

# Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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**Caring, creative, challenging and achieving**



Wednesday, 12 March 2014

## Calendar 2014

### Week 7

### March

Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Little Kids Big Dreams Y5
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Selective High School Test
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Book Club Orders Due

### Week 8

### March

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm P&C AGM
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Little Kids Big Dreams Y4,5,6
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	K-6 Assembly 2.15pm HARMONY DAY
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Cookie Dough Orders Due

### Week 9

### March

Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	P&C Disco 5-7pm

### Week 10

### April

Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Playgroup
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	K-6 assembly – 2.15pm

### Week 11

### April

Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Hat Parade Cookie Dough Order Delivery
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Eggins Farewell 3:30pm

### **FOCUS RULE – Keep the playground Tidy**

Make sure all your rubbish goes in the bin.

### **FOCUS VALUE - Honesty**

Always tell the truth. It never helps to tell a lie

**NOTES HOME:** Open Your Heart Flyer  
Head Lice Flyer 1M

## **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

Last week we had a very serious wakeup call regarding road safety. One of our Year 2 students was hit by a car in the morning when crossing Boronia Rd. This is an extremely busy road and we must be very thankful to the driver of the vehicle who was going well under the 40km speed limit as he passed through the school zone.

While the student was in the care of an adult, she let go of the guiding hand and ran in front of the car. She has suffered minor injuries, we are forever grateful that these injuries are not serious and she will fully recover.

We strongly urge parents to use the Banksia Road entrance, where Mr. Harry supervises the crossing and keeps our students safe. If you need to use Boronia Road the only safe place to cross is at the traffic lights. This might add a couple of minutes, however, it could save their life.

It would be our worst nightmare to lose a child when they are innocently just coming to school, as happened at another school at the end of last year. So we urge parents to:

- Only cross at the pedestrian crossing or traffic lights
- Obey all parking signs
- Never to pull into a driveway – when you back out onto the road you put all our children at risk
- Never stop on the road or on the crossing and ask you child to get in the car
- Remember doing a U-turn over double lines is against the law.

We thank all of our parents who keep our kids safe every day.

Mrs. Eggins

## **COLLECT YOUR AWARDS FOR PRIZES**

20 little awards = 1 Principal's award

40 little awards = Bronze Award

60 little awards = Silver Award

80 little awards = Gold Award

100 little awards = Medallion Award & Principal's lunch

## **Head Lice**

There is a seasonal outbreak of head lice at the school. Please check your child's head frequently for lice and eggs. Your local chemist can advise you what shampoo to use.

## FROM OUR COOKBOOK

### FRUIT KEBABS



#### **Ingredients**

- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 2 medium bananas, peeled, cut into 8 pieces
- 1/2 medium (680g) rockmelon, peeled, cut into 16 pieces
- 8 strawberries, hulled
- 2 medium kiwifruit, cut into 8 pieces

#### **Method**

1. Place lemon juice in bowl. Add banana. Toss to coat.
2. Thread banana, rockmelon, strawberries and kiwifruit onto skewers. Serve.

### BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE ONSITE

The school has an excellent **before and after school care service, Leroys**. 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.**

### BOOK CLUB

Orders must be returned by the Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March

### SCRIPTURE

We only need one Islamic Scripture Teachers for 1G. Training will be provided. If you are interested please leave your name and phone number at the office.

### VOLUNTEERS

The school Fundraising Committee is looking for volunteers to help raise money for the extras that the school needs. If you are interested and would like to become involved in your child's school, please leave your name and phone number at the office and someone will contact you.

### UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop is **only** open from 8:45 – 9:15 **Monday and Friday mornings**

### FUNDRAISING

Don't forget to choose a prize for your child and return your Billy G's Gourmet Cookie Dough order forms by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March.

### P&C Disco

The P&C welcome Disco is coming soon!!! 27<sup>th</sup> March 5-7pm

We'd love it if you could help out, even for half an hour. Please leave your details at the office and someone from the P&C committee will contact you.

## PSSA

### **Round 4 14<sup>th</sup> March**

<b>Sport</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Venue</b>
Girls Cricket	TBA	Bankstown Memorial Oval
Boys Cricket	Malek Fahd	Allum Park
Boys/Girls Basketball	Berala	Basketball Stadium Condell Park
Boys T-Ball/Softball	Bankstown	Middleton Park Yagoona Diamond 2
Girls T-Ball/Softball	Malek Fahd	O'Neill Park Yagoona Diamond 5

### PSSA REPORTS

#### Boys Softball/T-Ball

Last Friday the boys' Softball and T-Ball teams travelled to Middleton Park to verse Bankstown Public School. As it was only our second game of the season the boys played really well and have already shown improvement in their batting and fielding.

The boys' T-Ball team played first, batting well and finding the gaps in the oppositions fielding. They tried to keep Bankstown's runs down, however, the game ended in a 12-12 draw. The Men of the Match are Siraj for catching the ball and getting the last runners out, Jabreel for hitting two home runs and Morgan for great batting and running.

The Softball boys started out slowly and unfortunately couldn't find the gaps in the field. We were unable to get any runs on the board and lost the game 5-0. The Man of the match was Alex for a great batting start to the season.

#### Girls Softball/T-Ball

Last Friday, our girls' T-Ball and Softball teams braved the heat and headed to O'Neil Park to play against Chester Hill. Although many of our junior girls are new-comers to the game, the whole team played so well together and we finished up with a tied game at 8 all. Sandra was our player of the match with her fantastic catching and batting skills!

Our Senior girls came onto the field next and blew Chester Hill away with their amazing batting! It was an excellent first game which we won 6-2 and Georgia was our player of the match for her phenomenal home run! Well done everyone!

### PLAYGROUP

Playgroup is in the hall each Wednesday, during school term, 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



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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!***

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## Grant Writing Workshop

***Learn how to raise funds for your school and your community***

In this workshop, you will get practical information about writing grant applications which could help you raise funds for projects in your school and your community.

The presenter, Keith Whelan, has a lot of experience training people in school P&Cs, sports clubs and many other organisations.

During the workshop, you will also get a chance to practice grant writing.

You will learn how about:

- Public and Private Sector grants – what's available
- Strategy and planning
- Building community capacity and sustainability
- Practical Grant Writing tips
- How to evaluate a project

**Where: Banksia Road Primary School, Parents Room (Hub)**

**When: Tuesday, 25 March - 10.00am – 1.00pm (Morning Tea provided)**

**Trainer: Keith Whelan from *The Grants Guy***

**Cost: Free!!**

***Free childcare available!***

If you would like to come to the workshop, please ring, email or SMS Anne Maree on:

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