Be a listener
Be a word-user
Be safe
Be fair

OUR BEENLEIGH SPECIAL SCHOOL RULES continue to be taught by all teachers and supported by all staff across the school.

Our School Wide Positive Behaviour Support program continues to be embedded through our rules being explicitly taught, dramatised, explained and modelled by our staff so as to promote our school as a safe and supportive environment. We are focussing upon the fourth rule ‘Be fair’ for the next few weeks. This is a rule where you as families can support your child in their understanding of what it means to be a ‘friend’. At assembly on Monday I talked to the students about the fact that their teacher must be listened to and that to be a friend one must be friendly, not use bad words, threaten or hurt their friends. Teachers will ‘unpack’ with students what this looks like over the next four weeks.

We are grateful to families continuing to support our SWPBS policy with your children at home. Thank you!

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS:
FSG BEENLEIGH:

Nicole from FSG will be in the school on Tuesday afternoons and is available to meet with parents on appointment through Shayne in the office. Nicole will help you with family and other issues and offer support to you. FSG also offers families support through a twice monthly informal Parent Support Group with a cuppa, family support for short holiday breaks for students, after school care and a number of other services. Please see the back page of the newsletter each month for FSG updates.

SCHOOL MATTERS:
SMART CHOICES:

The Department has a Smart Choices policy which allows the school to have ‘red’ food days. Many parents and carers have been bringing party food and birthday cakes to school. The guidelines around these foods indicate that we must attempt to minimise students eating ‘red’ food. There are many children with food allergies. The process will be from today please that families seek permission to bring ‘red’ foods to your child’s classroom for special occasions in writing (we will create a form available through the office) to bring this food to school. (FYI a ‘red’ food is all that has significant added fats, sugars, and salts and is generally high in preservatives).

Thank you again to those families who have concurred with my request to ensure student safety in the mornings before staff duties begin, by dropping your child off as close as possible to 8.45am when staff go on duty. Our duty of care only begins at this time and your child’s safety is our top priority. Your adherence to this practice has made a huge difference to before school behaviour.

UPCOMING EVENTS

P&C meeting Tuesday 3 June. Please note the change of day again this month.

Kindest regards to all

Roselyne Anderson
Principal
Friday 18 July
Logan Entertainment Centre (LEC),
Wembley Road, Logan Central
10.00am. to 1.30pm.
The Breaking Barriers Opening Doors Expo is designed to help students and families learn more about the world of post school, including local employment, training, education, sport and recreation, day services and support services for people with disabilities.
In addition to the Breaking Barriers Opening Doors Expo, there will also be:

The Logan Disability Awards – Presentations will be in the meeting rooms at 12.45pm.

An Exhibition of Art, Poetry and Photography by people with disabilities, around the Breaking Barriers Opening Doors theme.

A Q&A Forum in the LEC meeting rooms from 10.30am. - 11.30am. NDIS will feature, but the expert panel will answer other questions you may have.

Organised by the School Transition Officers from Education Queensland, in conjunction with Logan City Council, Red Cross, and FIRST, this event promises to be an informative day. The Expo is sponsored by the National Disability Coordination Officers, Horizon Foundation Inc., Life Without Barriers, Brisbane Business Hospitality Training and the Foundation for Independence Recreation and Social Training (FIRST).

The Disability Awards are sponsored by MatchWorks.

For more information, see the June edition of the Logan City Magazine, pages 11 and 19, the Logan City Council web site, or call Mary Shepherd on 0408 736 215.

Mary Shepherd
(AVT School Transition Officer)

The P&C Chocolate Drive has been very popular this year. There are still some boxes of chocolate available if you would like one. Could all those families who may have money from the chocolate drive please send it in to the school as soon as possible so we can finalise.

Once we finalise our drive we will be rewarding our highest sellers with a block of Marvelous Creations chocolate from Cadbury.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our chocolate drive this year.
On Thursday 3 April the Beenleigh Special School P&C held a free dress day here at the school to support the Buy a Bale fundraiser. The P&C raised $85 to help farmers who have been impacted by recent severe droughts in western Queensland.

Thank you to everyone who supported this event at the school. If you would like to become involved in the school P&C then come along to our meetings which are held at 1pm on the first Wednesday of the month in the multipurpose room here at the school.

The item listed below is being offered for sale by tender. Oki C5800 A4 Colour Printer

It comes with:
- Driver, user manual and network utilities CDs
- Additional 2 x cyan toner
- Additional 2 x yellow toner
- Additional 2 x magenta toner
- Additional 1 x black toner
- Additional 1 x cyan image drum

This item is offered for sale on an “as is” condition and the successful Tenderer will be responsible for the removal of the item from the school.

An opportunity to view this equipment will be available on Friday 13 June. Please contact the therapy office on 3380 1134 for appointment time.

Tenders should be submitted to Lynne Kwant at Beenleigh Special School by 4.00pm on Friday 20 June. The following details should be included in the tender submitted:

- Name of Tenderer
- Address of Tenderer
- Contact Phone Numbers
- Description of Equipment wanted
- Amount Offered

Do you have a child in year 4, 5 or 6?

In 2001, the Government introduced the ‘First Child Tax Offset’ and surprisingly many Australians did not know about it and have NOT claimed any benefits.

If you have ANY child that was born between 1 July 2001 and 30 June 2004 you may be eligible to receive up to $12,500 of entitlements.

The government has a 30 June 2014 deadline on this entitlement so please email childoffset@twelve.com.au today to receive more information.
Hi All,

The school has offered me this opportunity to let you know about some of the things you might be eligible to access to support your family so please keep an eye on this space in upcoming Newsletters for information about events and services that might be useful to you and your family.

I’d like take this opportunity to invite you all to our Carers Morning teas, held at our office twice monthly as a meeting point for Carers to catch up and share information about what is happening in the community. This month they’ll be on the 4th and 20th of June with guest speakers on the Transition to ‘Post-School’, and Advocacy.

I’ll also be available in the school every Tuesday afternoon commencing this coming Tuesday the 3rd of June to catch up about anything you might be looking for, or to let you know what you might be eligible to access.

If you have queries in the meantime feel free to contact me at the office on 3297 4300.