Attached to today’s newsletter is a blue sheet so you can nominate someone for the Beechmont School Award. This Award, presented at our End of Year Concert and Awards Night on Friday December 6th, recognizes a contribution made to our School by an individual, organization or group of people.

This award is decided by you, the parents. Please complete the form and return to School by Thursday 25th October. This is an important award in our community to recognize a valuable contribution to our School.

Our Reading competition is back for 2013. The basic aim is that each child, reads, or is read to, for as many minutes as possible each night.

- Reading record sheets must be returned each Friday or this year, a child’s time will not be recorded for your house.
- There has been a target set this year (based on the last 3 years reading totals) of 110,000 minutes read. Reach the target or face the consequences!!

Next Monday 21st October is a pupil free day. Students do not attend school. Staff have PD. Outside school care is available for those that require it but numbers are limited so please complete Booking form.

The Bravehearts team will be visiting our Prep to Year 3 students on Friday 18th October at 10am. This program, “Ditto’s Education program” is designed to equip children with the knowledge and skills they need to avoid risky situations and give them an understanding of their rights to protect their own body.

Cost of the show is $4 and we strongly encourage all Prep to Year 3 children to attend. An envelope is attached to today’s newsletter for your $4. Parents are most welcome to attend at no cost.

For more information go to www.bravehearts.org.au/education.ews

Swimming will commence on Friday 1 November and go for 5 weeks. The cost will be $32.50 which includes bus transport, pool admission and a 1 hour lesson per week. This is an extremely valuable program and it is expected all Year 2 children will attend. The information was sent home today and the permission form needs to be returned by Wednesday 23rd October.
COMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER
18 Oct Auskick starts
18 Oct Bravehearts P-3
18 Oct No Parade
21 Oct Pupil Free Day
23 Oct Wachy Dress day
25 Oct Year 6/7 V8 Supercars
28 Oct Senior Band Iona College Performance
30 Oct Junior Band Iona College Performance
01 Nov Swimming lessons Yr 2
01 Nov World Teachers day
01 Nov Bush Poetry Competition Canungra
06 Nov Colour Day-Multi colours
19 Nov Prep Orientation.

NERANG ALLIANCE SPEAKING OUT COMPETITION GOOD LUCK

Good luck to Cameron Ayers, Natasha Trikilis, Wishy Thirasantikamol and India-Rose Harper as they compete in the Nerang Alliance Speaking Out competition tomorrow Wednesday 16th October. We are very proud of you all, relax and enjoy the night.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Desi Johnson who was named South Coast Athletics Team captain and is competing in the 100m and 200m at the State Championships today and tomorrow. This is an incredible honour and achievement and we wish her all the very best as she tries to earn a place on the Queensland team to compete at Nationals later in the year.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING NEXT YEAR?

Our staffing for 2014 is being decided right now. It is absolutely vital that you let us know if you are not planning to be here next year. At a school of our size, one or two children really do make a difference to our overall staffing mix, so please, if you are planning to be off the mountain or attend another school, please let us know ASAP, so we can accurately plan for 2014 so that your children can have a stable start to next year. Thank you so much for your help with this very important information.

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

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

Wed 16th Oct Volunteer needed
Fri 18th Oct Michelle Moyce
Wed 23rd Oct Viki Bouver
Fri 25th Oct Janine Van B
Wed 30th Oct Volunteer needed
Fri 1 Nov Volunteer needed
Wed 6th Nov Viki Bouver
Fri 18th Oct Michelle Moyce

GARDENING

Once again the Melissa and Steve Walters have volunteered their time and machinery to remove plants from around the school. We would also like to thank Matt Smith for his help. I know it looks a little bare in places but we have had plans drawn up by Bonnie Mackay and we will hopefully beginning to plant the gardens at the school entrance in the next few weeks.

MOUNTAINS MATES MUTTERINGS

Outside School Hours Care Service
Ph. 55459124 or a/h 0417775741
email-mountainmates@bigpond.com

Welcome to Week 2 – Term 4 at Mountain Mates
Our Term Program is starting this week with plenty of activities to stretch the imagination and ability of all of the Mountain Mates children. The Program is attached to the newsletter (sorry about last week). Also don’t forget to book in early for Pupil Free Day next Monday 21st October. We are open from 7am until 6:30pm Monday. We are having a Fancy Dress Party so come along in your favourite outfit and have FUN.
If you haven’t been to Mountain Mates before, don’t worry, just call in and pick up an enrolment form. We can then give you a quote so you know the fee structure for the day.
Has anyone noticed our big red letterbox at the front door of Mountain Mates – don’t forget to leave us some mail. We love getting mail.

