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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGES

Congratulations to our Choir who performed in the Toowoomba Eisteddfod last Sunday and received a Highly Commended. Many thanks to Mrs Allison Fitzpatrick, who has worked selflessly with the choir, and to Mrs Ronelle Nugent, who assisted Allison at the eisteddfod.

Thank you Trish Jackson for her visit last week and the inspirational messages she shared with children about living with a disability. Trish is also an accomplished artist and her drawings and photography can be viewed on her website (www.footsiephotos.com). All artwork is original and drawn with her feet.

Basketball Visit: Thank you to the Toowoomba Mountaineers for conducting a Positive Choices Basketball Clinic at the school. A family game pass to a Mountaineers home game in 2017 is being sent home today.

Auskick information flyer is being sent home today. Auskick will commence on Thursday, 18th May from 3:15pm—4:15pm and run for 6 weeks. The cost of the program is \$75 and will be held on the school oval. Payment must be made directly to Auskick through on line payments, cash or cheque. Students will receive a benefits pack of a lunch box, football, football pump, footy cards, pencil case and Auskick hat. For further information contact Tasman on 0421 246 320.

Every Day Counts! Letters are being sent home today for those students who have been absent without explanation at some point this year. Thank you to all parents—there are very few unexplained absences! If you receive a letter, please complete the necessary requirements, sign and return the letter to the school office within 3 days.

World's Greatest Shave, Schools Challenge: Crazy Hair Day will be held on Friday, 12th May, to raise funds for the Leukaemia Foundation. Children are invited to have their hair coloured for a minimum gold coin donation. Visit the school's donation page at <http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/bunkershillss> to make extra donations to this cause. If donations raised amount to **\$400** or more, I will be having my head shaved at 2:30pm in the school hall. Many thanks to Melissa Kowitz for volunteering her time and expertise for this. **If you have already returned a permission slip, there is no need to return another.** If you require a permission slip, they are available on the website or from the office. These slips must be returned to the classroom teacher before Friday.

5/6JB and 6RD visit Amaroo Environmental Education Centre on Wednesday, 17th May. Activity consent forms were sent home last week. Please complete these forms and return to the school with payment by Monday, 15th May. Cost of the activity is \$13.00 per student and preferred methods of payment are BPoint or EFTPoS.

NAPLAN started today for our Year 3 and 5 students. The remaining tests will be held tomorrow and Thursday.

PELC Mothers' Day Stall will be held **tomorrow, Wednesday, 10th May**. Children will be able to purchase a special gift for Mum at an allocated time for their class. All gifts will be \$5.

Instrumental Music Lessons continue this Friday. The Junior Concert Band will start rehearsals this Friday, 12th May. All students in the Instrumental Music Program are required to attend. The Senior and Junior Concert Bands will combine from 8:00am—8:30am. The Senior Concert Band will continue band rehearsal until 8:55am. Parents are welcome to stay and observe the first rehearsal.

Miss Tracie's Tuckshop
Now offering Family Meals
Email : traciesblossoms370@gmail.com
Order by Friday in person or via email
Collect the following Tuesday
2kg Meals
\$25.00 per meal
Payment via cash or EFTPoS
This week's Special
THAI CHICKEN CURRY & RICE

Student Banking is held in the school library Monday mornings 8:20am - 8:45am. Deposit books can be collected at this time for new accounts.
Uniform Shop is open **Friday afternoons** from 2:45-3:15pm. A price list is available on the school website.
Ice Blocks will be sold this **Friday** afternoon from 2:45pm for \$1 each. Proceeds go towards the School Project Club.
Learning Intentions and Success Criteria are a big focus in our classrooms. They help children know what they are expected to learn, and how they can show they have mastered these skills and knowledge.

Jim Tiernan, Principal

The school website is the place to check for coming events.
Please visit www.bunkhillss.eq.edu.au and navigate to the calendar.

P&C News

I would like to thank everyone who attended the P&C meeting last night. Your attendance and support is always appreciated.

