

Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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CALENDAR

Week 5 Term 3 2022

August

Wednesday 17 th	Goal Setting Interviews
Thursday 18 th	Year 6 cupcake day Year 3 - 6 assembly (4/5N)
Friday 19 th	Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am

Week 6 Term 3 2022

August

Monday 22 nd	Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am STAR at 2pm
Tuesday 23 rd	District Athletics K-6 Parent Workshop 2pm
Wednesday 24 th	Book Week Parade
Thursday 25 th	K-2 Assembly (1A item)
Friday 26 th	Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am PSSA friendlies

Week 7 Term 3 2022

August-September

Monday 29 th	Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am STAR at 2pm
Tuesday 30 th	K-2 Sydney Zoo excursion
Wednesday 31 st	K-2 Father's Day Stall
Thursday 1 st	3-6 Father's Day Stall
Friday 2 nd	K-2 library visit Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am

Future Dates:

Camp at Tea Gardens 12th – 14th September

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Parents must **NOT** approach a student at school if they feel that there has been some 'wrong' done to their child. The class teacher, Assistant Principal, Deputy Principal or Principal manages all behaviour incidents. We are dealing with 'little people' and there is an imbalance of power when an adult approaches in a negative way. Your support in this matter is appreciated.

- Family holidays** during the school term should be avoided if possible. Days off for this purpose (an official exemption is needed) count as absences, are recorded on school reports and also disrupt schooling.

THREE WAY GOAL SETTING INTERVIEWS VIA TELEPHONE

Your child's teacher will make contact with you over the next couple of days. Please contact the office if your phone number has changed. Bear in mind, it will be a no caller ID phone number.

PSSA GALA DAYS

Unfortunately, due to ground closures, Winter Gala Day 2# will not be rescheduled.

My greatest concern is the impact on student wellbeing, for many, it is an avenue that they can succeed and thrive in.

We will organise PSSA friendlies against Georges Hall for Friday 26th August.

Winter Gala Day 3# will go ahead on Friday 2nd September.

YEAR 6 FUNDRAISER THURSDAY 18TH AUGUST

MEGA MUFFIN DECORATING

Year 6 will be hosting a "Decorate and design your own mega sized muffin" with yummy treats including chocolates, lollies, your favourite sport colours and edible stickers, sprinkles, icing, marshmallows and more!!!

Each student will be given a container if they wish to decorate and take their mega sized muffin home.

P & C MEETING

Yesterday was a very collaborative meeting. It was great to see some new faces. Our P & C made a profit of \$1600 from 'Hot Dog' day which will fund a buddy bench in the K-2. There were some great suggestions from parents such as:

- A parent rep for the Support Unit
- More equipment for students at play time such as oz tags to avoid contact sports
- A request to have parent workshops for Year 3 to 6 in the areas of reading comprehension and writing
- A cake stall/ coffee & tea and lolly bags sold at the Book Week parade
- Clarification of what awards go towards Bronze, Silver, Gold etc, the answer being all except for Athletics Carnival ribbons.
- Painting of the stairway leading up to the library and or Year 3 classrooms.

The next meeting is Monday 19th September at 9:30am. All parents are welcome and there is no such thing as a silly question.



<https://www.facebook.com/banksiardprimarypnc/>

K TO 6 BOOKWEEK PARADE WEDNESDAY 24TH AUGUST – 9:30AM

It has been a couple of years since we have had a Book parade so this will be the first for many. It will occur in the Infants Cola and parents are welcome. As is customary, students, staff and even parents dress up as a 'Book Character.'

Our teachers will put on a skit and our students will parade their costumes. The parade will finish by approximately 10:30am.

Our P & C will be selling coffee/tea, cakes and lolly bags for students.

You may purchase a book by visiting the site: <https://carnivalfairs.com.au/virtualbookfair/> and select Banksia Road Primary School

SCHOOL CROSSING

You will have noticed that our School Crossing Supervisor has been unavailable recently. Please remind children of the following road safety messages:

- Wherever possible, cross the road at a designated pedestrian crossing facility
- Stop! Look! Listen! Think! when crossing the road
- Take care whenever you cross
- Don't run across the road

BICYCLE AND SCOOTER SAFETY

As more and more students ride their bikes and scooters to school, we remind parents of essential safety information.

Bicycle (and scooter) riders are required by law to wear an approved helmet securely fitted and fastened. In NSW there are no exemptions from wearing an approved bicycle helmet.

Always wear a helmet when you ride and make sure you fit the helmet correctly. Please see photos at the end of the newsletter.

GOLD AWARDS

Congratulations and well done to the following students who achieved a gold award:

3N – Nour, Sereen; 4/5N – Ayah; 6F – Youssof; 6I – Muhammad Ghazi, Nadia, Ryan

SILVER AWARDS

Congratulations and well done to the following students who achieved a silver award:

K/1T - Ali, Jibreel; KB – Amina, Chadi; KC – Aiza, Zakaria; KF – Aizah, Omar S; 1A – Jameel; 3N – Mohamed M; 3T – Medinah, Mustafa; 4/5N – Hadi, Lana, Sidra; 4A – Yasin; 6F – Aaliyah; 6I – Efrat, Aayah

BRONZE AWARDS

Congratulations and well done to the following students who achieved a bronze award:

KC – Jacob, Nour, Izaiah, Medina, Ethan; KF – Lujain, Marwa, Saarah; 1A – Almaz, Muhammad, Waseem; 1S – Ayaan, Dania, Ibrahim T, Ibrahim Z; 2A – Mohamed A, Omar D, Rawaa; 2B – Hopisoni, Jibril, Medina, Ahmad M; 2L – Mariam, Taha, Youssef; 3/4L – Farouk, Ishaq, Tala, Yazan; 3N – Moaaz, Sara; 3T – Amelia, Rihanna, Rouya, Saphia, Uthman; 3V - Alisha Kamal, Aya, Hawaa, Imran, Khaled, Liyana, Sarrah; 4/5N – Alynn, Hamna, Hannah; 4A – Aisha, Ghassan, Hadi, Malak, Sarah, Tarek; 5/6M – Denis, Fouad, Serene, Hamad, Mohammed Y, Yasmin; 5A – Aymen; 5H – Jibril; 6I – Rashid, Zahraa; 6N – Khaled

Mr Hamish Woudsma
Principal

EDUCATION WEEK THANK YOU

Student behaviour at the Open Day Assembly was outstanding.