Have an exciting and hopefully rainy week.

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

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**PREP 2014 REMINDER**

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.

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**SUPPORT OUR MARKET BBQ**

On the 3rd Sunday of every month Beechmont State School P&C runs the BBQ at the Beechmont Markets, from 8-12pm. Please come & support your school by buying a drink, sausage in bread or delicious burger. We would also appreciate any volunteers that can offer their time to help the wonderful team of Steve & Melissa Waters. Steve & Melissa do a wonderful job to run this BBQ each month but we do need your help. The Market BBQ assists in raising funds for the P&C so that essential items can be purchased to enhance the education experience for our students. Fund raising is becoming increasingly difficult and the number of volunteers that assist in fundraising activities is limited, so any assistance you can provide to the market BBQ would be appreciated.

If you are able to assist, please contact Douglas or Michael Kenyon on 0414 180 271.

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**NEWS FROM THE TEACHERS**

**BOOK CLUB NEWS**

Book club flyers were attached to last week’s newsletter. Please have all orders back at school by this Friday (18th) for processing. We are very happy to hold orders for collection for birthday, Christmas gifts etc. and call you when they come in.

**CAMP PHOTOS**

We have accumulated 3.5GB worth of photos from the Sydney/Canberra camp last term. A big thank you to all the kids who shared their photos with us all (especially after Ms Stanley’s camera has a serious malfunction). If anyone would like a copy please send in a memory stick and we will copy them across for you. Please note that most of these photos were taken by the kids themselves and as a result reflect their interests.

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**STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS**

**WACKY DRESS DAY**

Our student council this year has decided to have a Wacky Dress Day. The theme for our first Wacky Dress Day is Pyjamas. The first Wacky Dress Day will be next week on Wednesday the 23rd of October. There will be a prize for the class that has the most students dressed in pyjamas. To participate in Wacky Dress Day it will cost you a gold coin. The money raised will go towards sports equipment for all ages in our school.

Hope you have a good week Jake Mobbs
Student Councillor

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**YEAR 1/2 CLASS**

In science this week students are exploring ways of making heat. They will learn that heat can be produced in many ways and can move from one object to another and can be made various ways. They have already learned about the Sun producing heat, but this week they’ll also learn there are other ways heat can be produced by rubbing, using electricity and from chemical (burning), such as fires.

In English this week students are learning about the language features of poetry. We are focusing particularly on onomatopoeia and alliteration and also on rhythm and rhythm. Students will be writing a poem on Bugs following an AA, BB, CC rhyming pattern scheme.
In history students this week will view
placenames to recognise that history of the local
community may be revealed. We will be looking at
the place name meaning of the Nerang, Binna Burra,
Mudgeeraba, Numinbah and Gilston, just to name a
few. They look at a range of sources and pose
questions about the history of significant sites and
their importance to Aboriginal peoples and Torres
Strait Islander peoples. They will discuss the point
of view of Aboriginal peoples or Torres Strait Islander
peoples have about the significance of a site or part
of the natural environment.

Have a great week. Demelza Atherton
dathe1@eq.edu.au

YEAR 5/6 CLASS

Just a reminder that our class will be going on
an excursion to the Planetarium at Mt Coot-tha next
Friday the 25th of October. Notes regarding the
excursion were sent home in the last week of term 3.
An additional medical form has also been sent home
as this was accidentally left off the first note. Please
ensure all forms and monies are handed in by the
end of this week.

The year six children in our class have been
busily practicing their poems for the Budding Bards
Competition being held on the Friday of week 4.
Children to attend the competition being held at
Canungra school will be chosen next Wednesday.
Parents will be notified of the children who have
made it through to the round.

HOMEWORK! HOMEWORK! HOMEWORK!
Homework began last week and consists of the
following; spelling words for each week, reading for a
minimum of 15 minutes per day – this must be logged
in the homework book, preparing for the oral
presentation, a weekly problem solving sheet and
any other incidental projects or tasks that need to be
completed for class. The spelling word can also be
located on our Ed studio page if your child happens
to misplace their words. Although homework is your
child’s responsibility, interest in the tasks from
parents is welcome.

