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‘WORKING TOGETHER’

NEWSLETTER

2015 Term 2 Week 8

TERM 2 IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 11 th June	PaTCH Training continues, 9-11am
Friday 12 th June	“Bringing Up Great Kids” program continues, 9-11.00am
Wednesday 17 th June	Ngargons Yarn Up- Reconciliation Excursion
Monday 22 nd June	Reports sent home
Tuesday 23 rd June	Parent meetings with class teachers, 3.15pm-6pm
Thursday 18 th June	Ngargin Doctors Graduation, 10-11am
Wednesday 24 th June	Clubs Open Day
Friday 26 th June	Last day of Term 2

Dear parents, carers, students and community members,

Whole School Athletics Carnival – record attendance!

Thank you to all of the parents, relatives, carers and friends who came along to support their children at our Annual Whole School Athletics Carnival. It was a magnificent day, with many students showing their best use of the 5 Keys to School Success, getting in there and having a go! Special thanks to Ms Kelly Broomham, Mrs Sue Chapman and Mrs Jenny Bedford who spent many days getting the carnival organised and equipment sorted. I would also like to thank the parents who volunteered their time in helping make sure that the events ran smoothly – we really appreciate your assistance. Finally to our students – congratulations on your excellent behaviour! It was so nice to see our whole school getting along.

Shellharbour City Council Reconciliation Flag Walk

Last Wednesday, I had the pleasure of escorting Jai R, Cameron L and Aleasha B to the annual Shellharbour City Council Reconciliation Flag Walk in Little Park, Shellharbour. We were joined by 26 other schools in presenting flags to community elders and participating in a ceremony highlighting the need for reconciliation and understanding with regards to Aboriginal history and future effort to ensure that Australia continues to grow as one nation. Well done to our student representatives who did our school proud!

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on school students with disability

All schools in Australia are participating in the collection of nationally consistent data on school students with disability. We will be submitting information already available in the school about the support that is being provided to students with disability. This data will assist the Government to plan for students with disability. **The data collection will have no direct impact on your child and they will not be involved in any testing process.** The NSW Department of Education and Communities will provide data to the Australian Government from all NSW public schools in such a way that **no individual student or school will be able to be identified.** In this way, we will ensure the privacy and confidentiality of all students. All information is protected by privacy laws which regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. Information about the Australian Government's Privacy Policy can be found at: <http://education.gov.au/condensed-privacy-policy>. Information about the NSW Government's privacy policies can be found at: <http://www.ipc.nsw.gov.au/> If you do not want your child to be counted in the data collection, please contact Mrs Jenny Miller at the school. A decision to exclude your child will not affect the support they currently receive. Further information about the data collection can be found on the Australian Government Department of Education website: <http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>.

Semester 1 Reports and Parent/Teacher Interviews

This week, all teachers will pass reports to their Stage supervisors for checking. These will then be given to me by Friday next week, for a look and sign off before coming home to you on Monday 22nd June. This will be followed by an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher on Tuesday 23rd June. All teachers K-6 will be sitting at desks in the hall from 3.15 to 6pm and are available to answer any questions or concerns you have about your child in relation to their report. Meetings will be approximately 10 minutes in duration. If you feel that you may need a longer discussion time, please contact the school to make arrangements for a different time. We ask that you understand that 3-4pm will be the busiest time, so you may need to wait to see your child's teacher. To indicate your interest in a particular interview timeslot, please have your child return the attached slip to the office and we can give you a closer approximation to your interview time.

Positive behaviour tip of the week - Keep it simple and positive.

If you can give clear instructions in simple terms, your child will know what is expected of them. ('Please hold my hand when we cross the road.') Stating things in a positive way gets their heads thinking in the right direction. For example, 'Please shut the gate' is better than 'Don't leave the gate open'.

Sarah Rudling
Principal

Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800
Crimestoppers 1800 333 000

You Can Do It! Education (YCDI)

You Can Do It! Education (YCDI) is a system for helping all children achieve to the best of their ability and to develop social-emotional-behavioural well-being. Through a set of educational programs, YCDI supports the development of every child's potential.



What Is Needed to Do Schoolwork?

The founder of You Can Do It! Education is Dr Michael Bernard. Dr Bernard's work is based on research which identifies the following five Foundations known as the '5 Keys To Success' as necessary for all children to possess **in order for them to achieve and experience social-emotional-behavioural well-being:**

Confidence, Persistence, Organisation, Getting Along and Resilience

This term, we have focussed on Getting Along and having a Positive Mindset using the '**4 Positive Habits of the Mind**':

"Thinking First", "Playing By the Rules", "Being Tolerant of Others" and "Social Responsibility".

