Principal’s Message

Shave For A Cure Day
What a great success this day was last week. It was terrific to see all our children and staff really getting into the spirit of the event and supporting such a good cause. I think everyone enjoyed our “shave assembly” – even the people on stage! Our SRC did a great job of their Crazy Hair Stall. Many thanks to all our students, parents and staff for your support. Very special thanks to our school counsellor Adriana Failone. This whole event was her idea and she has done a marvellous job organising, publicising and sourcing donations. As a result of her and everyone else’s efforts we have raised well over $4,000.00 and the tally is still growing. A wonderful achievement!

Child Protection
We have been advised by Fairfield Police of children in our area being approached by strangers. Our teachers have spoken to their classes about this and reinforced “stranger danger” messages. May I ask parents to do the same and remind our children never to talk to strangers and never ever accept offers of a lift etc. If you become aware of children being approached please call Fairfield Police on 9728 8399 and let me know as well.

Attendance Month
The month of March is quickly drawing to a close. Well done to all students who are still in the running for our pizza party and raffle. Make sure you keep up your excellent record. Attendance is a very high priority this year and is monitored closely by every staff member to ensure our students are reaching their full potential.

Kindergarten Best Start Assessment Parent Feedback
In the first few weeks of Kindergarten students were assessed to identify their literacy and numeracy skills and understanding. Teachers use the information gathered to program for students individual abilities in the classroom and provide lessons that cater for every student. This week every Kindergarten student will take home a parent feedback sheet. It provides ideas on how parents can support their child at home. If you have any questions please see your child’s teacher after school or make an appointment through the office.

Books in Homes
On Monday we are extremely fortunate to host our ‘Books in Homes’ assembly. Scholastic will send a childrens author to talk about the importance of reading and present our students P-6 with free books. Please enjoy these books, sadly this is the last year of this exceptional program. Always remember “A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies., The man who never reads lives only one.” George RR Martin

Regards, Peter Ward

School Calendar

| Week 9 | Thurs. 27th March - Stage 2 & 3 excursion |
| Week 10 | Mon. 31st March - K-6 Assembly 2-3 - Books in Homes |
| | Tues 2nd and Friday 5th - Preschool class photos |
| Week 10 | Wed. 9th April - Easter ‘Egg’ stravaganza |
| | Fri. 11th April - Last Day of Term 1 |

School resumes Tuesday 29th April 2014
News and Information
There are a number of online programs that are offered to our students. Please use these to support the learning that happens in the classroom and to revise Literacy and Numeracy skills. Literacy Planet and Mathletics both have apps for ipads and some tablet devices.

Mathletics: All students in Years 1-6 have a Mathletics log in and password.
Literacy Planet: All students K–6 have a Literacy Planet log in and password.
Lexiles: For students who are independent readers to support the home reading program.

Home Reading
Please support our school home reading policy by purchasing a home reading bag/library bag. It is important these bags are returned as instructed by the class teacher. All lost or damaged books will need to be paid for.

School A-Z
Fantastic ideas to support parents can be found on School A-Z. [www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au)

Honour Awards
Congratulations to the students who have earned an Honour Award during this term.

Iris P K Red
You Leang A K Red
Justin B K/1 G
Liam N K/1 G
Cooper M 1S
Andrew L 1S

Angel L 1/2O
Michael L 2C
Venessa P 2C
Jessica L 3/4W
Steven L 4/5M
Sandra S 4/5M

Leilane T 4/5M
Cherellyn T 5/6B
Jennifer N 5/6B
Tommy N 5/6B
Trang N 5/6F
When we first became SRC members we were very nervous, but after some SRC experience we started to become confident. It was because we had lots of fun and the teachers supported us. This term has been a busy one for us. We are looking forward to doing more around the school.

**So what do we actually do as student leaders?**

**GRIP Leadership Conference**

A message from Mr Baker and Miss Buraga

Our Student Representative Council was fortunate this week to attend the GRIP Leadership Conference. The conference focused on how to be a good leader including showing integrity through words and actions. They were encouraged to lead by example and to be active in their role within the school. Their behaviour was excellent on the day showing over 700 students from a variety of schools how wonderful Bonnyrigg students are. They participated in all activities and engaged in discussions and activities with many students from other schools.

We needed to start thinking like these kinds of heroes. And so when our school started raising money for Crop for a Cure, we started thinking like a H.E.R.O.

**Helpers**—We were helpers because we helped come up with ideas for crazy hair day.

**Encouragers**—We encouraged everyone to join in and have fun with their friends.

**Role models**—We were role models by giving everyone examples and saying that everyone can join in and have fun with us.

**Organisers**—We planned the steps and organised what we had to do, such as making the signs and setting up the Crazy Hair stall at lunchtime.

**Could you be a leader? Do you have what it takes to be a H.E.R.O?**

Class captains will be selected soon and it could be your opportunity to be a part of the student leadership team. Listen out for future messages about how to get involved.
Easter ‘Egg’stravaganza. 
It’s going to be ‘egg’cellent.

On Wednesday April 9th we will be hosting our annual Easter hat parade. Students will be involved in other ‘egg’citing learning activities on the day. A note will be sent home to provide more information about the day soon.

P & C Crop for a Cure raffle
Pre-School
Victor
KB
Sidney
K/1Green
Patrick
Kiah
Shalom
Jessica
Tyrell
1S
Laith
Angela
1/2O
Dontay Davis
Kaitlyn
Sarah
3/4W
Jordan
3/4K
Lena
Kayla
Danny
Alexia
Jillian
Damien
4/5M
Reece
Sophie
5/6B
Christina
$171 was raised from the raffle

Attendance Advertisements
Many students have been busy making advertisements on why school attendance is important. We have been trying to develop slogans and communicate the message that regular school attendance is extremely important. Congratulations to the students pictured on their fantastic work.