdogs with grated cheese, bacon & onion followed by icecream cones.

Last Thursday Jhett W and Phoebe W enjoyed dinner at the Rewards table for their kindness to others. Jhett invited William K-B to dine with him and Phoebe invited Cameron A. Well done.

A big thank you to Janine, Kerry & myself for completing your CPR course and Kim & Janine for completing your Asthma Management & Anaphylaxis administration of adrenalin courses.

THE PRIME MINISTERS OLYMPIC CHALLENGE BEGAN ON MONDAY 28TH MAY.
Remember to record your activity over the holidays. Every minute helps.
Have a holiday break and keep warm.
From Kim, Janine, Kerry, Clare & Celeste, your Mountain Mates crew.

NEWS FROM THE TEACHERS

YEAR 1/2 CLASS
Just a reminder that there is no homework this week and we will aim to have all the home readers in by Thursday as well as any library books that might still be at home.

There were no award winners last week as we didn’t have parade but it was wonderful to see how well 1_2 participated in the Athletics Carnival. Well done to all of them!

I hope the children all enjoy their holidays and come back refreshed and ready for Term 3, hard to believe that half a year is gone!

If there is anything you wish to discuss you are welcome to contact me on 55459100 or kpryo8@eq.edu.au
Wishing you all a good week,
Kerry Pryor kpryo8@eq.edu.au
YEAR 5/6 CLASS

Is it really the end of term already? Where has the time gone?

In the last couple of weeks most of the children have been doing revision in maths whilst a handful of children have been extended in this area. A big thank you to Sunisa Thirasantikamol and Wendy Blunt for volunteering their precious time to help with the extension group.

Homework will be changing its form next semester. Most of the work done will need to be done on computer through our class Ed Studio on the Learning Place. This is a secure site accessible only by authorised members. Homework will also be offered in the old format for those who do not have access to a computer. A note regarding homework on computers will be coming home shortly. Please make sure you fill in the appropriate areas.

Homework has now finished for the term and should resume in week 1 of term 3. It will be in the new format and issue days and return days will probably also change due to the new format. I will notify you of the changes as they come to light.

Report cards were issued last Friday. If you did not get yours yet, please let me know so we can track it down.

Please make sure your child’s camp note is returned as soon as possible. We will be going on camp in week 3 of next term which is not far away at all. Payment must be made prior to the camp and be no later than the Friday of week 2 – 20 July.

We hope you have a safe and relaxing holiday.

Regards,
Katie and Joyce
kmann38@eq.edu.au  jbour96@eq.edu.au

YEAR 6/7 CLASS

Children do have some homework over the holidays, they have to read a selected book, during the two weeks and then in the first week back, write a book review following a few certain criteria that we will give them after the holidays.

This should not pose any difficulties for any of the children as they should be reading every day over the holidays anyhow.

Have a great 2 weeks, warm regards,
Tanya Stanley & David Murphy
tstan15@eq.edu.au & dmurp19@eq.edu.au

P & C BUNNINGS BBQ
VOLUNTEER FORM
Sunday 15th July 2012

Your name: _______________________________
Your Email: _______________________________
Best phone contact: ______________________
I am willing to volunteer
☐ 9am – 10am
☐ 10am – 11am
☐ 11am – 12 noon
☐ 12 noon – 1pm
☐ 1pm – 2pm
☐ 2pm – 3pm
☐ 3pm – 4pm
pack up

P & C ZEST FEST
VOLUNTEER FORM
Sunday 24th June 2012

Your name: _______________________________
Your Email: _______________________________
Best phone contact: ______________________
I am willing to volunteer
☐ 10am – 11am
☐ 11am – 12 noon
☐ 12 noon – 1pm
☐ 1pm – 2pm
☐ 2pm – 3pm
☐ 3pm – 4pm
pack up
COMMUNITY NEWS

Please bring your old mobile phones into Beechmont State School Administration foyer and place in the box provided.

FAMILY FUN DAY

Voresdale Scrub State School
Sunday 15th July - 10am to 2pm

Come along for a great day of entertainment for the whole family.

Live entertainment on the day, local school exhibits and market stalls. Rides and games for all ages, raffles, face painting, BBQ and delicious home made treats at the cake and sweet stall and lunch in the country tea house. Local community radio station Beau FM will be broadcasting live from the school.

A great day not to be missed.

Special performances from local dance group Creation Dance. Also appearing on the day the Black Dragon Karate Club and Brandsenget Gymnastics....

SOCCEER and NETBALL TEAM PHOTOCS

COST: $11 per child. You receive a team photo and single portrait.
Payment due ASAP to your team coach.

DATE: Tuesday 17th July
TIME: Soccer from 2pm, Netball from 3pm
DRESS: Full uniforms
Beechmont Netball Club News

After a week off for the public holiday last weekend and an amazing Mount of Origin, Beechmont Netball once again showed that it is a force to be reckoned with. 3 out of our 4 teams having a win. Despite the Bandicoots going down to an incredibly strong Angels team, the girls played an absolute ripper of a game and did Coach Kim proud. In other games, the Saints were very dominant over Electric Strikes winning 12-2, whilst the Eagles toughed out a very close 8-6 victory over Newbies Storm. The Tigers are continuing to develop their skills on the court and has a terrific 5-0 win against Supremes Guardians.

This week is Daniel Morcombe night with fixtures being held on Friday night. There will be a balloon release prior to the commencement of each round to commemorate the life of Daniel and to promote personal safety and stranger danger to all our players. We encourage all parents to take the time this week to remind their kids about the importance of stranger danger and about personal safety and having the right to feel safe so that another tragedy might be avoided.

Games for this Friday are as follows:
- Eagles 5pm (please be at the courts at 4:30 pm)
- Saints 5pm (please be at the courts at 4:30 pm)
- Tigers 6 pm (please be at the courts at 5:30 pm)
- Bandicoots BYE

There will be a club sleepover at the Hall on Graceleigh on the last Friday of the school holidays, July 6th, for all Beechmont Netball players from 4pm until 10 am Saturday. Full adult supervision will be provided. There will be games, fun and movies for everyone!! More details to follow on Friday night or check out our Facebook page.