

Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Caring, creative, challenging and achieving



Tuesday, 24 October 2023

CALENDAR

Week 3 Term 4 2023

October

Monday 23 rd	Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am S.T.A.R. program P & C meeting at 6pm in the staffroom
Tuesday 24 th	Conversational English
Thursday 26 th	K – 2 assembly (KF item) Playgroup in the Hall
Friday 27 th	Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am World Teachers' Day PSSA Round 9

Week 4 Term 4 2023

Oct - Nov

Monday 30 th	Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am S.T.A.R. program Grandparents Day
Tuesday 31 st	Conversational English
Thursday 2 nd	3 - 6 assembly (3HM item) Playgroup in the Hall
Friday 3 rd	Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am PSSA Round 10

Week 5 Term 4 2023

November

Monday 6 th	Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am S.T.A.R. program graduation BEHD Festival Swim scheme week
Tuesday 7 th	Conversational English
Thursday 9 th	K – 2 Assembly (KM item) Playgroup in the Hall
Friday 10 th	Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am PSSA Round 11

Upcoming dates

- Camp is 13th til 15th November
- Orientation for Year 3, 2024 students – 15th & 22nd November
- Year 6 Fun Day is Tuesday 21st November
- High School orientation – Tuesday 28th November
- Year 3 – 6 Aquatopia 29th November
- Presentation Day is Tuesday 5th December
- Sports Assembly (Year 3 to 6) is Thursday 7th December

CHULLORA NETWORK AWARD

Congratulations Rawa Bassal for receiving the prestigious Chullora Network Award.
The photograph and citation are below:



Mrs Bassal has contributed enormously to the Banksia Road school community for many years through both, volunteering in the Uniform Shop and leading school fundraising events.

Mrs Bassal is in her 4th year as P&C President and continues to give so much of her time.

Her most notable contribution was the coordination, together with a small, dedicated hard working team of P&C members, of our inaugural Community fete - the 'Banksia Bonanza.' This mammoth task was completed in only 4 months.

I'm not sure how she managed motherhood, work and coordinating a Fete, I can only assume, at the expense of sleep.

The 'Banksia Bonanza' galvanised the broader school community placing our school as the central focal point. She is a quiet achiever who is truly humble. Mrs Bassal always puts students first and this is reflected in her leadership of the P & C committee. On behalf of the entire school community, thank you.



GRANDPARENTS DAY – MONDAY 30TH OCTOBER

Grandparents play an integral role in our students' education. They often help their grandchildren with homework and teach them life skills.

All grandparents are welcome to join us for 'open classrooms' from 10:15am and join your grandchild(ren) for lunch from 11:15 – 11:55pm.



WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

Across Australia, Friday 27th October is World Teachers' Day. This is an opportunity to officially thank our teachers for the work they do each day. Your contributions shape our future.



YEAR 6 FUNDAY



ENROLMENTS

It is most important that we have accurate enrolment numbers for 2024 as we wish to provide all students with a thorough and positive transition.

We also need to have accurate enrolment numbers for class formation at the beginning of the year. If you have a child coming into Kindergarten in 2024 and you have not yet completed the application, please complete it as soon as possible.

If your child will not be returning to Banksia Road PS in 2024, please let the office know immediately, or email the school on banksiarp.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

LAPTOPS FOR STUDENTS

We will be investing \$50 000 on student laptops for 2024. This amount is derived from our fete profit and the schools flexible funding. This will allow us to purchase 83 laptops. In addition, we will receive a further 27 laptops from our annual rollout.

This will enable us to integrate 110 laptops into Year 3 to 6 classes in 2024 which will mean one laptop for every student which is essential in the 'digital age.'

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL TEST

This applies to students in Year 5.

Applications for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2025 open on **9 October 2023** and close on **20 November 2023**. Visit [Selective High Schools and Opportunity Classes Year 7 website](#) to apply.

All candidates are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test on **Thursday 9 May 2024**.

