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‘WORKING TOGETHER’

NEWSLETTER

2017 Term 1 Week 8

TERM 1 IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 30 th March	School Photo Day
Wednesday 5 th April	Easter Hat Parade, 10am
Thursday 6 th April	BHPS X-Country Carnival

Dear parents, carers, community members and students,

Parliament Induction

I would like to congratulate members of the Barrack Heights School Parliament for 2017, as they were officially inducted into their roles today. It was lovely to have the company of their parents, grandparents and carers who should be very proud of their young leaders. I would also like to thank the leadership team of Year 12 students from Warilla High School who represented themselves and their high school with pride. It is such a fabulous feeling to know that our young people are developing into the well-rounded individuals we work hard to create as teachers!

Aboriginal Personalised Learning Pathways

On Wednesday and Thursday, Mrs Mangos and the Aboriginal Educational Team will work with students, parent and carers to develop 2017 Personalised Learning Pathways (learning goals/plans) for all of our Aboriginal students. PLPs are an effective tool for increasing Aboriginal student engagement. They have the potential to support improved learning outcomes and educational aspirations when they are developed in genuine partnership with Aboriginal students, their parents or carers and teachers. Parents and carers at Barrack Heights Public School have been allocated half an hour for each child, and we look forward to a successful and productive couple of days.

Instructional Leadership at Barrack Heights PS

This Semester, Miss Marianne Bunt and Mr Lloyd Kusa are providing mentoring to our teachers and support staff in improving numeracy skills of our students across the school. Basic number facts, mental strategies, understanding place value are key components to being able to manipulate numbers and problem solve more complex mathematical questions. Tomorrow, Mr Kusa and Miss Bunt will work together on a whole school strategy, which will inform their work during the next two terms. If you would like more information, please contact either Instructional Leaders through the office. Later in the Term, parent workshops will be offered to up skill parents in this area.

Dance Mufti and Easter Egg Raffle

This Friday, students may come to school dressed in a dance outfit to celebrate our participation in Dance2Bfit. Students can choose to dress in any dance type costume, but must wear closed in shoes and no midriff tops may be permitted. The donation for wearing mufti, is an Easter treat that could be used as prizes for the Parliament Easter Raffle. This could include chocolate eggs or bunnies, stuffed Easter toys, candy or any other Easter item. Yr 6 students will collect these outside the hall on Friday morning.

Sarah Rudling
Principal

Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800
Lake Illawarra Police 4232 5599
Crimestoppers 1800 333 000

Scholastic Book Club

Issue 2 of Scholastic Book Club catalogue is now out! Orders are due in on the 22nd March.

Photo Day

School photos are going to be taken on Thursday the 30th March. If you require sibling photos envelopes they are available from the office.

Stewart House Donation Drive

Donation envelopes are being sent home. Please return envelopes with \$2, your name, address and telephone number to the black collection box in the foyer for a chance to win a \$4,000 family holiday!

Kindness at Barrack Heights

New Kindness Ambassadors

Our first group of Kindness Ambassadors have been selected for this year. Congratulations to the following students. The ambassadors received their badges on Friday. They will meet fortnightly to discuss aspects of kindness and nominate people for kindness awards.

5/6P – Montana, Sean, Tenielle, Steff, Haley, Jovana, Tiffany, Alex, Patrick and Porsha.

5/6S – Kane and Samira.

5/6W – Angel and Isak.

3/4M – Jackson, Tyler, Cooper, Cohen, Lance and Gina.

3/4H – Jack, Lachlan and Ember.

2B/K – Maddison, Nicole, Aaliyah and Izak.

2/3P – David and Jaylan

K/6C – Zack

K Mart Kindness Award Winners.

The K Mart Kindness certificate winners this week are Isabella 3/4M, Kane 5/6S and Troy Tungai. Further congratulations to Kane who won the \$20 K Mart voucher. Well done to all three winners being nominated and winning their awards. A big thank you to K Mart, Shellharbour for their continued support of our Kindness on Purpose program.



BIG BOOK FAIR

Family Day Saturday 18 March 2017 from 12pm – 5pm

Reading is not only great for your education, it is also valuable for your wellbeing and helps children build relationships with those they read with

To encourage as much reading as possible, we would like to offer you
20% off your purchase when you visit the Book Fair between
12pm and 5pm on Saturday 18 March 2017. WOW!

BARRACK HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Illawarra Sports Stadium, Hooka Creek Road, Berkeley.

Entry by gold coin donation and ~~efpos~~ is available.

For more information, visit www.lifelinesouthcoast.org.au/events
Voucher MUST be presented at the event to receive the discount
Voucher on valid between 12pm and 5pm Saturday 18 March 2017

Learning for Life Scholarship

ARE YOU STRUGGLING WITH THE COST OF YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION?

The Learning for Life scholarship can provide parents with two payments a year which can be spent on uniforms, school shoes, stationary, BYOD, excursions and all other costs related to school.

(Payments are to be used for school expenses only!)

You may be eligible for the scholarship if your family:

- ✓ holds a Pension or Health Care card
- ✓ attends one of our partner schools (enrolled in Kindy to Year 8)
- ✓ demonstrates a commitment to education (children attend school regularly)

Please call Alisha on 0466 745 454 or email

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for more information.



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LAKE ILLAWARRA HIGH SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT

ALL FUTURE STUDENTS, THEIR
FAMILIES AND MEMBERS OF THE
COMMUNITY ARE WELCOME TO
ATTEND OPEN NIGHT ON

Thursday 16th March
3:00pm – 6:00pm

3:00pm-3:30pm - Brief information
session in the library. Meet the Year 7
2018 Student Adviser and School Leaders,
including the Principal Mr Hicks.

3:30pm-5:30pm - Visit various faculties,
displays and classrooms.

5:30pm-6:00pm - Q&A with light
refreshments.

