

Tuesday, 11 February 2014

Calendar

Week 3 February

Monday 10 th	Bulldogs visit
Wednesday 12 th	Playgroup BGHS visit
Thursday 13 th	School Swimming carnival
Friday 14 th	PSSA notes & levy due to receive early bird discount 10am - SPECIAL HUB morning tea

Week 4 February

Monday 17 th	P&C Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 18 th	Meet the teacher interviews
Wednesday 19 th	Playgroup, Scripture classes commence
Friday 21 st	PSSA Summer sport starts

Week 5 February

Wednesday 26 th	Playgroup
Thursday 27 th	SCHOOL PHOTOS

Week 6 March

Monday 3 rd	District Swimming
Wednesday 5 th	Playgroup

NOTES HOME

Meet the teacher interviews
SCHOOL PHOTOS envelope

FOCUS RULE **BE SAFE IN THE PLAYGROUND**

This means playing by the rules of the game and never pushing each other. Always takes turns and accept winning and losing.

FOCUS VALUE **KINDNESS**

Be kind in everything we do. Remember Mr. Stanley's suggestion to go the extra mile and smile.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

All classes are settling in well. We still have new families arriving and we welcome them to our school.

Next Tuesday we will be having our meet the teacher meetings. In the past this has been a quick meet and greet. This left many parents feeling that they didn't have an opportunity to talk to their child's new teacher. This year we are changing the format to one of individual interviews. These interviews will run in the same way as Report Interviews. Parents are invited to have a brief meeting with their child's teacher in the hall from 2pm next Tuesday. This is your opportunity to tell your child's teacher about any special needs and interests your child has or anything you feel will help support their learning. A note accompanies this letter.

Yesterday the Canterbury Bulldogs visited our school and spoke to all our students in Years 2-6 about Bullying. Their message was a strong one that was well received by students. A big part of the message was the importance of not being a bystander. If you see someone being bullied it is important to say something. We are proud of our students and know that they are kind and considerate and will not condone bullying by being a bystander.

Thank you to all our families who took up the early bird offer for Family Contributions and Back to School Requirements. Teachers will be giving children their textbooks and Mathematics/Reading Eggs passwords when these fees are paid. Parents are reminded that these fees may be paid by EFTPOS or an installment arrangement can be made by contacting the school office. These fees must be paid in full this Term.

Children in Year's 3-6 have been participating in trials for Summer PSSA teams. These teams will be finalised this week. Good luck to all children trying out.

Our students are looking fabulous in their school uniforms. We remind parents that children need to wear only black leather school shoes Monday to Thursday. Some children are wearing soft fabric shoes, these are not suitable for school and are not uniform. We also remind parents that the yellow sports shirt is only worn on Friday or when there is a special sports day.

Jenny Egginis

Principal

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

ONSITE

The school has an excellent **before and after school care service, Leroy's**. This service provides care from 6.30am – 9am and 3pm – 6.30pm in the school's Block 5 (wooden building). They even do morning pick-ups from your home! This service is registered for Centrelink Rebates, **so for most families the service is either FREE or minimal cost. For more information contact Seta – 0404 141 419.**

FROM OUR COOKBOOK



EGYPTIAN CHICKPEA AND CORZO SOUP

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Ingredients:

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| 6 cups vegetable broth | 1 tbs parsley, chopped |
| 2 cups water | 3 cups corzo (small pasta) |
| 6 cloves garlic thinly sliced | 2 lemons cut in wedges |
| 1 small onion chopped | salt & pepper |
| 1 ½ cups cooked and drained chickpeas | |

Method:

1. Combine broth, water, garlic and onion in a saucepan over medium heat until onion cooked
2. Add chickpeas and cook for 15 mins
3. Add salt, pepper and parsley
4. Cook pasta in boiling water until tender, drain.
5. Serve pasta with the soup and a few drops of lemon
- 6.

PARENT HELPERS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

All parent helpers MUST have a registered 'Working with Children' number. This requires helpers to complete a form online and take it to the RTA. There is no cost for volunteers to get this approval. If any parents would like help in completing this form please come to the school office.

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop is open every Monday & Friday morning.

CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS

If your address or phone numbers have changed over the holidays can you please let the office ladies know as soon as possible.

SCHOOL PHOTOS THURSDAY 27TH FEBRUARY

We will be having our annual school photos taken on Thursday 27th February. Children need to wear full summer uniform. This includes black leather shoes and white socks. We remind parents that this means the green school shirt for boys. It is preferred that girls wear the school dress. Payment envelopes are going home with today's newsletter. **Please note parents must enclose exact amount as the school office does not handle this money and therefore is not able to give change.**

PLAYGROUP

Playgroup will commence this week (Wednesday 5th February) in the hall at 9:30-11:30 for all pre-schoolers.

Everybody is welcome come and bring your children and share in the fun.

Morning tea break is proudly sponsored by:

ABOU SALIM'S FRUIT SHOP



SCRIPTURE

Islamic Scripture Teachers are required for this year. Training will be provided. If you are interested please leave your name and phone number at the office.

WHEN BRINGING MONEY/PERMISSION NOTES TO SCHOOL

All money and permission notes are to be placed in the slot in the office wall. Please do not send them to the class teacher and ensure it is clearly mark with your child's name and class.



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Exercise Classes for Women



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

When: Every Tuesday

4 February to 18 March 2014

Time: 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Where: School Hall

Cost: Gold coin donation

Who: All women – mothers, sisters, aunties, 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 Tuesday.

Free childcare available!

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

Coffee and Information Morning



A chance to get together over morning tea to talk about ideas for activities for parents and carers in 2014. Tea/coffee and morning tea will be provided.

When: Friday, 14 February 2014

Time: 10.00am – 12noon

Where: P&C Room (Hub)

Who: Anyone interested in attending activities in 2014

Come along and help us plan 2014 activities!