

Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Calendar 2014

TERM 2

Week 5

May

Wednesday 28th Playgroup
Thursday 29th CPR Help 3-6
CPR Help K-2
Year 3 Reading Club party
Friday 30th District Cross Country
No PSSA

Week 6

June

Wednesday 4th Playgroup

Week 7

June

Monday 9th Queen's Birthday Holiday
Tuesday 11th 2014 Olympiad
Year 5 Reading Club party
Wednesday 11th Playgroup
Thursday 12th K-2 Excursion – Gruffalo
Year 4 Reading Club party

Week 8

June

Monday 16th P&C Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 17th Bin Wise
Year 6 Reading Club party
Wednesday 18th Playgroup
Thursday 19th P&C Cake Stall

Notes Home: Stage 2 Incursion Note

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It was lovely to meet many parents and community members at the 'Meet the Principal' morning tea yesterday. Thank you to Miss Marissa from the canteen and Mrs Elsemary who both catered for the morning tea.

Our debating team participated in the 1st round of the Premier's Debating Challenge. We are very proud of the four students who represented Banksia Road and look forward to the next round.



Last Friday I took some great pictures of our students who were involved in PSSA sport. You can view the school's website for more pictures. I would like to thank the coaches who volunteer their time to train & coordinate these teams. I would also like to congratulate all the students for their exemplary behaviour at the various sporting grounds.



A reminder that our school has purchased a site license to both 'Mathletics' and 'Reading Eggs' which are internet websites which can be used to consolidate and extend student learning in literacy and numeracy. Please contact your child's class teacher for more information.

MATHS OLYMPIAD

Last week some of our senior students participated in the Australasian Maths Olympiad. Students have a time limit to solve quite complex mathematical problems. Congratulation to Georgia K who achieved the highest score. The next Maths Olympiad is on the 11th June. We teach children a range of different strategies to add and subtract numbers. By showing them several methods for solving maths questions, we're helping them to look for patterns. All this builds a good sense of "number" which means they understand the relationships between different numbers and why different ways to add and subtract work well. The goal is that your child will understand many ways to approach a maths problem and will be able to choose a way that makes the most sense to them. School A to Z has a lot of resources, including help sheets on mental maths strategies, here : www.bit.ly/JkiUsY
Good luck to all the students involved in the District Cross Country this Friday.

Hamish Woudsma

Reading Club Parties

Our first reading Club party is happening on Thursday this week for Year 3 students. If your child is participating in Reading Club please provide them with a plate of finger food to bring on the day of their party. All novels should be returned to the library before the party date.

Grade	Novel	Party Date and time
Year 3	Bob the Builder	Thursday 29 th of May 2.15 pm
Year 4	Going for Broke	Thursday 12 th of June 2.15 pm
Year 5	The Whipping Boy	Tuesday 10 th of June 2.15 pm
Year 6	The Bad Beginning	Tuesday 17 th of June 2.15 pm

Parking in School Grounds

The school parking area is for **staff only** and parents are reminded that unless you have permission from the principal we would appreciate your assistance in not using the car park.

GOOD AS GOLD AWARDEES 23rd MAY 2014

20 AWARDS

KC - Abdulrahem, Aiyah, Mohammad, Yosmah,
KR – Nastazya,
K/1S - Reem
1G – Yusuf,
1M – Abdul Kader, John, Nabil,
2L – Ashleigh, Hajer, Salah
3N – Yara, Khaled
5/6N – Sabrina
5G – Wael
5P – Alaa, Dancia

40 AWARDS

1G – Amneh, Adeem, Halime
1/2A – Ayah, Mohammed, Norah, Zidane

CPR Help

CPR Help is a wonderful opportunity for our students to acquire life-saving skills. Classes will be conducted at school on Thursday 29th and Friday 30th May. Payment accepted up till Wednesday 28th May

PSSA SPORT REPORT

Rugby League

Our Rugby League teams played against Bankstown Primary last Friday. Both teams played their best and tried very hard against bigger and much faster sides. The Juniors were well served by Ibrahim, with a man of the match performance. Bankstown won 32-0. Once again, Zayde, tackled wonderfully, and Adam, Aidan and Abdalnaser worked tirelessly.

Our seniors played really well to keep the score to 28- 4. Billy, Ali, Jamal and Trieste were our best, with Adam making a fantastic half of the field run towards the end of the game.

Everyone represented Banksia Road with pride and determination. Well done everyone.

Mr Perrett

Girls Soccer

The Junior and Senior Girls Soccer team got to travel on the bus and play against Georges Hall Public School. They have always been a tough opposition in the past and we were expecting a tough and challenging game.

The Juniors started off strong and whilst everyone held their positions, Sandra scored with a free kick. It was her 1st ever goal. Lara Ayoubi nearly scored several times if it wasn't for their great goalkeeper who made several saves. Sandra was player of the match with outstanding defending.

The seniors dominated the whole game scoring 4 fabulous goals. It was a great team effort with Mya having a great game at right midfield. The backs didn't have much to do but again they held their positions well.

Keep the fitness up girls and keep working on your shooting for goals.

Mrs Christodoulos

Boys Soccer

Last Friday the senior boys' soccer team travelled to Graf Park to play North Bankstown. The game was a tight contest with both teams limited to few opportunities. The deadlock was broken late in the first half when Peter hit a delightful free kick. The second half was much of the same with defence dominating attack. Banksia Road managed to scrape away with a hard fought 1-0 victory and continue our perfect start to the season. Man of the match honours were shared between centre backs Kobi yiadom and Gabriel Nasser who constantly repelled the North Bankstown attack.

Netball

Last Friday the Junior Netball Girls travelled to Deverall Park to play against St. Euphemia and Greenacre. Our first game against St. Euphemia was a challenging one. They were very quick on the court and we did our best to defend their passes and goals but unfortunately we lost 5-0.

Our second game was against Greenacre. We started strong but couldn't get ahead of the other team. The game ended in a draw 3-3. The women of the match were Rabiha and Adrianna for great defending.

PLAYGROUP

Playgroup is held in the hall at 9:30-11:30 every Wednesday morning 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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UNIVERSITY OF NSW MATHS AND ENGLISH COMPETITIONS

This year students from Years 3-6 are invited to participate in the UNSW Maths and English competitions. The cost of each competition is \$8.80. Should you wish your child to participate, the **closing date for entries is Friday 13th June**. You will need to complete the slip below and return it to the school office **no later than Friday 13th June**.

Mr Perrett

I would like my child/children

_____ of
class/es _____ to participate in the:

English competition: Yes /No

Maths competition: Yes/No

Please find enclosed \$ _____ entry fee.

Parent/Carer _____

Date _____

Chester Hill Library

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September, 17 October 2014

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English Classes for Parents



Would you like to learn English with other parents
and carers at Banksia Rd PS?

When: Every Thursday

15 May to 19 June 2014

Time: 1.00pm – 3.00pm

Where: Banksia Rd Community Hub

Cost: Free

Trainer: TAFE Outreach

Come to the Community Hub Thursday and join the
FREE English classes, space still available.

Free childcare available!

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