At the P & C Annual General Meeting held last week all Executive positions were filled and I look forward to working with the team this year. I thank Hans Thomsen for his outstanding role as Treasurer for the last five years. Hans has been very diligent with the finances and effectively fulfilled this special role. Phil Morley was a Vice President last year and we thank him for his valued contribution to the school.

**President**
Emma Bromley

**Vice Presidents**
Meredith Holt
Carey Francis

**Secretary**
Morelle Reeves

**Treasurer**
Shane Chenery

**Assistant Treasurer**
Sarah Jenkins

**Non-Executive Members**
Julie Ward
Guy Winslow
Geeta Sully

I also thank parents for volunteering as Class Parents. Julie Ward is coordinating the school’s social and fundraising events and has recently outlined plans with Class Parents for this year.

In the next couple of weeks, children across the school will participate with their teachers in a Poetry Writing Competition. The title is, “My School”. Finalists in each class will be judged by a parent committee and book prizes will be presented to winners. Parents are also invited to submit an entry.

Beaumont’s Backyard, the new vegetable garden is certainly growing. I thank so many parents and children for contributing plants for the garden and Julie Ward for painting the signs.

We are expecting to receive the architect’s plans for the new resource room in the next few days. At this stage, we are seeking parents with expertise in building to join our Building Committee. Please contact Emma or myself if you would like to join the committee.

In the next couple of weeks parents will be invited to attend Parent / Teacher Interviews. These important meetings will be an opportunity to discuss children’s individual progress.

Last year the school received a grant of $4,500 from the Bendigo Bank through the Ku-ring-gai Council. The funds have been allocated to purchase iPads, to paint a mural on the wall outside 3N classroom and $500 to support the Gala Day. I thank Bendigo Bank for its generous contribution to the school. Marian Doull, Morelle Reeves, Tara Hannon and Tanya Fritsch have been busy with the mural which is expected to be completed in the coming weeks.

Looking forward to enjoying the Bivouac with you this weekend.

**Malcolm McDonald**
Principal
Thank you to all parents who attended our AGM last Tuesday. We farewelled Hans Thomsen and Phil Morley who have been wonderful Executive Members, contributing so much of their time and effort for the school. Thank you also to the outgoing Non-Executive member Maya Gomez.

The new Executive was elected and comprises: Emma Bromley (President), Meredith Holt (Vice President), Carey Francis (Vice President), Morelle Reeves (Secretary), Shane Chenery (Treasurer) and Sarah Jenkins (Assistant Treasurer). Non-Executive members were also elected and are: Julie Ward, Guy Winslow and Geeta Sully. You can contact any of us on the details below or by email at the new P&C email address brpspandc@gmail.com

The fundraising committee will hold a meeting Thursday 6 March at 2pm in the Staff Room – we will be organising two major events this year: a trivia night and a champagne shopping night. If you would like to be involved in either please contact Guy Winslow on gwinslow@optusnet.com.au We are also seeking major sponsorship as well as donations for raffles/silent auctions, please contact Guy if you or your business can help – all donations and suggestions welcome!

Parents are invited to join a Building Sub-Committee to ensure that our major building project, a Multipurpose Resource Room, is realised in 2014. Any interested parents please contact Emma Bromley or our Principal Malcolm McDonald.

Weather permitting, the Bivouac will be held this coming weekend. The canteen will be open Saturday afternoon: in addition to slushies, fairy floss, lollies and chocolates we will be selling items from the regular canteen menu, including drinks. The BBQ breakfast will be held Sunday morning – please join us for a $5.00 bacon/ sausage and egg sandwich, with juice. Thank you to all those parents who have put their name on the canteen roster.

The minutes of the last P&C meeting will be available on the website shortly – we invite you to read the minutes, the President’s Report and peruse the Financials. Our next meeting will be held in the Staff Room at 7.30pm Tuesday 18 March. An Agenda will be available on the school website and posted on the P&C notice board. We invite you all to attend.

Your P&C

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**CANTOON**

* Canteen will be open for Bivouac selling all products plus fairy floss, ice creams and lollies.
* Please note prices for Canteen are new for 2014 as per online menu.
* Please remember FLEXISCHOOLS online ordering.

**STUDENT BANKING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Do your daily commitments limit your ability to volunteer during school hours? Does the thought of volunteering from home just once a term appeal to you?

Then this is the job for you! All you need is a laptop and internet access and we’ll show you the rest.

Our students really enjoy participating in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program and to keep this program running we need your help. The program requires volunteer Banking Co-ordinators to process the deposits. This only takes a small amount of your time one day a week. Your help with the program will greatly benefit students as they develop vital saving skills and also help our school with fundraising. Currently, School Banking day is Thursday. Please contact Yvonne Gray on: sygray@ozemail.com.au if you’d like to help.
STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE CCOUNCIL
HARMONY DAY EVENT

This year we will be celebrating Harmony Day on **Thursday, 20th March** (Week 8). Children are invited to wear red, orange and yellow clothing and to bring a gold coin donation to support the Children’s Hospital at Westmead.

_Miss Lee and Mr Gadsden_  
SRC Coordinators

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**EASTER IS ON ITS WAY!**

Easter is coming and Year 3 is running a Cadbury® Fundraiser Drive to raise money for the school. BRPS will receive $1.50 for every bag of Easter Eggs sold at $4.00 ($30 profit for each box of 20). This represents great value to the buyer and all of our profits will help the school. If every family sold just 1 box, the school would receive over $7000.00! All children selling a complete box will go in a draw to win a special prize!

You can collect your Cadbury® Fundraiser carry boxes of Easter Eggs from the COLA before (8:30am - 9:00am) or after (3:00pm - 3:30m) school on **Thursday, 6 March, Friday, 7 March or Monday, 10 March**. If you are unable to pick up a box during these times, please contact Julie Ward (bhjaward@bigpond.net.au, 9418 2408) to organise a suitable collection time.

We suggest you sell to family members, colleagues in the workplace, sporting events (games/presentation days, etc…), friends or neighbours. Please ensure if children are selling door to door, that they do so under adult supervision.

_The Year 3 parents thank you for your support._

We will also be holding the annual Easter Egg Guessing Competition later in the term!
CANTEEN ROSTER – TERM 1

Thanks to both new and experienced Volunteers for filling the gaps in this Term’s Roster.

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Time slots are:
Monday to Thursday 12.00 noon - 2.00pm  
Friday 9.30am - 12.00 noon and 12.00 noon - 2.00pm

Roster Coordinator:  Veronica Vidgen  Ph: 0404 185 365  v_vidgen@yahoo.com.au or vtennock@gmail.com

BEAUMONT ROAD SCHOOL
POETRY COMPETITION

It’s time to unleash the Poet within!

Students will be writing their entry during class time.
Parents are also invited to enter the Beaumont Road School poetry competition.
To enter, simply write a poem with the title:

OUR SCHOOL

Entries to be handed to class teacher or school office by
Friday, 21st March

Winners will be judged by volunteer parents!
Book prizes awarded to best poems from each grade and the community.