

# Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Tuesday, 2 September 2014

## Calendar 2014

### TERM 3

#### Week 8 September

Monday 1st Homework Club

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Playgroup  
Year 6 FUN DAY

#### Week 9 September

Monday 8th Hosting District Public Speaking  
Homework Club

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> K-2 Excursion Wildlife World &  
Aquarium

Stewart House bags Due back

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Playgroup  
2014 Olympiad # 5

#### Week 10 September

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Camp  
Homework Club

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Camp

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Camp  
Playgroup  
2014 Olympiad

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Regional Premier's Spelling Bee

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Last day of Term

### TERM 4

#### Week 1 October

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Labour Day Public Holiday

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Students Return

**NOTES Home:** Father's Day Stall

YMCA

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We are very pleased and excited to announce the launch of our school app. The Banksia Road Primary School app can keep you up to date with events, the newsletter and photos as well allow you to receive push notifications with important information about a particular grade.

The app is a free. The instructions are:

**Step 1:** Go to the app store or play store

**Step 2:** Search for Banksia Road Public School

**Step 3:** Open and install the App

**Username:** community

**Password:** banksiarpds

When you download the app it will ask you which grade you would like to receive information for. To best suit your needs you should select your child's school years.

If you have any issues regarding the app there is a feedback option to enter any concerns. We hope you can download the app to open another form of communication with our school. We will continue to use our school website as another means of communication.

### Tree Removal

I am pleased to inform you that the tree adjacent to the hall has been removed, ensuring our school environment is safe. I understand that this has been an inconvenience with the main pathway being blocked, thank you for your patience.

### Nett Promoter Survey

Please hand in your anonymous survey at the front office and **ensure you collect a raffle ticket and put your name in the draw to win a \$100 Big W voucher. This will be drawn at our K-6 assembly on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September.**

### School Attendance

The law states that all children between 6 and 15 years of age are required to attend school regularly (Education Reform Act 1990). It is the responsibility of the parents or carers to make sure that their children attend school each day. If your child is sick or injured or for any other reason, it is important to let the school know when your child will be away and the reason for the absence. The law requires parents to provide an explanation for each absence within 7 days of the occurrence. Families should try to arrange holidays in school vacation times. If you can only arrange your family holiday in school time, you should inform the principal in advance and request leave via an official exemption form. Attending school every day makes learning easier for your child and helps build and maintain friendships with other children. If students miss the basic skills in the early years of school, they may have problems later in life.

Hamish Woudsma

## **GOOD AS GOLD AWARDEES 29th August 2014**

**20 Awards** Zayd 1G, Jannah 2C, Layla 3K, Billy and Merreb 5G, George, Mohammad, Zakaria and Muhammad 5P, May 6H and Mohammed 6P

**40 Awards** Kaylee 1G, Eman 2L, Rayane 3K, Mohammed 5G, Ali 6H and Aisha K/1S

**60 Awards** Hoang Lan 1/2A, Aminah 2L, Ayesha and Mustafa 3N, Umer and Justin 5G, Izack and Emaan 5P, Haya and Samah K/1S

**80 Awards** Aydah 6H

**100 Awards** Ayah 1/2A

## **PSSA**

### **Round 8 5<sup>th</sup> September 2014**

Sport	Opponent	Venue
Girls Cricket	TBA	Bankstown Memorial Oval
Boys Cricket	Bankstown	Allum Park Greenacre
Boys/Girls Basketball	Georges Hall	Basketball Stadium Condell Park
Boys T-Ball/Softball	Chester Hill	Middleton Park Yagoona Diamond 3
Girls T-Ball/Softball	St Euphemia	O'Neill Park Yagoona Diamond 5

## **Library Update**

### **Reading Club Parties**

We started our Reading Club parties last week with a lovely book discussion with Year 4. Please check the table below if your child participates in Reading Club and provide a plate of finger food for them to share with their friends on the day.

Year 5	The Tale of Despereaux	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> of September @ 2.15
Year 3	The Fish in Room 11	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> of September @ 2.15
Year 6	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> of September @ 2.15

## **Year 6 2014 FUN DAY!**

Year 6 Fun Day is being held tomorrow Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Tokens will be on sale on Wednesday morning before lunch and they will be 50c each. The children are also able to wear MUFTI and bring a gold coin donation to help support Year 6.



## **P&C NEWS**

The P&C will be meeting on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm in the school Staffroom. All parents are welcome to attend. If you are unable to attend and would like information and P&C minutes send your name to [banksiarpandc@gmail.com](mailto:banksiarpandc@gmail.com).

## **PLAYGROUP**

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**



## **Banksia STAR Program**

Do you have a child starting school next year? Banksia Road PS is extending its playgroup to cater for children starting school next year. School readiness will be the focus in a fun and safe environment. A healthy morning tea of fruit will be served free of charge.

If you know of other families who this would benefit then invite them to come along.

When: Every Wednesday 9.30-11.30

Where: Banksia Road PS School Hall

***\*Parents/ caregivers must stay with their children.***



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### English Language Conversation Practice

Practice speaking English over a cup of coffee !

4<sup>th</sup> August and every Monday afternoon in the hub from 1:30 pm - 3:00pm

Contact Antonietta 0401 416 560



**Anne Maree O'Neill & Antonietta Natoli**

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## Exercise Classes for Women



### *Get ready for Spring!*

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

**When: Every Wednesday  
6 August to 17 September**

**Time: 1.45pm – 2.45pm**

**Where: Banksia Rd Public School  
School Hall, 65 Banksia Rd  
Greenacre**

**Cost: Free**

**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 Wednesday.

### *Free childcare available!*



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