Thank you to those parents who have taken the time to fill in the survey which was sent out in last week’s newsletter. The results and comments received from parents, teachers and students will help us to develop the direction the school will take over the next four years. If you would like to express your views and ideas it is not too late. The greater the number of completed surveys will enable us to develop a plan which addresses the needs of the wider school community.

Please return the survey by Friday 13 September 2013.

Next Friday, 20 September, the last day of term is Beechmont Day. Beechmont Day is celebrated on the last day of Term 3 each year. This year we are holding this great day at Kurrawa Park in Broadbeach. We will meet near the large playground which is south of the Surf Club.

On Beechmont Day, the children experience a range of activities. **We will spend some time on the beach but there will be no swimming.**

**Lunch is available, only if it is pre-ordered and pre-paid.** There is an order form/transport form attached to today’s newsletter.

As part of Beechmont Day we also have the judging of the sickest joke on Beechmont competition, so children need to be practising an appropriate joke / riddle to say on the day.

Children must wear a **School shirt and a School Hat.** We are in a Public place and must be able to quickly recognize children because of their School Shirt and School hat. School hats are available for purchase from the Office.

On the order form for lunch, there is also a transport form, as some parents like to join us for the day. It is vital that we have all of this information back by the Friday 13th September, as the organization for this day is significant. Please return the form ASAP.

Our Prep Orientation morning will be held on Tuesday 19 November between 9am-11am. Please spread the word to any of your neighbours who may have Prep aged children, as we would love to see them on that day.

To be eligible to enrol in Prep in 2014 a child must be born between 1st July 2008 and 30th June 2009. Please spread the word.

The P & C Cake Stall was a huge success. Thank you to those baked beautiful cakes and those who assisted on the day. The P & C made a profit of just under $500.
COMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER
11 Sept P & C Meeting 3.30pm Library
10 Sep School Photographs
20 Sep Beechmont Day at Kurrawa Park
20 Sep Last Day of Term
07 Oct Public Holiday Day Labour Day
08 Oct First Day of Term 4
08 Oct Nomination open for Beechmont Award
09 Oct Colour Day Theme ‘Pink”
14 Oct Interhouse Reading Competition starts

AUSKICK

We will be offering the Auskick program again this year. It will be held on Friday afternoons starting at 3:10 pm for an hour. The program will run from 18 October to Friday 6th December. We need to have around 30 students interested in order for Auskick to go ahead. Auskick Representatives will be at Parade on 13 September 2013.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

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Wed 04th Sept  Volunteer needed
Fri 6th Sept  Kerry Murphy
Wed 11th Sept  Vicki Bouwer
Fri 13th Sept  Michelle Moyce
Wed 18th Sept  Volunteer needed
Fri 20th Sept  Janine Van B

OFFICE NEWS

Due to changes in procedures newsletter articles will need to be in to the School Friday preceding Tuesdays issue or if emailing Sunday preceding issue. Thankyou for your assistance.

UNIFORM NEWS

The Uniform shop is open every Friday from 8.15am until 8.45am. -Thanks Janine

MOUNTAINS MATES MUTTERINGS

your Beechmont State School P&C Assn.
Outside School Hours Care Service
Ph. 55459124 or a/h 0417775741
email-mountainmates@bigpond.com

Welcome to week 10 at Mountain Mates
The afternoons have been spectacular so we have been spending loads of time playing games and running around before the coolness of the afternoon settles in.
Lots of children then come in and take the opportunity to catch up on some homework, join in on some art and craft or enjoy some free time.

The Vacation Care Program is on this week’s newsletter and don’t forget all of you Wheelie Day enthusiasts out there, book in early for Monday 30th September for our ultimate Wheelie Day. We have booked Go Cart Wild to deliver us 6 pedal Go Carts and one extra large go cart to do laps around our Mountain Mates race track. Limited numbers for this day. Enjoy the rest of your week ☺

From Kim, Janine, Clare, Kara & Christie.
Your Mountain Mates Team.

