Science Week

It is Science Week, and today we had two wonderful events happening – a Science Day activity with former WA Chief Scientist and Western Australian of the Year Professor Lyn Beazley, and a Student Leadership Forum for 120 student councillors and prefects from schools across the district. Student leaders attending the forum at the Amenities Building learnt new skills for leading school projects, networked with student leaders from other schools, and were inspired by the careers and leadership of both Hon Mia Davies MLA and Professor Beazley. What a great day!

WA Education Awards

This year, two members of our staff have been nominated for WA Education Awards. We congratulate teacher Karen Wansbrough for being nominated for the WA Premier’s Primary Teacher of the Year Award. Karen is a very dedicated and effective teacher: she knows her students very well and knows exactly how to work with them to ensure they are engaged and challenged every day. Karen has amazing curriculum knowledge, and treats her students and her colleagues with warm and genuine respect at all times. Her students achieve strong gains when measured on standardised test of literacy and numeracy. Her artistic talents are well known and she is always quick to share advice with colleagues. As a result, she is well respected and admired by the whole community.

We congratulate Marie Walker on her nomination for WA Education Assistant of the Year. Marie works with both special needs and mainstream students across the school and ensures students develop the skills and confidence to always challenge themselves to greater levels of achievement and independence. She supports students to be proud of their strengths and their abilities. She leads the Secondary Photography Club, teaching students sophisticated photography techniques. She is our ‘official’ school photographer, capturing wonderful images of students at work and play. You will see her photographs in this newsletter, in the Blarney, on the website and on Facebook.

Beverley DHS took the first step towards applying to become an Independent Public School when School Council Chair Brendan McLean and Principal Wendy Moore met assessors last week to review the school’s readiness for this important step in increasing our empowerment to best meet the needs of all our students.

We will be notified before the term ends if our school will begin operating as an Independent School from 2017. In the meantime, we will continue to work on building on our strengths in supporting both students who need extra support and those who benefit from challenge and extension. We will also focus on further strengthening our communications with the school community.

We are all looking forward to the Beverley Agricultural Show on Saturday 20th August. Classes have been busy creating beautiful displays, and individual students have been busy preparing entries. The School Choir will be performing throughout the day. We will focus on the Show’s message – A Safe Road to Beverley – with visits from the Paraplegic Foundation and class activities next week.

This is a must go event in the calendar – we will see you there!

What’s happening at Beverley DHS:

Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri
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Week 5 | 15 | 16 | 17: | 18: Paraplegic Foundation visit | 19
Week 6 | 22 | 23 | 24 Book Week Assembly 2pm | 25 Newsletter | 26 Athletics Carnival

When cleaning out your fish tank, give the nutrient rich water to non-edible plants.

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