



Barrack Heights Public School

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2013 Term 4 Week 7

TERM 4 IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 19 th November	P&C Meeting 6pm in the staffroom
Monday 25 th November	Swimming Scheme starts for Years 2 to 6 and runs for 2 weeks
Tuesday 26 th November	Kindergarten (2014) Orientation Parent Information session 2pm and 6pm childcare will be available for pre-schoolers during the 2pm session
Thursday 28 th November	12H & ASPECT Assembly 2pm
Friday 6 th December	Swimming scheme ends today
Monday 9 th December	Stage 3 Mount Keira Excursion
Tuesday 10 th December	Stage 3 Christmas Fair Day
Wednesday 11 th December	Scripture Presentation / Parent Helper Morning Tea
Friday 13 th December	Reports home
Monday 16 th December	Presentation Awards Assembly 9.15am - Invitation only
Tuesday 17 th December	Yr 6 Picnic Day / Classes Party Day
Wednesday 18 th December	Year 6 Farewell LAST DAY FOR ALL STUDENTS

Current Notes & Payments Due

1. *Swimming Scheme – all monies due by Friday 15th November*
2. *Voluntary Contribution - \$20 per child or \$50 for more than 3 children in a family.*
3. *School Magazine Subscription – For students in years 3 to 6 - \$10 per student for 10 issues.*
4. *Stage 3 Rainforest Excursion – all money due by Friday 6th December*
5. *Year 6 Picnic Day @ Jamberoo – note (tickets ordered) and money (\$25) due by 28th November*

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Archibull – We did it!

Today, Mrs Harris and I will escort 4 of our Archibull Club members to Homebush for the Archibull Prize Award Ceremony. We have been told that Barrack Heights has won a prize, but will find out more when we arrive today. This is fantastic news for all our hardworking students and teachers, particularly Mrs Harris, who spent many afternoons, weekends and even school holidays getting Brocco ready for “showing”. Well done everyone!

2014 Parliament

This week, students from Year 5 will present their election speeches to the school, and all students from Kindergarten to Year 5 will vote for next year’s Prime Ministers and Shadow Prime Ministers. On behalf of our school, I would particularly like to thank Mr Ryan for beginning the Barrack Heights School Parliament, and look forward to its development and growth in the future. Good luck candidates!

Hunter Street

Again, can I please draw your attention to the potential dangers of driving in Hunter Street during the morning and afternoon drop off/pick up times. We have had some recent near misses, with children either stepping out from behind parked cars, failing to look both ways or misjudging the speed in which cars are travelling. PLEASE speak to your children regarding road safety, and wherever possible, escort them to and from the school grounds. Also, please adhere to the 40kmph speed limit during these times, our kids are too precious.

P&C meeting

This month's P&C meeting will be held at the usual time of 6pm in the staffroom. I encourage all parents to attend, even if you have not attended prior. Our school has an excellent history of an active and informed P&C that works in partnership with staff and the school.

Spook(jog)athon thanks!

This year, you have again raised well over \$6,00 in the annual Jogathon! We have been overwhelmed with the continued support for our main school fundraiser, and look forward to purchasing an additional Interactive Whiteboard for our school. Please continue to send any money into the school asap. Congratulations to ALL classes for their outstanding efforts. As the class raising the most money, 4/6B will attend a five course degustation lunch, created and donated by Azarzak Experimental Kitchen. Once again, I would like to extend a HUGE thanks to Shane and Manuel from Portofino for their strong support of our school.

Djinggi Graduation

Last Friday, Mrs Maranesi and I attended the Djinggi Program Graduation of our student mentor Jesse Jackson. Jesse is one of the first students in the Illawarra South East Region to be included in this pathway to a teaching career. We are very proud and pleased to have had Jesse as part of our staff and our school during the last 3 years and wish him every success in beginning University next year. Congratulations, Jesse!

Have fun in the rain this week!

Sarah Rudling
Principal

Selective High School Placements 2015

Applications for students seeking selective high school placement in Year 7 in 2015 will be available from 15 October 2013. Most parents are expected to apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement. However, if you would like a paper application, please make this request to Ms Elizabeth Scott, Stage 3 Supervisor.

All students seeking placement in a selective high school will be required to sit the **Selective High School Placement Test on Thursday 13 March 2014**. Parents who wish their child to sit the test will need to apply by **Friday 18 November 2013**.

Kindergarten 2014 enrolments

The school is now taking enrolments for next year's kindergarten students. If you have, or know of, a child who will be starting school next year at Barrack Heights Public School, then please contact our administration for further information. Enrolment forms can be picked up from the front office.

If you have any questions or concerns, or have a child with special needs who will be starting kindergarten in 2014, then please ask to speak to the Kindergarten coordinator, or contact the school office.

Miss Marianne Bunt

Entertainment Book

Last days to purchase the Entertainment Book - \$55.00 each

- Buy one get one free at: Domino's pizza, Illawarra Golf Complex, Symbio, AMF Bowling and more.
- 25% off the total bill at: Shelly's café, Hog's Breath, High Seas, Little Missy & Moo, Lands Edge Surf School (50% off) and more.
- Buy one main course and receive the 2nd for free at Jamberoo Pub, Relish, Vespa Pizzeria and more.

Phone Ashley 0416 756442 or email – ashleynathan5@hotmail.com

Breakfast

Come along and enjoy a healthy breakfast at our Breakfast Club every Tuesday morning.

Toast – vegemite and honey 10c a slice

Fruit bread 10c a slice

Parents, carers, grandparents come along every Tuesday morning and enjoy a healthy breakfast with your children. Mrs Southall

Library News

The borrowing of books will cease this week - Week 7. Can all books be returned for stocktake by the end of Week 8. Thanks Mrs Leslie

Stage 3 Canberra Excursion

Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

Our students learnt about civics and citizenship in the classroom and saw their knowledge brought to life when they visited Parliament House, the Museum of Australian Democracy and the National Electoral Education Centre at Old Parliament House, and the Australian War Memorial, as well as a number of other sites of cultural and historical interest,

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion, the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards these costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Community News



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