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 Emlyn 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 2nd NOVEMBER 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 2nd November from 9.00am to 3.00pm. 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 materials donations– 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, or materials please let me know by 25th October 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
9 October 2013
**PLANT SCHEDULE**

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**LEGEND**

- **Proposed Tree**
- **Existing Tree**
- **Crushed Sandstone Pavement**
- **Timber Edge**
- **Relocated Bench**
- **Relocated and Retrofitted Bench as per Architects detail**
- **Indicative subsoil drainage**

**NOTES**

- 1:50, 1:100, SELECTED NATURAL CRUSHED SANDSTONE. DEMON. TYPE UP TO AS 1926. (2) GRAVEL GRADING: MAXIMUM PARTICLE SIZE 50mm, 30 - 40% PASSING 25mm SIEVE.
- GRAVEL SOURCE AND COLOUR: BUFF...
- COMPACT TO ACHIEVE A DRY DENSITY RATIO OF 95% WHEN TESTED TO AS 1289.5.4.1 (STANDARD COMPACTON).

**DETAIL - TIMBER EDGE**

- EXISTING GATE DRAIN. VERIFY CONNECTED TO STORM WATER SYSTEM. VERIFY HYDROLOGY OR PLUMBER.
- EXISTING TABLE SETTINGS RE CONFIGURED. SEE D01.

**DETAIL - TUBE PLANTING**

- EXCAVATE PLANTING HOLES NOT LESS THAN 200mm WIDER AND 100mm DEEPER THAN PLANT CONTAINER.

**DETAIL - CRUSHED SANDSTONE PAVING**

- CRUSHED SANDSTONE PAVEMENT, AS SPECIFIED.

**NOTES**

- ALL WORK TO COMPLY WITH CURRENT BCA REQUIREMENTS & RELEVANT AUSTRALIAN STANDARDS, ARCHITECTURAL SPEC & ALL OF THE FOLLOWING DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS & REPORTS:
- STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING DOCS / HYDRAULIC ENG. DOCS / ELECTRICAL ENG. DOCS / MECH ENG. DOCS / LANDSCAPE PLAN & SPEC. / BCA REPORT / ACCESS REPORT / SECTION J REPORT AND COMPLY WITH RELEVANT COUNCIL & STATUTORY APPROVALS.

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**NOTE**

- WHERE SHOWN, PAINT GALVANIZED STEEL POLE (RED)