

Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Wednesday, 2 November 2016

CALENDAR

Week 3

October

Monday 24 th	PBIS Relaunch Homework Club
Wednesday 26 th	Bankstown EH Dance Festival
Thursday 27 th	Bunnies 1st of 5 sessions
Friday 28 th	World Teachers Day Summer PSSA Rd 11

Week 4

November

Monday 31 st	Homework Club
Wednesday 2 nd	Grandparents Day
Thursday 3 rd	Bunnies 2nd of 5 sessions K-6 Assembly '3F Item'
Friday 4 th	Summer PSSA Rd 12

Week 5

November

Monday 7 th	Homework Club Parent Forum
Thursday 10 th	Bunnies 3rd of 5 sessions
Friday 11 th	Summer PSSA Rd 13 Mount Lewis Transition

Week 6

November

Monday 14 th	Homework Club
Thursday 17 th	Bunnies 4th of 5 sessions K-6 Assembly 1P Item
Friday 18 th	Mount Lewis Transition

Dates to Remember

- Swim scheme Year 2 to 6 (21st Nov till 2nd Dec)
- Mount Lewis Transition November 11th & 18th
- Presentation Day Wednesday 7th December
- Disco from 12:30pm Thursday 8th December
- Year 6 Canberra excursion Friday 9th December
- Year 6 Farewell Tuesday 13th December
- Last day of 2016 Friday 16th December

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

PBIS RELAUNCH

POSITIVE CONNECTIONS

Yesterday's relaunch was a very positive day. The students received wrist bands, parents enjoyed the cake and many visited their child's classroom.

I spoke about the importance of positive connections at school. It is often the little things that help build a positive school culture such as, a smile, saying hello, a friendly gesture or even knowing somebody by name. A positive school culture comes from daily interactions involving everyone from teachers, parents, cleaners to the principal.

I would like to thank the greater school community for contributing to our positive school culture and productive relationships. We all make children feel welcome and let them know that they will always belong.



PARENT FORUM

I am hosting a Parent Forum on Monday 7th November from 9:30am (in the school library). The purpose of this forum is:

- Review and discuss the Partners in Learning Survey
- Discussion around class structures for 2017
- Discuss topics for future parent workshops (possibly Term 1 2017)

SWIM SCHEME (Year 2 to 6)

As you would be aware Greenacre Pool has been closed for the summer. I was informed that a risk assessment of the pool highlighted some defects in the structural integrity. As a result, the swim scheme will be at Revesby Pool. The Department of Education will cover the cost of the bus which will need to leave at least 30 minutes prior to the session starting time. We will take 4 groups of up to 60 students. The times for our 4 sessions are below with a **rough estimate** of Year groups involved:

10 till 10:45am	Year 2
11 till 11:45am	Year 2 and 3
11:45 till 12:30pm	Year 3 and 4
1 till 1:45pm	Year 4, 5 and 6.

There is a note going home today. Swim Scheme will run from 21st Nov till 2nd Dec. This is a remedial swimming program.

GRANDPARENTS DAY

On Wednesday 2nd November, we are inviting Grandparents to visit our classrooms between 12-1pm. Other events will be held in the hall from 10am, organised by the Community Hub. Please come along.

SCHOOL CROSSING

Unfortunately some of our local residents have had their car scratched whilst parked on Banksia Road last week. If you witnessed anything to this effect please contact the school.

A reminder to please use the crossing on Banksia Road and Boronia Road. Our students learn from us and we want to instill safe practices around road safety.

DISCO / FUN DAY

The P & C will be coordinating a daytime disco on Thursday 8th December. It will occur from approximately 1 till 3pm. More information to come.

SCHOOL ENROLMENT 2017 – INFORM THE OFFICE

If you know anyone who is planning to enrol at Banksia Road in 2017 (even existing families) please remind them to inform the office as soon as possible as we are planning classes for next year. Similarly, if you are planning to leave Banksia Road, please also inform the office

This is imperative as we have a number of pending out of area applications who are waiting for an outcome.

APPLYING FOR SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL 2018

Closing date for applications is **Monday 14th November**. LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Parents need to apply online at, www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement before the above date.

All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on **Thursday 9th March 2017**. This round of applications and exams are for Year 7 entry 2018. Should you wish for your child to sit the above exam in 2017 for 2018 entry, visit the office and pick up an Intention to apply letter. This is not an application form as you must apply online.

FOOD COLLECTION FOR THOSE IN NEED

There is a donation box in the office foyer. Donated food will go to those in need (Life Without Barriers co-ordinated)

GOOD AS GOLD

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students on receiving a Good as Gold award at our PBIS relaunch:

Mohamad KM, Luqman KG, Youssef KL, Ahmed KW, Aaiza 1E, Sara 1F, Asya 1P, Laith 2C, Aisha 2J, Yasmeen 3T, Israa 3F, Fawze 3B, Safa 3/4N, Hana 4P, Khaled 5P, Baha Edeen 4/5A, Ahmad 5/6C, Omar 5/6H, Malak A 6G



MERIT AWARDEES UP TO 21st October 2016

Please note Gold Merit Award and Silver Merit Awards will be given out at Thursday 3rd November at K-6 assembly.

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Gold Award: Andrew 2C, Salsabeel, Daliya 5/6C

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Silver Award: Jana 1F, Bilal 1P, Norah 3B, Zunaira 3F, Malek, Ayman KG, Ahmad, Sara KM

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Bronze Award: Jayda, Mohamed, Malak, Emily 1F, Maria, Lujain, Asya 1P, Adam 3/4N, Razan 3B, Yasser 5/6H, Abdul Karim, Zain, Adam 6G,

Please note Bronze Merit Awards will be given out at Monday morning assemblies.



STUDENT STATIONERY SUPPLIES

Just a reminder to parents to ensure your children have enough supplies in their pencil cases, particularly writing pencils, glue sticks and colouring pencils.



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:

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PSSA Round 11, 28th October

SPORT	OPPONENT	VENUE
Girls Cricket	Skills Development	Graf Park George St. Yagoona
Boys Cricket	Greenacre	Roberts Park
Junior Boys/Girls Basketball	Malek Fahd	Basketball Stadium Condell Park Court 7
Senior Boys/Girls Basketball	Bankstown	Basketball Stadium Condell Park Court 2
Boys T-Ball/Softball	St Euphemia	Middleton Park Yagoona Diamond 5
Girls T-Ball/Softball	Malek Fahd	O'Neill Park Cooper Rd. Yagoona Diamond 5

PSSA Round 12, 4th November

SPORT	OPPONENT	VENUE
Girls Cricket	Skills Development	Graf Park George St. Yagoona
Boys Cricket	Bass Hill	Neville Reserve
Junior Boys/Girls Basketball	Condell Park	Basketball Stadium Condell Park Court 4/7
Senior Boys/Girls Basketball	St Euphemia A	Basketball Stadium Condell Park Court 3/4
Boys T-Ball/Softball	Chester Hill	Middleton Park Yagoona Diamond 1
Girls T-Ball/Softball	Berala	O'Neill Park Cooper Rd. Yagoona Diamond 3