CALENDAR

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Week 3  February

Monday 9th  Swimming Carnival
Wednesday 11th  Playgroup
Friday 13th  PBHS Visit

Week 4  February

Monday 16th  P&C Meeting 7pm
Wednesday 18th  Playgroup
   Scripture classes commence
Friday 20th  PSSA Summer sport starts

Week 5  February

Tuesday 24th  Meet the Teacher Evening
Wednesday 25th  Playgroup

Week 6  March

Monday 2nd  Bankstown PSSA Swimming Carnival
Tuesday 3rd  Life education Commences

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PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

SCHOOL FACEBOOK

I am pleased to announce that we have launched a new Facebook page this year (search for Banksia Road 2015). We will regularly share and celebrate school events like the swimming carnival yesterday. Please view Facebook to view the photographs. This replaces our ‘School App.’

The Facebook Page is a convenient way to communicate what is happening at our wonderful school. It is not an avenue to complain or make negative comments.

SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

The note for back to school requirements is being sent home today, this includes
- Mathletics and Reading Eggs
- Workbooks (School Magazine for Primary)
- PD/H/PE Programs (dance, athletics, Healthy Harold)
- School contribution which allows the school to purchase books for the library, software, sporting equipment and resources to support student learning.

Parents are reminded that these fees may be paid by EFTPOS or an installment arrangement can be made by contacting the school office. These fees must be paid in full this Term.

PSSA

Children in Year’s 3-6 have been participating in trials for Summer PSSA teams. These teams will be finalised this week. Good luck to all children trying out.

UNIFORM

Our students are looking fabulous in their school uniforms. We remind parents that children need to wear only black leather school shoes Monday to Thursday. Some children are wearing soft fabric shoes. These are not suitable for school and are not part of our school uniform. We also remind parents that the yellow sports shirt is only worn on Friday or when there is a special sports day.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all of our swimming champions who will be representing Banksia Road at the District Swimming Carnival later in the term. A huge thank you to Mr. Craft and his team who organised such an excellent carnival. It was great to see everyone competing, both in novelty events and races.
Congratulations to Flinders for being the winning house.

Hamish Woudsma
Principal

INTRODUCING OUR STAFF FOR 2015
Principal: Mr Hamish Woudsma
AP Stage 3: Mr Perret
AP Stage 2: Mrs Capra
AP Stage 1: Mrs Christodoulos
AP ES1: Mrs Coluccio (Relieving)
KG: Miss Garvey
KL: Miss Lunn
KM: Miss McCoy
KW: Miss Williams
1E: Ms Etri
1T: Miss Thorne
2C: Mrs Christodoulos
2F: Mrs Fraser
2P Mr Pagano
3G: Mrs Geary
3N: Mrs Capra
4/5/6A: Mrs Mohamad Ali
4N: Mrs Norman
4P: Mrs Peenz
5F: Miss Habambo Interim, Miss Furfaro
5P: Mr Perret
6H: Mr Harris
6P: Miss Papadopolous
Instructional Leader: Miss Dianne Colb
Office Staff: Mrs Thurlow, Mrs McGowan, Mrs Conte
SLSO’s: Mrs DeWilt, Mrs Moussa, Mrs Sechos and Mrs Ayoubi
GA: Mr Simon Nakad

SCRIPTURE TEACHERS NEEDED
Scripture teachers are needed to teach Islamic Scripture on Wednesday afternoon. If you are available and would like to teach please contact Kylie on 0408 614 343.

PLAYGROUP
Playgroup is held in the School Hall at 9.30-11.30 every Wednesday morning for all preschoolers. Everybody is welcome to attend. Come and bring your children and share in the fun.
Morning tea break is proudly sponsored by:

ABOU SALIM Fruit Shop

SCHOOL CANTEEN
The canteen will be having a PANCAKE DAY on Tuesday 17th February the pre-order form is attached. The Canteen also has a weekly order form to help parents who would like to pre-order their children’s lunches for the week or selected days they require lunch from the canteen.
Come along and familiarise yourself with BRPS community hub and make new friends by joining one of our courses or workshops. The community hub is here to listen to your needs or suggestions and can offer you help in Arabic and English. We can help you with settlement information and offer support for families.

Circle of Security

Our Babies, Our Toddlers, Our Future Improving Family Experiences
An internationally recognised, relationship based, early intervention program designed to enhance attachment security between parents and children.

This 5-week Circle of Security Parenting Program will provide opportunities:

- To increase your understanding of your child’s emotions and needs.
- To develop skills that will enhance your relationship with your child to increase their confidence and self-esteem.

Where: Banksia Road Public School – Community Hub Room
When: Five Tuesdays, Starting Tuesday 10/2/15
Time: From 9:30 am – 11.30am
Cost: Free of Charge – Child care Included
Contact: Ebony / Lan on 8713 7700 Or Marina on 0422 122 410.

Free Cooking Class
The English Cooking Classes are back, better than ever! Please join us in 2015 at the hub for new “Cooking Classes”. On Monday 2 Feb 2015, Marina demonstrated how to make and decorate fruit dipped in chocolate. Yummy food for the whole family and great as gifts. Come along to next week’s cooking class on Monday 9 Feb at 1pm for some more creative ideas you can use in your kitchen.

Enquiries: Marina 0422 122 410

Ever thought about playing Hockey? Come & Try Hockey with Bankstown Sports Hockey Club

FREE hockey sessions
FREE use of equipment
FREE sausage sizzle afterwards

Give hockey a try and enjoy the summer evenings out with the family!

When: Friday evenings for 6 weeks - starting on the 13th Feb until 20th March from 6:00pm
Where: The Crest Hockey Fields - Mount St Georges Hall
Who: anyone aged from 7 years to adults

Small Fields - Amended Rules - Great Fun

For more information & to register contact:
Graeme - 0403 770 624 or Darren - 0425 365 367
Visit our website: www.bankstownhockey.org.au