

# Banksia Bulletin

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## CALENDAR

### TERM 3

2015

#### Week 10

September

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> **Kindergarten 2016 Info Night**  
**6-7pm**

Stewart House bags handed out

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Playgroup 9.30am-11.30am

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Good as Gold Incursion  
Jersey Day

#### Week 1

### TERM 4

October

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> School Commences Term 4

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Playgroup 9.30am-11.30am

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> PSSA Summer Round 9

#### Week 2

October

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Homework Club 3-4pm

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Playgroup 9.30am-11.30am

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> PSSA Summer Round 10  
Bunnies Program Commences

#### Week 3

October

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Homework Club 3-4pm

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Playgroup 9.30am-11.30am

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> PSSA Summer Round 11  
Bunnies Program Week 2

### NOTES HOME:

- Stewart House Bags sent home collection will be next term 16<sup>th</sup> October
- Leroy's Vacation Care
- Junior Local Competitions

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This is the last week of Term 3. It has been a busy and exciting term, with many reasons to celebrate the success of our school and students. Mr Woudsma will be returning next term. Thankyou for your support and encouragement.

### Public Speaking Competition

We have four wonderful students representing us at the Greater Southern Sydney Public Speaking Competition to be held at Narwee Public School next term. Goodluck and we look forward to hearing about your performances.

### Kindergarten 2016 Information Night

We are holding an Information Night tonight at 6pm in the hall. If you are interested in enrolling your child at Banksia Road next year, this is a great opportunity to hear about all the wonderful programs we offer. Banksia Bunnies starts in Week2 Term4.

### Parent Workshops

Next term we will be presenting parent workshops each Monday morning at 9.30 in the hall. A variety of topics will be presented by our teachers. Topics will include Bring Your own Device (BYOD), The Australian Curriculum, Reading, Mathletics, Reading Eggs,L3 and Focus on Reading. It is a great way to be involved in your child's learning and success at school.

### Good As Gold Day

This week we celebrate the positive attitude and application to study of our students at Good as Gold day on Friday with a Science Show by Fizzics Education.

### Staff Changes

Mr Perrett will be on Long Service Leave until the 13<sup>th</sup> October. He will be replaced by Mrs Kassem. Mr Craft will be Relieving Assistant Principal Stage 3. Miss Williams will return to school in Week 2 also.

We remind parents that all students return to school on Tuesday 6th October. Monday 5th is a public holiday. There is no pupil free day at the beginning of Term 4.

We wish all our families and teachers a happy and safe holiday.

**Sandra Christodoulos**  
Relieving Principal

### SURVEY

Our school is 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.

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

**username: parent16827**

**password: Ban4217**

Currently 16 parents have completed the survey.

### **MERIT AWARD AWARDEES 11th SEPTEMBER 2015**

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Gold Award:

Daniel 3N

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Silver Awards: Zainb 2C, Jad 3G, Engie and Aya 6H

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Bronze Awards:

Marcus KI, Haya and Omar 1E, Mohammed and Zane 3G, Nada and Hasan 3N, Serine 4N, Adam 5F and Nouraddine 5P

### **LOST PROPERTY**

There is a large amount of lost property that has been handed in. The lost property baskets are located in the office reception. Parents are encouraged to come and look through it if their child has lost any items of school uniform.

### **PSSA**

**There is NO PSSA this Friday.**

### **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

### **P & C NEWS**

A big thank you to everyone for supporting the Father's Day Stall.

Thanks to your support we raised just over \$900.00 for the school. In particular a very very big thank you to all our helpers- Kylie, Suzanne, Nesreen, Janin, Nathalie, Salma, Sue, Donna, Vicky and Mary.



# JERSEY DAY

**JERSEY DAY is a simple concept designed to raise awareness of The Organ and Tissue Authority and the DONATE LIFE network.**

**On Friday, September 18 we are asking students and teachers to wear their favourite sporting jersey to school to show their support for the DONATE LIFE network.**

**We ask that students bring in a Gold coin donation**



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## 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

Cooking classes will be continuing next term on Mondays. Come along to the cooking classes 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



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Go4Fun is a FREE healthy lifestyle program for kids over a healthy weight to improve health, fitness, self-esteem and confidence.

### **What is the Go4Fun program?**

Go4Fun is a FREE 10 week program which runs over one school term after school hours. During the program children and their families get involved in fun games and activities to get more physically active and they learn about delicious nutritious foods they can eat every day.

Children need to be 7-13 years old and a parent or carer also needs to attend. Younger and/or older siblings are encouraged to attend.

To find out more contact **1800 780 900** or visit [www.go4fun.com.au](http://www.go4fun.com.au)



**Enrolments are currently open for Kindergarten**  
**2016**