SCHOOL BYTES APP

This app is designed to complement the existing parent portal and makes it easier for parents to use School Bytes on their mobile devices.

The app can be downloaded on the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store. Direct links are provided below:

- App Store
- <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/school-bytes/id6463097826>
- Google Play
- <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=education.schoolbytes>

GOLD AWARDS

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

K/1J – Mikayel; KM - Alannah, Lianah, Aisha;
1E - Sophia; 1S – Lachlan; 2B – Sana; 4L - Mansour
Mustafa, Medinah; 4N – Asma; 4V - Ryan, Nour;
6Z - Karim

SILVER AWARDS

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

KC - Zoe, Doha; KF – Rehan; KM – Isaac;
K/1J – Kingston; 1D – Adam C, Aizah, Fadi, Marwa,
Taha; 1S – Musa; 2A - Waseem, Amira, Omar;
2B - Aysha, Laya, Odai, Zeinab; 2S - Mariyah,
Muhammad; 3HM - Ghazal, Jizelle; 4L - Muaz,
Saphia; 4V - Ayah, Musab; 5N - Medina, Yaseen,
Baasim, Jana; 6H - Aden, Syed Sameer Mohsin;
6N – Zakariya; 6Z – Amir

BRONZE AWARDS

Bronze awards are handed to students at Monday morning assemblies. Congratulations and well done to the following students who achieved a bronze award:

KM – Issa, Muhammad; 1D – Mohiuddin; 1S – Adam
F; 3A – Hayssam; 3HM – Adelma; 4L – Mousa;
4V - Aisha, Ishaq, Omar A, Omar J

ATTENDANCE

There has been an increase in the number of students leaving early from school. To optimise learning time, students are only able to leave early from school with proof of a medical appointment. Students can not be signed out after 2.30pm.

In addition, students can not be collected early to attend their siblings' assembly.

SUMMER PSSA

The teams and venues are as follows:

Basketball - Bankstown Basketball Stadium
2 Park
Juniors - Court 6 from 1pm-2pm
Seniors - Court 1 from 1pm-2pm

Boys and Girls Softball - Kinch Reserve
Third Ave, Condell Park

Boys and Girls T/Ball - O'Neil Reserve
Cooper Rd & Nobbs Rd, Yagoona

Boys Cricket - Jim Ring Reserve
Woods Rd, Birrong

Girls Cricket - The Crest
70 McLean Street, Georges Hall

Mixed Touch Football - Thurina Park
Lowana Street, Villawood

All parents are welcome to attend.

Mr Hamish Woudsma
School Principal

TELL THEM FROM ME PARTNERS IN LEARNING SURVEY

FINAL WEEK

Please have your say.

The Partners in Learning parent survey is part of the Tell Them from Me suite of surveys on student engagement and wellbeing. The parent survey helps to clarify and strengthen the important relationship between parent and school. Participation in the parent survey is optional. We would strongly like to encourage as many parents as we can to build a robust dataset.

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/brps2023>

ATTENDANCE

Attendance has improved over the last term.

- The attendance rate has increased.
- The unexplained absences have reduced

In Term 3, we have utilised the additional Admin time allocated to our school to do the following.

- Letters were sent out to every family regarding absences
- Daily phone calls are made to follow up on absences.
- School Bytes APP has allowed parents to provide reasons for leave.

SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Scripture will finish on 8/11/23 due to end of year events occupying the remaining weeks.

S.T.A.R. - SCHOOL TRANSITION AND READINESS PROGRAM

We currently have 50 students enrolled for Kindergarten in 2024. Our STAR program continued this term with our final two weeks to go.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Remembrance Day falls on Saturday this year.

Remembrance Day marks the anniversary of the guns falling silent on the Western Front in the first World War: at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month in 1918. As a nation on 11 November at 1100am, we pause to remember all those who have served and died.

