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Caring, creative, challenging and achieving

Tuesday, 19 May 2015

CALENDAR

TERM 2 2015
Week 5 May

Monday 18th Homework Club 3-4pm
P&C Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 19th Dance Fever Athletics
Program Continues
Wednesday 20th Playgroup 9.30am -11.30am
Friday 22nd District Cross Country

Week 6 May

Monday 25th Homework Club 3-4pm
Tuesday 26th Dance Fever Athletics
Program Continues
Wednesday 27th Playgroup 9.30am -11.30am
Water Wise program Stage 2
Thursday 28th Litter Program Yr3-6
Friday 29th Litter Program K-2
Round 4 PSSA

Week 7 June

Monday 1st Homework Club 3-4pm
Tuesday 2nd Dance Fever Athletics
Program Continues
Wednesday 3rd Playgroup 9.30am -11.30am
Thursday 4th Stage 3 Powerhouse Museum
Excursion
P&C School Disco
Friday 5th Round 5 PSSA

Reminders:
Stage 3 Excursion notes due by Friday 29th May

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

STUDENT TOILETS
I would like to thank the group of parents (led by Nathalie) who raised money to purchase the soap dispensers which operate by a sensor. The school has provided soap dispensers in the past which have been damaged by students. We ask the students to use the equipment sensibly.

REVIEW OF SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
The NSW Department of Education and Communities has commissioned an independent review of the implementation of Special Religious Education (SRE) and Special Education in Ethics (SEE) in NSW public schools. The review is being conducted by an independent research company, ARTD Consultants. This company provides services in evaluating public policy. The review will inform ongoing improvement of SRE and SEE for the Department and providers. How can you participate in the review? You can complete a survey up until 31 July 2015 via an online portal, located at this link:


DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY
Good luck to those students representing our school at the District Cross Country Carnival. I am sure they will represent our school well.

GARDENING CLUB
A hard working group of students moved mulch. They even had an audience.

Hamish Woudsma
Principal
**PSSA**

There is no PSSA sport Friday 22nd May due to District Cross Country. PSSA will resume Friday 29th May Round 4. A reminder, if you are paying weekly, payments need to be made on Thursday.

**P & C NEWS**

P&C will be having a School Disco and sausage sizzle on Thursday 4th June from 5-7pm in the school hall. See next weeks newsletter for more details.

**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

**Banksia STAR Program**

Do you have a child starting school next year? Banksia Road PS is extending its playgroup to cater for children starting school next year. School readiness will be the focus in a fun and safe environment. A healthy morning tea of fruit will be served free of charge.

If you know of other families who this would benefit then invite them to come along.

When: Every Wednesday 9.30-11.30
Where: Banksia Road PS School Hall

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**Greenacre Officeworks**

*Office Equipment Supplier*

**Address:** 1/51 Roberts Road, Greenacre NSW 2190
**Phone:** (02) 8732 2300

Banksia Road Primary School would like to acknowledge and thank Greenacre Officeworks for their generous, ongoing support through regular donations of stationery and craft supplies. These resources help support our playgroup and Banksia STAR program that is held in our school hall every Wednesday morning from 9.30 – 11.30, as well as our craft club. For all your school and office needs please go to Office works Greenacre.

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**HOMEWORK CLUB**

Please note the Homework Club starts at 3pm on Mondays and finishes at 4pm. Please collect your children and sign off at the school Library. We can no longer meet you with your children at the school gates. If you are running late, you will need to call Marina on 0422 122 410 and go to the front office to pick up your children. So, it will be easier if you can please come to the library on time at 4pm.

We now have approximately 70 students registered with the Homework Club. As the Homework Club continues to grow, we are in need of some help to tutor students. Therefore, we are calling for any parents who can volunteer in tutoring students at the Homework Club. If you feel you can help with English and Maths, please call Marina on 0422 122 410 to register your interest.
Welcome to **BRPS community hub** a place to connect, share and learn. This term, we are running and partnering on a variety of programs with a focus on education, wellbeing and health. Have a look at the hub agenda in Term 2:

**Cooking Classes**
Banksia Rd Public School Community Hub would like to thank:

“Darwich Meat (Greenacre) “

….for their donations of fresh halal meat to the Cooking class.

**Bellydance Classes on Mondays**
Banksia Rd Public School Community Hub has partnered with Greenacre Neighbourhood Centre and the Benevolent Society to bring you bellydance classes on Mondays. Come along next Monday 25th May at 12:00pm in the school hall. Please bring a gold coin donation. Free childcare is provided.
To book, please call Marina on: 0422 122 410.

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**Exercise Classes for Women**

**Get ready for Spring!**
Come and join our weekly health and fitness classes with Pilates, Tai chi, Strength and Cardiovascular Training.

**When:** Every Wednesday
22 April to 10 June 2015
**Time:** 1.45pm – 2.45pm
**Where:** Banksia Rd Public School - School Hall,
65 Banksia Rd, Greenacre
**Cost:** Free
**Who:** All women – mothers, sisters, aunties, grandmothers, friends
**Trainer:** Robyn Suttor of Family Fit

Email or phone AnneMaree for more information or just meet us in the school hall every Wednesday.

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NATIONAL FAMILIES WEEK
15-21 MAY 2015

STRONGER FAMILIES
STRONGER COMMUNITIES

Saturday 23 May 2015
11am to 2pm
Community Place, Greenacre
near Greenacre Library

Children come and meet
Rocky the Mascot and Bongo!!

Lots of Activities
Jumping Castle, animal farm, family BBQ, Cake stall
face painting, Henna Tattoo, sports, etc

Mobile Muster
(bring your old mobile telephones and accessories for recycling)

For more information please contact
the Greenacre Area Community Centre 9750 7982.