

Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Calendar

Week 8 March

Monday 18 th	P&C meeting 7pm
Tuesday 19 th	Regional Swimming Carnival
Wednesday 20 th	Playgroup Mothers' Group 10am
Thursday 21 st	Harmony Day K-6 Assembly 5K

Week 9 March

Tuesday 26 th	Kids & Dads evening Y1&2
Wednesday 27 th	Playgroup Mothers' Group 10am Easter Hat Parade
Friday 29 th	GOOD FRIDAY

Week 10 April

Monday 1 st	EASTER MONDAY
Wednesday 3 rd	Playgroup Mothers' Group 10am K-6 Assembly 3/4C

Week 11 April

Wednesday 10 th	Playgroup Opening of our garden
Thursday 11 th	P&C Disco 5-7pm

NOTES HOME

K-2 Easter Hat parade

Years 3-6 Camp Note

Expression of Interest for Music Lessons (on page 4 of newsletter)

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to everyone for the great success of Crazy Hair Day. Over \$700 was raised for the Leukemia Foundation. A huge thank you to all the mum's (and dads) who donated cakes for the cake stall. A special thank you to Peter, who now sports a very short hair cut!!!



There were some amazing Crazy Hair Dos. Donations are still being accepted until this Friday. Just put your donation in an envelope with your name and hand it to the office. A receipt will be forwarded to you.

This Thursday is Harmony Day. Please read the details for this day in today's newsletter.

Next Tuesday is Kids and Dad's evening, supported by the Benevolent Society. This is an opportunity for students in Year's 1 & 2 to spend a special evening with their dad. They will play games and have a beautiful dinner. There is no cost for this evening. There are still a few places left, so if you have a child in Year 1 or Year 2 either contact the school office to book a place or send in a note to secure one of these last spots. These nights have been very successful and something the children really look forward to. A special night with dad is the best!

The RTA provides a school crossing supervisor for our Banksia Road entrance. The RTA rules regarding crossing supervisors are as follows:

As you approach a pedestrian crossing or children's crossing where a School Crossing Supervisor is displaying a 'STOP Children Crossing' sign, you must slow down and stop. You may proceed when the School Crossing Supervisor no longer displays the sign in your direction or has indicated it is safe for you to proceed.

Parents are asked to make sure that their children get to school on time. School starts at 9.15am. Children arriving late disturb the learning of their class and themselves. The Home School Liaison Officer monitors school attendance and will investigate where children are constantly late for school.

FROM OUR COOKBOOK

Mexican Salad



Ingredients:

Corn chips, crushed 1 ctn sour cream
Avocado, sliced 1-2 jars salsa
Shredded tasty cheese Sliced red onions
Slices celery Shredded lettuce
Sliced red and green capsicum
Sliced Lebanese cucumber

Method:

Lay lettuce in bottom of glass bowl. Layer other ingredients and top with sour cream and crushed corn chips.

P&C NEWS

Thank you to everyone who attended last night's P&C AGM and monthly meeting. The following are this year's P&C Committee:

President: Sahar Elsemary
Vice President: Faten Boukhalil
Secretary: Salma Wehbe-Harris
Treasurer: Kylie Elakhras
Uniform Shop: Joanne Kirkman
Fund Raising: Mary Letfallah & Gina Koletti

The P&C are organizing their Easter Raffle. Parents are asked to donate chocolates and or Easter Eggs for this raffle. This raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade next week!!

Merit awards 8/3/2013 and 15/3/2013

Amneh	KR	20
Leanne	2J	20
Ferial	3W	20
Zena	3T	20
Tana-Luke	5K	20
Aydah	5K	20
Jenin	5K	20
Ibrahim	5k	20
Adam	5K	20

OUR FOCUS RULE OF THE WEEK

Be in the right place at the right time-CANTEEN

Lunches must be ordered before school. Children need to line up and wait for their turn to be served. Remember to always speak politely and say thank you.

