For Your Diary

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From the Principal’s Desk

A number of notices were sent home last week. Only seven families (of our 18) have responded to the Romsey Festival Choir request. We need to know who is available by tomorrow and make a decision if we have enough to make this viable. It would be a missed opportunity to showcase our school at the Festival and disappointing for the students who are keen to participate if we are unable to get all notices returned.

Nine families have responded to the Code Red Catastrophic Day form permission to keep students home request. As stated on the notice, this is a matter of urgency and this should be returned asap.

Lastly 2013 year 3—6 students were given an expression of interest form for the leasing of netbooks for 2013/14. Of the eight students who will be in this class in 2013 only 3 have responded. The quote is only valid for 14 days and expires this Friday. This is also a matter of urgency.

We need your assistance to return these notices promptly to ensure levels of support and clarity in what we do at school.

Code Red Catastrophic Days

‘Code Red Catastrophic Days’ information was included in last week’s newsletter. Should you want to refer to this information, go to last week’s newsletter 13th November on our website - www.bolindaps.vic.edu.au. It would be helpful if you have yet to complete the permission form.

Achievement Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received Student Achievement Awards:

**Year Prep—2**
Melissa Salmon — For having a go and working to the best of her ability without being asked.

**Year 3-6**
Tahlia Watts — For her ability to engage others when speaking and making our class a happy place.

Industrial Action & student reports

As mentioned in last week’s newsletter, presently due to AEU industrial action, December student reports will not include written comments, only Victorian Essential Learning Standards (VELS) progression points.

We have been informed by the AEU that although there has been some progress in the dispute, there are still issues around pay, contracts and workload to be resolved.

Unless the dispute is resolved by the end of this week (which seems extremely unlikely) I have instructed staff to submit reports with progression points only by Monday 3rd December. These will then be distributed to parents on Wednesday 5th December. The report will be accompanied with a request to have an interview form for parents requiring further information regarding student progress.

These interviews will be held in the week beginning 10th December.

Farewell Lisa

Lisa Morley has informed me that she wishes to resign her position as business manager. Her last day will be Tuesday 4th December. Everyone at Bolinda Primary wishes her well in the future and thanks her for her contribution to the school over the past twelve months. I have begun the hunt for a replacement. Watch this space.
**Uniform**

We haven’t had any new uniform requests for next year as yet. If we don’t have any requests by the end of this week we will not order any new uniform. We do not have any stock of size 8 or 10 polo shirts. So if you think you will need this size we will order if requested. See Kellie Bonnici or John.

**Cake stall**

A reminder about the cake stall at the Romsey United Church Christmas Market on Saturday 1st December. We had a fabulous range and number of delicious offerings at the Bolinda Fair and we hope people can help out once more. Could cakes please be dropped off as close to 9.00 am as possible. All proceeds of the cake stall are going towards the new chicken coop.

The coop has been purchased and is currently under construction in the back shed. (Getting sick of flat packs!) Thanks to Matt Bonnici for his assistance, we’ve done a pretty good job with a lot of individual pieces and some dodgy instructions. We expect the construction to be completed before you read this newsletter.

We next need to arrange for some excavation and to then lay chicken wire under the coop to keep foxes and other vermin out. We would very much like to have this project finished before the Christmas holidays.

**Prep Orientation**

Next Friday 30th December is our last 2013 Prep intake orientation day. Will be having a graduation ceremony and a sausage sizzle to celebrate starting at approximately 1.00pm. Other parents are welcome to attend, please just let us know for catering purposes.

We ask that each student bring a piece of fruit to make a fruit salad.

**Meat 2 You**

Parents at our school Ann & Danny Honeychurch (and of course Jenna) are owners of a family butchery “D & S Meats”. Although they are located in Melton they do have a home delivery service. Find attached to the newsletter a flyer of their services.

If any other parents have businesses and they would like to inform our community, we are happy to provide advertising when space is available. Other people in our community can also advertise for a small fee.

**Soltan Pepper**

What’s on this month?

* $14 Weekday Lunch Specials *  
  (also available Saturday in Romsey)
* $7 Coffee & Cake All Day *  
* Kids Eat Free from 5pm-7pm *  
* Wednesday Oyster Night *  
  (Only at Romsey)
* $14 Bar Meals Mon-Wed *  
  (Only at Sunbury)

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