**BLACKBOARD NEWS 2015**

**CALENDAR**

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**FINAL DATES FOR PAYMENTS AND PERMISSION NOTES**

- 1st May, 2015 – Year One and Two excursions to Homebush $30
- 26th June, 2015 – Year 6 photographs and money $8 for end of year CD.

Please be advised that these dates are final. The school sets these dates as final numbers are required for administration purposes, which include ordering buses when needed and settling the final payment amounts which often depend on the number of students attending.
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

I would like to thank the community for your support during Term One. Our P&C did a great deal of work on the Election Day and have again raised over $2 000 towards air conditioning for our classrooms. A big thank you to all the parents and school staff who helped out on the day as well.

Our Easter Hat Parade on Tuesday went ahead even with the heavy rain. The children, staff and community had a great time. Again, the P&C raised more money for air conditioning. I would like to thank the P&C for all their efforts this term and also Ms Clark, Mrs Bale and Ms Eddington for running the parade.

Have a safe and happy Easter and I look forward to seeing you all in term two.

Matthew Plummer

REGULAR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

When looking at the attendance rolls it is wonderful to see so many students attend school punctually and regularly. These students are preparing themselves with the support of their family to have the best start for their learning. Students who start their school day in the classroom at the beginning of the day and are there right to the end are building strong foundations to build upon until their formal school life is completed. Congratulations to all these students.

Students who have not had more than 2 partial days or 2 full days off during the term will receive Attendance Awards.

If you have any concerns or questions about your child(ren) and their learning, please contact the school through the office and someone will follow up. Please remember the best person to speak to first is your child’s teacher.

We would like to thank the wonderful volunteers from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter - Day Saints at Minchinbury for all their hard work in the school gardens and grounds on Saturday 28th March, 2015. Bennett Road Public School staff and community greatly appreciate your contribution to our school.
STAGE ONE POLICE VISIT

Stage One have been learning about people who help us in our community. At the end of Term 1 we had a policeman and a fireman come to talk to us about how they help us and what their job involves. We discovered that the police are here to help keep us safe anywhere we go. They have special tools and equipment to help them get to emergencies or spot crimes. We were able to see the different types of uniforms that police may wear. The fireman showed us his special uniform and talked about how fire fighters help us. He showed us how to ‘Stop, Drop and Roll’. We had fun learning about all the ways that the police and fire fighters can help us in our communities.

Stage One teachers

YEAR 6 FAREWELL

As part of our Year 6 Farewell for 2015 we will be putting together a slide show presentation using images of the Year 6 students. This presentation will be viewed at the Year 6 Farewell. To put this together, two photographs are required of each student. These photos must not be copyright protected. Ideally, one photograph will be of the student as a small child/baby, and the other image will be current. If your child has photos with school friends you may also like to send one of these, in addition to the other photos. These images will be scanned and the photographs will be returned to the student.

The presentation will be available for the Year 6 students to buy on CD for $8.00 each at the end of the year. This will be a wonderful keepsake for the students in years to come.

For your child’s image to appear on the CD, available for the student to buy, you must return the permission slip attached to the note that was sent home this week.

If permission is not given and your child has provided photographs for the presentation, their photographs will be returned and will not appear on the presentation.

Please ensure the photographs provided are in a clearly labelled envelope and handed to your child’s class teacher. Please note that no photographs will be accepted after 26th June, 2015.
K-2 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

K – 2 Assembly for Term 1 Week 8 was held on Friday 20th March, 2015 and the following children received assembly awards:

- KC – Murare and Rico
- KL – Margie and Jayden
- KM – Ellise and Zaine
- KP – Bowen and Kohbie
- KS – Addison and Aiden
- 1B – Jayde and Bailey
- 1H – Madeline
- 1C – J, Cody and Alexia
- 1P – Karim, Jaxon and Erkia
- 1R – Gloria, Nicole and Jai
- 2D – Alex, Cody, Amelia and Taleah
- 2R – Danielle, William, Anneleen and Joshua
- 2W – Kayla, Aleisha, Simi and Leonardo

The Mystery Teacher Award was awarded to class 1R. Congratulations and well done to all award winners.

