

Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Tuesday, 2 April 2024

CALENDAR

Week 10 Term 1 2024

April

Monday 1 st	Easter Monday
Thursday 4 th	K – 2 Assembly (2B Item)
Friday 5 th	Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am Summer PSSA - Round 2

Week 11 Term 1 2024

April

Monday 8 th	Uniform Shop 8:45 -9:15am
Friday 12 th	Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am

Future Dates:

Last day Term 1 – 12th April

Students return Term 2 – Tuesday 30th April

Year 3 – 6 Cross Country – Wednesday 8th May

STAFFING

Congratulations to Mrs Coluccio who was recently appointed as our APCI (Assistant Principal Curriculum & Instruction), subject to a 10-day cooling off period.

Congratulations also to Miss Hawthorne and Mrs Ahdab who were both recently successful in gaining permanency through merit selection.

In other staffing news, Mrs El Ayoubi will be going on maternity leave mid Term 2. We wish her all the best with the birth of her 1st child. Mrs Imadi and Mrs Khassouk will teach 5E for the remainder of the year. Both are substantive Assistant Principals and have a wealth of experience on Stage 3.

Mrs Laila Hares was also successful through merit selection and will join IC Red as the SLSO. Thank you to Mrs Elakhras for your hard work in the role this term.

Mrs Fatima Mostapha will also join the BRPS team as the Stage One Assistant Principal starting next week. She comes to us from Carlton PS with a wealth of experience and will teach 1/2AF (class name change to 1/2M).

NEW SOUTH WALES
DEPARTMENT
OF EDUCATION
AND TRAINING



SCHOOL PICK UP

Students not picked up from the gate by 3.15pm will have to be collected from outside Mr Woudsma's office. Students are to be signed out at the office if they leave before 2:30pm. No students to be signed out after 2.30pm.

THREE WAY GOAL SETTING INTERVIEWS

Face to face parent attendance increased slightly from last year although primary attendance is 13% lower than infants.

I urge all parents who may not have scheduled an interview to do so as soon as possible.

Infants 78%

Primary 65%

Attendance at Goal Setting Interviews

2024 – 71%

2023 – 69%

2022 – 60% F to F & 29% phone (11% none)

2021 – 82%

2020 – 83% (Covid – by phone)

2019 – 89% Novelty wearing off

2018 – 93%

2017 – 73%

EASTER HAT PARADE

Thank you to the BRPS community for donating Easter Eggs and the P & C who raised \$470 for the school.



AFTERNOON PARKING AT SCHOOL GATES

Please consider the following road rules:

- A reminder that the kiss and drop zone is not for parking
- Stay only 3 minutes in the drop off/pick up zone
- Be considerate of our neighbours and other road users. Do not leave rubbish behind.
- Double parking is a safety issue and a fineable offence

YEAR 3 – 6 CROSS COUNTRY at GOSLING PARK WEDNESDAY 8TH MAY

A note will be emailed to all Year 3-6 parents. We ask that parents inform the school if there are updated medical needs for your child ie; asthma, allergies.

All parents are welcome. Students will complete the course of roughly 1.5km in either:

- Junior (8 and 9 years old)
- 10 year old category
- 11 year old category
- 12 years or above category
- Girls and boys are in separate categories
- The age is what you turn this year

Students are reminded to wear house colours or sports uniform. They will need a hat, sunscreen and a water bottle. Any students who suffer asthma will need to have their Ventolin inhaler.

PSSA SUMMER – ROUND 2 THIS FRIDAY

Permission and payment are required for your child to participate.

Venues are as follows:

Basketball - Georges Hall public school, 16 Pennington Ave, Georges Hall NSW
Softball - Kinch Reserve - Third Ave, Condell Park

Mixed Cricket - Jim Ring - Woods Road, Birrong.
T-Ball - O'Neill Park- Cooper Rd & Nobbs Rd, Yagoona

Boys Touch Football - Thurina Park - Lowana Street Villawood
Girls Touch Football - BYE

BRONZE AWARDS

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

1D – Lana; 2B – Aria, Chadi; 2V – Amira, Jaiyana; 4F – Ayesha; 4H – Sami; 5I – Alyssar, Laylah, Mohamed M; 6R – Abdullah, Amira

SRE/SEE E-PETITION TO NSW LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Sign into the QR code to provide your feedback before Friday 12th April.



