BGHS Grounds Improvement Project - Calling for Volunteers!

Over the past few months the P&C committee has embarked on an exciting project to improve the school grounds. The BHGS P&C Grounds Improvement Project is now ready to commence implementation. With the endorsement of the school and the invaluable contribution of Colin Brown from Arena Design Architects (a volunteer parent) and Riley Fields (non-parent volunteer), from Riley Fields Landscapes, we have produced the attached draft landscape design plan for the area leading to the Ermy Kripner Hall, a high visibility area of the school grounds which needs the most immediate attention.

Our objective is to provide an external environment that is a beneficial long term asset to the school and a positive environment for students, teachers and the community. In addition, we anticipate that the improved amenity of this area will leave a more positive impression of the school for visitors to BGHS as well as encouraging parents, students and school community to have pride in their school.

The design plan aims to incorporate the applicable ‘Schools Facilities Landscape Standards’ by providing the following elements: a healthy and safe environment; a sense of place; a sustainable and low maintenance landscape.

We are now ready to go and get our hands dirty! - WORKING BEE DAY SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2013

This project would not have progressed without the help of our volunteer architectural and landscape designers. As the planning stage is near completion we are now calling upon our wonderful parent community to assist in its implementation.

Some parents have already responded to our previous request for “working bees”. However, we do need more working bee volunteers (no special skills required), as the project is quite large. The works/working bee day will be organised by sections. Parents with specialised skills, in particular, landscape contractors, site managers/foremen, plumbers, carpenters, concreters or brickies, are also welcome.

Project updates and scope of works may be found on the school website under P&C – Special Projects. Preliminary works have already commenced with the first working bee day scheduled for Saturday 12th October from 9.00am to 3.00pm (first Saturday after school holidays). Even if you could spare a couple of hours, please email your details so that your name may be added to the volunteer register to ensure you receive updates and procedures for the day.

We are also seeking plant donations (eg divisible plants such as cliveas and agapanthus etc from your gardens) and quotes / donations for materials – a list of plants and materials will be provided on the web site soon..

Your help and support is important to the project, as we are providing an enjoyable environment for the students. If you can help with specialised trades, working bees, materials or quotes please let me know by 30th September via email at effiem@ozemail.com.au or call me on 0418 660059 to discuss.

Kind Regards

Effie Matsas
P&C Secretary / Grounds Team Co-Ordinator
18 September 2013

Mia Kumar
Principal
New concrete pad.

Crushed sandstone pavement, pit as specified by hydraulic engineer, area to fall to central point.

ATTEND TO DRAINAGE ISSUE AT EXISTING PIT!!

Ex Camphor Laurel

Low Point / Sump

for new sump/drain.

Connect to stormwater.

Neapean river gravel 30-40mm

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Crushed sandstone pavement with timber edge as specified.

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