BELGIAN GARDENS STATE SCHOOL
PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

13 March 2015

Reef BG Room Fundraiser
Thank you to the families who supported the Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser, held at school last week. We raised $1200 which will be donated to the Environmental Program to support the Reef BG Room.

LEM Phonics Parent Workshops
Last Sunday sixteen parents from BGSS attended a workshop that was facilitated by Greg O’Keeffe, giving them a great overview on what LEM Phonics is about and how it benefits our children when learning to read, write and spell. The cost of the Workshop was met by the school.

Further supporting the implementation of LEM Phonics at BGSS, our Master Teacher, Damien Pressley presented an information session on the fundamentals of LEM Phonics. This was held in the BGSS Staffroom on Wednesday afternoon and was enjoyed by those parents who attended.

QSR Parent Focus Group
Our Parent Representatives met on Wednesday to begin the review and feedback process for our 4 year School Plan. This group will meet fortnightly and will be organising a range of opportunities for parents’ feedback to contribute to the school direction for the next 4 years.

Tuck shop

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Please note that the tuck shop closes at
12:00pm on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.
and
2:30pm on Thursday and Friday
so please do not order food for Big Lunch on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday.

Size 8 skorts are now available from the tuckshop.

Farewell for Mr Cook

An invitation is extended to parents and students—present and past to attend a “Special Farewell from BGSS” for Mr Cook.

Date: Thursday 19 March
Time: 5:30 to 6:30pm
Where: BGSS Hall
RSVP: The Office by Monday 16 March.

Light refreshments will be served
Please bring a gold coin donation

P&C INFORMATION
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P&C MEETING

The P&C Association meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm in the staff room, except when school holidays coincide with this schedule.

The next P&C meeting is on Wednesday 25 March, 2015 starting at 6:00pm with the Annual General Meeting, followed by a General Meeting at 6:30pm. We encourage you to be involved with your school community, come along and be informed and learn a little of what happens at our school. All are welcome.
QSCHOOLS APP

If you have downloaded the QSchools App, please activate the “Push Notifications” within the Settings of the App.

This will allow you to receive the “push” notices from the School.

P&C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the P&C Association will be held on Wednesday 25 March in the school Staffroom, commencing at 6:00pm.

At this meeting all Executive and Committee positions will be declared vacant and nominations for a new Committee will be called.

Below is a nomination form for any parent who is interested in taking on a Executive position for 2015.

Role descriptions for each position is available from the Office if you would like to find out more details about what is involved.

A big thanks to all the volunteers that are now helping out Mrs Ballinger’s PCP classes (Perceptual Motor Program) for Prep and Grade 1 classes! We do have a few spots still available, so please jump online and schedule yourself in! It feels great to get involved with the kids in a fun way, hear them laughing and watching them having fun! Come join in!

The school now uses a new system called ‘Voligitics’ for all volunteer scheduling. Go to the BGSS website (www.belgardss.qld.edu.au), then click on ‘Our Community’ at the top, and select ‘Volunteering’. On the first page you will see links to Voligitics to complete your application. Once I confirm you have done your Volunteer Induction, you will be activated and can start scheduling assignments immediately! If you have any concerns using the system, please feel free to contact me on my details below.

Thanks for your help, and happy volunteering!

Cheers,
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National Ride 2 School Day – Friday 13 March

Thanks to everyone who has registered for 2015 R2S either:
a) using the online survey monkey link https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ WTW5SXR or;
b) the form that was sent home on Monday. Those students who registered before R2S went into the draw to win some great prizes. These will be drawn on parade in the following week.

Belgian Gardens was privileged to not only have the Deputy Mayor Vern Veitch attend our morning, but also the new Townsville MP Scott Stewart welcoming students as they arrive at school.

We were fortunate to also have a number of Queensland Police at school to engrave any bikes or scooters – so in the event they may be stolen and then recovered, they can be returned to you. Once engraved, bikes and scooters were locked in the new bike shelter or in the old bike racks. Thanks to HAST program, provided a healthy snack and fruit for the walkers & riders.

The response to the R2S day was great and by all accounts an enjoyable experience for parents and students.

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COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS - 2015 AGM

I wish to nominate for the following position on the P and C Association Committee:

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Other

NAME: ___________________________ SIGNATURE: ___________________________ DATE: ___________

(Please print)

SECONDED BY: ___________________________ SIGNATURE: ___________________________ DATE: ___________