A huge thank you to all parents and caregivers that assisted at the Hot Dog Stall.

In addition, the school raised \$388 on 'Dream Job' Day.

We would love your feedback. Please complete this survey because we would really like to know what your thoughts and ideas are.

Thank you.

<https://forms.gle/4kka2KG8QWAMASuh6>

IN-SCHOOL DEBATE

On Wednesday 10th August, we held an in-school debate. This provided the BRPS debating teams an opportunity to learn and grow in their ability to debate a set topic. Congratulations to all the students who participated. Thank you to Mrs. Naser for coaching the teams and Mrs. Lin for adjudicating.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Please note the calendar that was shared with the community is subject to change. Dates are planned ahead of time and sometimes changes are required for a number of different reasons. The community will always be informed via school notes, newsletters, class dojo and emails.

ICAS

Digital technologies and Writing have been completed. English was completed today. Science and Spelling Bee will be scheduled the week starting August 22 and Mathematics the week starting August 29. We have several students involved.

PEACEFUL KIDS

Peaceful Kids is a program we run weekly. This program is addressing the social and emotional needs of identified students within the school. This term, Stage 3 students are involved.

KIDS HELPLINE - BEING KIND ONLINE

Stage 3 took part in Being Kind Online sessions facilitated by Kids Helpline.

Our Stage 3 students actively engaged in the presentation. They learnt about making positive decisions, understanding and respecting their own and others online boundaries and strategies to communicate messages clearly and respectfully.

Unfortunately, despite our efforts to address online safety, there are some students that are still choosing to be inappropriate online. Teachers are now being targeted.

SSHS COMMUNITY OF SCHOOL VISIT **Community of Practice between SSHS and BRPS.**

The intention of the Community of Practice is to engage in collaborative programming and team-teaching experiences which may include Instructional Rounds, Teaching Rounds, or an agreed upon observation experience.

Claire and Aijaz from Strathfield South High School visited 6N and 5A to partake in a mathematics team teaching session last Wednesday. This initiative will evolve where our teachers will visit SSHS and team teach in front of a Year 7 and Year 8 mathematics class.

We thank Mrs Imadi and Mrs Naser for their involvement and outstanding leadership.



K – 2 PUBLIC SPEAKING

In the next few weeks, Kindergarten – Year 2 will be holding public speaking sessions. More information will be sent home with your child or via Class Dojo.

READY SET GO - STAR

We held our first Ready Set Go – School Transition and Readiness Program (STAR) last week. These sessions are run weekly on a Monday afternoon from 2pm to 2:55pm. This week our parents and caregivers enjoyed afternoon tea and a chat with our new Community Hubs Leader, Sheenagh Mackenzie-Smith, while the children engaged with Mrs. Handcock, Mrs Coluccio and other staff members.



BUNMARRA CORROBOREE EXCURSION

Punchbowl Public School are delighted to invite Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students from our school to our Bunmarra Corroboree. Students will be involved in a structured program of learning and enjoyment which includes a smoking ceremony and artwork workshops.

Activities on the day covers aspects of the cross-curriculum priority area for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Histories and Cultures. The event aims to foster strong relationships amongst Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and the broader community in our network of schools. It is our hope that such events will empower our students, build a sense of belonging and pride in their identity. Together, we can create the learning environments that our students need so that they may thrive.

K - 6 PARENT WORKSHOPS

So far this term, two parent workshops have taken plan. These workshops have been very successful.
Term 3, Week 2 – Literacy – Decodable Texts
Term 3, Week 4 – Numeracy – Number Talks

Looking forward to welcoming our parents to our next workshop in Week 6 on Tuesday 23rd August at 2pm, please see flyer at the end of the newsletter.



Mrs Janice Azzopardi
Deputy Principal



2022 Bookweek

Each year since 1945 the CBCA has brought children and books together across Australia through CBCA Book Week. Book Week 2022 runs from 22-26 August and this year asks children to embrace the theme "Dreaming with eyes open".

BOOK PARADE

As part of our week long celebration of literacy at Banksia Road, we are excited to invite you to our book parade. Teachers and students are encouraged to dress as their favourite book characters for the day.

The parade will be held in our infants playground

Date: 24 August 2022

Time: 9:30am - 10:30am (approx)

BOOK FAIR

From 22 August - 23 September we will be hosting a Virtual Book Fair. This is the perfect opportunity for you to add to your home library with many amazing new and old titles available to buy. You can choose to have the books delivered through the school or directly to your address.

To access our book fair visit

<https://www.carnivalfairs.com.au/virtualbookfair/>

and select Banksia Road Primary School

K-6 Parent Workshop

Mathematics- Fractions



When: Tuesday 23rd August
Time: 2pm
Where: School Hall



Lucky door prize!

Is your helmet properly adjusted?



Allow two fingers between your eyebrows and your helmet.



Ensure the straps join in a 'V' just below your ears.



Allow two fingers between the helmet strap and your chin.