Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School
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Caring, creative, challenging and achieving

Wednesday, 28 October 2020

CALENDAR

Week 3 Term 4 2020 October

Wednesday 28th	Scripture continues 'Mini' Book Parade Uniform Shop process orders
Friday 30th	Year 3 to 6 school sport

Week 4 Term 4 2020 November

Monday 2nd	K – Year 6 morning Assembly under the Primary COLA
Tuesday 3rd	Parent focus group on Zoom at 4pm
Wednesday 4th	Scripture continues Uniform Shop process orders
Thursday 5th	League Stars program
Friday 6th	Year 3 to 6 school sport Stage 1 Science incursion Kindy Orientation at BRPS

Notes Home:

20th November P & C Crazy socks and hair day

Upcoming Dates:

Aquatopia excursion for Year 3 to 6 Good as Gold Thursday 26th November

STAFFING CHANGES

- Mrs Zeinab Abdelkarim will join the BRPS team in 2021 as an Instructional Leader for Year 3, 4 and 5. We look forward to having her on board
- Mrs Saleh was successful in gaining a DP IL (Instructional Leader) position at Fairfield PS starting this term and for all of 2021. Congratulations.
- Our Assistant Principals for 2021 are as follows:
  - Early Stage 1 – Mrs Frangakis
  - Stage 1 – Mrs Harris
  - Stage 2 – Mrs Imadi
  - Stage 3 – Mrs Ghosn

Miss Foo and Miss Powys have recently married and will now be known as:

- Mrs Camilleri (Miss Foo)
- Mrs Harris (Miss Powys)

AUSTRALIAN TEACHER'S DAY
Friday 30th October

This is a great opportunity to acknowledge our teachers for all of their hard work and emotional investment in changing students' lives.

FORTNIGHTLY VALUE: SELF MANAGEMENT
FORTNIGHTLY FOCUS: SELF CONTROL

We show self-control when we make appropriate decisions that ensure our safety for each setting in our school. When we have a problem or we need help, we speak to our friends and teachers who we know will give us the right advice and support. We can only control our own actions and behaviours so we stay away from conflict that does not involve us, we ignore interruptions and distractions and stay focussed on our work.

KISS AND DROP ZONES

The Kiss and Drop zones at Banksia and Boronia Roads are for parents and carers to legally drop off or pick up their children **within a two-minute timeframe.** These areas are a convenience for all our families and are to be used safely and respectfully.

PARKING

Please be aware of parking restrictions on one side of the street at Omega Place. Thankfully, the staff carpark is open and should reduce congestion before and after school.

BOOKWEEK – TOMORROW

A virtual Book Fair will take place in the library this week and students will have the opportunity to purchase books online. Please see the information flyer at the end of the newsletter.

Tomorrow we will be holding a 'mini' book parade, students will parade for their teachers and stage peers only. Students are invited to dress as their favourite book character. Please do not feel as though you have to purchase a ready-made costume as often, reused or recycled items make the best props and costumes.

2022 SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Applications for students to attend a selective high school for Year 7 in 2022 must be completed and submitted online before Monday 9th November 2020. To apply please use the link below and further information at the end of the newsletter.

https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes

ICAS ASSESSMENTS

Maths

Mariam S (Year 5)	Merit
Najah (Year 4)	Credit
Syed Nazeer (Year 5)	Credit
Audrey (Year 6)	Credit

Spelling Bee

Najah (Year 4)	Distinction
Zara S (Year 3)	Merit
Fayzaa (Year 3)	Credit
Mardhiyyah (Year 4)	Credit
Yarah (Year 4)	Credit
Syed Nazeer (Year 5)	Credit
Mariam A (Year 6)	Credit

LEAGUE STARS PROGRAM

During Term 4, the League Stars program will begin, offering non-contact Rugby League skills for students at Banksia Road Public School from 8am till 9am. There will be a total of 6 sessions starting from Week 4 on Thursday the 5th November until Thursday the 10th December.

