

# The Cassowary

Official Newsletter of Beverley Hills Primary School

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**TWO EVENTS** of recent times have reinforced what I have long known, that students and families at Beverley hills are fortunate to have a supportive parent community and an excellent group of teachers and assistants who work together to ensure a 'GREAT START' for all.

## TRIVIA NIGHT

The school Trivia Night was a fabulous success. Not only was it highly successful financially it was also great fun. The P&F worked assiduously to obtain numerous sponsors for the event and the range and quality of the gifts and prizes was a credit to the hard work of this small but active group of "mums". Perhaps more importantly such a night brings people together and this is one of our most important priorities at Beverley Hills – building a supportive and active community.

Well done Susan Kent and the P&F committee.

## ART SHOW

When people entered the hall on the evening of the Art Show, it was interesting to note their first reaction; it was always one of surprise, a step back to take in the magnitude and quality of the overall display. The number of parents who commended the show to me was staggering. I know I talk often about the importance of Literacy and Numeracy but I have never underestimated the role of creative expression in the education of the "whole" child. The children's artwork on display was an obvious indication of the quality of the teaching they receive. However, not just visual art was on display that night, we also enjoyed the performances of a host of budding musicians. Lorraine Goh and Erica Lim, to mention just two students, enthralled us with their performances on the piano while "The Flame", our resident rock band, had everyone clapping and stamping along to one of their own compositions and an old favourite from ACDC. Ivano drew caricatures until I thought his arm would seize up, children decorated cup cakes and made badges, Eamonn Mullen cooked sausages and the P&F mums worked the canteen in a frenzy. Our thanks must go to our teachers particularly to Lyn Ferrell our senior art coordinator, but also to Catherine Auchterlonie who toiled for many hours to produce such a magnificent show.

## Calendar

### DECEMBER

9<sup>th</sup> – Grade 6 Orientation Day  
10<sup>th</sup> – Whole School Excursion  
11<sup>th</sup> – P&F/Staff Luncheon  
12<sup>th</sup> – ECU Christmas Concert

### DECEMBER

15<sup>th</sup> – Grade 6 Graduation  
16<sup>th</sup> – Grade 6 Disco  
17<sup>th</sup> – House Sports Day  
18<sup>th</sup> – Children Dismissal (3.30pm)



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Principal: **Malcolm Corr**

## CONGRATULATIONS ONCE AGAIN - TRIVIA CHAMPIONS!

Our Victorian Champion Trivia team recently competed in the National Championship at Victoria's Parliament House. Following a private tour of both Chambers, a meeting with a Member and lunch in the library, our young champions took their positions at the computer. With one hundred questions to answer in thirty-five minutes, the nervous countdown began. With time running out and intense debate raging, the final question was answered in the closing seconds. The tension rose as the final scores were collated. It was certainly a very proud moment when our students were announced the third top Trivia Team in Australia. Their performance was so outstanding, that it was rumoured that some teachers attempted to have them attend the recent school Trivia Night disguised as staff.



### SATURDAY BASKETBALL 2009

Basketball registrations for 2009 were due on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December. Please ensure that your child's form is returned as soon as possible if they intend to play next year regardless of whether or not they are currently playing. The school would be pleased to purchase for \$25.00, basketball uniforms no longer required.



### CHRISTMAS CONCERT

To all ECU parents, grandparents,  
families and friends

The students and teachers of the  
ECU invite YOU to the final 2008  
Assembly.



You will be entertained by the ECU classes performing several Christmas items.

This celebration will be held in the Beverley Hills Primary school hall on  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 9.15am.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible!  
Niky Corfios 3W

We are coming to the end of an exciting year at the Kindergarten, all children from the 4 YO group will be graduating to Prep and we are looking forward to seeing most of our 3YO's next year in the 4YO group. Our celebrations for Christmas will include a concert and morning tea for the 4YO group on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December and Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December for the 3 YO group. Both groups will have the opportunity to win a great Christmas hamper – Do not forget to buy your tickets.

