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FINAL DATES FOR PAYMENTS AND PERMISSION NOTES

- 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2015 – $10.50 CARES Years 4-6, please note that there are limited places for this activity.

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.

Payments can be made by cash, EFTPOS (before midday) or online. Online payments should only be made via the school website which is listed at the top of this newsletter. Once you are on our website you click on $ make payment and follow the instructions.

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Thank you everyone once again for your support of our school during Term Three. It has been very busy as usual and the children and staff appreciated the community attending our Open Day, Book Fair, CLC Concert, K-2 Sport’s Day, Book Parade, CLC Sport’s Day, P&C Meetings and weekly assemblies.

Just a reminder that supervision at school does not start until 8:30 am. Children should not be arriving before this time unless they are with an adult.

Term Four will be very busy as usual and I hope to see you back again supporting your children as you always have.

Have a safe holiday and I hope you get to have some quality time with your families.

Matthew Plummer

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).

KINDERGARTEN 2016 ORIENTATION LEAD UP VISITS

On 15<sup>th</sup> October, 22<sup>nd</sup> October and the 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2015, Bennett Road Public School will be hosting our Orientation Lead Up visits for Kindergarten 2016. All new enrolments are invited to attend the school for a lead up play visit in the current Kindergarten rooms.
These visits will start at 9:10am and finish at 10:55am. Each visit will include a tour of the school, a play session in the Kindergarten classrooms and a morning tea with our Principal Mr Plummer, the P&C representatives and our current Kindergarten teachers.

If you are enrolling your child with Bennett Road Public School in 2016, please notify the office so you can complete the enrolment forms to be allocated a day for the Kindergarten Lead Up visits. If you know of a family who are thinking of enrolling their child for 2016 and haven’t yet done so, please inform them of these visits so they don’t miss out.

In addition to these lead up visits, we are excited to introduce our new ‘Book Bugs’ program, commencing each fortnight on a Friday afternoon between 2pm until 2:45pm in our school library.

We are looking forward to meeting our new families and students for 2016.

**NO DOGS ALLOWED ON ANY GOVERNMENT SCHOOL GROUNDS**

There have been recent reports that some parents are bringing dogs onto the school grounds. Please be aware that for the safety of all students, dogs of any size or breed are not allowed to enter the school grounds.

**BRPS ATTENDANCE WINNERS FOR TERM THREE!**

All students are required to be at school each day from **9:00am-3:00pm**. It is highly important our students come to school every day so they have the best chance of learning across the school curriculum. Sometimes we get sick, and being away from school to get better is absolutely necessary, but being away because they just don’t want to come or feel like staying at home is not acceptable. We encourage our students to come to school every day, on time and ready for learning!

As a way to further encourage our students, in **Week 9** of this term we ran our raffle for the best student attendance for the term. Any student K-6 who has had no more than 2 days off this term had their name go into the raffle to win a $25 voucher to spend. There was one winner for Years K-2 and one winner for Years 3-6.

I am happy to announce that the winners for Term Three are;

- Cody L from class 2D and Dounya from class 3/6P

Congratulations to our Term Three Winners!

*Ms DiMarco*
CHANNEL 7’S IT’S ACADEMIC!

In Term 4 2014, 13 Year 6 students visited the Channel 7 studios to take part in the *It’s Academic TV Show* (Series 20).

If you would like to see these ex Bennett Road Public School students in action, the new season commences on 18th October, 2015

Please be advised that Channel Seven reserve the right to change these dates at any time!

Regards
Mr Moss

C.A.R.E.S - (COMMUNITY AND ROAD EDUCATION SCHEME) YEARS 4-6

Bennett Road Public School has been given the opportunity to take part in the *Community and Road Education Scheme* (C.A.R.E.S). CARES is a total road safety education program run by the local police. It was created to assist in the reduction of risk, injury and death for young road users. It is designed for school children in Years 4 to 6 – considered a high-risk category of road users. CARES attempts to change and shape the attitude of our young road users by teaching them about bicycle skills, pedestrian safety, road safety and awareness of potential
hazards to both cyclists and pedestrians. The CARES program promises a whole day of bike riding, education and FUN!

**DATES:** Monday 12th October, Wednesday 14th October or Tuesday 15th December 2015

**DEPARTURE:** 9:00am from school, returning at approximately 2:30pm

**VENUE:** St Mary’s CARES, Creek Road, St Mary’s

**LUNCHES:** Children are to bring their own lunch and recess (no canteen facilities available)

**COST:** $10.50 – this covers the cost of the transport. There is no cost for the CARES program

**ATTIRE**
Students will need to wear their school sports uniform - no skirts or dresses please; be in appropriate covered footwear – no sandals or thongs and (where necessary) have their hair tied into a ponytail.

Students are also reminded that the wearing of an appropriate hat is now a school requirement.

**TRANSPORT:**
Transport to and from the venue will be by bus.

**EQUIPMENT:**
All bicycles are provided free of charge by CARES. Students are encouraged to bring their own helmet. CARES has requested that these comply with Australian standards and carry the certification number ASNZ2063. (For those that do not have a helmet there is a small selection available at the venue).

**NON-CYCLISTS:** CARES is able to cater for students who require extra assistance. A number of 4-wheeled bikes are available.

Permission notes have been sent home; please also note there are limited spaces for this activity.

**K-2 SPORTS DAY**

Our K-2 sports carnival was a great success! The weather was sunny and the participants were enthusiastic.

This year we made some changes to our day that were very successful. For the first time the children were participating as members of their sporting house and were earning points for their team throughout the day. Also, we ran the tabloid activities earlier due to the wet ground and this meant a much drier surface for the students to sit on while watching the races later in the day.