Your child will participate in activities that will strengthen their unique skills, building physical, cognitive, social and emotional skills that will help them tackle challenges now and in the future. The cost of the program is $75 and you can use your Active Kids voucher for the cost of the program.

To register, go to www.leaguestars.com.au , type the postcode 2190, click Banksia Road Public School and follow the instructions. If you require assistance or have any questions, please contact Mrs Ghosn.

Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter.

ENROLMENTS ARE INVITED FOR 2021

We are currently taking enrolments for 2021. The DoE recently announced tighter procedures around out of area enrolments. Our school population is growing and places are limited for students not in our catchment area. If you, your friends or neighbours have children starting school next year, please contact the school office and complete a digital enrolment form.
Also, we have rolled out the new Online Enrolment System which provides flexibility for parents to submit an enrolment application online and at the time that best suits you. The application can be accessed on all browsers and mobile devices including iOS and Android.

The online application process is currently restricted to:

- Enrolments into **local** schools only
- Children who are Australian citizens, New Zealand citizens or permanent residents
- Children who live in NSW.

We offer our support and encourage you to complete your application to enrol online https://enrol.education.nsw.gov.au/#/?schoolCode=4217&catchmentLevel=primary

If, however, you do not feel comfortable completing an application online, a paper copy can be downloaded from the Department's website https://education.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/main-education/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/media/documents/enrol-k12.pdf.

Please phone the office to book a time to bring in the form and the supporting documents.

BRONZE AWARDS

Congratulations to the following K-6 students who have received their bronze awards:

KA - Mohamad E; 2L - Pippa F; 3G - Aymen H, Alaa A, Fayzaa A; 3P - Layla E; 3S - Tahreem K, Zara H, Analisa M; 4/5H - Ibrahim E, Shoaib S; 4I - Aesha K, Isaac R, Layla B, Mary M; 4T- Aliya E, Amatullah A; 5A – Omar S, Rayana F; 5G – Aga N; 6O - Hala I; 6S - Amar A; 6K - Bilal A

SILVER AWARDS

Congratulations to the following K-6 students who have received their silver awards:

K/1S – Sarah A; KA – Gazi E, Mohammed H, Fatima T; KB – Aisha Y; KF – Mohammed E; Nida A; 1N – Muhammad E; 1T – Emmett T, Omar A, Amira S; 1V – Isaac O, Yusuf C; 2B – Souad J; 2J – Hani Y, Junaid A, Layla C, Yazen M; 2L - Theodore T; 3/4N – Hemani L, Mohamad E, Aayah S, Alynn E, Fathi A, JackyY, Maysaloon A, Serene B, Youssof S, Yusuf J; 3G – Haroon B, Zaryab U, Karim M; 3S – Jasmine A, Youssef E; 4T – Husayn H, Sahar H, Usman A; 5B – Sidra E; 5G - Jayda A, Shifa A; 6K – Jannat S, Ahmad I, Bilal A, Hayam M, Jenifer I, Nesreen E, Rayanne A, Saeedimran K; 6O - Adnaan S, Ali G, Nasser M, Nurhana M; 6S – Adnan S, Aisha J

GOLD AWARDS

Congratulations to the following K-6 students who have received their gold awards:

KA – Jannah A; KB - Mariam C, Ali C; KB – Mohamed A; 1N – Mustafa A; 2B - Muhie-Deen T, Souad M; 3/4N – Najah S, Amir A; 6K – Laith I, Mohamad E, Soraya B, Faysal E; 6O – Aiyah E

Mr. Hamish Woudsma
Principal

Student Voice

As part of our new School Plan for 2021 – 2024 we will be collecting student voice on a number of questions. Three students from every class will be asked two of the following questions.

1. Do you know the school rules? What are they?
2. What does the teacher do to help you learn better?
3. Does your parent talk to you about your learning? How do your parents help you?
4. Do you feel safe and happy within your classroom with any teacher? Why or Why not?
5. What are you learning? How are you going? How do you know? How can you improve?
6. What technology do you use in the classroom? How do you use it?

