

# Beverford District Primary School Newsletter

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Term 4, Week 11



## What's On at BDPS?

<u>Calendar Term 4, 2018</u>	
Friday, December 21	End of school year (2.20 pm dismissal) Free Dress Fun Day \$3 Lunch Order Package Beverford Tavern School Raffle Night
<u>Term 1, 2019</u>	
Tuesday, January 29	Teachers officially return to school
Wednesday, January 30	<b>Students return to school</b>



*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone!!*

*Friday is Free Dress, please bring your bathers, thongs and a towel as we will have some fun water games.*

*Friday - \$3 for a "help yourself" cook up of left over lunch order food, including a drink and zooper dooper.*

## "TAKE TWO"

Good things come to those who wait! The concert was fantastic and a credit to our dedicated staff and students. Thank you to everyone involved!

Having to postpone due to the crazy weather last week, the students shone last night and did an outstanding job.

In front of a big crowd, all the acts were well received and showcased the Performing Arts taught at the school.

Thanks to any parents who helped set up, pack up, cook or cater for the night.

It was a great way to conclude the year. A big congratulations to Amy, Harry, Josh, Jasmine, Hailee and Liam on their awards also.

# Principal's Report

## *We can see the Finish Line!*

It has been a great year at Beverford District Primary School. There has been some changes at the school with staffing and that has been something foreign to the community but hugely common in most other educational settings. It has been great that families have looked upon this as a positive and in many ways a new beginning for the school as we move forward.

Since arriving in late September, I have been made feel very welcome by everyone in the school community. I thank you for this! BDPS is a great school to work at and on behalf of Lois, Mariette, Cindy, Gayle and myself thank you for your ongoing support. The students thrive at the school and this is largely due to the positive partnerships that I have seen be formed and fostered between home and school.

Friday will be a bittersweet day for our Grade 6 students Amy, Hailee, Jasmine, Josh and Harry. They are excited about heading off to the College in 2019, but know they will miss BDPS and can look back with great memories of their Primary School years. We wish our Grade 6's all the best and encourage them to drop in and visit us in the years to come. The Grade 6 students enjoyed their Graduation Fun Day and Dinner where they went swimming with access to the water slide, watched 'The Grinch' at the cinema and enjoyed a meal at Murray Downs with their parents.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to making our School concert so fantastic yesterday evening. It was magnificent and I am very proud of our students and staff for all their hard work. It was also great to see Santa at the end of the night. We all know how busy he is at this time of the year. We thank the Beverford CFA for transporting Santa to and from the school.

School Council meet last night after the concert for the final time in 2018. A big thanks to our School Councilors for their dedication, decision making and positive voice about the school. I strongly encourage everyone to consider being on school council next year. The 2019 School Council will be elected in March.

Our final day will be a fun packed day. It is a free dress day and we encourage students to bring bathers, towel and thongs for some water games we have planned. A reminder that the school day on Friday ends at 2.20pm. Loretta and Sophie will have a cook up of the left over stock from our Lunch Orders. We will charge students \$3 each and this will include a selection of food, a zooper dooper and a drink.

We wish Gayle Williams all the best for Term 1 as she takes some well-earned Long Service Leave. We will miss Gayle's caring nature and wonderful teaching at the school. A big thanks to Cindy Washbrook, Mariette Menzel, Kylie Leahy for their outstanding contributions this term also. Thanks to Lois Caeli for her tireless work and organization in the office. Lois has made my transition into the Acting Principal role so much easier than it could have been. We have a great team at BDPS.

The first day back for students in 2019 is Wednesday January 30. Teachers will return officially the day before but will be floating around during the holidays preparing for the new year.

Finally, thanks again for a great year. On behalf of the staff at BDPS I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Please enjoy your Summer Holidays kids and come back refreshed and recharged for an awesome 2019!

Merry Xmas, Phil



*Grade 6 Graduation Day (Josh, Harry & Amy)*



*Grade 6 Graduation Day (Jasmine on the water slide)*



*Group photo with Santa.*



*Phoenix receiving a gift from Santa.*



*The big crowd watches the concert.*

