

# **Beverley District High**

School

# **Our School Voice**

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#### Independent Public School

Fortnightly Newsletter Wednesday 18th November, 2020

### **Principal Message:**

#### NAIDOC Week 5 - Always Was, Always Will Be

*Yanga* (Thank you) to all the staff and students for your superb efforts in promoting NAIDOC Week. It was great to see many different learning activities being undertaken across the school to recognise our First Nations people. A special *yanga* to Mrs Aynsley for co-ordinating the rock painting activity with primary classes and to Mrs Hare for her cultural presentation to the students. I am certain that all of the students gained further insights into Aboriginal cultures, histories and languages across the week.



#### Thomas - Year 6 Student

One of our Year 6 Beverley DHS Aboriginal students, Thomas, spent last Friday and the weekend with his mother involved in NAIDOC activities in York. Even though Thomas and his mother are from *Yamtaji* country he delivered the Acknowledgement of Country to open the NAIDOC celebrations recognising the *Ballardong* people as the traditional owners. Over three days he learnt about Bush Tucker, cooking with Bush Tucker and learning traditional Aboriginal games. Thomas also worked on the development of a Bush Tucker Garden. Thomas provided a report to his class this week about his NAIDOC experience. *Kwoba Nop* (Good boy) Thomas.

#### Remembrance Day

Congratulations to our Student Leaders for their efforts in hosting the Remembrance Day Service last Wednesday and to Mrs Aynsley for her co-ordination. It was short, uncomplicated yet moving tribute to Australian men and women who have served our country with distinction and honour in many conflicts to protect the Australian way of life. Well done to all of our teachers and students for your work with recognising this important national day. The student work displays in the Front Foyer are incredible if you get the chance to have a look.

#### Year 10 STEM Project – Central TAFE NORTHAM

Three of our Year 10 students have attended Central TAFE Northam this week to work with other secondary students from schools in the Wheatbelt on a STEM Project at the Avon River Foreshore Bird Sanctuary in Northam. During this project the students had to identify and investigate an environmental issue, and then complete a project developing and constructing breeding huts for the birdlife. Hopefully, this may be one of many projects our school can look forward to being a part of in an increased future, collaboration with Central Northam TAFE.

#### End of Year Events and Graduation Ceremonies

Western Australia is in a positive position in relation to managing the COVID-19 pandemic, and schools have been advised that we can hold and plan COVID-safe events, such as Year 6 and Year 10 graduation ceremonies, Presentation Nights, assemblies and concerts, in accordance with Phase 4 restrictions. As a school we may need to consider holding some events a little differently to ensure families can continue to be involved, but presently we see little that we will need to change. We will keep you advised of the arrangements for such events through normal communication channels.

#### School Board Elections - 2021

I am pleased to advise the Beverley DHS School Board at its last meeting endorsed the following four parent nominations for 2021:

- Scott McLean
- Jaylee Tonkin

- Deb Kitai
- Vanessa Hewitt

The election period commenced last week with the distribution of paper ballots to students to take home for parents to complete. In 2020 parents also have the option to return their voting intentions via SMS Text. All parents who are eligible to vote have been provided with a paper ballot and an SMS text. Kindergarten parents of incoming students for 2021 have been emailed a ballot paper for completion. The election term closes at **3.00pm Monday, 23rd November**. On behalf of the board I wish all of the candidate's good luck and I look forward to working closely with the successfully elected new school board parent representatives. A reminder that your vote needs to be registered for one candidate only using either method (e.g. Tick under PG1 column on Ballot Paper against your preferred candidate and texting the number or name via SMS). If you have any queries concerning any part of the election process, please contact me.

Mr Adrian Lister Principal

### **NAIDOC Celebrations**

Part of our 2020 NAIDOC Week activities included spending time exploring storytelling. The primary students watched some Noongar creation stories, heard about the story behind Mrs Hare's family painting and explored the symbols found in Aboriginal paintings. Students then designed their own story stones and created a shared story. Fantastic work!

Always was, always will be.



### Spring Carnival 2020

On Friday 6th November, our secondary students travelled to York to take part in a Spring Carnival. The aim of the day was for students to participate in sports as mixed school teams, build their interpersonal skills and cooperate with students who they didn't know very well. Students participated in AFL 9's, basketball and netball and had a great day. Thank you to York DHS for hosting us.

Narelle Bailey Physical Education Teacher

# End of Year Book Awards

The school is seeking donations from interested parents or organisations to assist with the purchase of end-of-year book prizes.

Monies/Cheques can be left with the front office. Alternatively, you can make a payment directly to the school bank account with the reference:

EOY Book Prize.

Please contact the office if you have any queries. We greatly appreciate your support.



#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Secondary Assembly, 19<sup>th</sup> November Interschool Swim Carnival, 20<sup>th</sup> November Return Board Election Ballot Slip, 23<sup>rd</sup> November Year 6 Excursion, 1<sup>st</sup> December PP & Kindy Christmas Concert, 3<sup>rd</sup> December PP – Yr 3 Water Fun Afternoon, 9<sup>th</sup> December Year 6 Graduation, 14<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Colours Day, 16<sup>th</sup> December Presentation Night, 16<sup>th</sup> December Secondary EOY Celebration, 17<sup>th</sup> December Pre-Primary Assembly, 17<sup>th</sup> December Students last day of term, 17<sup>th</sup> December

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	SAT	SUN
6	16 <sup>th</sup>	17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>18</b> <sup>th</sup> Newsletter Yr 7-9 Immunisation	<b>19<sup>th</sup> 🟠</b> Secondary Assembly 9am	20 <sup>th</sup> Carnival in Pingelly	21	22
7	23 <sup>rd</sup> Board Election Ballot slips due by 3pm Yr 6 WA Ballet's Chance to Dance	24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>25<sup>th</sup></b> Yr 3-5 Excursion	26 <sup>th</sup> 🚫	27 <sup>th</sup>	28	29
8	30th	<b>Dec 1</b> <sup>st</sup> Year 6 Excursion	<b>2</b> <sup>nd</sup> Newsletter School Board Meeting @ 6pm	3 <sup>rd</sup> Pre-Primary & Kindy Christmas Concert @ 5.30pm	4 <sup>th</sup>	5	6
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## **Beverley DHS P&C News**



The Beverley DHS P&C has registered for a scheme ID for the Containers for Change Program. We'd love your assistance to help to raise funds for the purchase of additional educational resources and opportunities for the students at Beverley District High School. We have been successful in receiving a Containers for Change Grant, which allowed us to purchase a trailer to collect eligible containers.

This trailer is located on the school grounds, behind the canteen on Lennard Street, and is available to receive container donations at any time. Our containers are collected directly from the school each week.

Alternatively, you may drop directly to a Containers for Change Depot, using our registered scheme ID-C10242713



They'll get 10 cents for each one. With your help, we can make a change.



The scheme targets drink containers most commonly seen as litter. Most aluminium, glass, plastic, steel and liquid paperboard drink containers between 150ml and 31 are elixible for a refund.



Generally, ineligible containers are those that are less than 150ml and greater than 3L. Other ineligible containers include all plain milk bottles, wine bottles, pure spirit bottles, cordial and registered health tonics. Pure juice containers over 1L (or under 150ml) are also ineligible.

To find out more visit **containersforchange.com.au**