

Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Caring, creative, challenging and achieving



Tuesday, 2 June 2015

CALENDAR

TERM 2 **2015**

Week 6 **May**

Monday 25 th	Homework Club 3-4pm
Tuesday 26 th	Dance Fever Athletics Program Continues
Wednesday 27 th	Playgroup 9.30am -11.30am Water Wise program Stage 2
Thursday 28 th	Litter Program Yr3-6
Friday 29 th	Litter Program K-2 District Cross Country

Week 7 **June**

Monday 1 st	Homework Club 3-4pm
Tuesday 2 nd	Dance Fever Athletics Program Continues
Wednesday 3 rd	Playgroup 9.30am -11.30am
Thursday 4 th	Stage 3 Powerhouse Museum Excursion P&C School Disco
Friday 5 th	Round 5 PSSA

Week 8 **June**

Monday 8 th	Public Holiday-No school
Tuesday 9 th	Dance Fever Athletics Program Continues
Wednesday 10 th	Playgroup 9.30am -11.30am
Friday 12 th	Round 6 PSSA

Reminders: Stage 3 Excursion notes due by Friday 29th May

P&C School Disco Note

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

DEBATING TEAM WINS

Congratulations to the team consisting of: Ghazelle, Salima, Angelina and Christian. We were arguing the negative to the topic, 'Debating should be compulsory for all primary students.' Our team line was, Debating doesn't engage all students. Thank you to the teachers, Mrs Zubairi and Miss Papadopoulos for coaching the students before and after school.



STUDENT ABSENCES

Holidays taken outside of school vacation periods will now be included in student absences. A Certificate of Exemption can no longer be granted for this purpose. Families are encouraged to holiday or travel during school vacations.

Hamish Woudsma
Principal

PSSA

There is no PSSA sport Friday 29nd May due to District Cross Country.
A reminder, if you are paying weekly, payments need to be made by Thursday.

MERIT AWARD AWARDEES 14th MAY 2015

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Bronze Awards:
Adam 4/5/6 A, Layla and Nai KW, , Soumaya and Bilal KG, Vivienne 5P and Mustafa and Mariam 4N.

P & C NEWS

P and C will be having a school disco next Thursday, 4th June, from 5 – 7pm in the school hall. The cost is \$8 per child which includes entry, a sausage and juice. Glow products will also be available to purchase at the disco. For catering purposes, please send in the permission note (see attached) and payment as soon as possible. All money raised from the disco is going towards purchasing more iPads for the school to help our children with their learning.
Thank you for your support and cooperation.

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



Greenacre Officeworks

Office Equipment Supplier

Address: 1/51 Roberts Road, Greenacre NSW 2190

Phone: (02) 8732 2300

Banksia Road Primary School would like to acknowledge and thank Greenacre Officeworks for their generous, ongoing support through regular donations of stationery and craft supplies. These resources help support our playgroup and Banksia STAR program that is held in our school hall every Wednesday morning from 9.30 – 11.30, as well as our craft club. For all your school and office needs please go to Officeworks Greenacre.

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 Thursday 18th June**.

Please be reminded that the performance of our Year 6 students in both of these competitions contributes to the Dux award at the end of the year.

You will need to complete the slip below and return it, along with the entry fee to the school office **no later than Thursday 18th 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





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:

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.



Join us on Mondays (school days) at 1pm in the Community Hub Kitchen. Come along and learn new recipes for your family in a fun and friendly environment. Call Marina on 0422 122 410, to book your place.

HOMEWORK CLUB

Please note the Homework Club starts at 3pm on Mondays and finishes at 4pm. Please collect your children and sign off at the school Library. We can no longer meet you with your children at the school gates. If you are running late, you will need to call Marina on 0422 122 410 and go to the front office to pick up your children. So, it will be easier if you can please come to the library on time at 4pm.

We now have approximately 70 students registered with the Homework Club. As the Homework Club continues to grow, we are in need of some help to tutor students. Therefore, we are calling for any parents who can volunteer in tutoring students at the Homework Club. If you feel you can help with English and Maths, please call Marina on 0422 122 410 to register your interest.



“Families Week Event”

Thank you to all the ladies who helped in decorating the cupcakes for the Families Week Event, which took place last Saturday 23 May 2015. The designs were so attractive that we managed to sell every single cupcake! ☺ Well done to all the creative and wonderful mothers for their achievement! We now have enough money to go on a fruit-picking trip in the country. All the mothers who helped with the cupcakes will be joining us on this trip with their pre-schoolers. Details of this trip will be announced in the near future in the school newsletter.



The Families Week Event attracted approximately 500 people with plenty to do for all the family. The animal farm and pony rides were enjoyed by many children. The African drumming was popular with the kids and some parents couldn't resist the drum beat and joined in the fun. A long queue was formed at the hand henna table with ladies waiting patiently for their turn. Thanks to our very talented henna artist Aween for a formidable job. This event was possible thanks to Maria from the Greenacre Neighbourhood Centre and all the partners/agencies (including AnneMaree from the Benevolent Society, Sarina from Fairfield Council, Aween from Greenacre Community, KU Greenacre, Banksia Rd Public School community hub, BCRG, Ethnic Communities Council....)

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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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. Come along next Monday 1st June at 12:00pm in the school hall. Please bring a gold coin donation. Free childcare is provided. To book, please call Marina on: 0422 122 410.

BELLYDANCE CLASS

Starts Monday 4 May 2015

Ladies Only

- ❖ Mondays: 4 May – 22 June
- ❖ Gold Coin donation
- ❖ Bring towel & bottle of water

Get fit the fun way!

Time: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Enquiries: Marina 0422 122 410

Where: Banksia Rd Public School (65 Banksia Rd, Greenacre) School Hall

Free Childcare!

Logos: benevolent, Community hubs, Greenacre Community, Banksia Rd Public School

P & C DISCO & SAUSAGE SIZZLE



When: Thursday 4th June

Where: In the School Hall

Starts: 5.00pm

Finishes: 7.00pm

Cost: \$8.00 per child

(Includes Entry + Sausage Sizzle + Juice)

Dress: Casual – no high-heels or thongs

I give permission for my child/ren: _____

Class: _____

Class: _____

Class: _____

Class: _____

to attend the disco on Thursday 4th June 2015.



Please find enclosed **\$8.00 PER CHILD** = \$ _____

Orders MUST be returned by Monday 1st June 2015