Principals Patter:

Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment OLNA
This month sees the commencement of statewide Literacy and Numeracy testing for all Year 10 students. This assessment which is available twice annually in Yr10, 11 and 12 must be passed to gain a WACE at the conclusion of Year 12. Students who have achieved a good level in their Year 9 NAPLAN will not have to sit the OLNA.

Swimming Carnival
Tomorrow is going to be VERY hot. Please ensure your child/ren are fully protected with a long sleeved shirt, broad-brimmed hat, sunscreen and plenty of water. Thank you to the many volunteers; your help will ensure a most successful day. The carnival will commence at 9am.

Website
Our site has undergone a change of face recently. It continues to contain a variety of facts and school information which is regularly updated. Please consider the Beverley DHS site as your home page.

P&C
The AGM is being held next Tuesday 11 March at 7pm in the Staffroom. Please consider attending as this valuable organisation needs YOUR help in providing for the education of your children.

Canteen
This P&C funded service to our students operates each week on Wednesday and Friday. The menu is wholesome, as well as nutritious. Our manager, Mrs Teresa Reid, and her volunteer staff work to provide this service to the school community. Please support their efforts to enable the service to continue.

Electronics
We continue to have incidents with electronic items – iPods, mobile phones etc at school. These present a significant risk for theft and the School Policy is for all non-school required items of value to be checked in at the office by 8.30am. These items are then kept safely and collected at 3pm. Mobile phones are not required at school and are a significant distraction. If parents/caregivers need to contact a child whilst at school please ring the office on 9646 1165 and a message will be promptly passed on.

Values
The value this fortnight is Diligence. This form of ‘have a go’ is significant for our youth where the exact opposite seems to be the order of the day. Practising this skill daily is warranted.

Office Display
Thank you to Mrs Colebrook for her display, which got us off to a great start for the year. Mrs Hawke and Mrs Kilpatrick’s Pre Primary students will present their display next Monday.

NO HAT, NO PLAY
This safety measure continues all year. All students without a school broad-brimmed hat are required to in the undercover area.

THE SPECIALIST CRICKET PROGRAM TRIAL DAY
If you are interested in choosing Cricket as a full time subject at secondary school please ask the office for a Trial Package. Trial day is being held on Monday 7 April 2014 at the WACA.

Norm Ireland
Principal
Footwear
It is important that on those days students have sport they wear appropriate footwear (sneakers and runners instead of sandals) to properly protect their feet and allow them to be involved in all sporting activities. All students from Year 1 to 10 are involved in sport during Fridays. Year 1’s, 3/4’s, 4/5’s, 6’s, 7/8’s and 9/10’s have Phys Ed on Tuesdays while the Year 2/3’s have their Phys Ed on Wednesdays.

Tennis
Congratulations to the 12 students who were involved in the Tennis Classic at Kellerberrin last week. All our teams were very successful on the day with our two top teams coming first and second respectively. Team 1 will be travelling to Burswood on the 4th of April to play in the finals. A big thankyou to Mrs Kilpatrick, Mrs Cleland and Mrs Fisher for transporting and supervising students during the play offs.

Faction Swimming Carnival
My thanks must be extended to Megan Vandenberg who has assisted greatly in the preparation of our Faction Swimming Carnival which is on tomorrow Friday 7th March. This will be a wonderful day for many of our students and I would encourage all parents/guardians to make their way to the Beverley Pool to cheer on the kids and support your ‘favourite’ Faction. As Mr Ireland has already stated, it will be a very hot day so come properly prepared. Thank you to all the parents that have offered to assist on the day, a Job List has already being circulated.

ICAS (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools) Testing 2014
Beverley DHS will offer the ICAS Testing program again this year. It is open to students from Year 3 upwards. The subjects and the costs are listed below.

Students can participate in one or more of the tests.
Computer Skills $8.80 (Tuesday 20th May)
Science $8.80 (Wednesday 4th June)
Writing $18.70 (Monday 16th June)
Spelling $12.10 (Tuesday 17th June)
English $8.80 (Tuesday 29th July)
Mathematics $8.80 (Tuesday 12th August)

Total cost for all tests $66.
Enrolment forms are available from the office. Please contact me at school for more information.

PETER HALL
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
2014 Student Representatives

Congratulations to Stella Wilkinson who was also selected by her peers & staff to represent BDHS. Apologies to Stella who was omitted from the list.

TOY LIBRARY REOPENING

The Beverley CRC is aiming at building a stronger future For and With the community, and wishes to reopen the Beverley Toy Library in 2014.

We are looking for volunteers to help us with an initial stock-take of the toys from the previous toy library. The stock-take is still going on and any extra helping hand will be welcome.

If you are interested in taking part of this wonderful project that will provide our children with hours of play and create a new meeting point for families of our community please contact:

Jo 0488 382 363
Glenys 9646 1306

MERIT CERTIFICATES 27.02.14

Year 1: Soraya Doyle, Leah Morrell
Year 2/3: Oscar Blanch, Levi Collins
Year 3/4: Seth Longo, Thomas Mearns
Year 4/5: Declan Kilpatrick, Ethan Quartermaine
Year 6: Kasey Ashworth, Kayla Lamb
Year 7/8: Harry Higgins
Year 9/10: Brandon Devenish

Your P&C Needs You!

Please consider any of the below position on our P&C this year.

Canteen Co–ordinator, Treasurer, Secretary, K/PP P&C representative OR simply support the very capable P&C executive who are continuing in 2014.

The P&C helps provide our kids with:
- fresh and healthy canteen lunches
- convenient shopping for uniforms
- additional resources for the classrooms and playgrounds eg. Spider and reading books
- a forum to make comments and request clarification
- ... and lots more.

All new members would be warmly welcomed and supported in their chosen role!

Please come along to the AGM on Tuesday 11th March
at 7pm in the Staff room.

Many thanks to the outgoing members and those continuing in 2014 to offer their time and energy for our school.
Just a quick note about our school’s canteen. Our school canteen is managed fully by our local P&C Committee, so money raised is directed back into our school to help fund various projects supported by the P&C. It relies on the help of volunteers to assist our fantastic Canteen Manager, Teresa Reid, in the Canteen on both Wednesdays and Fridays. The Canteen is accredited by the School Canteen Board to ensure that all standards are met in providing our kids with the healthiest and freshest food available. The canteen’s biggest fundraisers are Swimming Carnivals, Cross Country and School Athletics days as the canteen provides lunches, morning tea and coffee to staff, spectators, supporters and parents.

Volunteering to help out at any of these events or during a normal canteen day is a great way to get involved. It’s a fun, easy job and a great way to meet other parents and interact with your kids – they love coming up and saying “hi” at the canteen! Plus you are helping to provide a fantastic service to our kids.

The canteen is looking for a new coordinator and more volunteers to add to our helpers list. Please consider becoming active in our P&C. It is a great introduction to our school community, and a wonderful way to help out and meet new people.

If you are interested in helping out in the canteen or available to help out on Carnival days, please let me know on 96472165 or 0429 708 589.

Many Thanks
Claire Thomas

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How much activity is enough for kids?

We know our kids should be active and not spend too much time in front of the TV or computer - but how much activity is really enough?

The National Physical Activity Recommendations for children help to answer this question.

Active kids spend:

- At least **60 minutes** playing moderate to vigorous intensity physical activities every day (and up to several hours).
- **Less than 2 hours** a day looking at a screen for entertainment (eg playing computer games, using the internet, watching television).

Being active should be fun – this term, as a family why not:

Set up a treasure hunt in the backyard.
Get outside for a game of frisbee, tag or hopscotch.

For other great ideas for the great outdoors check the Nature Play WA website or contact the Wheatbelt Healthy Schools Officer, Nicole Samulkiewicz on 9881 0385.
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