This is to let you know of an e-petition to the NSW Legislative Assembly that should interest P&C members, parents/carers, and staff of your school.

The e-petition seeks to make available more class time for teaching the NSW Curriculum in government schools. To do this, optional Special Religious Education (SRE) and Special Education in Ethics (SEE) would be moved out of class time and into participating students' own time.

The NSW Education Act and Department of Education policies permit any number of students to leave class for up to an hour per week to do optional SRE or SEE lessons run by authorised external volunteers. In some schools SRE lessons are run by employees of religious organisations. During SRE/SEE all other school teaching and activities must stop while the rest of the class waits for SRE/SEE participants to come back, then school resumes.

There is a smarter and fairer way to deliver SRE and SEE in schools. The e-petition asks the state government to change the Act so that these two optional activities run during breaks or before or after school hours. No other changes to SRE and SEE are sought. This way the law will be fair to everyone in all schools all the time. At best the law now is only somewhat fair in schools where SRE and/or SEE happen to be done by a majority of students in a given year group.

The e-petition is titled "Run Optional Scripture and Ethics Lessons Outside Class Time in NSW Public Schools". You can find it on the NSW Parliament website via link (<https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/la/Pages/ePetition-details.aspx?q=CLJR7ATVShkYn1HEXbAe8A>). It is open to the public for signatures during Term 1 then will close on 12 April. Signatories' names and contact details are visible only to the NSW parliamentary staff who handle e-petitions, and they only use that information to verify each supporter and to give updates on the e-petition's progress by request. The parliament website explains in full the e-petition process and privacy via link (<https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/about/getinvolved/Pages/Petition-the-Parliament.aspx>).

Mr Hamish Woudsma
School Principal

ATTENDANCE

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

The Importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

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Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss days per year

5 mins per day = 3 days

30 mins per day = 18 days



Patterns of lateness can have a serious impact on your child's education.

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Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight = 4 weeks = Over 1 year missed

1 day per week = 8 weeks = Over 2.5 years missed

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TELL THEM FROM ME

During Term 2 students in Years 4,5,6 will be invited to take part in the first TTFM student survey.

What is TTFM?

Tell Them From Me is a suite of surveys for measuring student engagement and wellbeing. The surveys can be used to capture student, parent and teacher voices, providing reliable evidence for schools to use in identifying strengths and areas for improvement.

The Tell Them From Me student survey provides school leaders with insights student engagement, wellbeing and effective teaching practices at their school, from the perspective of student.

ANZAC DAY – 25th APRIL

ANZAC Day is our day of national commemoration.

On Thursday 25 April 2024, the Australian War Memorial will mark the Gallipoli landings in 1915, as well as commemorating all Australians who have served and died in military operations.

Students will spend time in their classrooms learning about the day.

THANK YOU and HAPPY EASTER

Last week we held a successful K-2 Easter Hat Parade. Thank you to all the students, teachers and parents for the amazing hats! Thank you also for the generous donations of Easter Eggs for our Easter Prizes. Congratulations to all winners! Thank you to the P and C for organising the Easter Prizes.

I trust all who were celebrating Easter, had an enjoyable time with family and friends.



EID MUBARAK

I wish all celebrating an Eid Mubarak in the coming week.



TERM 2 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Term 2 Community Calendar will be published towards the end of next week.

Janice Azzopardi
Deputy Principal

COMMUNITY HUB NEWS

Hi Everyone,

Please see Timetable below for 'What's on in the Hub' for Term 2 2024.

Hope everyone enjoyed their Easter break and looking forward to the school holidays.

All programs remain the same this week and next except for Playgroup which will finish tomorrow for Term 1. Term 2 programs will start from week 2, Monday 6th May 2024.

Unfortunately, we are unable to run the cake decorating course, however it has been replaced with a 7 week introductory make-up course.