Warm regards Katie and Joyce
kmann38@eq.edu.au  jbou96@eq.edu.au

YEAR 6/7 CLASS

A big, big GOOD LUCK to Wishy and India-
Rose who are representing Year 6 and 7 at the
Nerang Alliance Public Speaking Competition
tomorrow night. We know that they will do a fantastic
job and are really proud of their achievements. This
week in Year 6/7, we are also cheering on Desi and
eagerly waiting to hear how she goes in the State
Athletics Championships in Brisbane.

Everyone should have memorised their Bush
Poem by now and be practising hard every night at
home with presentation and expression so that they
ready to perform for assessment next week. From
this performance, the BSS representatives for the
Budding Bards Competition will be chosen. These
students will take on Canungra SS in this annual
competition to see who will be this year’s Bush
Poetry Champion.

Once again there is no homework sheet this
week so students have plenty of time to perfect their
poems. However, there is spelling homework
dictionary meanings and sentences) and children
are expected to be reading and sorting every night
especially as the Reading Competition has
commenced. Instant recall of basic maths facts
should also be revised on a nightly basis with
students challenging themselves to get quicker or
extend up to 15 x 15.

Our class will be attending the Gold Coast 600
next Friday 25th October. Admission and transport
from Nerang Station is free. It will be a great day. A
permission note will be sent home later this week.

Have a great first week back Regards
Tanya Stanley tstan15@eq.edu.au &
Crichton Roberts crobe60@eq.edu.au
COMMUNITY NEWS

BEECHMONT MASSAGE
Take some time out to relax and be pampered with a full body massage using a blend of calming essential oils. Soothe 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.

MENS CRICKET
19th October on Graceleigh Park 10.30am Beechmont Vs Lower Beechmont. BYO food and drinks. BBQ’s provided. Any enquiries call Greg 0405206076

NERANG STATE HIGH SCHOOL P&C
Is again holding an Arts and Crafts Market in our school hall on Saturday 30th November from 8am to 12 noon.

We would like to showcase the talents of the local community, so if you sew, paint, arrange, hammer, paste, knit, crochet, bake, mix or scrap anything we would love to hear from you!

If anyone is interested in having a stall please contact me on 0412267263 or tspie16@eq.edu.au for details. Thank you, Tracey Spiers.

BEECHMONT JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB SIGN ON
Every Saturday at 9am Hall on Graceleigh come and join in the fun. For any Enquiries contact Greg on 0405206076

Become an Intensive Foster Carer with UnitingCare Community.
We are seeking motivated and committed individuals who are willing and have the time to become an Intensive Foster Carer who provides primary care or respite care for children between the ages of 0-18 years, with extreme to complex needs.

Intensive Foster Carer placements are required to meet the needs of young people who may exhibit challenging behaviours, a diagnosed disability and additional medical conditions or complications.

Intensive Carers play a vital role in the lives of young people by including them in their family, by providing a nurturing relationship and safe and stable home life.

An Intensive Foster Carer can be a full time 24/7 carer or provide respite care on weekends and holidays.

Please contact the UnitingCare Community Family Lives Program on 3363 2228 for further information.

COME JOIN US AT THE BEAUDESERT RACES
BEECHMONT SOCIAL CLUB WOULD LIKE TO INVITE THE COMMUNITY TO JOIN US FOR A DAY AT THE RACES
WHEN: BERRY DAY 2ND NOVEMBER 2013
WHERE: BEAUDESERT RACE TRACK
COST: $50 PER PERSON
COST INCLUDES: Transport by coach, Free Entry, Free Program, Complimentary Wine/Beer on arrival, Three Course Meal under our own Marquee, Prizes for Best Dressed. To secure your tickets contact Greg on 0405206076. Tickets are limited so be quick.
COME AND JOIN IN THE FUN AND EXPERIENCE A DAY AT A BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY RACE TRACK.

Beechmont SS NAB AFL Auskick Centre
Sign on & 1st Session – Thursday 17th October
Time: 3:10pm-4:10pm
Venue: Beechmont SS School Oval
Address: Beechmont Rd
Cost: $60
For more information contact Adam Dunning on 5594 5722
Or visit www aflbeechmont.com.au

Participants receive a benefit which includes; Hat, Water Bottle, Football, Back pack and much more.

