

Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Calendar 2014

TERM 4

Week 7 November

Monday 17 th	FINAL Homework Club Gymnastics Program K-3 Active After School K-2 Puppet Incursion Yr 5 Excursion State Parliament
Tuesday 18 th	Gymnastics Program K-3 Year 3 Excursion Wattamolla
Wednesday 19 th	Playgroup K-2 Puppet Incursion
Thursday 20 th	Bunnies Program Active after School Year 4 Excursion Wattamolla
Friday 21 st	Last Day for Bunnies Program Mt Lewis Transition 2015

Week 8 November

Tuesday 25 th	Gymnastics Program K-3 Belmore Boys Soccer Gala Day
Wednesday 26 th	Playgroup Last Day Of Scripture
Thursday 27 th	Banksia Road Showcase Concert

Week 9 December

Monday 1 st	Swim Scheme Commences
Tuesday 2 nd	Swim Scheme
Wednesday 3 rd	Swim Scheme
Thursday 4 th	Swim Scheme
Friday 5 th	Swim Scheme Yr6 Canberra Excursion

NOTES HOME:

Parent OSHC Survey

Year 6 Graduation Bears letter

Canteen Meal Deal

REMINDER: Final week to pay for Swim Scheme



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

KIDS AND DADS

Our students and their Dads had a fun filled night of games last Thursday 6th November. This is a worthwhile initiative that is supported by the Benevolent Society and Western Sydney AFL. The food from Sasa's Corner was as wonderful as ever. Many of the Dads stayed around after dinner for community consultation where they offered suggestions for further community events. Thank you Anne Maree, Marina and Zizi.



COFFEE IN THE HUB

This Thursday morning from 9am till 10:30am, all parents are invited to the Community Hub to meet Marina (Community Hub Coordinator) and enjoy a friendly chat with other parents. We are also interested in any ideas you have for the school.

HOMEWORK CLUB

Yesterday was the final Homework Club for the year. I would personally like to thank the teachers for volunteering their time each Monday afternoon to facilitate the Homework Club. We look forward to continuing this initiative next year.

CHILD PROTECTION

In government schools, child protection education forms part of all students learning in Personal Development Health and Physical Education from Kindergarten to Year 10. Students learn skills in recognising if they could be unsafe and strategies for protecting themselves. Strategies including saying 'no' if they can, going away from the situation and telling a trusted adult what has happened as soon as possible. If you would like to discuss the content further, please speak to your child's class teacher.

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

Anxiety affects one in ten children and it impacts a child's social, family and school life. Children with anxiety are generally not disruptive in class or at home. Small Steps (from NSW Health) are conducting an information session for parents on Monday 24th November, in the library from 9:30 till 10:45am. All parents are welcome.

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS

Leroys have finished their tenure with our onsite before and after school care. The Department of Education are coordinating the tendering process for a new before and after school care on site. Please fill in the attached survey so we can gauge the demand for this service

Hamish Woudsma

GOOD AS GOLD AWARDEES 14th NOVEMBER 2014

120 Awards Sandra 5P, Aydah 6H

100 Awards Rihan 1/2A and Amar 5P

80 Awards Yasmeen 1/2A Samia 6P, Samah K/1 Sand Khuban KR

60 Awards Abdullah 1G, Abdul Kader, Rihanna, Ellina, Hassan and Mosab Fayez 1M, Hasan 2L, Baha Edeen 3N, Widad 5/6N, Alaa 5P, Sophia 6H and Mohamed K/1S

40 Awards Ayah, Ghazi and Nabil 1M, Nada 2L, Jahida 3/4F, Adam 4W, Malak K/1S

20 Awards Maysa 1G, Anwar 3k, Sulayman 3N and Jannat K/1S

University of NSW Maths Competition

Congratulations to Morgan (Distinction), Jana, Sabrina, Mohammed and Noor (Credits) for their performances in the UNSW Maths competition. Well done children.

University of NSW English Competition

Congratulations to Noor, Morgan, Christian, Jenin, Jana and Georgia (Credits) for their excellent performances in the UNSW English competition. Well done everyone.

WWF Fundraiser

Next Tuesday, 25th November we are holding a multi day to raise money for the World Wildlife Fund. You may come to school in the colours of your favourite animal, in a costume or an animal onesie! Please bring a gold coin donation to support the protection of endangered animals! Mrs Norman

THANKYOU

We were very fortunate in receiving 40 boxes of new donated craft supplies from a company called "Stampin'up". The materials will be used throughout the school over the coming year. We would like to thank the company for this fantastic donation.

