

# Banksia Bulletin

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**Caring, creative, challenging and achieving**



Tuesday, 27 November 2012

## Calendar

### Week 8

Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	K-2 Zoo excursion
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup 9.30-11.30 am 10.45am Good as Gold Lunch
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	2.15pm K-6 Assembly <b>DISCO – 5-7pm</b> Banksia Bunnies Last Active After School
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Banksia Bunnies graduation Mt Lewis Transition

### Week 9

December

Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup 9.30-11.30 am Year 6 Orientation Day School Helpers Thank you afternoon tea
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Art Exhibition opening
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Canberra excursion

### Week 10

Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Farewell – Mt Lewis Bowling Club
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup 9.30-11.30 am Last week for 2012
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am Presentation Day Ceremony

## **OUR FOCUS RULE OF THE WEEK** **BE RESPECTFUL – KEEP OUR PLAYGROUND CLEAN**

Always put your rubbish in the bins. We have lots of bins around our playground areas make sure you use them. Students should always eat lunch and fruit break food while sitting in the covered areas. Remember food and drinks should not be taken onto the oval area.

## **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

Our students continue to excel in all areas of the curriculum. Of special note this week is the outstanding achievement of Amirah (4/5M) who received a Poetry Highly Commended in the Sydney Youth Writing Competition, with her poem:



## **MY POP**

I look up to the sky so bright  
And I see a beautiful cloud go floating by

I stop and rub my eyes then stare  
Is that your face Pop way up there

Oh Pop I miss you oh so much  
Your smile, your stories and most of all, those hugs

You did say you would watch over me  
Now I know where I can see your smiling face looking down at me

Please float by again soon  
And I promise from now on I will look out for you.

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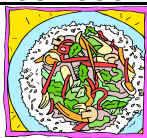
This I am sure you will agree is an exceptional piece of writing!!!

Congratulations also to our Junior Girls T-ball team who were runners up in the Bankstown District PSSA grand final. Thank you to Miss Williams who coached the girls to this success. Thank you also to our fabulous parent cheer squad!

Make sure you keep up to date with what's happening at Banksia Road by checking out our website.

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### FROM OUR COOKBOOK



#### Avocado & Chicken Risotto

##### **Ingredients**

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| 1.25L (5 cups) gluten-free vegetable stock |  |
| 25g unsalted butter                        | 1 tbs olive oil                          |
| 1 onion, finely chopped                    | 3 garlic cloves, crushed                 |
| 2 cups Arborio rice                        | $\frac{2}{3}$ cup dry white wine         |
| 500g chicken breast                        | 1 cup grated parmesan                    |
| 2 avocados                                 | $\frac{1}{4}$ cup roughly chopped chives |

##### **Method**

1. Place the stock in a saucepan, bring to the boil,
2. Heat the butter and olive oil in the rice cooker, add the onion and garlic, cook until brown.
3. Add the rice, vegetable stock and white wine.
4. While cooking add herbs to taste.
5. In frypan season and cook chicken.
6. Peel the avocados and dice.
7. Just before serving risotto add chicken and stir, then add avocado and stir.
8. Top with parmesan and chives.

**Serves: 4**

### KIDS AND DADS NIGHT

Last Thursday our Kids and Dads evening hosted a full house! This was a great night with lots of fun and laughter. Thank you to Sandy and her team from the Benevolent Society who facilitates this great program.



### LIBRARY BOOKS

This will be the final week for borrowing from the library. All students' books need to be returned next week. Please ensure that all your child's books are returned to the library by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> of November.

### 2ND ANNUAL ART SHOW

Our 2nd Annual Banksia Rd. Art show will be held on Thursday 6th and Friday 7th December in the school hall. The official opening will be held on Thursday 6th December 3:30pm. All of our students will have at least one piece of work on display so come and have a look at the results of the hard work the students and teachers put in to create our fantastic exhibition.

This year we are also introducing an art competition for interested students. The theme is "The World Around Us" and all entries must be either framed or on a canvas no bigger than A3 size. Children can use any medium, paint, crayon, collage, photograph or sculpture and entries must be in by Friday 30th November. Prizes will be given in each category K-2, 3-4 and 5-6.

Mrs Fraser  
Art Show Organiser

### MERIT AWARDS

<b>PRINCIPAL</b>	1/2C Tanisha 5P Jehad K/1J Ali, Bassam
<b>BRONZE</b>	1L Omar, Rayane 3/4C Angelina 4/5A May 6J Ali, Tarek K/1J Mohamed KS Mohammed
<b>SILVER</b>	1/2C Alicia, Hala, Yara 2M Nadia 4/5M David KS Ayah
<b>GOLD</b>	1/2C Noor, 3W Aya, Solomon, 4G Aydah, KF Leonardo
<b>GOOD AS GOLD LUNCH</b>	1L Yianni, 5/6W Darcy
<b>MEDALLION</b>	4/5M Sabrina, KS Annabella, Zane

### SPORTS REPORT

Last Friday the Junior Tee Ball girls travelled to O'Neill Park to play in the Grand Final! They played against Georges Hall who were undefeated all season. Unfortunately they lost, as Georges Hall were a much stronger team in skill. I am so proud of the girls' attitudes and effort toward the whole season. They have gained skills every week and I am looking forward to coaching many of them again next year! The players of the match were the whole team for their wonderful support of each other.

Congratulations Ruby, Georgia, Jana, Amirah, Mya, May, Fatima, Rayanne, Jenin, Nora and Jenin.