The funds we raised from the Disco last term were \$839.76 after all costs are taken out.

Our bank account balances are: (1) Standard operating account as at 30.4.17 - \$16,832.76 and (2) Building account as at 31.3.17 - \$13,004.32.

Two of the major items we are looking at purchasing for the school are (1) PA system and (2) Flooring for the big shed. We are still working with suppliers to gain the right quote and direction before we take the next step. We like to take the time at the start so we spend the funds right the first time as both of these procurements will be of significant cost.

The new Banner Flags have been handed over to the school; we purchased 3 at a cost of \$865.00. These will be used at school and at school events outside the school. They look great!

The fund raising events that we are scheduling to hold over terms 2 and 3 are:

Term 2 – **Mother's Day stall tomorrow** and a Pie drive

Term 3 – Spell-a-thon, Father's Day stall, Hot Chip and drinks van at the district sports day held at BHSS 21st July.

Thank you to all of the staff of BHSS for your thoughts and providing the cupcakes, wine, tea and coffee to the P&C last night. They were enjoyed.

Good luck to all of the students participating in NAPLAN.

Wishing all of our Mother's a very Happy Mother's Day this Sunday.

Stewart Kings, President

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Chappy News

The next LCC Meeting will be held Monday 15th May at 4pm at Bunkers Hill State School in Jim's office. New faces are always welcome.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Toowoomba Hospital Foundation presents the
KATH DICKSON FAMILY CENTRE
TEDDY BEARS'
PICNIC
Sunday 4th June 2017 | 9am – midday
SALO CENTRE, ROME ST TOOWOOMBA
HEAPS OF ACTIVITIES AND GAMES, INCLUDING FACE PAINTING AND A JUMPING CASTLE, AND COMPETITIONS.
ENTRY ■ \$5 per person (u/2 free)
■ \$20 Family (up to 5)
Food and drink available to purchase
Some additional activities will attract a gold coin donation
More information and booking details via our facebook page or ph 4616 6166
MEET SPECIAL GUESTS Poppy and Branch from Trolls, Marshall and Chase from Paw Patrol
EVENT PARTNER **kath Dickson** FAMILY CENTRE
COMMUNITY SPONSOR **Hooker**
MATES OF THE 5 LITTLE MONKEYS
St Ursula's College
Office Choice
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Caution — Netflix TV series 13 Reasons Why

Headspace School Support is urging school communities and parents to be aware of the risks associated with children and young people watching the newly aired Netflix TV series, *13 Reasons Why*. Due to the sensitive nature of the show's content and its focus on suicide, there are concerns that the show may trigger high levels of distress including suicidal thoughts or feelings amongst its viewers, particularly children and young people. Parents are encouraged to be aware of the risks associated with their child viewing the series. For information about ways to support your child should they express concerns around their own mental health, refer to:

[eheadspace](http://eheadspace.org.au) (www.eheadspace.org.au)

[Kids Helpline](http://Kids Helpline.org.au) (www.kidshelp.com.au)

[How to talk to young people about suicide](http://www.headspace.org.au/assets/School-pport/How-to-talk-about-suicide-with-young-people.pdf) (www.headspace.org.au/assets/School-pport/How-to-talk-about-suicide-with-young-people.pdf)

[Grief: how young people may respond to suicide](http://www.headspace.org.au/assets/Uploads/Corporate/Grief-How-young-people-might-respond-to-a-suicide-web.pdf)

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Toowoomba Brick Event — 20th & 21st May, Toowoomba Showgrounds, 9:00am—4:00pm. Let your imagination run wild on the build tables, go vertical with the build wall and get your designs moving with the build-a-train play area. Lego merchandise will also be available to buy. Tickets available at the door and online. Go to brickevents.iwannaticket.com.au for more details.

Wyreema State School—The Great Fete! Sunday 23rd July. Heaps of activities and displays. Giant Slide; Hot Food; Bungee Run; Licensed Bar; Sideshow Alley; Market Stalls; Raffles and much more....