

## CALENDAR

### TERM 2 2015

#### Week 2 April

Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Homework Club 3-4pm
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Dance Fever Athletics Program Continues
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup 9.30am -11.30am Yr3-6 Cross Country

#### Week 3 May

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Homework Club 3-4pm
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Dance Fever Athletics Program Continues
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup 9.30am -11.30am
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Mother's Day Stall

#### Week 4 May

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Homework Club 3-4pm Stewart House bags Due
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Dance Fever Athletics Program Continues NAPLAN
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup 9.30am -11.30am NAPLAN
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	NAPLAN

#### Week 5 May

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Homework Club 3-4pm P&C Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Dance Fever Athletics Program Continues
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup 9.30am -11.30am

#### Reminders:

#### Cross Country Note due by Wednesday morning

*School Requirements are to be paid so that your child can participate in Dance Fever Athletics program*

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Athletics

Finally, the sunshine allowed us to enjoy the athletics workshops outdoors. Another reminder: **Payment for this is included in the school requirements.** Please contact the Office to organise a payment plan if you have not as yet paid your School Requirements in full.



### Homework Club

A reminder that the Homework Club started again this week and will continue each Monday afternoon (3 – 4pm) up until week 9 (15<sup>th</sup> June). Permission notes from the office.

### Mother's Day

A reminder that the Mother's Day Stall will be open next Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May. More information in the newsletter.

### Cross Country (Primary)

The proposed Cross Country will go ahead tomorrow morning **provided Gosling Park is open.** Students are reminded to be at school by 9.00am with their hat and sunscreen. Students who suffer from asthma are asked to carry their own puffer.

### Opportunity Class

Applications for Year 5 opportunity class placement in 2016 are to be completed online. You can pick up an information booklet from the office or visit the website [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement). The online applications close on the 15<sup>th</sup> May.

### School Facebook / School App:-

I am pleased to say the school Facebook Page has been positively received. This is an avenue to communicate and celebrate student achievement through photographs of excursions, award ceremonies and student work in the classroom. Once logged into **Facebook**, **search for Banksia Road PS 2015** and press like to view the latest photographs from our swimming carnival.

We will keep the school app for communicating information for specific Year groups (ie; Athletics Carnival postponed) and uploading the school newsletter.. Instructions for downloading the app are as follows:

#### **THE APP IS 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:** banksiardps

Hamish Woudsma  
Principal

### PSSA Round 1, 1<sup>st</sup> May 2015

PSSA Winter season commences this Friday for soccer, rugby league and netball. Children who have trialed and been selected for the teams have already received notes for permission and payment.

Sport	Opponent	Venue
Girls Soccer Junior/Seniors	Bankstown North	Gosling Park Greenacre
Rugby League	TBA	Roberts Park Greenacre
Boys Soccer	Bass Hill	Jim Ring Reserve Birrong Field 4
Netball Juniors & Seniors	MalekFahd	Deverall Park Court 5 & 8

### P & C NEWS

#### MOTHER'S DAY STALL – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May

This year, Mother's Day is on the 10<sup>th</sup> May and that's only 12 days away!

We know that children love being able to shop for their mum and buy her something special that they have picked out themselves, that's why next Thursday the P & C will be holding a Mother's Day stall at school.

Gifts will be priced between \$2 and \$8.

Please remember to send money with your child on this day.

All money raised from the stall is going towards buying more iPads for the school to help our children in their learning.

#### HELPERS WANTED

We are always on the lookout for more helpers, so if you would like to help out at the Mother's Day stall next Thursday, your time would be really valued and appreciated.

If you are interested, or would like more information, please leave your name and phone number at the school office and Mary from the P & C will contact you. Thank you.

#### BANKSIA BOUNCERS UPDATE

Rehearsals for Banksia Bouncers will resume on Wednesday afternoons from 3.15- 4.30 this week. Later in the term rehearsals will be moved to Monday afternoons and families will be notified in advance of this change. All performers should bring their jogging shoes in their school bags for rehearsals.

#### 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**





Welcome to **BRPS community hub** a place to connect, share and learn. This term, we are running and partnering on a variety of programs with a focus on education, wellbeing and health. Have a look at the hub agenda in Term 2:

### Bellydance Classes on Mondays

Banksia Rd Public School Community Hub has partnered with Greenacre Neighbourhood Centre and the Benevolent Society to bring you bellydance classes on Mondays. The 1 hour classes will begin on Monday 4 May at 11am in the school hall. Please bring a gold coin donation. Free childcare is provided.



### Cooking Classes

Banksia Rd Public School Community Hub would like to thank:

#### **“Darwich Meat (Greenacre)“**

....for their donations of fresh halal meat to the Cooking class.

## 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  
22 April to 10 June 2015
- 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 AnneMaree for more information or just meet us in the school hall every Wednesday.



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## Come to our FREE Fruit & Veg Sense Workshop

Date: Tuesday, 5 May 2015  
Time: 9:30am until 11:00am

Venue: Banksia Road Public School

Did you know that eating enough fruit and vegetables all their lives can help protect children against diseases, including some forms of cancer? This **free workshop** run by Cancer Council NSW will show you how you can easily:

- 🍌 Save time and money making healthy meals
- 🍌 Learn clever ways to entice fussy eaters
- 🍌 Get a free recipe book simply by attending



**Eat It To  
Beat It**

Don't miss out – registration is essential. To book your place please register no later than **30/04/15** by:

Completing and returning this slip to the school front office.

Your name:

Your contact number or email:

## Cup Cake Decorating Workshop

### *Learn cupcake decorating skills*

Join TAFE Trainer, Di Whittaker, at this great 3.5 hour workshop suitable for anyone who wants to improve their cupcake decorating skills.

You will learn a number of easy and beautiful ways to decorate your cupcakes.

All ingredients provided – you don't have to bring anything!

Where: Banksia Rd Public School

65 Banksia Rd, Greenacre

When: Monday, 11 May 2015

10.30am to 2.00pm

Cost: **Free**

### *Free Childcare available*

If you would like to attend, please contact

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