Connie, Jo and I wish the Beverley Hills Community a happy and safe Christmas and New Year!  
Deidre Fent – Beverley Hills Kindergarten



**BHOSH Kids**

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The BHOSH Kids have had another exciting term with lots of outdoor activities and craft projects. A group of girls in A.C. have been writing their own play and will be performing for the whole group before the year is over. With Christmas not far off, we will be doing many festive activities including a 'Party' on the last day of term. Remember also that a Christmas is a time of giving. Pat's donation tin is on the signing table at BHOSH and at the office. Please consider those less fortunate than yourselves.

**BEFORE CARE WEEK 1 PROGRAM**

MON	
TUE	
WED	Board Games
THU	Active Play
FRI	Construction

**AFTER CARE WEEK 1 PROGRAM**

MON	
TUE	
WED	Christmas Card Making
THU	Outdoor Games
FRI	Christmas Wrap

**BEFORE CARE WEEK 2 PROGRAM**

MON	Hama Beads
TUE	Children's Choice
WED	Xmas Things
THU	Imaginative Play
FRI	Games

**AFTER CARE WEEK 2 PROGRAM**

MON	Free Play
TUE	Cooking – Festive Cooking
WED	Christmas Wish Bags
THU	Movie
FRI	More Christmas Stuff!

**BEFORE CARE WEEK 3 PROGRAM**

MON	Hama Beads
TUE	Children's Choice
WED	Xmas Things
THU	Imaginative Play
FRI	Games

**AFTER CARE WEEK 3 PROGRAM**

MON	Children's Choice
TUE	Georgette's Christmas
WED	Free Time
THU	Present Making
FRI	Christmas Party

**CADBURY SHOPPING DAY**

Tuesday December 9<sup>th</sup> 9.30am. We have six spots available for anyone who would like to come along and shop before Christmas. Please RSVP Helen on 9842 7213 ASAP.

**CHRISTMAS STALL**

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December. There will be large variety of gifts available for Christmas. Prices start from \$1.00 to \$5.00.

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

There are some great prizes to be won! Raffle tickets and more information will be sent home soon.

**PARENTS & FRIENDS CHRISTMAS DINNER**

Date to be confirmed, come along and have a drink and catch up with your friends, it will be a great night.

**P & F TEACHER'S LUNCHEON**

Thursday 11th December. Please come along and join the teachers and parents for lunch. Bring along a plate of food to share.

**President** - Susan Kent - P.9891-7037

**Secretary** – Helen Drossinis – P.9842-7213 **Treasurer** – Yasmin Tibb – P.9842 4875

**NETBALL NEWS**

The Tuesday netball team, 'The Allstars,' continue on their winning way. They defeated the 'Sapphires' by just one goal, 10 to 9, in a very exciting game. This week, they defeated the 'Dreamers' by 5 goals, the final score being 12 to 7. The whole team is playing well with each person really contributing to the games.

There will be a competition in 2009 and new players are needed. If you are in Grades 3 to 6 and would like to play, please see Mrs. Peel. It is a fun competition and everyone has a great time.

Mrs. Peel. Netball Co-ordinator.

**KANGA 8'S CRICKET ROUND ROBIN**

Three teams attended the Donvale Reserve Round Robin coordinated by Cricket Victoria on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2008. It was a great spectacle to see three ovals each with six games of cricket and students engaged in physical activity.



The students of Beverley Hills PS represented the school displaying solid batting, great bowling, quick fielding and teams, a good effort. The girl's team finished sixth out of 14 teams and improved immensely throughout the day.



Beverley Hills Bombers – Lachlan B (Capt), Zane K, Jayden W, Liam S, Callum L, Zac H, Tommy W, Christopher H, Laz D and Luke O.

Beverley Hills Bulls – Pieter V (Capt), Sam H, Andrew K, Leigh M, Jack T, Riley M, Jason L and Nick D.

Beverley Hills Girls – Monique W (Capt), Victoria N, Emily L, Hafsa K, Zoe S, Sarah S, Julie Y, Rebecca S, Georgia C and Madison G. Thanks to our team of transporters Mrs Sanquedolce, Mrs Williams, Mrs Kent, Mrs Maclsaac, Mr O'Hara and Mrs Tibb, your time and assistance with this excursion was greatly appreciated.

Mrs R. Wallace & Mr. T. Nicola

