As we come to the end of the 2013 school year, I thank staff and parents for their hard work and dedication. Throughout the year it has been a pleasure working with professional and enthusiastic staff to implement programs at the school. Parents have also contributed to their children’s learning and I have valued their generous support. The P & C Executive, sub committees and parents providing curriculum support have enhanced children’s learning at the school.

On Wednesday night we enjoyed the Year 6 Musical. It was an outstanding performance led by Mr Gadsden and Miss Fritsch. I congratulate the children and thank the many staff and parents who contributed to the event.

Congratulations to our Year 5 children Student Leadership positions. I look forward to working with them in various roles in 2014.

We farewell a number of teachers from the school. Mr Bodnar, Mrs Calderon and Mrs Harrisson have led the Library, Spanish and Learning Support Programs at the school and we thank them for their contribution.

Mrs Scott leaves Beaumont Road School after 22 years following 18 years at Killara Public School. At our school she has taught students across the school and successfully led school choirs. Staff and community members have valued Mrs Scott’s humour, positive approach and encouragement. She had a wonderful rapport with staff and parents and always generously provided support.

We all wish Miss Mustaca success as she commences her new role as Assistant Principal at Lindfield Public School. For nine years Miss Mustaca has also contributed to the lives of many Beaumont Road School families. She has been a wonderful staff member and has generously given to school life. The school has been fortunate to have Mrs Scott and Miss Mustaca for so many years and we will miss them.

I wish our Year 6 students every success as they progress to Secondary School. For seven years I have enjoyed observing their growth and know they are a credit to their families. Our best wishes also to the families and children who are leaving Beaumont Road School. I particularly thank Rod Sharples for his excellent leadership of the Band Committee and Craig Learmonth who has organised and implemented many school building projects.

I invite parents to the two Presentation Day Assemblies next week. We will take the opportunity to acknowledge our students for their many achievements at school this year. At the Years 3 to 6 Assembly the Hon. Mr Barry O’Farrell, Premier NSW will be attending.

I thank all families who have contributed very generously towards the Lifeline Appeal. Lifeline will distribute Christmas Hampers to those in need within our local community.

Finally, I wish all Beaumont Road School families a safe and enjoyable holiday and thank all staff, students and parents for another outstanding year at the school.

Malcolm McDonald
Principal
This week’s meeting was an opportunity to catch up on the year’s events and plan for next year. Malcolm provided an overview of next year at BRPS and we will be working closely with him to move forward on a Multi-Purpose Resource Room as our major building project for 2014. Please visit the BRPS website to look at our financial statements as well as catch up with the minutes of the meetings from this year.

Thank you to Sarah Batistich for coordinating this year’s Cards and Calendars, which raised $1,800, as well as to the class teachers for once again organising amazing artwork from our children.

The Canteen will be open this coming Friday, 13th December from 3.00pm onwards, with the coffee van arriving at 2.15pm for all those parents in need of a pre-Christmas catch-up or chill-out! Thank you to everyone for supporting the Canteen this past year – we are very pleased to announce that the forecasted loss has been avoided and we are proud to operate a 5 day a week service at BRPS.

The Teachers provided a wonderful afternoon tea on Tuesday for all parent helpers – we are very lucky to have such caring staff at our School and our willingness as parents to volunteer is due to the commitment BRPS teachers extend towards our children. We wish all the best to Sue Scott in her retirement and best wishes to Angela Mustaca as she starts at another school.

Thank you to all parents and staff who have supported the P&C throughout the year. We wish you all a very merry festive season and look forward to an exciting 2014!

Your P&C

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SCHOOL LEADERS 2014

CAPTAINS
William Stormon, Ava Loftus

VICE CAPTAINS
Aidan Beveridge, Kate Judd

PREFECTS
Ethan Holt, Stuart Downie
Millie Thomsen, April Reymond

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Samantha Sharpe for being awarded Junior Champion and the ‘Rising Star’ in ballet. This is a wonderful achievement.

FIDDEN
Captains
Samantha Sharpe
Blake Wilson (absent)

Vice Captains
Hannah Maher
Sajun Nagi

FULLER
Captains
Angus Wheeler
Laura Redman

Vice Captains
Ethan Chamberlain
Abigail Gunn

HORWOOD
Captains
Christian Grego
Angela Short

Vice Captains
Bennett Roebuck-Krautz
Erin Jaegers

SECOND HAND DONATIONS PRIZE

The $20 Smiggle Voucher has been won by Sammy Walker.

Thank you to everyone who donated their second hand uniform items.
**FRIDAY AFTERNOON FUN AT BEAUMONT ROAD SCHOOL**

We are celebrating ‘end of year’ by organising “Dave the Coffee Man” to visit our school this Friday afternoon from 2.15pm.

Please come and enjoy a coffee and / or an iceblock from the Canteen.

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**CHRISTMAS HAMPERS 2013**

Thank you to all the parents and children who have kindly donated non perishable foods and other gift items towards this worthy cause.

The response has been wonderful and very generous.

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**OUTDOOR FITNESS GROUP** Join new local adult outdoor fitness groups starting in January with Live+. 6.00am, 10.00am groups and 1:1 training by appointment. Register at: www.liveplus.com.au or call Jodie 0420 262 469

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**INVITATION TO LADY GAME KINDERGARTEN PAST AND PRESENT FAMILIES** Anne Bennett, LGCK Director will retire this year after 18 years with the kindy. An afternoon tea to wish her well in her retirement will be held in the LGCK Hall on Wednesday 18th December, 2013 from 3:00pm to 4:30pm. If you are able to attend, could you please bring a small plate. We hope you can join us.

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**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Friday, 13th December**

⇒ 5.45pm - 10.00pm Year 6 Farewell

**Tuesday, 17th December**

⇒ 9.00am Years K to 2 Presentation Day
   Morning Tea

**Wednesday, 18th December**

⇒ 9.00am Years 3 to 6 Presentation Day
   Morning Tea
   Last Day Term 4

2014

**Wednesday, 29 January 2014**

⇒ Years 1 - 6 Students return

**Monday, 3 February 2014**

⇒ Kindergarten start date

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**An Invitation for You to...**

**CAROLS IN THE PARK**

Sing Along with Choir & Golden Kangaroo Concert Band

Saturday 14th December 2013

Ku-Ring-Gai Bicentennial Park off Lofberg Road West Pymble