PSSA DRAW 22/3/2013

GIRLS SOFTBALL	GEORGES HALL DIAMOND 1	O'NEIL PARK COOPER ROAD YAGOONA
BOYS SOFTBALL	ST EUPHIEMA DIAMOND 2	MIDDLETON PARK SMITH STREET YAGOONA
BASKETBALL	TBA	BANKSTOWN BASKETBALL STADIUM
BOYS CRICKET	GEORGES HALL	STEVE FOLKS PARK
GIRLS CRICKET	TBA	GRAHME THOMAS OVAL BANKSTOWN

Sports Report – T1 Wk 7

Boys T-Ball

On Friday the Boys T-Ball and Softball team travelled to Middleton Park to play against Malek Fahd.

The Junior boys played a really good game and stopped most of the balls hit towards them. They had lots of fun and won their game 8-4. The man of the Match was Christian for great catching at First Base.

The Softball Boys had a great game and tried really hard to keep the runs down on the other team. They succeeded and won the game 6-4. The man of the Match was Ahmed for excellent catching on First Base and a good hit.

Boys Cricket

Last Friday we played Malek Fahd at Allum Park.

Juniors : lost 53 v 76

Best batsman were Peter, Mohammed & Umer . Peter almost got a hat trick!

Seniors : lost 4/26 v 7/27

A big thanks to two Year 6 girls, Amira and Noura, for playing so well. Amira got two wickets. Malek Fahd lost more wickets than us yet beat us by one run. So close!

Junior Basketball Games

Last Friday, the Junior Boys Basketball team competed against Georges Hall in what was a tough game. The score was 22-10 with Georges Hall taking the lead. Mohammed S was nominated player of the game for using great strategies to set up our shots.

The Junior Girls Basketball Team competed against Berala in what was an evenly matched game. The score was 12-10 with Banksia Road winning the game. Amani and Ursula from 5K were nominated players of the game for their excellent ability to work as a team and set up plays that would allow us to defeat Berala.

Miss Mikellides

Girls Tee Ball and Softball

Last Friday the senior and junior girls travelled to O'Neill Park to play in their second game against Chester Hill. Most of their players were new to the game and our girls are picking up the rules quickly!

The juniors played a great game and every single one of them got home twice! They won 18-7. The players of the match were Katesha for great batting in her first game and Rabiha for a strong and confident bat.

The seniors also won with a score of 5-2 and worked well as a team. Their throwing skills are increasing and the players of the match were Amara for good catching on first base and Jenin for a great home run and quick thinking when running the field.

Banksia Bouncer's Auditions

Try outs for our Primary Hip Hop dance group the Banksia Bouncers will continue this **Friday** from **3.15- 4.00**. In order to give everyone a fair chance to learn and practice the routine the auditions will run over 4 Fridays. The final session is on the last day of term (12.4.13) when the group will be selected. Dancers who are selected to be part of the Banksia Bouncers will continue their rehearsals on Friday afternoons in Terms 2 and 3 (from 3.15 to 4.30) and will perform at a variety of events including an evening festival in Term 4. For more information please see Miss Webster

From Mrs K.Thwaites Desk

Public Speaking

Does your child suffer glossophobia? Fear of public speaking is common. Try creating opportunities for your child to present speeches to the family, without putting pressure on them to perform. Here are some tried and true tips to make your child's next speech a success.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/public-speaking-in-primary-school>



Science Starters

Did humans live with dinosaurs? Does the moon disappear in the day? Kids love to know the answers to life's mysteries but there are a few facts they often get wrong in the name of science.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/science/10-scientific-facts-your-child-needs-to-know>



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Dads & Kids Night



The first Dads & Kids night will happen on Tuesday, 26 March 2013 from 6.00-8.30pm. Dads with children in Years 1 and 2 are invited to come along and enjoy the activities.

Please send back your attendance slip to the school by 21 March.

Cooking Classes for Parents



Interested in learning more about cooking and nutrition?

We'll be running cooking classes for parents every month this year at the mobile kitchen. The first one will happen on Thursday, 4 April 2013 from 12.30-2.30pm.

If you would like to join in please email Anne Maree or leave a note with your name and contact details in the Benevolent Society Suggestion Box.

PLAY GROUP 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



Easter Special Tuesday 26th March

Easter Sausage Sizzle Orders

Don't forget to place your order for a sausage at the canteen and receive your free mini Easter Eggs.

If you don't have an order form they are available at the office or the canteen.

Expression of interest for music lessons

I am interested in my child _____

class _____ receiving music lessons.

I understand that the cost is to be advised later.

Keyboard: _____

Guitar: _____

Parents Signature: _____