TO REGISTER:
OPTION A – PREFERRED OPTION -
Three Easy Step
1. Register online at www aflbeechmont.com.au
2. Print submitted registration form
3. Hand form with payment to your AFL Auskick Co-ordinator at the first session.

OPTION B -
Complete a hand written registration form and give along with payment to your AFL Auskick Co-ordinator at the first session.

OPTION A – PREFERRED OPTION -
Event: Lock the Gate Doco and Concert with Paul Robert Burton

Date: Friday October 25
Time: 6pm to 8.30pm
Venue: Canungra School of Arts Hall, Christie Street, Canungra
Entry: $10 by donation adults; children are free
Bookings: Contact Sally MacKinnon; mobile: 0412 682 008; email: salmackinnon@bigpond.com

Event details: The new Lock the Gate documentary “Fractured Country” will be shown for the first time in Canungra at 6pm on Friday October 25 at the Canungra School of Arts Hall.

In a concert with acclaimed musician Paul Robert Burton, this ground breaking documentary gives the first clear, compelling, factual overview about the impacts of coal seam gas (CSG) mining and coal mining on Australian communities, particularly rural and regional communities, farmers and our natural environment.

It features the stories of people whose lives have been changed forever by CSG mining on their land and highlights the groundswell of grassroots community action to stop the mining industry from ruining lives and communities across Australia.

In a first for the Scenic Rim, the film will be shown within a concert by professional musician Paul Robert Burton.

Paul performs a highly eclectic solo repertoire of originals and unusual traditional musical pieces that blend together blues, Celtic, gypsy, Middle Eastern, gospel, bluegrass, swing, jazz and folk-rock influences together into an evocative musical soundscape. He combines rich vocals, traditional acoustic instruments and modern technology to perform music as the universal language of unity.

This event is supported by the Ethos Foundation: www.ethosfoundation.org, Keep the Scenic Rim Scenic: http://www.keepthescenicrimscenic.com, Lock the Gate Alliance: http://www.lockthegate.org.au, and Our Land Our Water Our Future: www.ourlandourwaterourfuture.org

GARAGE SALE SUN 20th OCTOBER 2013
7am – 3pm
Opposite Old School @ Green A-Frame House
Items for Sale:
Furniture, Tools, Toys & House Hold Items
Any Enquires please call Renae Ph: 0412 186619

Can Saver Plus assist you with education costs?

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to $500 for education costs including uniforms, text books, laptops, sports equipment, music tuition and TAFE or apprenticeship costs.

Saver Plus is Australia’s largest and longest running financial education and matched savings program, empowering over 20,000 people to save and build their financial confidence over the last 10 years.

You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner) and have a child at school or study yourself.

The Benevolent Society delivers the Saver Plus program in the North Gold Coast. To find out more contact your local SaverPlus Worker
Sylvia Constantin on 07 5644 9182 or email sylvia.constitaint@benevolent.org.au
Or
For more information on Saver Plus call or SMS your name and postcode to 1300 610 355, email saverplus@bsl.org.au or visit Benevolent Society Saver Plus website www.benevolent.org.au

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BEECHMONT STATE SCHOOL
TUCKSHOP MENU – 2013

Foods served in the canteen are now categorised according to their fat, sugar and salt content. (The Smart Choices program.)
Green (G) Healthy choice that can be eaten at all times.
Amber (A) Relatively healthy choice when balanced with green foods.
Red (R) These are occasional items and are available only twice per term (eg. Sports Days, Discos).

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How to Order from Tuckshop
Clearly write the child’s name, class and items ordered on separate brown paper bags.
Include correct change if possible (if not, please total the items and write amount of change required on each bag).
Please do not use staples or sticky tape – just fold bags down at the top so that the bags are not damaged.
If there is not enough money to cover the order, the tuckshop will make slight changes to the order. (NO IOU available.)

THE TUCKSHOP IS OPEN WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY and is always in need of volunteer help. We open at 8.30am.
If you can help, please contact the Tuckshop or leave a message at the School Office.

Beechmont State School  Tuckshop – Telephone: 5545 9119  School Office: 5545 9100