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‘WORKING TOGETHER’

NEWSLETTER

2015 Term 1 Week 2

TERM 1 IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 2 nd February	Safe4Kids Information session 7-8.30pm in the hall
Thursday 5 th February	Swimming carnival
Tuesday 17 th February	P&C Meeting – 6pm in the staff room
Tuesday 17 th March	P&C AGM - 6pm in the staff room

Dear parents, carers, students and community members,

Welcome back! It looks like we are about to embark on yet another exciting year at Barrack Heights Public School. Already our staff and students have participated in specialised training in Child Protection and I look forward to seeing many of our parents and community members tonight as we spread the very important message about keeping our kids safe. I would like to welcome all our new staff, students and parents to our fabulous school and hope your first week with us was happy and inspiring.

SAFE4KIDS

Last week, our school hosted Mrs Holly-ann Martin, a facilitator for a child protection program called “Safe4 Kids”. Holly-ann spoke on Tuesday to over 120 teachers and school staff from four local schools about her no nonsense, extremely important approach to getting kids to protect themselves and feel safe in any situation. I would like to invite all parents, carers and community members to attend tonight’s information session at our school. Further information is provided below.....



Safe⁴Kids 
We all have the right to feel safe all of the time

How do you teach children to be wary of potential harm, without teaching them to fear, wrap them in cotton wool, or give them so much information that their innocence and wonder is in jeopardy?

Protective Behaviours Education is a proactive, holistic, whole community approach to teaching life skills to children. It teaches the children themselves language and principles of Protective Behaviour, which helps them, identify unsafe situations, and arms them with the tools to either seek appropriate assistance or to protect themselves.

Date: 2/2/2015

Time: 7:00 till 8:30

Venue: Barrack Heights Public School

Two Themes of Protective Behaviours:

“We all have the right to feel safe all of the time.”

“We can talk with someone about anything.”

Protective Behaviours Concepts:

Theme reinforcement	OK to say "No"
Yes/Safe/Comfortable feelings and	Three Safety Questions
No/Unsafe/Uncomfortable feelings	Secrets
Safety Continuum	Secret Enablers
Risking on Purpose	Cyber Safety
Early Warning Signs	Network review
Networks	Protective interrupting
Persistence	One-step removed
Public and Private	Problem-solving

Resources will be available for purchase on the day.

2015 STAFF, CLASSES AND ROLES

The following is a list of staff members whom your child may talk about this year!

Kelly Broomham	KB - teacher
Natalie Prior	KP - teacher
Jane Gardner (Assistant Principal)	1G - teacher <i>currently replaced in Term 1 by Rebecca Maxwell</i>
Danielle Munro/Angie Maranesi	1/2M - teacher <i>currently replaced for 3 weeks by Stephanie Kolevski</i>
Rhonda Holloway	2H - teacher
Marianne Bunt (Assistant Principal)	3/4B - teacher
Beccy Parsons	3/4P - teacher
Dimi Wheeler	5/6W - teacher
Elizabeth Scott (Assistant Principal)	5/6S - teacher
Nat Harris	3/6H - teacher
Kelly Dunn	3/6D - teacher
Jason Wolfle	K-6W - teacher
Jenny Miller, Angie Maranesi, Chris Mangos	Learning and Support Teachers
Mark Ellsmore	RFF teacher <i>5 days</i>
Glenn Nisbit	RFF teacher <i>2 days</i>
Julie Debnam and Kim Doran	Library (RFF) teachers <i>Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday</i>
Meg Sherritt	Reading Recovery <i>2hrs per day</i>
Julie Brooker	School Learning Support Officer
Belinda Kedja	School Learning Support Officer
Sue Chapman	School Learning Support Officer
Jenny Bedford	School Learning Support Officer
Kathie Grice	School Learning Support Officer
Deb Davies	School Learning Support Officer
Sue Hairuddin	School Learning Support Officer
Veronica Archibald	Aboriginal Education Worker <i>Tuesday, Wed and Thursday</i>
Troy Tungai	Aboriginal Education Worker <i>Wednesday and Thursday</i>
Michelle McColl	School Counsellor <i>Tuesday and Thursday</i>
Wendy Dowling	Senior Administration Manager
Judi Collins	Senior Administration Officer
Sonia Paselic	Senior Administration Officer - Student Services
Ed Castello	General Assistant <i>Monday and Wednesday</i>
Craig Sevenoaks	General Assistant <i>Thursday</i>
Lyn Wenham	Canteen Manager
Denise Broomham	Assistant Principal - Student Services
Sarah Rudling	Principal

ANNUAL PERMISSION NOTE

Attached to this newsletter is the Barrack Heights Public School annual permission note! Once signed, it will cover your child in a number of different areas including permission to publish, permission to leave the school on escorted, (local) walking excursions and sporting activities, permission to watch curriculum linked PG rated DVD's or internet clips etc. We are doing this to save on paper, and to reduce the amount of times parents are requested for permission to engage in alternate learning activities for their children. We will continue to ALWAYS inform you of intended activities, so that you are aware of any changes to normal school routine. Please fill in all parts of the permission letter, and return it to your child's class teacher.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Our students are looking particularly well-dressed in their Barrack Heights school uniforms. A reminder for girls, bike shorts or leggings are no longer acceptable school uniform. Girls can choose to wear royal blue culottes, skort, netball skirt or shorts with their school shirt. I am pleased to see that already, most of our girls have made this transition and look fantastic! We have just received a new order of shirts and hats, which are on sale with other uniform items at the canteen. If you would like assistance with uniform items, please let us know. We have many pre-loved garments in the office, and are happy to see all of our students appropriately attired.

