### CALENDAR

**TERM 3**

#### 2015

**Week 5**

- **Wednesday 12th August**: Playgroup 9.30am-11.30am
- **Thursday 13th August**: Stage 2 Excursion - Powerhouse
- **Friday 14th August**: Round 8 PSSA Catch Up

#### 2016

- **Monday 17th August**: Homework Club 3pm-4pm
- **Wednesday 19th August**: Playgroup 9.30 am-11.30am
- **Friday 21st August**: PSSA Semi Finals

**Week 6**

- **Tuesday 25th August**: District Athletics Carnival
- **Wednesday 26th August**: Book Parade *9.20am*
  - Playgroup 9.30am-11.30am
  - Matilda Excursion
- **Friday 28th August**: PSSA Finals
  - Payment due Kindy, Y1 & 2 Excursion

**Week 7**

- **Monday 31st August**: Homework Club 3pm-4pm
- **Tuesday 1st September**: Kindergarten, Year 1 & 2 Excursion
- **Wednesday 2nd September**: Playgroup 9.30 am-11.30am
- **Friday 4th September**: PSSA Summer Round 7

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### PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

**ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

It was great to see so many parents enjoy the sunshine and support the Athletics Carnival. Congratulations to the students who have definitely improved their skills as a result of our Athletics Program in Term 2. A special thank-you to Mr Craft and his committee for their thorough organisation of the day. Unfortunately, there were some students who missed out because they didn’t bring their note before the cut off day. We needed final numbers by last Friday in order to book the necessary number of buses and accurately cost the excursion.

**ENROLMENTS ARE INVITED FOR 2016**

We are currently taking enrolments for 2016. Our school population is growing and places are limited for students not in our area. If you have a child who will be starting school next year please come to the school and complete an enrolment form. Please let your friends and neighbours who have children starting school next year know that they need to come to the school to enrol.
PAPERLESS NEWSLETTER

We are considering the option of moving to an electronic newsletter. This would not only save the environment but also save money allowing us to purchase other resources to support our students learning. This would mean parents could access the newsletter four ways

1. Through our school app
2. Through the link on our school Facebook site
3. Via the school website
4. We can send the newsletter each week via email. Please inform the office of your current email address. It may be easiest if you email the school at banksiard.p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

We would also keep a number of hard copies in the office foyer.

We are seeking your feedback. Please inform any of our staff if you think this is a viable option for you.

Hamish Woudsma
Principal

MERIT AWARD AWARDEES 7th AUGUST 2015

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Bronze Awards:
Emmanuel and Aya KW, Jihad 1T, Maysa, Norah and Sara 2F, Shadi 3G, Maryjane 3N, Omar 4N, Salsabeel 5F and Ghazelle 6P.

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Silver Awards:
Layla KG.

BOOK WEEK

These are just some of the ways we will be celebrating Book Week in Week 7 this term (24th- 28th August)-

Book Parade- Wednesday, 26th August at 9.20. This is a favourite event in the Banksia Road PS calendar and involves students dressing up as their favourite book character. Parents and friends are welcome to come along. Prizes are given to the best costume in each class as well as a voucher for the Book Fair for the best costume in K-2 and 3-6. There is even a Preschooler’s section for our little brothers and sisters. Be part of the fun and start planning your child’s costume now!

Book Fair- For the whole of Week 7 our library will host a book fair that sells quality books at bargain prices. Everyone is welcome to come and view the Book Fair during Book Week- before or after school.

Bankstown Library Services at BRPS- On Monday 24th Stage 3 will be attending an Author Talk with celebrated author Lisa Forrest. Stage 1 will also experience a presentation by Bankstown Library staff about some of the Short List books that are celebrated during Book Week.

PSSA ROUND 8, 14TH AUGUST

A reminder, that weekly payment is to be paid by Thursday morning.

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Junior Rugby League

Once again our junior rugby league team was involved in a highly entertaining, fast moving game last Friday. For most of the game we traded tries with Bankstown and spent most of the game locked together. Hard running and ferocious tackling were features of this absorbing encounter. Finally, in the closing stages of the game, the Bankstown side proved a little fitter and drew away with a 32-16 win. Keep trying hard, boys.

Mr Perrett

Senior Rugby League report

The senior rugby league team travelled to Roberts Park to play Bankstown. Despite losing the game 30-6, Banksia Road had their best game all season as they were able to go toe-to-toe with the much bigger Bankstown side.
Highlights included, Abdulrahman’s outstanding solo try, Wael’s fearless hit ups and Ala’a’s impressive organisation. However, man of the match went to Adam, who proved that size doesn’t always matter. His courage to tackle some of the biggest players in the competition really lifted the team.