Please register for any or all programs and contact me if you have any suggestions. Places are limited.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday 😊

Contact Nivek Aoun
Community Liaison Officer
Mon, Tue, Weds 8am-3.30pm, Thurs 8am-12pm
Phone: 0401 712 793 or 02 9707 3424
Email: nivek.aoun@det.nsw.edu.au



Fairfield City PAC Police Open Day at Cabramatta

**9 - 10
MAY
2024** 8:00am - 5:00pm
Preschool, primary and
high school students only

**11
MAY
2024** 9:00am - 4:00pm
Police station will be
open to the public

**243-249 Cabramatta Rd W,
Cabramatta NSW 2166**

Police units on display

- NSW Police Band
- NSW Police Legacy
- Recruitment Branch
- Crime Stoppers and Eyewatch
- Operational Safety and Skills Command
- Dog Unit
- Traffic and Highway Patrol Command
- Marine Area Command
- Youth Command and PCYC

Guided Station & Custody Tour

State Emergency Services

Community BBQ on Saturday 11/05/2024

Contact Sussanne J at Fairfield Police Station 9728 8406





Banksia Road Public School Community Hub Timetable - Term 2 2024

Day	Time	Activity	Location
Monday	9.30am-2.30pm	<p>Microsoft Course In partnership with Parramatta Community College 5-6-week course. Start date TBC Microsoft, word, excel and PowerPoint. Register now</p>	ILE
Tuesday	9.30am-12.30pm	<p>Conversational English English class for all ability, fun interactive activity in the last hour.</p>	Hub
	9.30am-1.30pm	<p>Make Up Course Introductory 7week course into make-up Start date tbc. Register now. Free Childminding for non-school aged children</p>	ILE
Wednesday	9.15am-11.15am	<p>Playgroup In partnership with 54 Reasons, playgroup is for children aged 0-5 years old. Come and join in the fun of playing and learning together at Play2Learn playgroup. Bring fruit, vegies, and a bottle of water for your children.</p>	School Hall
Thursday	9.30am-10.30am	<p>Mum's and Bub's Yoga Free Yoga class, water bottle and Mats provided.</p>	ILE
	10.30am-11.30am	<p>Gentle Exercise Greenacre area Community program, all equipment provided, all fitness levels. \$5 per person/class</p>	

اخبار المدرسة

ايام الاثنين و الجمعة يمكن شراء الزي المدرسي في الصباح الباكر قبل الدوام

الأسبوع ١٠

الخميس الاجتماع العام ٢ ب
الجمعة مسابقات الرياضة

الأسبوع ١١

شراء الزي المدرسي يومى الاثنين و الجمعة

مواعيد اخرى

آخر يوم فى الفترة الدراسية ١٢ / ٤
عودة التلاميذ ٣٠ / ٤
مسابقة الركض ٣ - ٦ الاربعاء ٨ / ٥

أخبار المعلمين

نبارك للسيدة كولوتشيو. السيدة هوثورن
و السيدة أهدب للحصول على وظيفة دائمة
السيدة الأيوي ستقوم بعطلة رعاية طفل
السيدات عمادي و كاسوك ستعلمان الصف ١٥
السيدة ليلى حارس نبارك لها لحصولها على وظيفة دائمة
السيدة فاطمة مصطفى أخذت وظيفة
مساعد مدير للمرحلة الأولى من مدرسة كارلتون

استلام التلاميذ آخر اليوم

بعد الساعة ١٥، ٣ بعد الظهر يمكن استلام التلاميذ من الادارة

ترك السيارات

لا يمكن ترك السيارة اكثر من ٣ دقائق لتوديع التلاميذ
مراعاة الجيران. يمكن أخذ غرامات عند ترك السيارة في مكان غير صحيح .

حضور التلاميذ للمدرسة

يجب على التلاميذ أن يحضروا في الموعد الصحيح الى المدرسة
لتمضية وقت مع أصحابهم قبل بداية الصف و عدم ازعاج عند الحضور متأخرين

عيد الشهداء

عيد الشهداء ٢٥ / ٤

شكر

نشكر الاهالي على تعبهم في استعراض القبعات

عيد الفطر

كل عام و جيع الاهالي بخير بمناسبة عيد الفطر قريبا

اخبار مجتمع الاهالي

يمكن قراءة المواعيد الفترة القادمة
برنامج اليوجا و تزيين الكعك