Community School Excellence Framework Focus Group

Thank you to the parents and caregivers who volunteered to be part of our Community School Excellence Framework Focus Group.

We will be holding a Zoom session to converse over the selections made by the volunteers. The Zoom session will be held in Week 4 –

Tuesday 3rd November 2020 at 4:00pm

The questions for our Zoom conversation are:
Theme – Behaviour

1. Do you think our four school rules need to be simplified?
2. How do we help all students attend Good as Gold?

Theme - Parent Engagement

1. What would you like added to our school reports?
2. How can we encourage parents to discuss their child's learning more frequently?
3. What additional information can the school provide to support you and your child's learning?
4. How can we better engage fathers?

Theme – Technology

1. How can the school support your understanding of technology use in the classroom?
2. What areas would you like to see the school move towards in the use of technology?

Theme – Transitions and Continuity of Learning

1. What would you like the school to consider when your child is transitioning from year to year?

We encourage you to take part if you are interested. Just use the link below to long in to the Zoom session.

https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/67338330242?pwd=TnptNjdIQ3phbjl0MEtjUTBsZExkUT09

Year 5 S.T.A.R Helpers

All Year 5 students were invited to express interest in becoming a Year 5 STAR Helper to welcome our STAR students to school.

Students wrote convincing letters as to why they should be considered. Thank you to all students who wrote letters. Selected students will be notified this week.

School Transition and Readiness Program
Kindergarten Orientation

Dates for orientation at Banksia Rd PS are as follows:

Friday 6th November - Week 4 - 9:30 to 11
Friday 20th November - Week 6 - 9: 30 to 11
Friday 4th December - Week 8 - 9: 30 to 11

Mrs. Janice Azzopardi
Deputy Principal

TERM FOUR

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
1 Oct	12	13	14	15	16	17/18
2 Oct	19	20	21	22	23	24/25
3 Oct	26 STAR (School Transition & readiness) offsite	27	28 Book Parade	29 Yr 5 PBHS visit (Punchbowl Boys' HS)	30 Belmore Boys' HS visit Year 6	31/1
4 Nov	2 STAR offsite RESPECT	3	4	5 Friendship Day League Stars 8am	6 STAR on site Stage 1 planetarium incursion	7/8
5 Nov	9 STAR offsite	10	11 PBHS Year 5	12 Virtual Author Talk League Stars	13	14/15
6 Nov	16 STAR offsite P & C	17	18	19 League Stars PBHS Year 6	20 STAR on site P & C Crazy Hair/Sock	21/22
7 Nov	23	24 Year 6 Fun Day	25	26 Aquatopia Year 3 to 6 League Stars	27 Mt Lewis Transition PBHS Year 6	28/29
8 Nov	30	1 Statewide HS visit	2 Presentation Day	3 League Stars	4 Year 5 Canberra STAR on site	5/6
9 Dec	7	8 Year 6 Farewell	9	10 League Stars final session	11 Year 6 Can K to 2 Summer Fun Day	12/13
10 Dec	14	15	16 Last day students	17 SDD	18	19/20

اخبار المدرسة
مواعيد مهمة

الأسبوع الثالث
الأربعاء دروس الديانة
استعراض الكتاب
الجمعة الرياضة

الأسبوع الرابع
الاثنين الاجتماع الصباحي
الأربعاء دروس الديانة
طلب الزي المدرسي
الجمعة رحلة داخلية عن العلوم

يوم المعلمين
نحتفل يوم الجمعة بيوم المعلمين

نظام المرور
المدة المسموح بها لا تتعدى ٢ دقيقة لتوصيل التلاميذ عند البوابة

أخبار المعلمين
تنضم إلى المدرسة السيدة زينب عبد الكريم. مرحبا
نودع السيدة صالح الى مدرسة في فيلد. مبروك

القيم الأخلاقية
ضبط النفس و التحكم في النفس

التقييد للعام القادم
يمكن الحضور إلى إدارة المدرسة. يجب عمل موعد

Intention to apply for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Selective high schools cater for academically gifted students with high potential who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic standard. Selective high schools help these students to learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, and by using specialised teaching methods.

Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 11 March 2021.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2022, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available in late September 2020 at https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7.

The application website opens at that link on 6 October 2020 and closes on 9 November 2020. You must apply before the closing date.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Team for assistance after 6 October 2020.

You must submit only ONE application for each student.

The tear-off slip below is not an application and the school cannot apply on your behalf.

Yours sincerely

Mr Hamish Woudsma

Principal

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by _____.

THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL.

This is a notice to your primary school only that you intend to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS WEBSITE:

https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes

---------- Cut here and return the note below to the school ----------

Intention to apply for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2022

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I intend to apply for selective high school entry in Year 7 in 2022 through the High Performing Students website between 6 October 2020 and 9 November 2020.

Signature of parent/carer: _____

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Banksia Rd Public School Community Hub brings to you "Musical Moments"

By Sarah Baxter

(Master of Music Student)

FRIDAYS -TERM 4

Via Zoom 10.00am – 10.30am

For parents/caregivers and their children 0-5 years

FREE program

"Full of laughter and Fun"

Registrations are essential

Please contact Leonie on 0401712793 OR leonie.williams15@det.nsw.edu.au

PLAY STRONG BANKSIA ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL

Please join us at Mt Lewis Park

151a Wattle Street, Mount Lewis

Tuesdays 9:15 am – 11:00 am

Commencing: October 20th, 2020

ps.greenacre.banksia@playgroupnsw.org.au **OR**

leonie.williams15@det.nsw.edu.au **OR**

Call 0401712793

NEW OUTDOOR LOCATION!

LEAGUESTARS.COM

PLAY LEAGUE STARS

The League Stars program appeals to the true nature of kids, in all their messy, high energy, love of fun and play. Each week, your child will participate in specially designed games that get them smiling and sweating.

League Stars kids have loads of fun with their friends, old and new, but the program delivers so much more. Each week they'll unlock more of their unique strengths, building physical, cognitive, social and emotional skills that will help them take on challenges big and small, now and in the future.

REGISTER FOR LEAGUE STARS
LEAGUESTARS.COM

WHEN: **5/11/2020 - 10/12/2020**
TIME: **Thursdays 8.00 am - 9.00 am**
LENGTH: 6 weeks
AGE: 5-12 Years
COST: $75