Well done.

P&C NEWS

Please be advised that the next P&C meeting will be held Monday 17th August at 7pm in the school staffroom.
**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.

_Nurse’s visit - Playgroup:_

Sara, a clinical nurse for women’s health is coming to Playgroup on **Wednesday 19 Aug**. Mothers, come along and discuss with Sara, any health related issues you may have.

_Morning tea break is proudly sponsored by:_

**ABOU SALIM Fruit Shop**

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**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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**HOMEWORK CLUB**

Well done to all the Homework Club stars who through their determination and motivation, are joining in the Homework Club sessions. We would like you to come along again next Monday at 3pm. Keep up the good work and together let’s make term 3 a productive one for you.

Parents, please collect your children and sign off at the school Library. It helps to be on time 😊 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.

Parents, if you are interested in tutoring and feel you can help with English and Maths, please call Marina on 0422 122 410 to register your interest.

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**Community Kitchen: “Clever Cookie”**

Welcome back to Banksia Rd Public School Community Hub! Join us in Term 3 for a variety of activities and programs. The hub is a place to connect, share and learn and is open to all local families!

Banksia Rd Public School Community hub would like to _thank_ the following for their generous contributions:

- Darwich Meats Greenacre
- Muntaha’s Helping Hand
- Ethnic Communities Council
- Arab Council

Come along to the cooking classes next Monday 17 August at 12pm in the school room/kitchen. The cooking classes “Clever Cookie” are being filmed to create an educational DVD. We will also be talking about environmental factors such as biodiversity and recycling. There will be field trips and other exciting activities added to the Community Kitchen program “Clever Cookie”. Enquiries: Marina 0422 122 410

**Arabic and Bilingual Storytime:**

The Community hub brings Arabic and Bilingual storytime to Playgroup. These short sessions start in **Playgroup Wednesday 19 August (Playgroup hours: 9.30am – 11.30am).**
Attention all parents involved in Sports4Kids: Please attend Building Bully Shields which starts Tuesday 18 Aug. This is an important component of the Sports4Kids program. Other parents also welcome to register.

Please note: Due to the school sports carnival being held on Tuesday 11 August the last session of 123 Magic has been moved to Tuesday 25 August.

1 2 3 Magic & Emotion Coaching

The 1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching program aims to teach parents an easy-to-learn and easy-to-use signaling system to manage children's difficult behaviour. The signaling system requires the parent to use less talk and less emotion, which in turn encourages the development of children's ability to manage their emotional reactions to parental boundaries.

When: Tuesdays from 28/7/15 to 11/8/15 (weekly - 3 sessions)
Time: 9:30 am - 11:30 pm
Where: Bankstown Rd Primary school
Contact: Marina 07073424 or Kim on 8713 7700 - Bookings are essential
Child minding: Yes
Cost: FREE!!!

The program:
- How to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking
- How to sort behaviour
- How to handle challenging and testing behaviours
- Choosing your strategy, the "three choices"
- Using emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour

Interested in taking part in a discussion about your experience as a Muslim migrant settling in Australia?

Do you live in or near Bankstown?

The Social Research Centre is providing a unique opportunity for you to discuss your experience of being a migrant in Australia as part of a 90 minute focus group.

You will be paid $50 as a thank you for your time.

Groups will be run in English, but can provide a translator if required.

We are looking for six people who are:
- Male
- Aged 18-30
- Immigrated Australia between 1992 and 2011, and
- Of Muslim faith.

Please contact Tessa on 1800 265 648 (freecall) or tessa.enamela@unsw.edu.au or your local Community Hub Leader if you are interested.

The Social Research Centre

Interested in taking part in a discussion about your experience of living in Bankstown?

The Social Research Centre is providing a unique opportunity for you to discuss your experience of living in an area where there has been increased migration, as part of a 90 minute focus group.

You will be paid $50 as a thank you for your time.

We are looking for six people who are:
- Aged 30+
- 3rd Generation Australians (i.e. you had one or more grandparents born overseas but you and your parents were born in Australia)
- Live in Bankstown area

Please contact Tessa on 1800 265 648 (freecall) or tessa.enamela@unsw.edu.au or your local Community Hub Leader if you are interested.