Dear Parents,

Community News
At the P&C meeting last Wednesday a discussion centred on the difficulties of parking in front of the school on Greendale Road. With strong support from the P&C, I wrote a letter to the road maintenance department at Camden Council. It was with great surprise to see less than a week later that the council had responded and the kerb surface has been replaced by bitumen. I am still hoping that angle parking will be allowed in the area for more vehicles to park there.

Year 6 Meeting
Last Wednesday a Year 6 Farewell meeting was held before the P&C meeting. Mrs Billinghurst was very pleased by the strong show of support and with the number of parents who also sent in their apologies. About 20 parents attended the Year 6 Farewell meeting and fundraising activities are being planned and the organisation for the night in December is well on its way. This year is the first year that the Year 6 students will be without their Year 5 friends, but with the large group of Year 6 and the cost involved in such a night it was decided we were unable to involve any other grades. However, this year families are allowed to bring other members (18 years and over) of their extended families especially as many families live with or have a strong connection with grandparents. The evening will be held at the Camden Lakeside Golf course.

Gala Day
Last week’s Gala day was the largest held to date. At the Y3-6 Gala day there was approximately 460 students from the 7 schools. The K-2 Gala day held at Leppington involved about 300 students. The P&C were involved with the canteen at Bringelly Oval and organised the event over the past two weeks. I would like to thank the parents who spent a lot of time shopping for the supplies of lollies, drinks and BBQ supplies as well as the parents running the canteen on the day. It was a great opportunity to fund raise for the school and without the terrific support of the 10-15 volunteers on the day and before that we wouldn’t be able to manage this event. I would like to thank Mr Pascuzzi who cooked the BBQ all day!! See over the page for photos of the day.

Reports Home
Next week reports will be sent home to parents. The discussion on grading students work and supporting their education needs has been spoken about between the teachers as they assess and reassess their students. Parents are invited to come for an interview with the class teachers and notes will be sent home to arrange this. Please come and speak about any concerns you have. Mrs Kegan the Learning Support Teacher, Mrs Brown the English Second Language teacher and Mrs Woolgar the Reading Recovery Teacher are also available to speak to about your child. If you are unable to come on the night selected, please send the note in for the class teacher to ring you to discuss an alternative time. If you require an additional copy of a report due to estranged family

Principal’s Report

Chess Champions

Last week Mr McCroary organised the annual Cowpasture Chess Competition. All 7 schools participated and the leading teams were very close in the competition with only a few marks between them. Bringelly were successful champions for the third year running. Well done the Bringelly Chess team of Manuel Hatgiantounio, Adam Crichlow, Jack Bell and Nicholas Bono, particularly Manuel who has been a champion player all 3 years.

Year 5&6 Visit to Liverpool Council

In preparation of the Y5/6 camp to Canberra linking in with their studies of democracy and civics the two classes went to Liverpool council and met the Mayor and had a meeting. Maree Stewart the Council and Executive Services coordinator wrote to Mrs Billinghurst, “It was nice having you and the kids come to Council today. I think the kids did really well with our role play and I was happily surprised by how interested they were in Local Government!”

Daily Telegraph Interest

On Thursday a photographer of the Daily Telegraph came to take photos of the School Leadership Team who have led the school initiative to collect the ice cream lids to save the mange infected Bents Basin wombats. A spokesman for the NSW Department of Environment and Heritage rang the school to ask for a photo having heard from the National Parks Ranger from Bents Basin about the successful posters and campaign the children had made to collect the lids and especially give out material on the state election day. Guided by the enthusiasm of Mr McCroary, the students leaders are leading the eco-international school program and have come up with some great ideas to develop recognition, respect and responsibility in the school. Well done team!

Scholastic Book Club

The school is again offering families the chance to order books from Scholastic book club. The only way to order is online (no cash or cheque payments will be processed through the school.)
Kids Matter
The Kids Matter committee have met this week following another professional training course attended by Mrs Murphy and Mrs Keegan. In Term 3 we would like to invite interested parents to come to an evening meeting to discuss the progress and parents survey which many of you completed. The meeting will discuss the findings of the survey, plans for the school and well-being of the school community. We would love to see as many of you at the meeting as possible. The meeting will probably be at 5.30-6.30 on a Wednesday yet to be decided.

Time to Enrol for Kindy 2016
Anyone with a preschool aged child that will be coming to school next year, it is time to enrol!! We are very happy to welcome the Benevolent Society back to Bringelly with their very successful “Little Steps to Big School” transition program to run at the end of the year. This 10 week program involves the child and parent coming to school for a few hours every week and transitions not only the child but the parents into our school community. I highly recommend the program and suggest parents enrol their child as soon as possible so we can send out the information as soon as it comes to hand.

Regional Cross Country Results
A hearty congratulations to our 4 competitors who ran at the regional Cross Country Carnival. Zoe Noble came 5th and Adam Crichlow 20th. Emily Soro and Katelyn Van Niekerk represented our school with great pride and grit. An incredible achievement to get to this level. Well done!!

End of Term 2
As we near the end of the term I would like to thank all the volunteers that we have in the school. You add a fantastic support network for our school and students. This term books have been covered, hours have been put into the canteen, uniform shop, Cross Country and Gala Days, and helping reading in the classes. THANK YOU!!!

Sharyl Scott.

Still For Sale—Electric not Gas!!
The school has 1 Fan Forced Electric Heater left. Not gas as previously listed this is electric!!! It is a Royal Belmont black & stainless steel and are a 3.5KW Model #BEL 3.5 TBSS. We have one on display in the office and it’s the perfect time to install it and make your home toasty warm!!! We are open to offers on this quality unit. Come and have a look!!!
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