WHERE:
Banksia Road Public School
65 Banksia Rd
Greenacre
NSW 2190

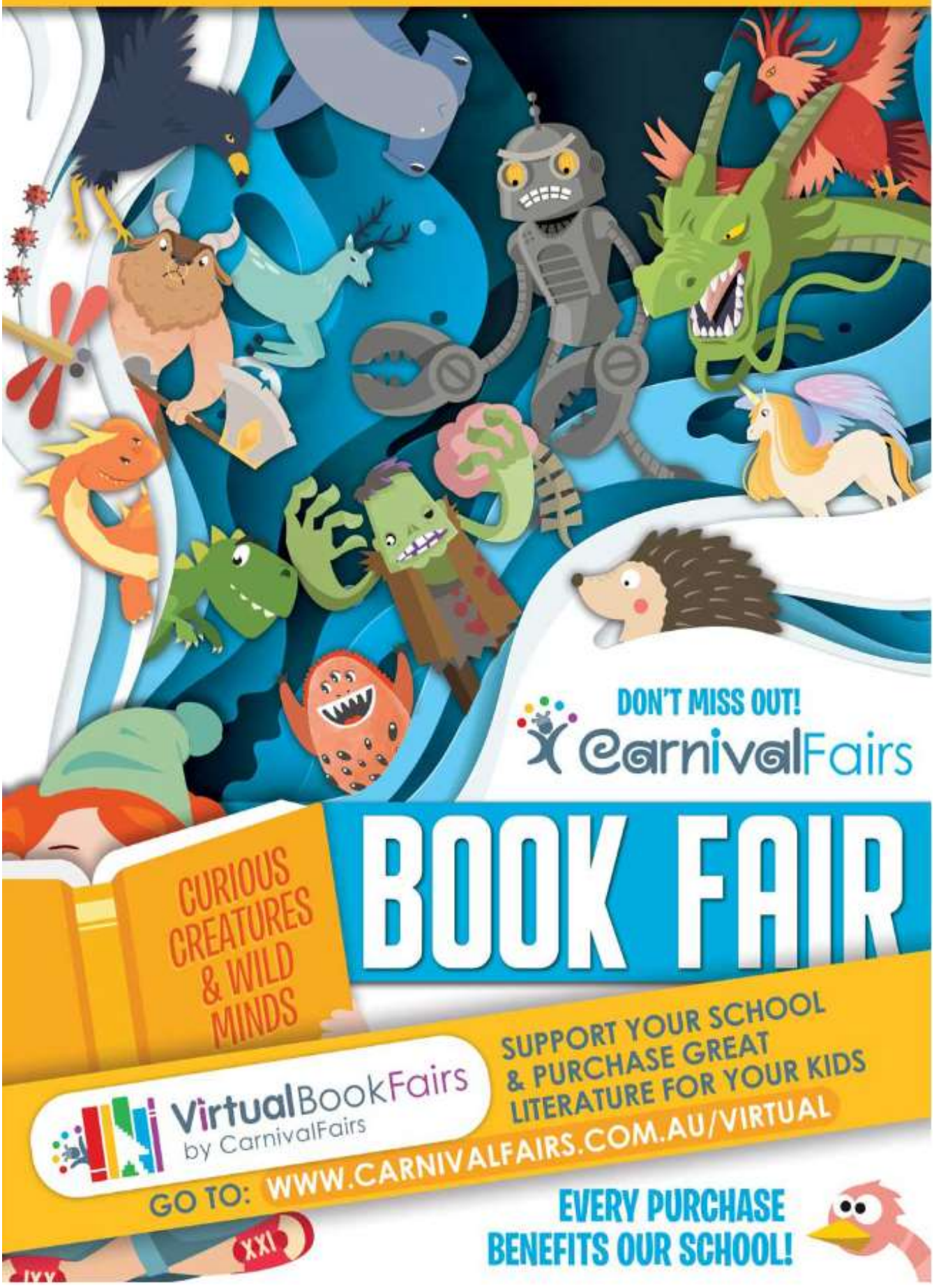
YOUR LEAGUE STARS COACH IS:

Alysha Janssen
ajanssen@nrl.com.au
0439006418

Pack items may differ from ones shown

LEAGUE STARS

WE'RE RUNNING A VIRTUAL BOOK FAIR



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WHAT IS IT?

A Virtual Fair is a web-based warehouse sale of books and activity packs run by Carnival Fairs on behalf of our school. It offers a hand-picked selection of high quality books and developmental activity packs which parents and staff can purchase for the family, or to donate to school or classroom libraries. Everything is discounted.

WHATS ON OFFER?

- **Picture Books**
- **Early chapter books**
- **Novels Suitable for children 7-14 years**
- **Wide range of non-fiction, high interest books**
- **Activity and reference books**
- **Educational toys and activities to help with literacy, numeracy and science**
- **A selection of great teen reads**

HOW TO TAKE PART

1. Log on to **www.carnivalfairs.com.au/virtual**
2. Search for **your school** and select its name
3. **Browse** the books, add your selections to your **shopping basket** as you go
4. Follow the prompts to purchase your items using a credit card at the secure **checkout**
5. After the Virtual Fair closes, your **order will be shipped.** If you selected the 'ship-to-home' option, it will be shipped directly to you. Otherwise we will arrange distribution to you through your school.

www.**carnivalfairs**.com.au/**virtual**