Michael Bernard refers to the 5 Blockers and supporting Habits of the Mind as a child's "Negative Mindset." The relationship of a child's positive and negative mindset to positive and negative outcomes is illustrated in the diagram below.

You Can Do It! Education: Success & Well-Being ~ The “Big Picture”



This week each student will become aware of the negative Habit of the Mind – ‘Acting Without Thinking’ that can lead to the ‘Blocker : Feeling Angry-Misbehaving with emphasis on reflecting on the Key to Success, ‘Getting Along’ and the Positive Habit of the Mind , “Thinking First”.

ACTING WITHOUT THINKING- this Habit of the Mind can be defined by the absence of thinking or reflection about different ways to handle conflict, the consequences of unacceptable action and how someone else will feel after you have chosen to act in a certain way.



Term 2 Week 1 YOU CAN DO IT Awards

TEACHER	NAME	YCDI AWARD REASON	CODE
Mrs Broomham	Reece C	Persistence and a fantastic attitude when running at the Athletics Carnival- how to lose a shoe and keep running!	P
Miss Broomham	Aaliyah W Ashley F	Outstanding effort at the Athletics Carnival Working with persistence in writing	P P
Miss Bunt	Bella G Haley N	Putting their best effort into every lesson. Great persistence!	P
Ms Dunn	Jai R Jack S Khyane T	Being settled workers and working with confidence.	C
Miss Gardner	Jacob F Amirah H	Showing persistence in writing Getting along with all class members	P G
Mrs Harris	Caleb F Shaye T Cameron L	Helping out with the chickens Excellent behaviour at Athletics Carnival Settled behaviour and persistence in learning	G G P
Ms Holloway	Chloe F Katrisse C	Persistence in reading Excellent classroom behaviour	P G
Mrs Munro	Malakai W Angel P	Working hard to become a fantastic writer Always having great ideas when writing	P P
Miss Parsons	Porsha W Victoria C	Persistent attendance at school Getting along and supporting all students	P G
Miss Prior	Liam S	Trying his personal best at the Athletics Carnival	P

	Mila B	Working with persistence in writing	P
Ms Rudling	Jai R Cameron L Aleasha B	Great representation at the Reconciliation Flag Walk	C
Ms Scott	Paige H-N Annika T	Great helper at the Athletics Carnival Great effort at the Athletics Carnival	P P
Mrs Wheeler	Denzel W Colleen C	Working with persistence and enthusiasm in class Great effort and leadership at the Athletics Carnival	P G
Mr Woelfle	Michael P	Persistence at the Athletics Carnival	P

CODE

What 'key' does your award relate to this week?

O= Organisation (Orange)

G= Getting along (Green)

C= Confidence (Yellow)

P= Persistence (Purple)

R= Resilience (Red)

Barrack Heights Public School says "Thank you"

On behalf of the staff, students and community of Barrack Heights Public School we would like to thank Brenda Butler and her partner for her work and donation to the school of gardening tools and equipment..

