

# Banksia Bulletin

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## Calendar 2014

### TERM 2

#### Week 3

May

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Eye Testing K-2
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	NAPLAN Testing Free Eye Testing K-2
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>	NAPLAN Testing Eye Testing K-2 Playgroup Stewart House bags returned Book Club due
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	NAPLAN Testing Eye Testing K-2

#### Week 4

May

Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	P & C Meeting Eye Testing K-2
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Eye Testing K-2
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Playgroup Eye Testing K-2
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Eye Testing K-2
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Walk Safely to School Day

#### Week 5

May

Monday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Meet the Principal Morning Tea in the hall
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	CPR Help Yrs 3-6
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	District Cross Country No PSSA CPR Help Yrs 3-6

Notes Home: K-2 Excursion

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It was great to see so many parents at our K – 6 Assembly last Thursday afternoon. As I mentioned, our Year 5 and 6 students completed a survey. One of the questions being, what 3 things do you really like about our school? The top three responses were:

1. The teachers
2. The open grounds
3. The extra curricular opportunities

I will continue to report on the survey results. A parent survey was also sent home to five students in each class. If you would like to complete a survey, please visit the office. I am going to host a 'Meet the Principal' morning tea on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> of May in the school hall, all parents are welcome.

Today our Year 3 & 5 students sat the first of the NAPLAN tests, Language Conventions and Writing. Tomorrow will be Reading and Thursday Mathematics. NAPLAN is designed to be used as a diagnostic test allowing schools to analyse whole school trends and develop specific targets. The best advice for making sure your child is ready each day is to make sure they get a good night's sleep and have a healthy breakfast and just relax.

Congratulations to our school's Cross Country Team who will be competing at District on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May. I am sure they are getting some training in every day.



Tomorrow we will welcome a new permanent member of staff, Mr Paul Craft, who will be teaching 4W for the remainder of the year. Mr Craft has been working at Hilltop Road PS for the last few years. We look forward to him being a part of our Banksia Road Team.

Mr Woudsma

## Head Lice

It has come to our attention that there are some students that have contracted Head Lice commonly called 'Nits'. It is important when this information is given to the school that we pass it on to parents so they can take appropriate action.

Please check your child's hair and if you find any eggs or lice treat it with special Head-Lice Shampoo before returning your child to school. Head lice are easily passed from child to child even without direct contact. It is always advisable for students with long hair to keep it tied neatly in a ponytail or similar.

## GOOD AS GOLD AWARDEES 9th MAY 2014

20 Awards: , Khuban KR, Amir KR, Malek 1/2A , Hassan 1M, Adam 3/4F, Charbel 3N, Widad 5/6N, Amar 5P, Izack 5P, Shatha 6H, Aydah 6H, Sophia 6H, Jenin 6P

40 Awards: Zainb 1/2A 40

## PLAYGROUP

Playgroup is held 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:*

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## PSSA

Round 2 16<sup>th</sup> May 2014

Sport	Opponent	Venue
Girls Soccer	Malek Fahd	Gosling Park Hillcrest Ave Greenacre
Boys Soccer	Bankstown	Jim Ring Reserve Gascoigne Rd Birrong
Net Ball	<u>TBA</u>	Deverall Park Yanderra Street Condell Park
Rugby League	Berala	Steve Folkes Reserve Maclean Street Bass Hill

## PSSA Sport Report

Last Friday the **Junior Boys Soccer** team played Wattawa Heights. The half-time score was nil all. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> half we were too strong. We won 2-0 with Zain and Christian scoring. Hassan was the best defender. Zain was man of the match.

The **Senior Girls Soccer** team had a resounding win against Wattawa Heights 6-0. The girls played well as a team and strung lots of passes together. Goals were taken well by our strikers and even though the backs didn't have much to do they stayed in their position and did their job well. Jenin Ghanem was the player of the match with some great runs down the right and unselfish play.

The **Junior Girls Soccer** had a difficult game against a strong Wattawa Heights team who had some outstanding players. They held on for a 0-0 draw. Our experienced players, Ayah, Zara and Lara were fantastic throughout the game and helped the girls who played their 1<sup>st</sup> game of PSSA ever. Player of the Match was Iman who wasn't afraid of tackling girls twice her size.

Good start to the season girls, keep working on your fitness.

On Friday the **Senior Girls Netball** team travelled to Deverall Park to play against Bankstown. It was a fast and difficult game and we tried really hard to keep up but unfortunately we were unable to match the goals and lost 14-2. The whole team were women of the match because we tried really hard for the first game of the season.

The **Junior Girls Netball** team also travelled to Deverall Park to play against Bankstown. It was a fast game and we had difficulty keeping our feet still. We tried really hard to keep up but unfortunately we were unable to match the goals and lost 17-1. The whole team were women of the match because we tried really hard for the first game of the season.

At PSSA last Friday our **Rugby League** teams played against Chullora PS at Roberts Park. The Junior team had a convincing 28-0 win which saw some fine performances from Zac and Zayd, who led the way for our side. It was a very encouraging start to the season, but there is plenty for us to work on.

Our **Senior Rugby League** side was locked up 12 all after coming from behind with just minutes to go, when Chullora picked up a loose ball to score the winning try. It was a very good start to the season, with Trieste being our best player.

Keep up the good work everyone.

## **BENEVOLENT SOCIETY**

### **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  
6 May to 24 June 2014  
**Time:** 1.30pm – 2.30pm

**Where:** School Hall

**Cost:** Gold coin donation

**Who:** All women – mothers, sisters, aunties, grandmothers and 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.*

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## **HUB NEWS**

An Arabic speaking Community Information Line on disability **is operating between 5<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> May ONLY**. Anyone from the Arabic speaking Community can call and speak to someone about their disability support needs. Call 02 8732 1343

#### **Regular events:**

- Weekly health and community information sessions at the Hub Tuesday mornings 9:30 – 11:00am.
- English classes Thursday 1:00 – 3:00pm for the rest of term

#### **Community announcement:**

Nominations for NSW Human Rights Award close by 5pm on Friday, 13th June 2014. If you know anyone doing great work in the area of human rights you can nominate them online:

[http://www.crc.nsw.gov.au/awards\\_and\\_events/nsw\\_human\\_rights\\_award](http://www.crc.nsw.gov.au/awards_and_events/nsw_human_rights_award)

## **Our First Arabic Storytime For 2014**

لعام ٢٠١٤ قصتنا الاولى لهذا الشهر

**When:** 11.00am on 16 May 2014

الوقت : ١١ صباحا يوم ١٦ ايار

**Where:** Chester Hill Library  
12 Chester Hill Road, Chester Hill

**Contact:** Call us on 9707 9740 and make your booking, we don't want you to miss out on this great event.

**Cost:** Free

#### **Description:**

##### **What is the story?**

The story of this month is A Trip to the Moon. Bring your imagination alive and get to know different kinds of transportation and their use.

##### **What is the movie?**

The movie for this month is Mickey Mouse Clubhouse-Space Adventure.

This is one of the most loved children's movie characters, **Mickey Mouse**, in his space adventure.

##### **What song?**

Twinkle Twinkle Little Star in Arabic ... or what is your Arabic favourite song?

##### **Craft!**

Guess what we are making this month, is it a car, a bus, a train, a bicycle, a motorcycle, a boat, a ship, a balloon, a helicopter or a plane?