Parents/Guardians,

The Polding Walk held last Friday was a tremendous success. I would like to thank all those parents who so generously gave of their time to support the day. Our students’ behaviour was outstanding throughout the day and our staff worked tirelessly and entered into the spirit of the celebrations. It is difficult to estimate the value of this day to the College but suffice to say it is a blessing for the whole school community.

Thank you one and all. We hope that families have at least some time, however small, to spend together over this school holiday period.

God Bless

Kevin Jones
Japanese Students Arriving Soon …

We are in cooperation with Bede Polding College arranging a study tour for 18 Japanese Students from your Sister School Aki Fuchu. They will require Host Families and we are hoping you can help.

- They are here to practice their English so knowledge of the Japanese Language is not necessary.
- There are no special food requirements.
- Host family payments of $35.00 per student per night are included. The requirement is 2 students per family.
- This is a wonderful opportunity for you and your family to experience another culture.
- Please express your interest at the earliest to allow us to finalise the program.

Dates:
Arriving: 22nd August 2013
Departing: 29th August 2013

Please contact our Coordinator for more Information:
Andrea Ryan on 4587 7063/0409 925 446

Windsor Softball Club “Condors”

Registration and BBQ day at Bligh Park Shops on Saturday 13th July 2013 10am—3pm.

All games are played at the same place (Bensons Lane, Richmond) at the same time each week. One off registration fee, no further ongoing costs (uniform & equipment supplied)

Babes & U8’s: $30.
T-Ball: $55 Juniors: $125 Seniors: $160

Contracts: Rod 0425 333 862 or Tanya 0416 233 529

Star Spot

This is the star of the week.

Congratulations to:
Erin Ryan (9D14) who competed in the State Vaulting Competition (Equestrian Gymnastics routines on horses) and won the trophy for age levels 13—17 years.

Well done - to this student
Minutes In Brief of the Bede Polding
Parents & Friends Committee

Wednesday 12th June

Guest Speaker
Jan Trefoni and Bernadette Kelly gave a very informative speech and a hands-on demonstration using i-Pads. They showed us how to use the i-Pads and a variety of the apps that they are using with some of the students with learning difficulties. Jan reports they are having great success with this technology. All the parents were impressed with the demonstration.

Business Arising
Still no feedback from council on the bus bay. Not doing a Year 8 behaviour survey this year, at this point there is no need as Year 8 as a whole are working and behaving very well.

Principal’s Report
Kevin spoke about the Highlights of Term 2.

Business Manager’s Report
Paul Cruise’s report included:
The Fundraising Levy will continue to fund the data projector installations in more classrooms during Term 2 holidays.
The Polding Walk will be held on Friday 21st June. We are aiming to raise approximately $45 000. The money raised will go towards an additional covered walkway between Science and C Block providing more shelter for everyone. We have received a fantastic response for parent helpers on the day.

President’s Report
For the past three years the P&F fundraising levy has been used for the installation of data projectors in all classrooms. As this project will be completed by the end of the year we will be reviewing new options at the next meeting. Whilst we are guided by suggestions put forward by the College executive we would also like to get parent input. Past projects include lockers, air conditioning and screens in the hall. Projects should be for the benefit of all students. If you cannot make the next meeting you can email the school with suggestions.

The next P&F Meeting will be held on Wednesday the 21st August.
All parents and friends are welcome to attend.
Drinks from 6.45pm meeting commences at 7pm.
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Thank you for supporting Bede Polding College $13 from each book sold contributes to our fundraising.
This year’s Polding Walk proved to be another huge success and it was fantastic to see how the students and the entire school community supported this event so enthusiastically.

Bede Polding Day is not just about a walk – it is a time to celebrate the deeds of John Bede Polding. The students not only raised money for the school, but more importantly we support a number of local charities. This truly reflects the spirit of John Bede Polding – with students travelling to help others, just as he did.

Students worked extremely hard to arrange sponsors for the Polding Walk and we are pleased to report that approximately $52,000 was raised this year - and that money will be put to great use and go towards the construction of an additional covered walkway near Science Block and support of our charities. Thank you to our students, parents and sponsors for their collective efforts in raising this amount. Please note that all ‘business’ sponsors will be acknowledged in our next newsletter and receive ‘Certificates of Appreciation’. Thanks to Chisholm Catholic Primary School for their great support in loaning us their BBQ trailer and food warmer.

This year we had a record number of 50 or so parents and friends who generously volunteered on the day by supervising, walking with students, working on checkpoints or cooking/serve lunch. Without such wonderful support, the day would not have run so smoothly.

The students should also be commended on the co-operation and behaviour on the day which resulted in the Polding Walk being a safe and incident-free event. The weather played it’s part with no rain whatsoever!

The day began with the judging of the fancy dress competition. The effort that our students and staff in dressing up - was outstanding. We had students dress up as, super heroes, pixies, fairies, clowns, pirates, wild animals, movie stars, warriors and famous faces just to name a few. Well done too to all who got into the spirit of it!

After the Polding Walk, students returned to school for a BBQ lunch before braving the carnival rides and the Battle of the Bands. The school car park became an amusement park for a few hours and the Hall came alive as students danced along to the music. Congratulations to all contestants in the Battle of the Bands and thank you for entertaining us.

**The Polding Walk Organising Committee**
BIG CAT EXPERIENCE AT BEDE POLDING

National Geographic Wild Cat’s Ambassador Program is part of National Geographic’s Big Cats Initiative, a long-term commitment to stop poaching, save habitats and raise awareness that big steps are needed to save big cats around the world. The school had a unique opportunity to showcase this program which was offered to Year 7 students.

Mrs J Gavin
Science Coordinator

THE AFRICAN SERVAL

On Tuesday 11 June, 30 lucky Year 7 students had a once in a lifetime incursion with an 18 month old African Serval named Crunchy and his trainer from National Geographic Wild Cat’s Ambassador Program.

Crunchy was very well behaved and he performed a few jumps for us. Crunchy went flying up a model of a tree trunk to show us how quickly he could move and he also retrieved a food treat out of a hole in the tree stump.

We were all dead quiet as we didn’t want to distract him in his act. We also learnt some things about him, like how he has a very good sense of hearing. He can hear things that humans cannot. He had a lovely fur coat which had stripes and spots on it. This feature varies between the servals, unlike any other cat, which has either spots or stripes.

We learnt how National Geographic Wild’s Cat Ambassador Program cares for and conserves wild cats like Crunchy.

Overall, it was a great experience and something I will never forget. On behalf of the 30 Year 7 students thank you to all the teachers who contributed to making this experience happen. We all appreciated it and I’m sure we all learnt something new about African Serval and wild cats.

Sasha Street (7D7)
# ASSESSMENT TASK CALENDAR

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