

# Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Wednesday, 31 May 2017

## CALENDAR

### Week 6 2017 May

Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Playgroup
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	K-2 Assembly (1J Item) Debating team vs Campsie PS
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	PSSA Rd 4 - Winter

### Week 7 2017 June

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Homework Club
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Debating team vs Greenacre PS
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup Rugby League State Knockout vs Bankstown PS @ 10am
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	3 – 6 Assembly (5E Assembly Item) – 'Mwamba Academy' presentation
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	PSSA Rd 5 - Winter

### Week 8 2017 June

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Queen's Birthday (public holiday)
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Krispy Kreme's delivered
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	K-2 Assembly (KL Item) Regional Cross Country
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	PSSA Rd 6 – Winter Book Club Due

### Week 9 2017 June

Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Homework Club
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Playgroup
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	3 – 6 Assembly (4H Assembly Item)
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	PSSA Rd 7 - Winter

### Week 10 2017 June

Monday 26 <sup>th</sup>	No Homework Club
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Playgroup Good as Gold Day
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Teacher Interviews from 2pm Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	PSSA Rd 8 - Winter

## STAFFING

I would like to congratulate Miss Angela Garvey and Miss Heidi St Leon on their permanent appointments to Banksia Road PS. They were both successful through a merit selection process. We are lucky to have so many outstanding permanent and temporary teachers.

## Donate to the MWAMBA ACADEMY (KENYA)

Through Global School Partners we have formed a partnership with the Mwamba Academy (a school in Kenya).

Firstly, our Year 5 and 6 students will be communicating with students from the Mwamba Academy as they compare and contrast their school environments. This will reinforce how lucky we are at Banksia Road PS.

Secondly, we have a donation box in the office foyer. Our target is \$2 000 which will fund a Water Tank for the Mwamba Academy. If every child donates \$1 per week for the month of June we will have \$2 000.



## TRAFFIC CONGESTION AT HOME TIME

The current results of the survey are as follows:

8%

1. Optional 3:15pm finish for all students K – 6 (same start time of 9:15am). Our data shows an average of 15 to 17 students took up this option and there was minimal reduction of traffic congestion.

55%

2. The K-2 start at 9am and finish at 2:45pm (Yr 3 to 6 stays at 9:15am start and 3pm finish). Our data shows an average of 50 to 70 students are leaving before 3pm which has reduced traffic congestion at home time.

37%

3. Option 3 is we keep the bell times the same as we have always, 9:15am and 3pm for all students K-6.

If you would like to give feedback please complete a survey if you haven't already done so. Currently, it looks like option 2 which would start at the beginning of Term 3.

## KRISPY KREME DRIVE (P & C fundraiser)

Thank you to the many parents who supported the Krispy Kreme drive. We sold over 100 boxes and as a consequence, received an extra nine boxes. Therefore, we will sell the nine boxes to the first buyer(s). Boxes are \$20 each. Place your orders in the office collection box. All boxes will be delivered to families on Tuesday 13th June.

Thank you also to the P & C for coordinating the fundraising over the last two weeks. We raised:

- \$500 for the charity 'Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia'
- \$770 from the Cake Stall which will go towards funding a four lane running track on our oval.

## App – SKOOLBAG

Our school now has purchased the Skoolbag iPhone and Android app to help us communicate more effectively with our parent community. We are asking all parents to download our skoolbag school app. This app will be used to send newsletters, alerts and other important information. The App is free and there are no passwords. It is important that all parents utilise this app as it will be the most efficient way for sending alerts to all families.

Search for '**Banksia Rd Public School**' in the app store (Please ensure 'Rd' is not written as 'road'). Install on device.

## 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 **\$9.90**. Should you wish your child to participate, the **closing date for entries is Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> June**.

The English competition will be held on Tuesday 1 August, and the Maths competition will be held on Tuesday 15 August.

Mr Perrett  
Assistant Principal

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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

## SILVER AWARDEES

Congratulations Waad and Zackaria from 6A who were the first recipients. They received their silver award at Assembly on 25<sup>th</sup> May.

## BRONZE AWARDEES

The following awardees will receive their award at the Monday morning assembly on 5<sup>th</sup> June. Congratulations!

Tahreem	KL	Analisa	KN
Zaryab	KL	Maryam	KS
Noah	KN	Max	KS
Isaac	KS	Sham	KS
Joumana	KS	Micheal	1/2P
Anastasia	1/2P	Sahar	1F
Youssef	1/2P	Yarah	1F
Luqman	1F	Lyne	2F
Naba	2H	Stella	2F
Adam T	2S	Ahmad	2S
Sara	2S	Soumaya	2S

Amelia	3A		Saashah	4K
Laith	3A		Annabella	5B
Malek	4H		Hoang Lan	5B
Mohamed E	4K		Zacharia	5B
Mohe	4K		Jalal	6P
Oshae	4K		Rachael	6P

The following awardees received their award at 3-6 assembly on Thursday 25 May. Congratulations!

Aiyah	3A		Noor	6A
Yasmeen	4K		Israa	6A
Jana	4S		Mustafa	6A
			Adam Ela	6P

### PSSA

PSSA Round 4	2 June 2017	
SPORT	OPPONENT	VENUE
Boys Soccer	Birrong	Jim Ring Reserve, Woods Road, Birrong
Rugby League	Bankstown	Steve Folkes McClean St, Georges Hall
Girls Soccer	Chester Hill	Gosling Park, Field 2
Netball	Georges Hall	Deverall Park, Yanderra Street, Condell Park

PSSA Round 5	9 June 2017	
SPORT	OPPONENT	VENUE
Boys Soccer	Chester Hill	Jim Ring Reserve, Woods Road, Birrong
Rugby League	Condell Park	Steve Folkes McClean St, Georges Hall
Girls Soccer	Chullora	Gosling Park, Field 2
Netball	Bass Hill	Deverall Park, Yanderra Street, Condell Park

### BOOK CLUB

Book Club orders are due back at the school on Friday 16 June. Every purchase from the catalogues earns Scholastic Reward points. This enables the school to earn books and educational items to be used in the library and class rooms.