Welcome to Week 10 Term 4

The year has flown and I find it hard to believe that this is my second last newsletter item after 42 years with the Department of Education. I am enjoying the final weeks reading reports, chatting with students and sharing lots of end of year activities with staff, students and parents.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have indicated changes of circumstances which will mean that students will not be at Ben Venue in 2016.

Classes are being formed this week and with new students arriving (who have already enrolled) the numbers are crucial to class organisation. Any change not notified could mean a complete reorganisation which is not ideal.

At present we are having trouble with our phone lines. Each of the two lines has failed intermittently since Friday. Often the phone rings your end but there is no ring this end.

In the interim this mobile number is in the Office. We are expecting a technician later today to advise on the next course of action if the phone lines cannot be repaired in a hurry. It could of course be due to external line work which is not ideal.

I announced the prefects elected for 2016 at last week’s primary assembly and these twelve students will deliver their Captains/Vice Captains speeches to staff tomorrow. Captains and Vice Captains will be announced at Presentation Day on Thursday, 11 December.

There are major activities on every day until the last day of term. Please return notes promptly and read all details as each year the food, dress and other requirements mean phone calls have been made but we would rather that all students read their notes, pay any money required before the activity takes place and everyone can have an enjoyable day.

Thank you to the You Can Do It committee for organising a wonderful Rainbow Day.

Thank you to Lou Moffatt, Ami Robinson, Jeannine Wilson and all who supplied food for the Parents’ helpers’ morning tea today.

Judy Graham
Principal

December 7, 2015
Netball 2016 Season

Netball will start in Term 2 for 2016. Registration will be done online and further information will be sent out during Term 1. Please note that all teams in Primary 1 and Primary 2 divisions will require an accredited coach.

Kelly Hall and Amanda Swain

KB
It seems like only yesterday when I met this wonderful group of ‘Beautiful Bilbies’, as we like to call ourselves. It has been a pleasure to be part of their first year of school and to watch each student grow in confidence both socially and academically. I would like to thank all the KB parents for your ongoing support throughout the year and wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.

Last week I asked the students to recall their favourite memory from Kindergarten. Each student replied:

Isabelle – “Going to gymnastics.”
Sophie – “Meeting Mrs Bulmer.”
Caleb – “Making new friends.”
Adam – “Doing art.”
Uche – “When I first saw Bianca.”
Hudson – “When I first started drawing pictures.”
Lareen – “When I learnt how to write my name by myself.”
Poppy – “Learning new things like writing.”

Ashlee – “Meeting new friends.”
Luke – “Going to Scripture in the hall.”
Nikkita – “Learning how to read.”
Jeanne – “Learning to write.”
Daniel – “Going to gymnastics.”
Rafferty – “Making art.”
Bianca – “When I met Mrs Bulmer.”
Riley – “Playing on the equipment.”
Alexander – “Painting.”
Eli – “Going to gymnastics and jumping in the foam pit.”
Pascha – “Going to the sports shed to borrow a hula hoop to play with.”

Melanie Bulmer

Did you know? Bilbies have long ears so that when they are digging, a portion of them remains above ground level so they can hear any predators approaching.

African Drumming for Kids

Do you love rhythm and want to play a musical instrument that anyone can use? No experience, no practising, no expensive instrument to buy! Anyone can play and have fun!

What: African Drumming Classes
When: Wed 4-5pm beginning 25 November
Where: Jacaranda House, Faulkner St (behind Kent House)
Cost: $10 (drums provided)
HURRY - Limited Space available!
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