3 – 6 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

The 3 – 6 assembly for term 1 week 6 was held on Friday 20th March, 2015 and the following students received awards:

- 3B – Montanna and Dolan
- 3/6P – Tyson and Kurtis
- 3P – John and Lexie
- 3W – Ryan and Bree
- 4B – Dylan and Serina
- 4J – Joyce and Amanda
- 4S – Jayden and Breanna
- 5/6M – Yash and Sophy
- 5F – Yuot and Chelsea L
- 5T – Zac and Sarah
- 6D – Dean F and Jessica
- 6E – Nicholas T and Jazmine
- Library – Zachary M from 5T

Stage 2 Mystery Teacher’s Award was won by class 3P
Stage 3 Mystery Teacher’s Award was won by class 5/6M

Congratulations and well done to all award winners.
ANZAC DAY SERVICE 2015

On Friday April 24th, 2015 (Week 1, Term 2) we will hold our annual ANZAC Day Service at 11:30am under the K-6 COLA. Morning tea will be supplied by Stage 3 at recess in the Library, and the hall will be open showcasing a special ANZAC display and artwork from students in K-6. All members of the community are invited to attend.

ANZAC COMMEMORATIVE MARCH

On Sunday 19th April, 2015 the St Marys RSL will hold its annual March and Service at Victoria Park. Everyone is invited to attend the march, which will form up at Coachmans Park, Queen Street, at 2.00pm, ready to march off by 2.30pm. The march will conclude at Victoria Park, Great Western Highway, where a special 100 year commemorative Service will be held. After the Service, all attending are invited back to St Marys RSL Club for light refreshments.

All in the community are invited to attend and participate in this special event. We hope to see you there!

Mr Plummer and Mrs Rhodes

School Photographs

School Photographs will be taken on Thursday 23rd April, starting at 9.00am.

Please ensure your child is wearing full summer uniform.

Photo envelopes need to be returned to the office by Wednesday 22nd April (2nd day of Term 2)

Notes and envelopes have been sent home, if you do not wish your child’s name to be published please complete and return the section at the bottom of the note.

KINDERGARTEN 2016 ENROLMENTS

If you have a family member or know of a child likely to start school next year please advise the school now or encourage them to visit the school and commence enrolment. They need to complete a form of several pages, produce a copy of the child’s birth certificate and immunisation records and proof of residential address (electricity account or similar).
CLASS WORK

6D is writing from different perspectives and points of view. We have chosen to write as if we were different everyday objects. Can you guess what they are?

- I really need to be cleaned because I’m dirty, dirty, dirty! My owner doesn’t care about anything. He just uses me, that I’ve got fly guts, cockroach organs and spider brains all over me. The only noises I hear are BUZZZZZ and TAP TAP TAP until I CRUNCH them. Please tell my owner to clean me; I’m as dirty as bin juice.
  - Mitchell

- Bounce, bounce, bounce. I keep getting thrown around. It’ll never end. The kids are the only ones having a good time, but I am the one who is suffering. They spin me in a circle on one finger like the earth and then I get thrown onto a wall. SMACK!
  - Dean

- I saw a hand hovering above me, Ohhh no, no, no! This guy’s hand is rough as rusty gears and I did not like it one bit, grrrkkkkssshhhh! He thirsted the power plug into me and there it came. AAAAARRRRHHHH! I started wailing in pain, “You are worthless” he said. He began to pick me up and before he could touch me, I busted in crackles of electricity.
  - Darryn

- I AM STARVING! I used to be filled with sauce, dim-sims or spicks of spicy rice, I jump on the ground so I can attract someone’s attention. The only thing that comes is Mother Nature on her course of wind. What will happen to me now?
  - Kane

- Owwww, Ouch, Ouch! Not my hair, not my hair!. Hmmpp.. Now, you put me down, so don’t pick me up! Gosh! No one has manners, there’s no need for a baby to bite me. I’m used for playing not bitting like I’m a type of food.
  - Jessica
ANZAC DAY

Class 5F has been busy working on their ANZAC Day projects

LEST WE FORGET

Kingz 5F

Ravina – 5F
BREAKFAST CLUB

The school breakfast club has become very popular with the students and we are now running it on four days each week. The Breakfast Club will run every Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning in room 19 from 8:30am to 8:45am. All students are most welcome to join in.