STUDENT BANKING

The Commonwealth Bank are running another great competition for student banking with prizes of GoPro cameras and Slip and Slide Wave Riders. To be in the running for this competition students simply make a school banking deposit between October and November.

PLAYGROUP

This week at playgroup a nurse from the Health Clinic will be visiting to talk to the parents.

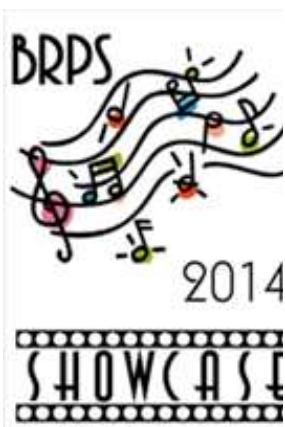
Playgroup is held in the School Hall at 9.30-11.30 every Wednesday morning for all preschoolers.

Everybody is welcome to attend.

Come and bring your children and share in the fun.

Morning tea break is proudly sponsored by:

ABOU SALIM Fruit Shop



BRPS Showcase Ticket Order Form

Childs Name: _____

Class: _____

Number of tickets: Adult (\$5) _____ Child (\$3 - aged 3-12) _____

Family (\$15 - 2 adults & 2 Children) _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Tickets will be on sale at the office foyer from 8.30 am – 9:00 am every morning until sold out.

Tickets at the door on the day will be \$10 each!



Come along and familiarise yourself with **BRPS community hub** and make new friends by joining one of our courses or workshops. The community hub is here to listen to your needs or suggestions and can offer you help in Arabic and English. We can help you with settlement information and offer support for families.

Beading Course with Nisreen

Learn how to make beautiful beaded things like jewellery boxes with Banksia Rd's own talented beader Nisreen! Fun and fast – Call Marina to register on 0424 326 302 Starts Thursday 13 Nov 2014 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

Cooking Class

Come join the fun in the community cooking class. Learn how to cook different dishes held on Mondays at 1pm at the school. For more information call Marina on 0424 326 302

Thank You Darwich Meats!

We would like to say a **big thank you** to **Darwich Meats** in Greenacre for donating *fresh halal meat* to **BRPS Community Hub** Cooking Classes. The cooking classes are made possible thanks to the generous donations from Darwich Meats!

Coffee Time @ the Hub Have your say!

Community consultation session. All parents and all nationalities are welcome to BRPS Community Hub!

Your chance to contribute ideas, suggestions, express needs into the 2015 planning of BRPS Community Hub Thursday 20 Nov 2014 @ 9 am



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Exercise Classes for Women Get ready for Summer!

Come and join our weekly health and fitness classes with Pilates, Tai Chi, Strength and Cardiovascular Training.



**When: Every Wednesday
8 October to 3 December 2014**

Time: 1.45pm – 2.45pm

Where: School Hall

Cost: Free

Who: All women – mothers, sisters, aunts, grandmothers, friends

Trainer: Robyn Suttor of Family Fit

Email or phone Anne Maree for more information or just meet us in the school hall every Wednesday.

Free childcare available!

Communities for Children is an initiative of the Australian Government funded by the Department of Social Services.

COMMUNITY PERCEPTIONS IN BANKSTOWN

Bankstown City Council is currently conducting a survey to understand the community perceptions in Bankstown. The results of the survey will help us target areas of Bankstown and make them safer for our community to live, work, play and study.

Participants who complete the survey will go into the draw to **win a \$100 Coles/Myer Gift Card**. The survey will be open until 31 December 2014. To complete the short survey please visit:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/perceptionsinbankstown>

SUMMER SCHOOL IS BACK IN 2015

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 2015. 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 12th till Friday 16th January 2015 from 10am – 2.30pm each day, except for our excursion day which is to be advised.

There is a small cost for each student of \$30.

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 5th December. Numbers for Summer School are limited to a maximum of 50 students. Past Summer Schools have always been popular with both students and parents and it has proven to be a great way to kick start your child's learning for the new school year.

Application for enrolment in SUMMER SCHOOL 2014 from 12th – 16th January.

I wish to enrol my child/children in 2015 Summer School

Name: _____ 2014 Class _____

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Enclosed is \$_____ being enrolment fee (\$30 per child)

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian