Principal’s Patter:

School Council Nominations
We have unfortunately not received any nominations by the close yesterday afternoon. I therefore re-open the nomination for one position as we have a retiring member to replace. The school is required, under the Education Act, to have this body in place. Nominations are accepted from both parents and Beverley community members. It is the school’s premier decision-making body and it meets as needed, but not more than twice per school term. Nominations will remain open till 3pm Wednesday 11 December. Please complete the tear-off on page 3 and return to the school.

Staffing
Congratulations to Gemma Ugle who has won the position of AIEO at school. We are sure that with her skills the children at school will be the beneficiaries.

Student Council - 2014 Nominations
Nominations have been called for students to fill these leadership positions for 2014.

No School – No Pool
A reminder for families and in particular the students of this stance supported by the Shire and the Pool Manager. Pool entry will be refused for any school-age child during school hours.

Front Office Display
Many thanks to Miss Meade and the Year 4 class for their creative projects on early civilizations. Mrs Sims and our Kindy children have brought their bears and strawberries to share for the next fortnight.

Congratulations to;
- Mrs Minchin for the pasta-making opportunity extended to classes.
- Mrs Barrett-Lennard for the very successful Music Dress-up last Friday.
- the Student Councillors for their leadership of our Remembrance Day observance on Monday.

Values
The new value this week is Patience. How valuable is this trait. Children need to appreciate the merits of taking a minute to consider the options they are confronting to decide on a best course of action.

Thought for the Week
Rules you didn’t learn at school – Life is not fair, get used to it.

Norm Ireland
Principal
THE DEPUTY’S DIALECT

Hold your head high, stick your chest out. It gets dark sometimes but morning comes…keep hope alive.  
(Jesse Jackson, Born 1941, American Minister, Civil Rights Leader and Congressman)

ICAS Medal
Congratulations to Abbey Cooke who will receive a medal in December for her performance in the ICAS English test during Term 3.

Inaugural Wheatbelt Ball
There is currently some real excitement in the air in the Secondary Classroom. The inaugural Wheatbelt Ball is being held tomorrow evening from 6:00pm to 11:00pm at the Beverley Town Hall. This event involves four District High Schools, Brookton, Kellerberrin, Quairading and ourselves. Lyn Kay is organising the event with staff members from each school attending to assist with supervision. I wish all our secondary students attending an enjoyable but sensible night.

Cricket Clinic
Tomorrow we have Brock Fleay, who is the Cricket Development Officer for the Wheatbelt, visiting our school to run some Cricket Clinics with our students. Part of his purpose in visiting our school is to spend time with the students who will participating in the T20 Cricket competition later this month in Pingelly.

Attendance
As always I would like to emphasise the importance of letting the school know the reasons for your children being absent from school as soon as possible. This information helps the school to efficiently and effectively manage the attendance of all students.

Here is another except from the article, “When the bell rings” which was included in the October/November edition of the School Matters magazine and written by Professor Stephen Zubrick.

“In Year 1 a student’s pattern of attendance is already well established and will, in all likelihood, repeat from year to year. This tells us that part of what children learn at school is about attending school. So, part of their early learning is learning to ‘show up’. After all, life is about showing up- at school, in relationships, at work, at home and in sport.

Our findings show that school absences are a ‘long fuse with a big bang.’ This is because the effects of being absent from school add up over time.

Earlier absences in primary school have impacts that can be seen in later years, so it’s important that students not only learn to ‘show up’ but to do so throughout their student careers.”

The impact attending school regularly can have on a student’s education can not be understated. Making sure your student is at school every possible day is one of the best ways any parent has of supporting their child to gain the best education possible.

PETER HALL
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Presentation Night
Wednesday 18.12.13, 6pm
Beverley Station Gallery
Further details to follow

Request for Donations

The school is seeking donations from interested parents or organisations to assist with the purchase of the end-of-year book prizes.

All donations are greatly appreciated.

Master School Portraits

Student Council & Faction Captain group photos are available to purchase for $15 each. The photos are on display in the front foyers.

Orders due by Friday 22.11.13.

Please collect your family portrait from the front office.
SCHOOL COUNCIL NOMINATION - PLEASE CONSIDER NOMINATING

I would like to nominate ________________________________________ to be a member of the School Council at Beverley District High School.

Nominated Person Acceptance _______________________________ 

Signature       Print Name

Nominator ___________________  ____________________________

Signature       Print Name

Return this slip by Wednesday 11 December

BOOK FAIR

Thank you to the many parents and community members who browsed and purchased through our annual Book Fair. We have acquired over $1000 worth of books through commission made over the two and a half days of the Fair. The new books will be available for loan at the beginning of next year.

The Fair couldn’t run without the help and support of Gina Adams and Sera Minchin and I thank them profusely for their assistance. I would also like to thank the teaching staff who gave up their time to assist during busy periods, and Megan and Marie in the office for dealing with counting the money and controlling the paperwork! Equipment used to set up the Fair was borrowed from Vicki and John Fregon and Helen Stubing and I thank them for their generosity.

OTHER LIBRARY NEWS

If you have any Library books that are floating around at home, please return them as soon as possible. Students will be issued with a current loan report during next week, which will tell them if they have any overdue books. All books must be returned by their Library day in week 7. If books on loan are not returned, a notice will be issued requiring return or payment for the cost of the book.

The Library will close from the end of week 7 to allow for the very time consuming process of stocktake. I apologise for the Library being unavailable, however stocktake is required to be completed each year.

Jo Sims
Library Officer

ART WORKSHOP

SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN

INTAGLIO
Candle Engraving

Lots of fun with artist in residence
Janet Pfeiffer

Cost $8/child
Saturday 23rd November
3:00pm - 4:30pm
at the Station Gallery

Numbers to Marylou Hutchinson as soon as possible
hutchinson@wn.com.au or phone 96471021

Beverley District High School
Kindy & Pre-Primary Christmas Celebration

Saturday, 14th December 2013
From 4.00pm

Join us in a twilight picnic to celebrate the end of the year
Sun Safety

Summer is just around the corner and the warmer weather means that we often spend more time outside. So now is the time to remember the Sun Smart message and put it into practice.

1) Slip on some sun protective clothing. Look for:
   - Clothing that covers as much skin as possible
   - Materials that have a close weave for higher UV Protection
   - Materials that maintain their sun protective value when wet, such as lycra.

2) Slop on SPF 30+ sunscreen
   - Apply sunscreen 20 minutes before going outdoors to clean, dry skin
   - Reapply every two hours or more often if in water, sweating or towel drying
   Remember your lips. A zinc or lip balm will provide longer lasting protection than a cream.

3) Slap on a hat
   - Broad brimmed hats with a brim of at least 7.5cm
   - Bucket or ‘surfie’ style hats with a deep crown and brim of at least 6cm
   - Legionnaire hats with a flap that covers the back of the neck

4) Seek shade
   Find shade that casts a dark shadow such as trees, built shade structures or some form of portable shade

5) Slide on some sunglasses. Look for:
   - Frames that fit close to the face
   - Wrap around styles that reduce UV entering from the sides
   - Sunglasses that meet Australian standards.

As parents you can talk to your children about sun safety and teach them good sun protection habits from an early age.

For more information contact your School Health Nurse or see the Cancer Council website www.cancer.org.au
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