Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,

SCHOOL LEADERS

On Monday afternoon, our school leaders received their badges, formally inducting them into their new roles. Each of our school leaders have been selected through a process – either speeches and interviews or via a voting system. Each is a creditable representative of our school.

Badges were presented to students by Mr Chris Kerns (Principal Coombabah SHS) and Mrs Amanda Clarke (P&C President).

School Leaders for 2014 are:
Irae Epa
Graham McCullough
Dale Newton
Chelsea Norgrove
Anahera Tuhega
Lily Frugtniet

Jordan Engel
Rhian Youngson
Kiara Malhotra
Emilee Teao-Clark
Hannah Jemmott
Georgia Dickson

House Captains for 2014:

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Student Councillors for Semester 1 are:
Year 4 – Jarrad, Holly, Max, Alex, Peter
Year 5 – Seminita, Rebecca, Samantha, Taniesha, Cooper
Year 6 – Elizabeth, Hayley, Azariah, Thomas, Jordan
Year 7 – Chloe, Alexandra, Dominic

Congratulations to each student and best wishes for your “leadership journey”.

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UPDATE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS
A few weeks ago, we asked parents to update their contact and emergency details. This is necessary, particularly in case of an accident, illness or emergency. The response was very positive. Thanks to those parents who advised the office of new details.
However, it is clear that there are many parents whose details are inaccurate. This includes mobile numbers where the phone is discontinued.
I expect every parents’ contact details to be accurate. It is too late that we find out about this in an emergency!

“GOING HOME” ARRANGEMENTS
Every student must have a clear understanding of collection and “going home” arrangements when he/she comes to school each day. There are too many instances where children are unsure of who is collecting them in the afternoon. The school office will always assist when there are concerns, but students often become unnecessarily anxious when they don’t know what is happening.
Details about who is collecting them, location for pick up etc are critical.
Any student not collected by 3:30pm is required to report to the school office. If he/she is not collected within 10 minutes, the office will phone parents to determine arrangements. This strategy is a safety net only, not something that should be misused by parents.
Parents who are held up due to an unforeseen situation (eg in traffic) are asked to phone the office if it is likely that they will be significantly late.

YEAR 6 CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA
Last Friday Year 6 students participated in “Clean Up Schools Day”, a national initiative. Here are some comments from students:
“It was cool because we cleaned up the school.” (Drew)
“At first it looked like a pig sty but after we cleaned up it felt good.” (Amir)
“I felt adventurous because we found things we wouldn’t normally find.” (Eloise)
“It was healthy for the environment and also healthy for the animals.” (Taryn)
“I think it was fun because we got to do it with everyone.” (Mikaela)
“I think the school looks sparklier than ever.” (Zeb)
A big thank you to all students for participating!

Mick Quinn,
Principal

P&C AGM
The Annual General Meeting of the P&C Association will be held on Monday 10th March in the staffroom at 3:15pm. All parents are welcome to attend.
At this meeting, office bearers for 2014 will be appointed. There is also a change to the constitution to be confirmed, as required by EQ and QCPCA.
The P&C plays an important role within the school. It adds to the life of students at school, raises funds to support the school and provides advice to the principals on key issues relating to the school and community.
Our school has relied on a small group of parents who have accepted the responsibility to be parent leaders and done an exceptional job in recent years.
At the AGM, all positions on the executive are declared vacant. Office bearers for 2014 will then be appointed.
Nominations for these positions are invited, through completion of the following form.
P&C AGM continued...

NOMINATION FORM FOR
ARUNDEL STATE SCHOOL
P&C EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2014

NAME: ..........................................................

NOMINATED POSITION: (please circle – 1 or more)
President
Vice President
Secretary (Minutes)
Secretary (Grants)
Treasurer
Treasurer (payroll)

EMAIL ADDRESS:

PHONE NUMBER:

Signature of Nominee Date

Please complete, cut out & deliver to the school office by Friday 7th March.

SENIOR SHARING – YEAR 3-7
Monday, 10 March 2014 - 2:10pm
Sharing will include Chaplaincy Commissioning Ceremony

UP AND COMING EVENTS

Monday, 10 March P&C AGM 3:15pm
Friday, 4 April Last day of Term 1
Tuesday, 22 April Students return – first day Term 2

CADBURY FUNDRAISER
We would like to thank the Arundel State School community enormously for all the enthusiasm shown toward our first big fundraiser of the year. Money for the Cadbury chocolate drive is now due and can be paid at the uniform shop or tuckshop.