ASSESSMENTS

Along with the check-in assessments occurring in Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5, students in all classrooms are completing assessments in all areas of learning over the next couple of weeks. Teachers will engage in CTJ- consistent teacher judgment. This is where teachers across stages discuss and consult on student progress.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the P and C for helping at the referendum and for their donations to the Year 6 fun day. We appreciate all that you do.

Thank you also to the P and C President Rawa Bassal for presenting at the S.T.A.R. Parent Session this week.

Mrs Janice Azzopardi
Deputy Principal

WEEK 3 BANKSIA BRAVOS UPDATE

In week 1, the students were filled with excitement as the Banksia Bravos were being drawn out for the Monday Morning assembly. We commenced Term 4 at BRPS with week 1 being Bonus Bravo week. Four Bravos were being drawn from each box offering more opportunities for students to experience success and positivity.

The Bonus Bravos occurs several times throughout the school term for a positive way to begin and end the school term and for the purpose of celebrating student well being week.

The consistency of the Banksia Bravos whole school approach to a reward system encourages students to reflect on their behaviour choices so they are noticed for the right reasons inside and outside the classroom setting throughout the school day.

Well done to the following Year 3-6 Banksia Bravo Thursday assembly winners who were caught being good!

Week 2 Assembly 3-6: Aya 5/6P, Sidra 5N, Musab 4V and Lamees 4/5T.



The IC students love the Banksia Bravos! Take a look at Shayna's proud smile for receiving a Bravo! Well done Shayna and a great effort Inclusive Classes!

We appreciate your parental support.

The Banksia Bravos, the Banksia way!

Ms Fallah.

COMMUNITY HUB NEWS

Come join in the fun in the Community Hub!!

Tuesday 9.15am-11.15am

Conversational English class in the Community Hub, with a fun experience at the end.

Thursday 9.15am-11.15am

Playgroup for all ages up to school aged children, engaging, connecting and free play in the school hall.

Adult swimming lessons

There is an opportunity for Learn to Swim sessions in Term 1, 2024. These lessons will be held at Roselands Leisure & Aquatic Centre and will be free. Please visit the office to collect an expression of interest form.

Tuning in to Teens

For parents of Year 5 and 6 students

Chester Hill Neighbourhood Centre will be running a 6 session parenting program from Tuesday 17th October. Please see the attached flyer and call the school to reserve your place - limited spots available. Morning tea will be provided.

If there are any questions, any interest on courses that can be run in the future, or you'd like to pop into the school office. Nivek is on leave until 6th November 2023.

P&C FUNDRAISER

Students have received following note today. Please place orders by Tuesday 7th November.

Banksia Road Public School P&C Association

65 Banksia Road Greenacre NSW 2190

EMAIL: banksiarpandc@gmail.com

ABN. 93644063286

Phone 9707-3423

Fax 9790-5607



P&C KRISPY KREME DOUGHNUTS DAY FUNDRAISER

WHEN: Monday 27th November 2023

Help us raise funds for our school by purchasing a box of Krispy Kreme doughnuts, a great treat surely to be enjoyed by the whole family, makes a great gift as well :)

Please fill in the form below and return to the office by no later than Tuesday 7th November 2023 to secure your box(es) you can pay cash or online through the school website, if you pay online, please ensure the order form is still completed and returned to school.

STUDENTS NAME:

STUDENTS CLASS:

NUMBER OF DOZENS:

Original Glaze: **@\$25 EACH**

Assorted Mix: **@\$35 EACH**

TOTAL:



Please note that dates are subject to change.

