



Birkdale Bulletin

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Dear Parents

Congratulations to the seven Birkdale students who received awards at the 2017 North Harbour Science and Technology Fair awards.

They won an amazing 9 awards between them! Angelina (R14) was Runner Up for the whole fair for her project titled 'Keen Beans' and Stina (R14) won the Top Consumer Science trophy for her project titled 'Would you drink from a toilet?'. Other winners were: Gold for Otomar (R14); Bronze for: David (R1), Lucas (R11), Breanna (R14) and Asher (R14). Otomar and Angelina also received Statistics prizes for their outstanding use of mathematics in their scientific investigations. The Award Evening was held in our theatre. (As one of the recipients is away at Sports Camp, we will have a photo in our next newsletter)

Come along and enjoy 'The Wizard of Oz' next week!

Tickets available from the office during school hours.

Birkdale Intermediate School Presents...



Tuesday 26, Wednesday 27 and Thursday 28 September at 7pm. Tickets \$10.00

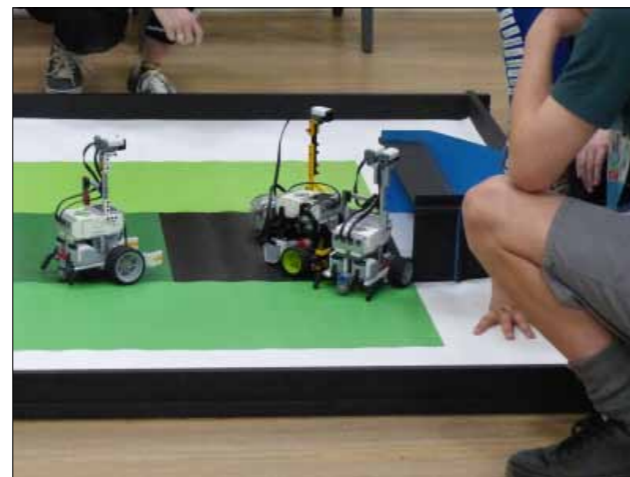
Tickets available from
Birkdale Intermediate School Office
200 Birkdale Road, Birkdale.
Phone 483 9168

'Student of the Week' award - well done!

Gabriela R1, Irene R2, Allan R3, Tahlia R4, Julius R7, Leeana R9, RJ R10, Charlotte R14, Jamaine R3 - Visual Arts, Jeremy R3 - Performing Arts, Lucas R11 and Ciaran R16 - Technology

Robocup National Competition

Last weekend our Birkdale Intermediate's Robotics team flew down to Dunedin to compete in the Robocup National competition. We had previously won the regional competition. Ben (R15), Braeden (R14), Otomar (R14) and myself spent many weeks and countless hours preparing and fundraising for the trip. We were determined to win. There was fierce competition, but after the first game we had high hopes. In the end our team was placed 2nd equal. We really enjoyed the competition and the experience we got from competing. Overall, it was a very enjoyable weekend. A special thank you to Mrs Thompson and Mr Rudolph for travelling with us and supporting our preparation for the competition. Luka (R14)



Amnesty for BIS rugby jerseys

We are getting extremely low on our unique looking BIS rugby jerseys. If your child has represented BIS in either boys Rugby, Rugby League or Girls 7/9s Zone day this year or last year, can you please have a look around at home to see if you still have a jersey in your possession. If so, can you please return it to the School Office this week coming. Currently we do not have enough for one rugby team. Thank you.

Gate Art beautifying our school

The Gate Art Group have been painting a mural for the walls around the tuck shop. The design is inspired by Hundertwasser, the artist that designed our Pavilion for Nature, that is the entrance to our school library. The mural is now complete and Mr Brown will be putting the panels up in the next week or so. The group painted the posts in front of the tuck shop with the bright colours of the mural this week. We are really looking forward to seeing the mural in place as the group have been working on it since the beginning of the year. It will be the largest mural we have at school.



Sports Camp students have a great week!

Birkdale Intermediate has come away from this Sports Camp as winners in Boys Hockey, Cage Soccer, Chess, Foosball, Boys Indoor Hockey, Boys Indoor Football, Disc Golf, Swimming and Quality Living. We were runners up in Boys Basketball, Football, Softball, Croquet, Cross Country, Triathlon, and Cheer. With every sport semi, final and victory accruing points, BIS was runner up overall winner. Not a bad effort, considering this was our second Sports Camp.

Well done to the 35 athletes who participated, and a huge thank you to our adult helpers Taylor Catchpole, Anne Hastings, Rebecca Hawkins and Patrick Le Comte - the students really appreciated your time and energy. Thank you to Mr Sides and Miss Creasey for all their hard work to make this big event possible.



There is a new exhibition in the art gallery.

Elsbeth Batt is the illustrator who has created all of the artwork for our Quests. The exhibition is of the original artworks that she has created specifically for us. The illustrations are highly detailed and include lots of elements that link to the Quest they illustrate. Thanks to Skye Murray and Lauren Gibson for setting the exhibition.



All the best for the coming week

Richard Coote, Principal

Important Dates

25/9	Production Matinee	16/10 Term 4 Commences
26-28/9	Production	
29/9	Term 3 ends	