Please do not return chocolates - we cannot take them back.
If anyone is super keen we still have a few boxes at the tuckshop to sell, they can be collected from there.
Again, thanks - this looks like it has been a great success,
From the P&C

NEWS FROM PREP F
We do lots of fun activities in Prep F!
I like drawing. – Maddison
I like learning to write stories. – Zahli
I like reading. I know some words already. – Sam
I like doing show and tell. – Chloe, Noah & Cooper
I like playing the ipad and computers. – Marley, Lucas, Connor & Abdullah
I like playing with my friends. – Taj, Riley & Kaylee
I like working – that’s when I write and glue. – Ella
I like playing with the mobile. – Damon
I love being the leader. – Alahni
I love throwing the bean bags and walking on the stilts in Gross Motor. – GC
I love using the whiteboard. – Hudson & Cody
TUCKSHOP NEWS
Religion books have now arrived for Years 2 and 3 and are available for purchase at the tuckshop.

BENOWA STATE HIGH SCHOOL
2015 EXPO EVENINGS
Year 7 in 2015 - Tuesday 11th March 2014
Year 8 in 2015 - Wednesday 12th March 2014
Commencing at 5:00 pm in the Sports Hall
Program information now available for collection from Benowa SHS office.
For any enquiries please phone 07 5582 7333

JAPANESE STUDENTS
Would you like to have wonderful cultural experiences with students from Japan?
Australia Japan Study Programme Pty Ltd (AJSP) organises short-term educational programs & host families for Japanese students. If you are interested in becoming a host family, please contact –
Mobile: 0417 902 035 (Miki)   Email: ajspmiki@gmail.com  Website: www.ajsp.net.au

HEADLICE – LET’S MAKE A DIFFERENCE
It is not uncommon for children to come into contact with headlouse at some stage of their schooling.
There are several recommended treatments, ranging from combing conditioner through a child’s hair to tea tree oil to chemical treatments. A visit to your chemist is a good idea. Often one treatment is insufficient to eradicate the headlouse. It is also often the case that the children who have the cleanest hair come into contact with headlouse.

When a student contracts headlouse many times over, despite having clean hair and applying numerous treatments, the situation becomes very frustrating for the family.

Headlouse can infest children who are in close proximity to an existing carrier. This then places focus on the class group and also friends. A co-operative effort can support the eradication of headlouse within your child’s class. We can make a genuine difference if we work together.

The following approaches will support our school to minimise the infestation of headlouse within our school.

1. **Parents are asked to check their child/ren’s heads for headlouse regularly. If headlouse are located, please report this to your class teacher. The report will remain confidential. Undertake appropriate treatment.**

2. **A letter will then be issued to the parents of every child in the class, requesting parents to check their child’s hair. If all parents do this on the one night and then begin treatment if required, we are well on the way to minimising the spread of the headlouse.**


Some facts about headlouse ……..

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<td>Head louse only live in dirty hair</td>
<td>Head lice have no preference for dirty or clean hair. As long as the scalp is warm and moist and you have blood (their food source), you’re a good home... that’s all of us!</td>
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<td>Head lice jump and fly</td>
<td>Head lice do not have wings or grasshopper legs. They have six strong claws, which they use to swing from hair-to-hair.</td>
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<td>Head lice are effectively treated after one treatment session</td>
<td>Neither chemical or non-chemical treatment kills or removes all the eggs. So young lice will hatch from the eggs after the initial treatment. <strong>It is necessary to have more than one treatment to remove the young immature lice before they breed.</strong> In this way you can break the head lice lifecycle.</td>
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<td>Head lice live and breed in the house/classroom</td>
<td>The lifecycle of the lice must be completed on the human head. They die very rapidly off the head from dehydration. The eggs need the warmth and moisture of the scalp to hatch. The lice need the warmth, moisture and food source of the head to live and breed.</td>
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<td>Head lice carry disease and viruses</td>
<td>Head lice do not carry or transmit disease. They are a nuisance to humans not a health hazard.</td>
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If we have one less than all students in the class having their hair checked, our chances of being successful in combating headlouse, are diminished.
Each family is encouraged to assist with this issue.