SCHOOL ENTRY/EXIT

The official entry and exit for parents, students and community to Barrack Heights Public School is through the pedestrian gate near the big Barrack Heights School sign. There will be no cars parked in this space during the day and we ask that you do not use it as a pick up, drop off or turning circle. Parents who are waiting to collect their children are welcome to congregate on the steps outside the hall.

SICK/LEAVE FROM SCHOOL – School Phone number 4296 4222

It is a parent or carer's responsibility to contact the school if their child is ill or unable to attend school for any length of time. Our Home School Liaison Officer, Sue Curtain, consistently checks the schools absence data. This includes late arrival and early departure to or from school. If your child is away from school, please write a note to explain this absence, or ring the school to leave a message as soon as they return.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

This will be held this Thursday 5th February for all students 8 years old and above. Following along from our highly successful School Swimming Scheme participation during the last few weeks of 2014, once again both competitive and novelty events will be held so that all children can "have a go" at their comfort level. Please read, sign and return the permission note with \$2 by Wednesday morning. I encourage all parents, caregivers and additional family members to come along and enjoy the fun!

Sarah Rudling
Principal

New Kinder Children and Families

Congratulations to all Kindergarten students who attended their first day at school. Well done to all parents, carers and family members who came to share the first day of their exciting journey of formal learning. Confidence and resilience was shown by all family members and their Kindergarten teachers!

Mrs Denise Broomham

P&C

The P&C meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 6pm in the staff room. It is a great opportunity to hear from the principal, school executive, parents and care givers about what is happening in and around the school. We also organise fundraising events throughout the year to assist in providing facilities & equipment to the school and we seek to promote the welfare of students at the school.

Keep an eye out in the newsletters for upcoming meetings and other dates. If you have any issues, questions or concerns and can't attend our meetings, you can email us on bhpspandc@gmail.com or catch one of the P&C executives around the school.

Our first meeting of the year is on Tuesday, February 17, and we have our AGM to elect this year's P&C executive committee on Tuesday, March 17. Newcomers are always welcome, and we'd love to see you there.

Narelle Adams
P&C Treasurer

Uniform Shop

There is limited stock of white polo shirts only \$15.

Canteen

The new canteen price list has been sent home today with the newsletter.

Lyn Wenham

Canteen manager

Wollongong High School of performing Arts

Wollongong High School of Performing Arts selected auditions - 2015 for 2016 Year 7 placement. Completed forms must be returned by Friday 6th March. If interested and need an 'Audition Application Package' please see Ms Scott.



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YEARS 5 & 6 OPEN NIGHT |
SCHOOL HALL MONDAY 16TH
FEBRUARY 6PM



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Term 1 Resumes: 10th February 2015

JOIN NOW & RECEIVE THIS BONUS PACK

*Register & pay for term 1 and receive a bonus package
FREE Worth over \$150

Tights

End of Year Trophy

Leotard

Technique Book

Club T-Shirt

*conditions apply. Payment must be made by March 1st 2015

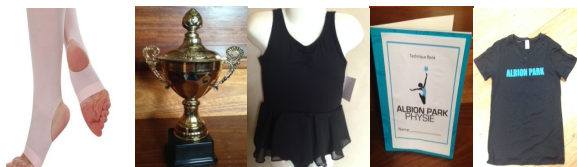
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REGISTRATION AND ORIENTATION DAYS:

THURSDAY 29TH JANUARY & THURSDAY 5TH FEBRUARY

4pm to 6pm

Centenary Hall



Sharks Junior Rugby League

Sharks Junior Rugby League is now Registering players in all Age Groups (6 -16 years)

To register please go to our web site WWW.shellharboursharks.com.au and click on the register button.

Or visit our face book page www.facebook.com/shellharboursharksjrlc should you need further information please

contact Maria on 0410562419 or email secretary@shellharboursharks.com.au

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REGISTRATION

Clubs— 31 January and 7 February

Online via myfootballclub.com.au



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REGO DAYS

Sat 7th Feb 10am to 1pm (Scout Hall, Station Rd, Albion Park Rail)

Tuesday 10th Feb 4pm to 6pm (Scout Hall, Station Rd, Albion Park Rail)

For more information

Email: registrar.albionparknetball@gmail.com

Or Facebook: [Albion Park Netball Club](https://www.facebook.com/AlbionParkNetballClub)



Have you ever wanted to have a go at BMX racing?
Feel the thrills of having a go at the newest Olympic Sport.

Well here is your chance.

Southlake/Illawarra BMX Club is the only BMX Club in the Illawarra area and is located in the **CROOME ROAD SPORTING COMPLEX** located on **CROOME ROAD, ALBION PARK**

We are having a **FREE** Come and Try Day.

Saturday 14th February 2015

From 10am to 1pm

We have riders ranging in age from 4yrs to 65yrs so anyone can come and have a go.

For safety reasons all participants must wear a **FULL FACE HELMET**, gloves, long pants, long sleeved top, shoes and socks.

Please bring a road worthy bike with working brakes.

We will have limited helmets and gloves available to use or you can bring your own.

Full canteen facilities will be available.

For all enquires contact

Andrea Dallinger 0418 245 268

Russell Robeille 0411 645 644

Tim Robson 0450 095 150

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PRESENTS



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