

Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Tuesday, 25 August 2015

CALENDAR

TERM 3

2015

Week 7 BOOK WEEK August

Monday 24 th	Homework Club 3pm-4pm
Tuesday 25 th	District Athletics Carnival
Wednesday 26 th	Book Parade 9.20am Matilda Excursion Payment due Stage 3 Excursion
Friday 28 th	Payment due Kindy, Yr 1 & 2 Excursion

Week 8 August/September

Monday 31 st	Homework Club 3pm-4pm Yr 5/6 Excursion
Tuesday 1 st	Kindergarten, Year 1&2 Excursion
Wednesday 2 nd	Playgroup 9.30am-11.30am
Thursday 3 rd	Father's Day Stall
Friday 4 th	PSSA Summer Round 7

Week 9 September

Monday 7 th	Homework Club 3pm-4pm
Tuesday 8 th	Year 6 Fun Day
Wednesday 9 th	Playgroup 9.30am-11.30am CAMP
Thursday 10 th	CAMP
Friday 11 th	CAMP

REMINDERS: -Year 5&6 Excursion Botanic Gardens money and note due Wednesday 26th August

-Kindergarten, Year 1 & 2 money and note due by Friday 28th August

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

STAFF CHANGES

Mr Woudsma has taken 4 weeks of Long Service Leave. He will return on the 1st day back in Term 4. In the meantime I will be Relieving Principal. Ms Lin will be Relieving Assistant Principal Stage 1.

SURVEY

Our school will be participating in the 'Partners in Learning' survey. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement. The survey takes less than 15 minutes to complete and is completely confidential and online. We value your feedback and your responses will help us make practical improvements.

There will be several computers available on a Monday morning for parents to complete the survey in the library.

All you have to do is Google- "**Tell them from Me**" and then put the username and password into each section.

The direct link has also been sent to every student's portal. Ask them to sign in for you and check the email sent from me.

username: **parent16827**

password: **Ban4217**

The survey will be closed on the 16th of October. Your responses are very much appreciated.

ENROLMENTS ARE INVITED FOR 2016

We are currently taking enrolments for 2016. Our school population is growing and places are **limited** for students not in our area.

All families who live in our local area and have a child starting Kindergarten next year are asked to complete an enrolment form and return it to the school office by the end of Term. Local students are guaranteed enrolment, whilst non-locals must wait to see if space is available. Our '*Banksia Bunnies*' Kindergarten Orientation Program starts in October and is coordinated by Miss Williams and Miss Webster.

Sandra Christodoulos
Relieving Principal

MERIT AWARD AWARDEES 21st AUGUST 2015

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Silver Awards:

Audrey 1T, Kyriakos 4N, Malak and Abdullah 5P and Alaa 6H

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Bronze Awards:

Yusuf KG, Stella and Aliyah KL, Lujain and Aga KM, Amelia, Sahibjot and Muhummad 1T, Ibrahim, Sophia, Zakareya and Yasmeen 2F, Zane 3G, Lasmies and Laurence 4N, Hady, Ghassan, Adam E, Osama and Mya 4P, Zakariah 5F, Hanan and Tana-Luke 5P, Adam and Umer 6P.

PSSA

PSSA Summer sport recommences next week. All students involved please be advised that if you are paying weekly payment is due Thursday morning.

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

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

The Uniform shop is having a clearance sale on the sports jacket now only \$30.

The Uniform shop is ONLY open Monday and Friday mornings from 9am until about 9.15 am

P&C NEWS

Next week, the P&C will be holding a Father's Day Stall on Thursday 3rd September. Children will be able to purchase gifts for their fathers, grandfathers and carers during the day. Gifts will be priced from \$2-\$8.



Book Week- This Week!

We are celebrating Book Week across the school this week. As well as enjoying books in our classrooms we have a few special Book Week events.

BOOK PARADE

The major event will be a Book Parade tomorrow- Wednesday 26th of August at 9.20 under the Infants COLA. If it is wet weather we will relocate to the hall. Students dress up as their favourite book character and enter the parade for the chance to win great prizes. There will be a book prize for the best character in each class. There will be a \$10 book voucher prize for the best costume in K-2 and 3-6. We also have a preschooler's section for our younger brothers and sisters. Students can come to school in fancy dress as the parade will be first thing in the morning. Parents and visitors are welcome to watch and participate.

BOOK FAIR

The library is having its annual Book Fair where students and parents have the opportunity to purchase books at very low prices. Classes have an opportunity to view and purchase books during class time. The Book Fair will also be open before school, lunch time and after school for parents and students to view or purchase books until Friday morning. All books are sold on a first come, first served basis and unfortunately we cannot hold books, so students may not always get their first choice. The Book Fair is a great opportunity to buy ahead for birthday or other presents as most books are priced between \$4 and \$6, a fraction of their RRP. As well as being a wonderful opportunity for Banksia Road families to add to their home libraries, the Book Fair raises funds for our school library.

Again this year we are asking for families to donate a book to our **Reading Club** by paying for one copy of a book to donate to Reading Club. The novel we are hoping to purchase a set of this year is *There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom* and *Chicken Mission*, both priced at \$6. For more information please see Miss Webster.

SPECIAL VISITS

Author Talk- The Australian author Pamela Freeman visited the school on Monday and gave a presentation to our Years 5 and 6 students. Ged Gilmore will be visiting us this Thursday to talk to Years 3 and 4.

Bankstown Library Story Visit- Therese from Bankstown library will be visited on Monday morning and read to Years 1 and 2.





Join us in Term 3 for a variety of activities and programs. The hub is a place to connect, share and learn and is open to all local families!

COMMUNITY KITCHEN: "CLEVER COOKIE"

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

- Darwich Meats Greenacre
- Muntaha's Helping Hand
- Ethnic Communities Council
- Arab Council
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Come along to the cooking classes next Monday 31st August 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

HOMEWORK CLUB

Well done to all the Homework Club stars who through their determination and motivation are joining in the Homework Club sessions. We would like you to come along again next Monday at 3pm. 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.

Attention all parents involved in Sports4Kids: Please attend Building Bully Shields which starts Tuesday 18 Aug. This is an important component of the Sports4Kids program. Other parents also welcome to register.



Has your child experienced some kind of Bullying?
Want to learn how you can help them?

Then come to

Building Bullying Shields

A free, three-week course that gives parents an insight into bullying behaviour and provides skills to build resilience in their children. The course helps parents work with their children to improve their own protective strategies and responses to bullying behaviour.

Tuesday 18th August 2015 12.30pm-2.30pm
Tuesday 25th August 2015 12.30pm-2.30pm
Tuesday 1st September 2015 12.30pm-2.30pm

Address: Banksia Rd Public School Greenacre
66 Banksia Rd Greenacre, Community hub Room

Community Hub Contact, Marina 0422 122 410
Creating Links Contact - Edgee 8713 7700

Childcare Provided - Limited spaces - booking essential!




KINDERGARTEN 2016 INFORMATION NIGHT

 Tuesday 15th September 2015

 6pm - 7pm

 In the School hall

 Come and see and hear about all the wonderful opportunities we have to offer at Banksia Road

Please tell your friends, neighbours and relatives to enrol as soon as possible

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Banksia Road Primary School

Cinderella & Rockerfella

2015



Date: Thursday 29th October 2015

Times: Matinee 1:30pm

Night performance 6:00pm

Venue: Banksia Road Primary School Hall

Ticket Prices: \$5 per person

Allocated seating based on first come, first serve.

Tickets are on sale at the office before school starting Term 4 Week 1.