TERM 4 COMMUNITY CALENDAR 2023

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Oct 1	9 Check In Assessments Begin for Years 3, 4, 5	10	11 Scripture	12 Playgroup	13 PSSA Rd 7	14
						15
2	16 STAR T/A Course	17 English Course	18 Year 5 at SSHS	19 Playgroup	20 PSSA Rd 8	21
						22
3	23 T/A Course P and C Meeting Evening STAR	24 English Course	25 Montessori Childcare visit	26	27 PSSA Rd 9	28
						29
Nov. 4	30 T/A Course Grandparents Day STAR	31 English Course	1	2 Playgroup	3 TTFM Closes Check in Closes PSSA Rd 10	4
						5
5	6 BEHD festival STAR Graduation Swim scheme begins T/A Course	7 Friendship Day English Course	8 Last Week of Scripture	9 Playgroup	10 PSSA Rd 11	11 Remembrance Day
						12
6	13 Student Well-Being Week Year 6 CAMP T/A Course	14 English Course Year 6 CAMP	15 Year 6 CAMP Year 3 transition 1	16 Playgroup	17 PSSA Rd 12	18
						19
7	20 T/A Course P and C Meeting 9.30am Kindergarten Interviews Best Start	21 Year 6 Fun Day English Course	22 Kindergarten Interviews Best Start Year 3 transition 2	23 IC Parent Forum Playgroup	24 PSSA – Semi Summer	25
						26
Dec. 8	27 T/A Course Kindergarten Interviews Best Start	28 Statewide HS visit ES1 & IC GaG @ Birrong Pool English Course	29 Stage 1 GaG 3-6 Aquatopia	30 Playgroup	1 PSSA – Final	2
9	4 T/A Course	5 Presentation Day K-6 Thank You Morning Tea	6	7 Sports Assembly	8 PSSA – Final Back up Summer Hamish PPA from 12pm	9
						10
10	11 T/A Course Year 6 - Luna Park	12 English Course	13 Year 6 Farewell	14	15	16
						17
11	18 Staff Development Day (Staff only)	19 Staff Development Day (Staff only)	HOLIDAYS			23
						24

اخبار المدرسة
ايام الاثنين و الجمعة يمكن شراء الزي المدرسي في الصباح الباكر

مواعيد مهمة

الاسبوع ٣

الاثنين اجتماع الاهالي الساعة ٧
الثلاثاء محادثة بالانجليزي
الخميس الاجتماع العام الصف الحضنة
برنامج اللعب في القاعة
الجمعة مسابقات الرياضة
يوم المعلمين

الاسبوع ٤

الاثنين يوم الاجداد
برنامج الاستعداد للمدرسة
الثلاثاء محادثة بالانجليزي
الخميس الاجتماع العام الصف ٥ م
برنامج اللعب في القاعة
الجمعة مسابقات الرياضة

الاسبوع ٥

الاثنين برنامج الاستعداد للمدرسة حفلة التخرج
برنامج السباحة
الثلاثاء محادثة بالانجليزي
الخميس الاجتماع العام الصف الحضنة
برنامج اللعب في القاعة
الجمعة مسابقات الرياضة

مواعيد اخرى

معسكر المدرسة ١٣ - ١٥ / ١١
برنامج الاستعداد للصف ٣
١١ / ٢١ يوم الصف السادس
يوم الشهادات ١٢ / ٥
١٢ / ٧ احتفال الرياضة للصفوف ٣ - ٦

تهنئة

نهني السيدة روعة بسال على حصولها
على شهادة تقدير لمجهوداتها في المدرسة

شراء كمبيوتر للتلاميذ

المدرسة ستقوم بشراء عدد من الكمبيوتر بمبلغ ٥٠ الف دولار

التقديم للعام الدراسي الجديد

يمكن بداية التقديم للعام المقبل

المدارس الثانوية المختارة

تبدا التقديم للصف ٧ من ٩ / ١٠ الى ٢٠ / ١١



Tuning in to Teens

A six-session parenting program for parents of teens to develop emotional intelligence

- Communicate more effectively with your teen
- Understand your teen better
- Help your teen to manage those difficult emotions
- Help to prevent behavioural issues in your teen
- Teach your teen how to deal with conflict more effectively



LOCATION

Banksia Road Public School
65 Banksia Rd, Greenacre
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STARTING

17TH OCTOBER 2023

Running for 6 weeks on
Tuesdays from 9:30am

