

Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Tuesday, 26 March 2013

Calendar

Week 9

March

Tuesday 26 th	Kids & Dads evening Y1&2
Wednesday 27 th	Playgroup 9.15 – 11am Easter Hat Parade 9.30am Raffle Draw
Friday 29 th	GOOD FRIDAY

Week 10

April

Monday 1 st	EASTER MONDAY
Wednesday 3 rd	Playgroup 9.15 -11am Mothers' Group 10am
Thursday 4 th	K-6 Assembly 3/4C – 2.15pm

Week 11

Wednesday 10 th	Playgroup 9.15 -11am Opening of our garden 10-11am
Thursday 11 th	P&C Disco 5-7pm
Friday 12 th	Last day of term

Week 1

May

Monday 29 th	School Office open Professional Learning Day for teachers
Tuesday 30 th	School Office open Professional Learning Day for teachers
Wednesday 1 st	All students return to commence Term 2 Playgroup 9.15 -11am

NOTES HOME

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

Yagoona School 60th Anniversary flyer.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

What a fabulous Harmony Day we had last Thursday! Thank you to all our families who brought along food for our amazing feast. It was terrific to see so many parents join us for this special celebration of the different cultures that make up Banksia Road's community.



Children participated in a range of activities that focused on working together in harmony and telling their story. Our teachers and students shared many stories on this day. Everyone has a story and we encourage our students to talk to their grandparents and ask them to tell their story.

I congratulate our teachers on the quality of learning experiences they give our children every day, and the

wonderful learning opportunities they provided for their students on this Harmony Day.

It is with some sadness that we were informed that one of our students was hit by a car last Friday when walking home from school. Luckily he was not seriously injured. Parents and children are constantly reminded about being safe at school and on the way home. We again stress the importance of crossing at the supervised crossing on Banksia Road – always following the instructions of Mr Harry. On Boronia Road the only safe crossing place is at the traffic lights at each end of the block. This is only a short walk and ensures that your child is safe. We ask that parents be good role models for all our children and always cross at the supervised crossing or the traffic light.

The next two weeks are short weeks, with Good Friday and Easter Monday holidays. They are, however, busy weeks! Tomorrow evening it is Kids & Dads night (5-7pm) for children in Year 1 & 2. This is a great initiative supported by the Benevolent Society. Then on Wednesday we have our Easter Hat Parade for K-2. This is always lots of fun, with some amazing hat creations. We look forward to lots of parents coming along. The Easter raffle will be drawn at this parade.

This newsletter can also be viewed on the school's website.

NO PSSA THIS WEEK

FROM OUR COOKBOOK



Pancakes

Ingredients:

1 cup self raising flour
1 tblsp castor sugar
1 cup milk
1 teasp vanilla essence
1 egg
20gm butter, melted

Method:

1. Combine flour and sugar in medium bowl, make a well in centre. Gradually whisk in milk, essence, egg and butter, strain batter in large jug.
2. Cook $\frac{1}{4}$ cups of the batter in batches in large oiled non-stick frying pan until browned lightly on both sides. Serve with berries and ice-cream or butter and honey

Merit awards 22/3/2013

Sonya	KS	20
Sophia	KJ	20
Jacob	KR	20
Ellina	KR	20
Jayla	KR	20
Zidane	KR	20
Yusuf	KR	20
Jana	2J	20
Malak	3T	20
Amir	3W	20
Aidan	3W	20
Diaan	3W	20
Nouradine	3W	20
Sathe	5K	20
Amani	5K	20
Nadia	5K	20
Sophia	5K	20
Widad	5K	20
Amara	6P	20

OUR FOCUS RULE OF THE WEEK

Be safe and sensible

Keep your hands and feet to yourself.

Sports Report – T1 Wk 8

Boys T-Ball and Softball

Last Friday the Senior and Junior boys travelled to Middleton Park to play against St Euphemia. The boys were nervous to do well and tried really hard.

The juniors played a great game and came through in the end. They were trailing the other team when our last batter hit an amazing hit and ran the bases really well. The game ended in a tie 12-12. It was a real nail-biter. The Man of the Match was Omar for great hitting and running the bases.

The seniors tried hard to keep the runs down on the other team but unfortunately they were nervous and had trouble throwing the ball to the players. Their batting was better but they couldn't get the runs in. They lost 6-3. The Man of the Match was Rabih for great catching and batting.

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 George 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 against Georges Hall. The girls were all determined to win against our biggest competition!

The juniors played a strong game but unfortunately lost with a score of 15-11. The players of the match were Katesha Jaroudi for amazing us all with fantastic batting and Amirah Elakhras for quick thinking and tagging girls out.

The seniors lost sadly 9-0 as the Georges Hall girl on first base was too fast! I was impressed with the way the outfielders worked as a team. The players of the match were Shaza Ayoubi for supporting the outfielders and Amara Elmowy for great tagging on first base.

Cricket

Last Friday our Junior and Senior Cricket teams played Georges Hall at Steve Folkes Reserve. Both teams played

keenly and displayed some improved skills in all aspects of the game. Georges Hall, however, had too much depth and outscored us in both games. The Junior side lost 94-57, while the seniors went down 41-14. Our junior side was well served by Umer and Noah who have really improved their bowling and Faisal who kept well and Peter for a good all round game.

Mr Perrett

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

Facts about Fractions

If you've forgotten 3/5 of primary school maths and 7/8 of high school maths, what's left? Ah Ha! Kids need help learning how to add fractions too. The only thing left is to print these fact sheets.

Find out more:

<https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eppcontent/glossary/app/resource/factsheet/4013.pdf>



Amazing art

Autumn's the perfect season to take a trip to a gallery. The popular ArtExpress exhibition connects us to the inner lives and self-expression of high school students. Amazing works are on show throughout NSW. Check out the calendar.

Find out more:

<http://artexpress.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/>

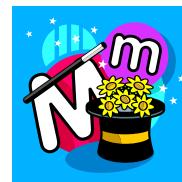


Sounding out loud

Making phonics fun. Help your child learn to read by sounding out their words. Here are some tips to help your child gain confidence reading.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english-tips/phonics-helping-your-child-with-letters-and-sounds>



Leroys Academy.

Leroys has before and after school care at the school and they provide:

- *Pick ups from your home within a 2 km radius
- *Before and after school care
- *Vacation care
- *Private tutoring
- *Child care rebates
- *Hot meals (Halal Food provided)
- *Art & craft activities
- *Homework stations
- *Foos Ball Tables
- *Table tennis
- *Computer Games
- AND MUCH MORE!!!

**Called SETA on 9790 0707 or
0404 14 14 19**

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:

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Health and Fitness Classes for Women

Come and join our new health and fitness classes for women:

When: Tuesdays from 2 April 2013

Time: 10.34am – 11.45am

Where: School Hall

Cost: \$2 per class (\$4 if you need child care)

Who: Robyn Suttor of Family Fitness

Robyn Suttor is a very experienced and caring instructor and will lead the exercise class and provide information on important health issues.

The classes are for **women only** so if you are a mother, sister, aunty, grandmother or friend, **come along and join in.**



Hope to see you there next Tuesday!

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.

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:_____