

Banksia Bulletin

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CALENDAR

TERM 3 2015

Week 4 August

Monday 3rd Homework Club 3pm-4pm

Wednesday 5th Playgroup 9.30am - 11.30am

Friday 7th Round 11 PSSA

Week 5 August

Monday 10th Homework Club 3pm-4pm

Tuesday 11th Athletics Carnival

Wednesday 12th Playgroup 9.30am-11.30am

Thursday 13th Stage 2 Excursion- Powerhouse

Friday 14th Round 8 PSSA Catch Up

Week 6 August

Monday 17th Homework Club 3pm-4pm

Wednesday 19th Playgroup 9.30am-11.30am

Friday 21st PSSA Semi Finals

Week 7 BOOK WEEK August

Monday 24th Homework Club 3pm-4pm

Tuesday 25th District Athletics Carnival

Wednesday 26th Book Parade 9.30am
Playgroup 9.30am-11.30am

Matilda Excursion

Friday 28th PSSA Finals

REMINDERS:
-Athletics Carnival Payment Due by this Friday 7th August
-Stage 2 Powerhouse Museum Due by this Friday 7th August

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

EDUCATION WEEK

It was great to see so many parents attend our 'Open Day' last Wednesday. I'm sure you were impressed with the outstanding work students are producing. In keeping with the theme, it was very meaningful to have the former Banksia Road PS students, Robert (professional actor), Andrew (high school teacher), Rabih (Engineer), Wafa (Nurse) and Marwa (studying Commerce at University) talking about their successful journey through public education.



PAPERLESS NEWSLETTER

We are considering the option of moving to an electronic newsletter. This would not only save the environment but also save money allowing us to purchase other resources to support our students learning. This would mean parents could access the newsletter three ways

1. Through our school app
2. Through the link on our school Facebook site
3. Via the school website

We would also keep a number of hard copies in the office foyer.

We are seeking your feedback. Please inform any of our staff if you think this is a viable option for you.

Hamish Woudsma
Principal

MERIT AWARD AWARDEES 31st JULY 2015

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Bronze Awards:

Yara, Noah, Jad and Luqman KG, Aaliyah and Ella KW, Laith 1T, Sonya 2F, Eman 3G, Aidan and Layla 4P and Sandra 6H

PSSA Round 11, 7th August

A reminder, that weekly payment is to be paid by Thursday morning.

Sport	Opponent	Venue
Girls Soccer Junior/Seniors	Berala	Walshaw Park Hector St, Bass Hill
Rugby League	Bankstown	Roberts Park Waterloo Rd, Greenacre
Boys Soccer	Georges Hall B	Crest 1 Bass Hill Carysfield Rd
Netball Jnr & Snr	BYE	-

Senior Rugby League Report

The senior rugby league team continue to improve with every match they play. In the first round of the season, they played Greenacre and lost 60-0.

This time around, Banksia Road only lost the game 34-6, highlighting how far the team has come.

Well done to Adbulrahman from 6P who scored our try and to Siraj from 6H who calmly slotted the conversion from out wide.

The man of the match was Milan from 6P, who fearlessly ran into the opposition defence and tackled all day.

Junior Rugby League Report

Last Friday our Junior Rugby League team played a very entertaining match against Greenacre at Roberts Park. It was a see-sawing match, with the lead changing on several occasions. Banksia Road opened up a healthy lead in the first half on the back of some strong running by Ibrahim and Zac, but in the end the superior speed of a couple of the Greenacre players took its toll on some tiring defence. The result was a 28-22 win to Greenacre. Well done everyone on a great effort.

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

BOOK WEEK

The whole of Banksia Road Public School will be celebrating Book Week in week 7 of this term from 24th to 28th of August. The library will be having its annual **Book Fair** where students and parents have the opportunity to purchase books at very cheap prices. As well as being a wonderful opportunity for Banksia Road families to add to their home libraries the Book Fair raises funds for our library. The other major event will be a **Book Parade** on Wednesday 26th of August which is always a fun event for parents to come and watch. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character and enter the parade for the chance to win great prizes. We also have a preschooler's section to allow younger brothers and sisters a chance to participate in the fun. Start planning your child's costume now!

PREMIER READING CHALLENGE (PRC)

The Premier Reading Challenge is a great way to encourage reading for pleasure. Our students in K-2 have been reading PRC books with their teachers and almost all classes have finished their 30 books to qualify their students for a PRC certificate. Students participating in PRC in years 3-6 need to finish their 20 books before the end of August to receive a certificate.





Welcome back to Banksia Rd Public School Community Hub! Join us in Term 3 for various activities and programs. The hub is a place to connect, share and learn and is open to all local families!

THE HOMEWORK CLUB

Welcome to the Homework Club! Well done to all the students who, through their determination and motivation, are attending the Homework Club sessions. We would like you to come along every Monday at 3pm-4pm. Keep up the good work and together let's make term 3 a productive one for you.

Parents, please collect your children and sign off at the school Library. It helps to be on time ☺ 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.

Parents, if you are interested in tutoring and feel you can help with English and Maths, please call Marina on 0422 122 410 to register your interest.

AMINA ELSHAFEI

Author of Amina's Home Cooking! Amina's Arabic, Korean and Multicultural cuisine is stunning.

As part of Community Kitchen, we'd like to take the cooking class participants to see Amina Alshafei at Greenacre Library. We will be meeting outside Greenacre Library. Can you please let us know if you are interested in coming along so we can book as places are limited.

Come and hear Amina talk as she takes you on a unique food adventure.

Amina will be demonstrating her traditional family favourites. You will be able to taste some delicious food at the Greenacre Library and Knowledge Centre (Community Place, Greenacre)

**Wednesday 12 August 2015
10am-12**

Bookings are essential - 9707 9744

Please call Marina on 0422 122 410 if you'd like to come along as part of the cooking class.

Bring your bike and helmet and join us for a morning of cycling through Mirambeena Regional Park and the Fairfield LCA!

WHEEL OUT WEST

**SATURDAY
12 SEPTEMBER 2015
FROM 9AM - 1PM**

Meet at Garrison Point, Henry
Lawson Drive, off Beatty
Parade, Georges Hall

Wheel out West is a partnership event
between Bankstown City Council and
Fairfield City Council, and is supported by
local cycling groups and organisations.

There's something for everyone on the day including:

- A Cycle Skills Workshop for beginners at 9am;
- A Short Ride (approx. 7km) for beginners and families at 10am; and
- A Long Ride (approx. 25km) for advanced riders at 10.30am.

It's free to participate. Participants MUST pre-register at
www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/wheeloutwest

For more information contact Bankstown City
Council's Recreation Officer on 9707 9999.



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