Year 6 Trash 'n' Treasure Fundraiser

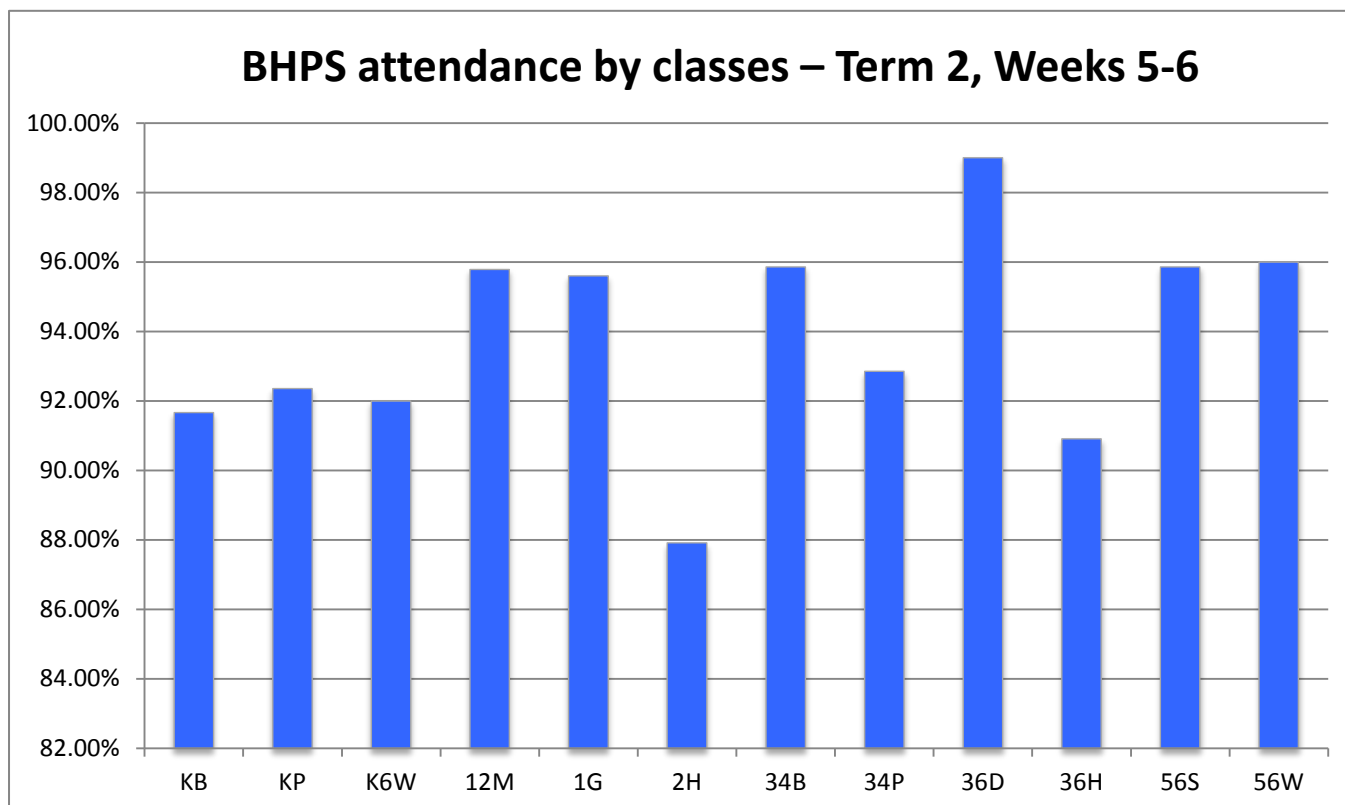
Do you have any old toys, books or games that you need to get rid of? Are you tired of unused items building up dust and causing clutter?

Here is your solution!

On Wednesday 22nd of July, Term 3, the Year 6 Farewell Committee is holding a Trash 'n' Treasure store for second hand items. Students are asked to bring in any old toys, books, games etc. They should be in very good condition. Please bring your items for sale to 5/6W (Mrs Wheeler)

The store will be held during lunch playtime and recess playtime in the school hall.

Thank you



Are you ready to re-enter Education and Employment?

Prevocational Programs at Wollongong Campus, TAFE will be running a Certificate III in Employment and Training course. This course will be suitable for anyone wishing to return to the workforce or further education, such as carers and single parents.

Please contact the course coordinator on 4229 0104 or 4229 0683 for further information. Alternatively, information sessions will be held at the Wollongong Campus, Building L, Room L.2.17 on the following dates- Monday 22/06/2015 at 1.30pm, Wednesday 24/06/2015 at 10.30am and Wednesday 24/06/2015 at 4.30pm.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Council's Community Connections will continue to promote school holiday activities, but instead of using a printed program, they will now be published on our Shellharbour Kids Website.

To find out what's on in Shellharbour these school holidays, visit the Event Calendar <http://shellharbourkids.com.au/event-calendar>

or the School Holidays page <http://shellharbourkids.com.au/fun-play-page/school-holidays>





WINTER HOLIDAY CAMPS

THE BEST HOLIDAYS HAPPEN AT CAMP

- ✓ **New friendships**
- ✓ **Great value**
- ✓ **Fun**
- ✓ **Safe**

Our popular Winter Kids' and Family Holiday Camps are filling fast. Find out what's on including our popular ski / snowboard camps at Jindabyne.

Led by qualified instructors, you can rest easy knowing your kids are in safe hands. Our Kids' Camps are suitable for kids aged 7 to 16 years* and range from 1 to 7 days.

Residential Kids' Camps include:

- 24 hour supervision
- Instructor led activities
- Accommodation
- Meals
- Supervised transport

*Snow Sports camps are suitable for kids aged 10-16 years.



Family Camps include:

- Instructor led activities
- Meals
- Accommodation
- Lift and lesson tickets and transport to Perisher (for Jindabyne camps only)**

**Kids as young as 6 years can participate in group lessons as part of a Family Camp.

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