BILPIN PUBLIC SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
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Term 3 Week 10

Monday 14th September, 2015

Dates to Remember

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If you have misplaced notes that have been sent home for completion, a copy of most notes can be found on the school webpage. We do our best to keep it up to date.

Holiday Break

Term 3 concludes this Friday. We wish everyone a safe and restful holiday in preparation for another busy term. School resumes on Tuesday 6th October after the long weekend.

Kindergarten 2016 Transition Days

On Wednesday 9th September our Kindergarten students for 2016 joined us to participate in their first Kindergarten transition day. The children enjoyed a variety of activities in the classroom then spent recess with the rest of the school.

Our next transition will take place on Tuesday 3rd November. Year 5 students will undertake buddy activities with the new Kindergarten students during this session. Further information will be sent to our new Kindergarten students.

Regional Athletics

We would like to congratulate Jack I for coming 8th in the Senior Boys 800m at the recent Regional Athletics Carnival. A fabulous achievement Jack!

Spring Garden Competition Working Bee

A Working Bee was held on Sunday 13th September in preparation for the judging of the ‘Best School Gardens’.

I would like to thank the Carpenter family for their very generous donation of plants which now grace the front boundary and the garden facing the main playground.

We had a fabulous turn out and lovely weather for enhancing the beauty of our school grounds. I would like to thank the following parent and student volunteers who worked tirelessly in the heat: Isabelle Lester, Amy Hale and Billie, Sue Crombie-Brown with Joel and Luke, Sam Craigie and Arian, Louise Saarinen and Cassie.

I would also like to thank the staff and their families for volunteering their time on Sunday; Lesley and Paul Hulbert, Michael Eugene, Nikki Wheen and Lily, Nicolette Oram, Emma, David and Patrick McCloy and Mia Mackie.

Thank you all for committing a large portion of your weekend to support our school. Your assistance was much appreciated.

Judging will take place this coming weekend.

Presentation of 30 Years of Service

On Friday 4th September we had the pleasure of a visit from Mrs Kerri Brickley the School Education Director for our area. Mrs Brickely presented Mr Allan Hynds with his framed “30 Years of Service” Certificate. This is a special milestone for 30 Years of dedicated teaching at Bilpin Public School.

Well done and deserved Mr Hynds.

P & C Meeting

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Bilpin Public School P & C Committee are as follows

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Please feel free to contact any of these representatives if you have any concerns you wish to discuss.
RSPCA Cupcake and Mufti Day

On the last day of school a group of our 3/4/5 students will be hosting a cupcake morning tea to raise money in support of the RSPCA who work to prevent cruelty to animals by actively promoting their care and protection. Students are asked to wear mufti and bring a gold coin donation in support of this worthy charity. Cupcakes will be on sale for $1 at recess and lunch.

Year 6 Colo High Transition

On Friday 11th September, Year 6 attended their second Colo High School transition. The students displayed exemplary behaviour and had a very interesting and enjoyable day. We thank the teachers at Colo High School for hosting this valuable learning experience for our students.

Bathurst/Wellington/Dubbo Excursion

The Youths 4 - 6 will be leaving on their Bathurst/Wellington/Dubbo excursion tomorrow. They will be leaving at 7.00 am sharp and the students need to be at school no later than 6.45am. They will need to bring their own recess and lunch on the first day. Please ensure your children has adequate drinks for both recess and lunch as the weather forecast is to be warm tomorrow. Any medication forms and medication need to be given to Mr Hynds or Mrs Mackie before they get on the bus.

We will be arriving back at school at 5.15 pm on Wednesday 16th September. If there is any change you will be contacted.

Dance Group—Hawkesbury Dance Festival Information

Attached to this newsletter is information regarding our dress rehearsal for the Hawkesbury Dance Festival next term. Our rehearsal and performance date is Wednesday 14th October.

Please complete the attached form and return to Mrs Mackie as soon as possible to organise transport for the rehearsal which will take place during school hours.

Bilpin Flower Show and Spring Fair

All students K - 6 are currently working on their entries into the Bilpin Flower Show.

We are asking students to search at home for any interesting looking logs, stumps or rocks (a size that is manageable to carry) to create their masterpieces. If you have any materials at home that you are able to donate that would be suitable, we would be very grateful.

All entries completed by the last day of school will be delivered to the hall for the students during the holidays.

We encourage any families who are at home during the long weekend to attend the Flower Show and Spring Fair and visit the wide variety of stalls that will be at Bilpin Community Hall on Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th October.

Apple Tree Planting

On Friday 4th September, each class planted apple trees under the expert guidance of Bill and Julie Shields and Sam Craigie. I would like to thank Bill, Julie and Sam for the very informative learning experience for the students. I would also like to thank the Shields’ for their generous donation of the trees which are now being looked after by our three new residents!

Each class worked in mixed groups last Friday to make three scarecrows to look after our vegetable gardens and apple trees. If you get the chance to wander up the path past the Indigenous garden you will see the students’ hard work.

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015

A reminder that the Woolworths Earn & Learn finished on Tuesday 8th September. If you have any stickers or completed booklets, please hand them into Mrs Chapman by this Thursday 17th September so they can be collated and returned.

Thank you so much for taking part as this enables our school to obtain needed resources for our school. Next term we will let you know what we were able to order for our school.

Principal’s Morning Tea

Congratulations to the following students who will be treated to Mrs Mackie’s special Principal’s Morning Tea this Friday 18th September. They are Harry, Jahvis, Bailey N, Oskar, Abby, Brianna, Cassie, Mali and Lily I.

Lost Jumpers

There are a number of unclaimed school jumpers left in the K/1 verandah. If your child has a missing jumper, please contact Mrs Oram or Mrs McCloy. If the jumpers are not claimed by the end of this week, they will be placed in the second hand uniform cupboard for resale.