NEWS FROM THE TEACHERS

YEAR 1/2 CLASS

In Literacy this week we will begin exploring poetry. Now is a good time for children to revisit their old nursery rhyme books and be on the lookout for rhyming verses in any texts that they are reading. In SOSE the children continue to explore some of the different countries comprising Asia and to imagine how their lives might be different if they were a child in one of those countries.

Please remember that all children need to bring in either a cereal box or a large shoe box for creating a diorama for Science before the end of term.

Congratulations to last week’s award winners: Arianna Musumeci for super-fast word sorting, Samuel Hashim-Jones and Rylan Christiansen for their penguin facts research and Mikah Browning for her excellent application to finishing all her work.

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

YEAR 5/6 CLASS

LIGHTS! CAMERA! ACTION! Filming of the famous Australian interviews are well on their way. All children are thoroughly enjoying this terms task of learning about famous Australians who made significant contributions to shaping Australia into what it is today. John Flynn, Trugunini and Nancy Bird are just some of the famous Australians being studied. Filming should be complete by next week and then the children will be moving on to editing and producing their interviews. Hopefully they will be able to embed them in our class Ed Studio.
There were no spelling words issued this week as the spelling inventory was administered to assess progress and gauge which words will need to be studied next term.

There will be no homework next week and it shall resume first week next term.

Our class welcomes Katie Ailini a student teacher from Griffith University. Katie began last Tuesday, was here today and will be here next Tuesday, and will be working everyday with our class next term for 6 weeks.

Have a great week, Regards.
Katie and Joyce
kmann38@eq.edu.au

Communit News

WANTED TO RENT
House or cottage on 5+ acres suitable for 2 to 3 horses. OR Adjustment for 2 horses with secure fencing, clean water and shelter from the wind and rain. Call Ariel 0416 928942

Beechmont Massage
Take some time out to relax and be pampered with a full body massage using a blend of calming essential oils. Sooth away your aches and pains, and be left feeling blissfully relaxed, the perfect way to unwind.

$60 for 60 minutes / ph 0401 372 647 / mobile service available

Ellen Miller is a qualified and experienced massage therapist. Offering relaxation, therapeutic, deep pressure, ayurvedic and hot stone massage.

0401 372 647

Beechmont Netball Club News

Sadly this week’s games mark the end of the 2013 Saturday Netball Season. A very big thank you to all of the parents, grandparents, friends and family that have come along each week to cheer on our girls. A big thank you for the time and effort you have all put in getting uniforms cleaned and washed each week, for bringing the girls to training, for volunteering with cake stalls, sausage sizzles and carnivals, and for quite simply making our club the success it is.

We have had a thoroughly enjoyable season and despite having no teams in the Grand Finals this year, we are extremely proud of the sportsmanship and skill development shown by each and every girl over the past 24 weeks. We hope that you will return for another fun-filled season in 2014.

As I am sure you can appreciate, most of the girls will grow between now and March next year. Could we please have all singlets washed and returned to either Greg, Douglas or one of the coaches so that they can be reissued next year. Thank you so very much for your cooperation in this matter.

There are only 2 time slots this week with Presentation to commence at 11 am. This year’s presentation format will be a little different with each team marching in and sitting in a designated area. Parents are requested NOT to take their child from this area until after all awards including Junior Sportsmanship and Senior Sportsmanship have been made. There will also be a specific area for the parents to stand during the presentation. As a club, we request that you respect SCNA’s wishes so that Presentation can be completed in a manner that shows good sportsmanship and appreciation for all teams and not just those from our own club.

Our Club break-up is at the Hall on Graceleigh after SCNA presentations on the 14th September (approximately 12:45pm). We look forward to seeing everyone there 😊

Game times will either be 9am or 10am for all teams however at the time of writing they were unavailable.