

Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Tuesday, 4 December 2012

Calendar

Week 9

December

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

Week 10

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

Week 11

Tuesday 18 th	Good as Gold Lunch
Wednesday 19 th	Last day of classes for 2012
Thursday 20 th	Teacher Professional Learning
Friday 21 st	Teacher Professional Learning. LAST DAY SCHOOL OPEN 2012

Summer School 2013

JANUARY

Monday 7 th	1 st Day Summer School
Tuesday 8 th	Excursion
Friday 11 th	Last day Summer School

NOTES HOME

Summer School
2013 Enrolment

OUR FOCUS RULE OF THE WEEK BE SAFE – WEAR YOUR BUCKET HAT

Our school bucket hats are the best hat to wear to protect our face, ears and neck from sunburn. Children should wear their bucket hat every day.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to our Good as Gold students who celebrated with a special lunch last Wednesday. These students have earned one hundred merit awards this year. Congratulations!!!



Last week was a week of celebrations including our fabulous disco on Thursday night. Over 100 students danced the night away – there were some pretty amazing moves on the dance floor. A huge thank you to our teachers who joined in the fun and to our P&C who organized the BBQ, drinks and goodies. Some of the flying saucers landed in interesting places.



Banksia Road is fortunate in having a very supportive community. We wish to especially thank the following who sponsored our disco:

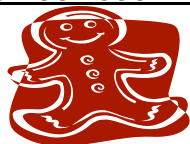
- MARJAN BUTCHERS who donated the sausages
- COLES and WOOLWORTHS who contributed to the supply of drinks.
- MASTERS who gave a generous discount to the purchase of the new P&C BBQ



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FROM OUR COOKBOOK



Gingerbread Kids

Ingredients:

125gm butter 1/3 cup Brown sugar
1/2 cup golden syrup 3 cups plain flour
2 teasp ground ginger 2 teasp ground cinnamon
1/2 teasp ground clove 2 teasp bicarb soda
1 egg, lightly beaten 1 teasp vanilla extract

Method:

1. Preheat oven to moderate. Lightly grease oven trays.
2. Heat butter, sugar and golden syrup in small microwave bowl uncovered on HIGH in microwave oven about 1 minute or until butter is melted. Remove from microwave and let cool for 5 minutes.
3. Sift combined flour, spices and soda into large bowl, add butter mixture, egg and extract, stir with wooden spoon until combined.
4. Knead dough lightly on floured surface, using rolling pin roll dough out to 5mm thickness. Using gingerbread man cutter, cut out shapes, place on oven trays.
5. Bake, uncovered, in moderate oven about 10 minutes or until golden brown. Cool on trays.

Royal Icing:

1 egg white 1 cup pure icing sugar
Food colourings

Beat egg white in small bowl with electric mixer until just frothy; gradually add sifted icing sugar, beating between additions, until stiff peaks form. Tint icing as desired, using various food colourings.

OUR SCHOOL IS GROWING

Our school population is continuing to grow. We have a number of parents wishing to bring their children to our school. The school has only a small number of places for out of area enrolments, and students are placed on waiting lists until a place becomes available.

If you have a child who will be starting school in 2013 or have a friend or neighbour who wishes to enroll their child at Banksia Road please come to the school office to complete an application.

If you know your child will not be returning in 2013 please complete the form attached to this newsletter and return it to the school office by this **Friday 7th December**.

SCHOOL BANKING

Friday 14th December is the last day for students to make a banking deposit. There is a chance that students can win an iPad mini just by making a deposit by the 14th December.

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 this 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.

We look forward to lots of our parents attending this opening and coming to see the artwork. Every student will have at least one artwork on display. The winners of the art competition will be announced at the opening.

MERIT AWARDS

PRINCIPAL

1L Baha, 4/5A Janah, KS Mohsin

BRONZE

1/2C Imogen, 1L Khaled, Lames, Layla
5/6W Olivia, 6J Muhammad, KS Zakia

SILVER

1L Amara, 3W Zeina, 4/5M Widad,
KF Abdulsamad, Jana

GOLD

3F Ahmed, Salima, 3W Nasser, Omar
4/5M Hassan

MEDALLION

5/6W Ruby, Amara

READING CLUB PARTIES

We have enjoyed another great year in Reading Club that has generated lots of excitement about reading for fun! Year 6 enjoyed their final Reading Club party today. The remaining Reading Club parties for the year are listed below. On your child's party date please provide a plate of finger food to share. All Reading Club novels must be returned on or before the party date- please check that your child's novel has been returned.

Grade	Novel	Party Date/Time
Year 5	The Magician's Elephant	Tuesday 18 th Dec 2.15 PM
Year 4	Fantastic Mr Fox	Wednesday 12 th Dec 2.15 PM
Year 3	Geronimo Stilton	Tuesday 11 th Dec 2.15 PM

LIBRARY BOOKS

All borrowing has ceased for the year and all library books are now overdue. Students have been reminded about their overdue books for the past few weeks. Students with unreturned books will receive reminder notices this week. If you cannot locate the missing books a fine of \$10 per item contributes to the cost of replacing the item. "Old Favourites" are older books and we charge \$5 when these items are lost.

SUMMER SCHOOL – for students in Years 2-5

Give your child a head start to their learning in 2013 by attending Summer School. This program is conducted in the week beginning Monday 7th January. It is an exciting literacy based program that helps students improve their reading and writing skills. They attend each day and will go on a special excursion – this is a great day.

There are still a few places left. A copy of the Summer school note is attached to this newsletter.

2013 ENROLMENTS

Please complete this form if you know that your **children will not be returning** to Banksia Road School in 2013.

PARENT'S NAME _____

CHILD'S NAME & CLASS _____

SUMMER SCHOOL IS BACK IN 2013

Students in Years 2 – 5 are invited to participate in Banksia Road's "Summer School". This program is designed to give children a head start to their learning in 2013. Children participate in a range of Literacy based activities, including an excursion – always a great surprise!!! Summer School is a great way to keep learning and have fun at the same time.

Summer School will take place from Monday 7th till Friday 11th January 2013 from 10am – 2.30pm each day, except for our excursion day on Tuesday 8th which will be an earlier start.

There is a small cost for each student of \$20.

If you wish to take advantage of this great program please complete the form below and return it with your payment to the school office by Friday 7th December. Numbers for Summer School are limited to a maximum of 50 students.

Have a great holiday and we look forward to Summer School being fun and successful.

Application for enrolment in SUMMER SCHOOL 2013 from 7-11 January.

I wish to enrol my child/children in 2013 Summer School

Name: _____ 2012 Class _____

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Enclosed is \$_____ being enrolment fee (\$20 per child)

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian

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