Happy Birthday

Congratulations to Leah (10 yrs), Clare (6 yrs) and Mitchell (9 yrs) who all celebrate their birthdays in September.

Canteen News

Thursday will be the last day for Canteen this term. The canteen will reopen in Term 4 on Monday 19th October. A roster was sent home in the last newsletter and unfortunately we only had two parents respond for Term 4. If you are able to assist, could you please forward the roster to the school office by the end of this week or the first week back next term.

As it is the end of the term, the Canteen has run out of the following items:-

Lasagne, Sausage Rolls, Chicken Yummy Drummmies, Sweet Chilli Chicken Tenders and JJ’s Snacks.

Kind regards,

Mrs Melanie Mackie

PRINCIPAL

CLASS NEWS

Thank you to the parent helpers who give their time to help out in all the classrooms, canteen and school activities. The teachers and students are very appreciative of your commitment. The staff from K/1, Class 2/3 and Class 4/5/6 hope you all have a safe school holiday.
BILPIN PUBLIC SCHOOL SCARECROWS

COMMUNITY NEWS

WESTERN SYDNEY UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF COMPUTING, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS
PENRITH OBSERVATORY
SCHOOL HOLIDAY EVENTS

Thursday 24 September - 10 am – 12 noon
School Holiday Hands-on Science Program
ROCKET WORKSHOP
Lots of fun for kids of all ages. Make and launch your own paper rocket and watch water rockets being launched. The program will also include a short presentation, a 3D astronomy movie and SAFE and detailed viewing of the sun through our telescopes (weather permitting). Cost $15 child/adult

Saturday 26 September - 7 pm – 10 pm
Astronomy Night
CHECKING OUT OUR NEIGHBOURS
A close up look at our solar system with some the latest news about Pluto. The evening will also include a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the dome area and an opportunity to view the night sky through the observatory’s telescopes

Thursday 1 October - 10 am – 12 noon
School Holiday Hand-on Science Program
ROCKET WORKSHOP
Lots of fun for kids of all ages. Make and launch your own paper rocket and watch water rockets being launched. The program will also include a short presentation, a 3D astronomy movie and SAFE and detailed viewing of the sun through our telescopes (weather permitting). Cost $15

Saturday 3 October - 7pm – 9 pm
Astronomy Night
THE LIVES OF STARS
How do stars form and what happens when they die?
The night will include a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the dome area and an opportunity to view the night sky through the observatory’s telescopes.

Cost: Astronomy Nights: $18 adult, $12 child/concession and $50
Workshops: $15 per child/adult
Bookings are essential:
Book and pay online: westernsydney.edu.au/observatory.
What’s On
Contact: Tel: (02) 4736 0135
Email: penrithobservatory@westernsydney.edu.au

Macquarie Towns Arts Society’s
School Holiday Art & Craft Workshop Program
September/October Holidays, 2015

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<td>Paper Mache Sculpture</td>
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<td>Make Coloured Sand Pictures</td>
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Cost: $14 per 2 hr workshop; all equipment supplied
Venue: Richmond Art Supplies
Shop 10 Magnolia Mall
285 Windsor Street, Richmond

**Bookings Essential: Phone Deidre 0412 979 731**
COMPUTER NWS

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- Qualified, Experienced Staff
- A Quality Program
- Weekly sport program with Sgr Ty

Before School: 7am-9am
After School: 3pm-6:30pm
Call
(02)4573 2244
Or
Email: oshc@hcos.net.au

Hockey Australia
Fun School Holiday Program for Beginners
FOR: 5-14 year old boys and girls (no experience necessary)
WHEN: Tuesday 22nd September and Wednesday 23rd September 2015
TIME: 9.30am – 11.30am
WHERE: UWS Kingswood Campus, O'Connell St Kingswood
COST: $45.00 (price incudes Stick, ball, shin pads, mouth guard, shirt and tuxton)
Enter location Parrtlls, then click on Nepean Hockey Association, registration, then follow prompts

PICTURES IN THE PADDOCK
Saturday 26th September
Outdoor movie night at Mountain Lagoon
featuring
THE MAN FROM COXS RIVER
plus THE DISH

Entry by donation – please give generously
Profit to Mountain Lagoon Rural Fire Brigade

Gates Open 3pm – Live Music from 4pm
THE MAN FROM COXS RIVER from 6:30pm
THE DISH from 8:30pm

Bring your own picnic chair or picnic blanket
BBQ and soft drinks available or BYO picnic

For updates and more information:
LIKE our facebook page “PICTURES IN THE PADDOCK” facebook.com/ptpml
Email: ptptml@hotmail.com
Phone: 0484-261-026
Sponsored by: Empress Arts Film, Hartley Green Power, Kennards Hire

NEW PARLIAMENT PRESENTS
FAMILY FUN DAY

• • • • • • • 2nd OCTOBER 2015 • • • • • • •
COME ALONG FOR A LOOK AT AUSTRALIA’S FIRST AND OLDEST PARLIAMENT HOUSE

NO NEED TO BOOK
ALL WELCOME!
10.00 AM – 3.00 PM
MACQUARIE ST, SYDNEY
ENQUIRIES: 02 9230 2047

FUN ACTIVITIES
 bri ng the whole family including:

• PROTOCOL AND ADDRESS OPPORTUNITIES
• TOURS OF THE LEGISLATIVE CHAMBERS
• INSPIRYING LIVING HISTORY COMMISSION
• SAUSAGE SIZZLE (MINIMUM CHARGE)
• ENGLISH HISTORICAL CHARACTERS
• ART AND OTHER DISPLAYS

FREE ENTRY