We have a variety of cereals and toast available. This is a free service which is made possible by the generous donation and continued support from Baker’s Delight at Centro Nepean and Springwood, who have been supplying our bread each week.

We wish to thank you for your continued support with the supply of goods for our healthy breakfast.

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P&C NEWS

The P&C committee would like to thank all the parents, grandparents, community members & staff who put in a big effort on Saturday at the Election Day BBQ to raise approximately $2000 which go towards Air Conditioning for the school.

We would especially like to thank the following for their kind donations:

- Susan Carter, Madden’s Plumbing, Steggle, IGA Colyton, St Marys Fresh Fruit Market and the staff at Bennett Road Public School
- Also thank you to all the families who made donations of drinks, serviettes, sauce, cakes etc. With your kind donations we were able to keep our cost to a minimum increasing our profit. THANK YOU!!!!!!!

Just a reminder at the beginning of next term we will have our Mother’s Day stall we are still looking for donations some ideas may be body wash, bath salts, hair care products there is a box in the foyer of the office where you can leave these donations.

Hope you all have a safe happy Easter and a wonderful school holidays with your children

P&C Committee
PBL PLEDGE

At Bennett Road, I promise to be a Safe, Respectful Learner. I will be Safe by following the school’s expectations. I will show Respect for all, including the school, other people and myself. I will learn by trying my best, taking on challenges and learning from mistakes. I will act in ways that others will be proud of me and I will be proud of myself.

Students who are Safe, Respectful, Learners in the playground can get a playground ticket. This is collected throughout the term and drawn at the end of each term. From K-2 and 3-6 one winner is picked and then the tickets are put together for a major prize draw. At the end of last term we draw the attendance and PBL raffle.
# School Holiday Fun Guide

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Security Services: Please report all incidents of Trespass and other Suspicious Activity on school grounds to the Police – 000 (they will respond the quickest if needed); St Marys Police 9677-7499, or Crimestoppers – 1800 333 000, School Security – 1300 880 021 and Bez Corp Security 9835 6627
URGENT INFORMATION ABOUT CONTACT DETAILS

A number of parents are not keeping the school up to date with changes to contact details. The school must have current information to ensure parents and caregivers can be reached in emergencies. On many occasions contact is unsuccessful because numbers are disconnected, barred or message banks are full. This information is critical when students are sick, injured, have ‘accidents’, are not collected after school or staff that need to speak with a parent/caregiver. Please fill out the form below, all updates should be given to the school office, signed and dated by a custodial parent or caregiver.

UPDATED PERSONAL DETAILS

STUDENT’S NAME: ________________________ CLASS: ________

ANY OTHER STUDENT

STUDENT’S NAME: ________________________ CLASS: ________

NEW ADDRESS: __________________________________________________________

_____________________________________________________________________

NEW HOME PHONE NO ______________________________

STILL LIVING WITH SAME PARENT/GUARDIAN: YES / NO

IF NO PLEASE GIVE NAME OF NEW GUARDIAN:

_____________________________________________________________________

FATHER: WORK NO________ MOBILE NO: _______

MOTHER: WORK NO: ___________ MOBILE NO: __________

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME:

1. ________________________________

2. ________________________________

EMERGENCY CONTACT PHONE NO: 1. ___________ 2. ________________

MOBILE PHONE NO: 1. ___________ 2. ______________________

PARENT/CAREGIVER SIGNATURE: ________________________________

NAME: ________________________ DATED ____/____/15