



Calendar Term 4

Week 8 November

Wednesday 27 th	Playgroup 9.30-11.30
Thursday 28 th	K-6 Assembly – KJ hosting Kids & Dads evening
Friday 29 th	Mt Lewis Transition Last day Special Swimming Scheme

Week 9 December

Tuesday 3 rd	K-2 Excursion AFL Goal Setting
Wednesday 4 th	Playgroup 9.30-11.30 Yr 6 Orientation Art Show Opening 2.30
Friday 6 th	Mt Lewis Transition Yr 6 Canberra excursion

Week 10 December

Wednesday 11 th	Playgroup 9.30-11.30 Good as Gold Lunch
Thursday 12 th	Presentation Day P&C Disco

Week 11 December

Monday 16 th	P&C
Tuesday 17 th	Year 6 Farewell Dinner
Wednesday 18 th	Playgroup 9.30-11.30 2.30pm Year 6 guard of honour Last Day for Students
Thursday 19 th	Staff Training
Friday 20 th	Staff Training School Office Closes for Christmas Holidays

Notes Home:

Summer School Expression of Interest
 Canteen Xmas Special

OUR FOCUS VALUE
Politeness

This means:

- Always saying please and thank you.
- Smiling when you say hello
- Knocking on the door and waiting to be asked to enter
- Waiting for your turn quietly and calmly

When we are being Respectful Learners we are also practicing politeness

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kids & Dads evening is this Thursday. Students in Years 2 & 3, together with those students in Years 5 & 6 who missed out last time, are invited to bring their dad along for an evening of games and dinner. Numbers are limited, so get your notes in quickly.

On Friday we welcome Mt.Lewis students who will be coming to Banksia Rd in 2014. This is an opportunity for them to meet their new classmates and become familiar with their new school. We trust they will enjoy this experience.

Teachers are busy completing reports. Parents will receive reports on Monday of Week 11. Teachers have collected data on your child's growth and development over this semester to ensure that this report is a fair and accurate account of progress.

The weather has not been kind to us this year for swimming school. This is the final week and we encourage children to come prepared each day with a change of clothes, wet weather gear and a towel. Make sure everything is labeled. There seems to be an array of clothes and towels left behind every day.

Last week our Banksia Bunnies graduated! Congratulations to all of you. We look forward to seeing you starting big school next year. Thank you to the Banksia Bunny who made a special visit for this event.

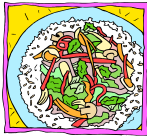


Summer School expression of interest notes accompany this week's newsletter. Places are limited to 50 places, so get your notes back in quickly. This is a great opportunity for children to get a head start for their learning in 2014!

Jenny Eggins

Principal

FROM OUR COOKBOOK



Avocado & Chicken Risotto

Ingredients

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

P&C NEWS

Remember P&C disco is on Thursday 12th December.

BE IN CORRECT UNIFORM

It is important that students wear the correct school uniform every day. Remember sports uniform is only to be worn on Friday or if there is a special activity day. Children must wear only school jumpers and jackets and the school bucket hat.

Shoes are an important part of the school uniform. **Only approved school shoes should be worn to school.** This means **black leather** shoes each day except on Sport days & Fridays when joggers are worn. Joggers should be predominately white. If you are buying shoes for school please refer to the photos below:



BLACK LEATHER



PREDOMINATELY WHITE

PLAYGROUP IS HELD EVERY WEDNESDAY IN THE SCHOOL HALL

Come and bring your children and share in the fun. Morning tea break is proudly sponsored by:

ABOU SALIM'S FRUIT SHOP

MERIT AWARDS 22/11/13

20 Awards - 2G Mark, 2J Bassam, 4/5M Zahara, KJ Tala.

40 Awards – 1K Alex, Ayah, Jana, Nada, Riad, Zakia, 2G Lames, Sam, Osama, Rayane, Yassin, 2J Mya, 5V Sohibe, KC Houssam, Laila.

60 Awards - 1/2L Zane, 2G Janah, 2G Omar, 2J Hady, Layla, Sulayman, 3W Nouraddine, 5K Yasmine, 6P Adam, K/1N Jadd, Layla, Alaa, KC Zakaria, Kareem, Reem, Wahib, KJ Laila.

80 Awards – 1/2L Noor, 2G Israa, 2J Ali, Lam, Yara, 5K Amirah, K/1N Daniel, Tasneem, KC Zeinab, KJ Ali, Mariam, Rihanna, KR Zidane, Ahmed.

100 Awards – 1/2L Annabella, 1K Simonet, 2G Mariam, 2J Arielle, Ayeesha, Dounya, 6P Amara, KC Sonya, KJ Sophia, KR Yasmeen, John.

120 Awards - KR Yusuf.

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 2014 or have a friend or neighbour who wishes to enrol 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 2014 please complete the form attached to this newsletter and return it to the school office by **Friday 6th December**.

Library

Reading Club Parties

Our Year 5 and 6 reading Club Parties will be held next week. Please ensure you provide your child with a plate of finger food for their party. All Reading Club novels need to be returned ASAP.

Grade	Novel	Party Date
Year 5	Magician's Elephant	Tue 3 rd Dec- 2.15
Year 6	Sleeping Sword	Thur 5 th of Dec- 2.15

Library Books



As our library prepares for the annual stock take we are asking parents to ensure that all library books are returned to the library this week. Students will be reminded of overdue books during their library lesson this week. Please check with your child if they have any outstanding books and help them locate them if necessary. Unfortunately there will be no more borrowing from the library for the remainder of this year.

From Mrs K. Thwaites Desk

USEFUL WEBSITES

What is a homonym?

Let's face it, English can be a crazy language. Take homonyms, for example. These are words that are identical in pronunciation and spelling but have different meanings. This homonym list will provide some clarity.

http://www.schooltoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-a-to-z/-/english_glossary/BQ84/homonym



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BANKSTOWN
PODIATRY CLINIC

Does your child suffer from...

- ✓ Growing pains
- ✓ Stomach pains
- ✓ Pigeon toed/Out toed feet
- ✓ Balance/control and coordination issues
- ✓ Falling over
- ✓ Foot and leg pains
- ✓ Flatfeet
- ✓ Heel pain
- ✓ Knee pain
- ✓ Back pain
- ✓ Bunions

BEFORE **AFTER**

*"Special interest in biomechanics and children problems"
(2-18 yrs of age)*

*"Children do not grow out of these conditions,
they need correction whilst they're growing"*

We also treat general foot problems for all ages such as:
Ingrown Toenails & Nail Problems - Corns - Callus
- Cracked Heels - Warts - Sports Injuries

12A Restwell Street, Bankstown NSW 2200 Ph: (02) 9791 5798

*Gift Presentation &
Speciality Cake Workshop*



Learn how to make a gift look great!

Di will show us some great gift presentation ideas and decorate one special occasion cake.

Where: Community Hub
Banksia Rd Primary School

When: Friday, 6 December 2013

Time: 10am – 1pm

Trainer: Di Whittaker, TAFE Outreach

Cost: Free

Free childcare provided

If you would like to attend, please contact
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2014 ENROLMENTS

Please complete this form if you know that your **children will not be returning** to Banksia Road School in 2014.

PARENT'S NAME _____

CHILD'S NAME & CLASS _____

MY CHILD/CHILDREN ARE MOVING TO : _____

Please write name of your new school