Banksia Bulletin

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Tuesday, 1 December 2015

CALENDAR

TERM 4 2015

Week 9

November/December

Monday 30th Week 1 Swim Scheme

Wednesday 2nd Playgroup 9.30am-11.30am

Friday 4th Year 6 Canberra Excursion

Week 10 December

Monday 7th Week 2 Swim Scheme

Tuesday 8th Canteen Christmas Special

Wednesday 9th FINAL Playgroup 2015

9.30am-11.30am

P&C Cake Stall
Thursday 10th P&C Disco

Good As Gold Awards Lunch

Friday 11th Good as Gold Day

Week 11 December

Monday 14th Presentation Day
Tuesday 15th Year 6 Farewell

Wednesday 16th LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

TERM 1 2016

January

Wednesday 27th Uniform Shop Open

(Staff Development Day)

Thursday 28th Students Years 1-6

Return to School 2016

Friday 29th Kindergarten 2016 Commence

Reminder: Year 6 Canberra excursion Friday

4th December

P&C Disco Note and Money due Friday

4th December

Christmas Canteen Special due 7th

December

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

PUBLIC EDUCATION EXCELLENCE AWARDS

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that Mrs Thurlow was presented with an award last night. Celine has worked in schools for 30 years. She is a valued member of staff who has great interpersonal skills which has a positive infectious effect on everyone she interacts with. The front office is the first point of contact for our school community and I have only heard positive feedback from the community. She has expertise around financial management which is why she has been seconded to head office on numerous occasions.

On behalf of the community we say congratulations and thank-you.



SWIMMING SCHEME

The swim scheme has started with over 200 students attending the 10 day program. The convenience of having Greenacre Pool within walking distance ensures this is affordable.



GOOD AS GOLD

Students are reminded to return their awards to the office. The last day we will collect awards will be Friday 4th December. Students who achieve 30+ awards will be eligible for a lunch with myself on Thursday 10th December. You will be informed and parents are also invited.

Hamish Woudsma Principal

MERIT AWARD AWARDEES 27th NOVEMBER 2015

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Medallion Award:

Adam and Zayde 4/5/6A

Bronze

Medallions will be presented at this year's Presentation Day assembly.

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Gold Awards:

Bilal and Sarah-Amira KG, Nazeer and Mohammad KL, Adam KW, Taisir 3G, Nada and Amour 3N, Angelina, Iman and Lara 4/5/6A, Leanne and Israa 4P, Amy 5P and Aya 6P.

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Silver Awards:

Yusuf, Mia and Luqman KG,Stella and Wael KL, Jose- Antonio KW, Soraya and Ali 1T, Ibrahim, Norah, Sara and Sonya 2F, Riham 3G, Annabella 3N, Jahid and Razan 4/5/6A, Moustafa, Rakia, Yianni, Raisyah and Osama 4P,Aycha 5F, Sandra and Julia 6P.

NB: WITH STUDENTS RECEIVING SILVER AND GOLD AWARDS, PARENTS WILL BE IINFORMED VIA TELEPHONE SO THEY CAN JOIN IN THE CELEBRATION.

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Bronze Awards:

Taha and Jinann 3N, Jalal and Jacob 4P, Amir 5F, Soni 5P, Sabrina 6H and Zakaria 6P.

ALL LIBRARY BOOKS ARE NOW DUE

We are asking for all library books to be returned as they are now overdue. Please ensure all library books are returned by the end of this week to avoid receiving a fine notice. Fine notices will be sent home this Friday. Students have been reminded in their library lessons about the books they have not returned over the last few weeks. If your child believes that they have returned a book they need to

believes that they have returned a book they need to see Miss Webster and together they will check

the shelves to see if the book has been returned. The first class in K-2 and the first class in 3-6 who return all their library books will win a pizza party for their whole class!



PSSA - 2015

Could all students who received letters for outstanding payment reminders please return payment as soon as possible to the office or please come and see the office.

Junior Boys Cricket – Grand Final Report

The PSSA grand final was held last Friday at Allum Park. The game was contested between minor premiers Malak Fahd and underdogs, Banksia Road Malak Fahd were sent in to bat, and got off to a flying start scoring 99 runs of 8 overs. However, the boys were able to 'peg it back', and restrict the opposition to a score of 126. Zain Koimanis and Ghassan Darwich were the pick of the bowlers, and Helmi Khassouk was outstanding in the field. In reply, runs were hard to come by as wickets fell regularly. This meant that Banksia Road could never gain any momentum and unfortunately finished well short, scoring 76 runs. Despite the loss, all players were incredibly gracious in defeat, and showed tremendous sportsmanship, immediately shaking hands and congratulating the opposition.

With many of the boys having only played their first season of cricket, it is fair to say that the team overachieved this year. In saying that, grand final losses build character and I dare say that the loss will only make these boys hungrier to go one better next season. Well done to all players. You have made your coach and your school extremely proud.

Mr. Harris

Junior Boys Cricket Coach

PLAYGROUP

FINAL DAY FOR PLAYGROUP 2015 WEDNESDAY 9th DECEMBER

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

P AND C NEWS

Cake Stall

P and C will be having a cake stall next Wednesday on the 9th December during 2nd half of lunch. Families can help by donating cakes, cupcakes, sweets, slices etc. on the day.

All donations for the stall can be taken to the hub on Wednesday morning. Please include a list of ingredients(No peanuts).

Disco

Please remember the following day, Thursday 10th December, is the school disco. The disco will be in the hall and will run from 5pm - 7pm. Cost is \$8 per child which includes entry, sausage on a bread roll and a fruit drink (popper).

For catering purposes we could like all orders for the disco to be returned by Friday 4th December.

Helpers Needed

P and C Fundraising Committee are always looking for people to help at these activities. If you think you are able to help in any way, please leave your name and number at the office and we will contact you. Thank you for your support.

Kind regards, P and C Fundraising Committee



Come along to connect, share and learn in a fun and friendly environment.

Community Kitchen: "Clever Cookie"

Banksia Rd Public School Community hub would like to thank the following for their generous contributions:

- **Darwich Meats Greenacre**
- Mountaha's Helping Hand
- **Ethnic Communities Council**
- **Arab Council**

Class: Class:

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to attend the disco on Thursday 10th December 2015.

Please find enclosed \$8.00 PER CHILD = \$

Class:

give permission for my child/ren:

Come along to the cooking classes next Monday at 12pm in the school hub room/kitchen. The cooking classes "Clever Cookie" are being filmed to create an educational DVD. We will also be talking about environmental factors such as biodiversity and recycling. There will be field trips and other exciting activities added to the Community Kitchen program "Clever Cookie". Enquiries: Marina 0422 122 410



When: Thursday 10th December

Where: In the School Hall

Finishes: 7.00pm 5.00pm Starts:

\$8.00 per child Cost: Includes Entry + Sausage Sizzle + Juice)

Casual – no high-heels or thongs



Orders MUST be returned by Friday 4th December 2015