The tabloid activities were a lot of fun. The children really enjoyed each activity that they went to and were awarded with a score out of 10 for their participation, enthusiasm and behaviour. The winning classes with a score of 84 out of 90 were 1R and 2D. Congratulations!

After recess the day continued with running races and many children demonstrated talent and speed. Through heats, semi-finals and finals, the following children proved to be the fastest on the day and are the champions for their grade.
The members of Waratah must have had an extra big breakfast as they were judged to be the most enthusiastic sporting house in the morning when cheering on their team mates.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the children and staff for their effort and enthusiasm and a special THANK YOU to all of the parents who helped out on the day.

Thank you to Mr Clarke for marking the running lanes and seating areas and for helping to set up the area for the day.

Ribbons will be handed out to those children who came first, second and third during the K-2 Assembly on Friday, October 16th at 12:30pm. Parents and Caregivers will be welcome to attend at that time.

M. Moss
Organiser

K-2 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

K – 2 Assembly for Term 3 Week 6 was held on Friday 4th September, 2015 and the following children received assembly awards:

- **KC** – Muare and Jayke
- **KL** – Julyliah and Jayden
- **KM** – Zaine and Georgia
- **KP** – Isabelle and Mitchell
- **KS** – Charlotte and Aiden
- **1B** – Kayla, Dechlan and Raymond
- **1C** – J, Hayleigh and Tyreece
- **1H** – Madeline
- **1P** – Ranusha, Eman and Royden
- **1R** – Ashlyn, Zac and Angel
The Mystery Teacher Award was awarded to class 1P.

Congratulations to all award winners.

3 – 6 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students for collecting an award at our Year 3-6 assembly held on Friday 4th September, 2015:

- 3B – Mia and Lochlan
- 3/6P – Riley and Nathan
- 3P – Thomas and Carolyn
- 3W – Cory, Rayankana and Eva
- 4B – Keara and Ricky
- 4J – Jai, Dylan and Ashan (Ashan’s on 21/8/15)
- 4S – Kayla and Kamoe
- 5F – McCoy
- 5G – Sally
- 5T – Darcell
- 6D – Cameron and Mitchell

Stage 2 Mystery Teacher’s Award was won by class 3P
Stage 3 Mystery Teacher’s Award was won by class 6D

STAGE 3 CAMP

For three days and two nights, 71 students from Stage 3 had the privilege of enjoying the peace and serenity found around the shores of Lake Narrabeen.

The students engaged in activities such as rock climbing, canoeing, archery, high ropes and bushwalking. As expected, student participation in these activities was high and many personal barriers and fears were overcome!

Thank you to the teachers who accompanied me on this excursion – Mrs Felangue, Mrs Moon, Mrs Thomas, Miss De La Fuente and Mrs Marr.

Finally, thank you to ALL those students who attended the camp. Your enthusiasm was infectious, your willingness to try new experiences was impressive and your positive behaviour was everywhere to be seen.

This was a truly memorable experience!

Regards
Mr Moss
Stage 3 children having fun at camp
HEAD LICE

There have been a number of reported cases of head lice in the school.

We seek your cooperation in checking your own child’s hair and treating if necessary. The current advice is to use one of the patented products or to massage the scalp with a white conditioner and then comb thoroughly with a nit comb. Each treatment needs to be followed up and reported whenever necessary.

Some parents have reported that the electronic comb is useful when lice are adults.

If we all work together as a community we should be able to keep this problem under control. The holiday period is a good time to treat if necessary.

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.

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. Thank you for your continued support.
Last Wednesday we celebrated our SASS (School Administration and Service Staff) recognition week with a lovely morning tea provided by our principal and teachers to recognise all the hard work that our SASS staff provides to our school. We were even surprised by some of our student. Class 4J made some lovely thank you messages.

Dear Mrs Yard, Mrs Racti, Mrs Wolstencroft, Mrs Sharwood, Mrs Richardson, and Mrs Hystek thank you for all your help for the school. We appreciate your great for the school thank you.

From Amanda 4J

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MEDIA RELEASE

Wednesday, August 26 2015

LEARNING POTENTIAL APP TO BENEFIT LINDSAY STUDENTS

Federal Member for Lindsay, Fiona Scott MP has welcomed the launch of an innovative new mobile app to encourage parents to get more involved in their children’s education.

The Learning Potential mobile app was launched recently by the Minister for Education and Training, the Hon Christopher Pyne MP.

“This app offers inspiring ways for parents and carers to become more involved in their child’s learning, from the high chair through to high school,” Mr Pyne said.

Fiona Scott said parents and students in Lindsay and right across NSW would benefit from the Learning Potential app.

“The Learning Potential app, which is available for free on Android and Apple devices, makes it easier for parents and carers to be part of their child’s learning, and will help get the most out of the time they spend with their child,” Fiona Scott said.

“The app is packed full helpful articles and videos that offer tips and ideas for parents to become more involved in their child’s learning.

“Parents’ involvement is an important part of a good education and with the strong support of school teachers and families, children can do better through their school life.

“The app is available for downloading from the App Store and Google Play, and I encourage all parents to check it out,” Fiona Scott added.

The Learning Potential website also contains all of the content from the app to make sure that content is available to people who do not own a smart device, with all content available in an accessible format.

You can find out more at www.australia.gov.au/learningpotential.

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Do you want to make a difference in the life of a child?

Local foster carers needed

Family and Community Services are seeking people in the local area to provide short term and crisis foster care for children and young people 0–18 years that are unable to live with their own families.

Individuals, couples and families from varied backgrounds and cultural groups are required. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply. All carers receive training, ongoing support and financial assistance. If you are interested in making a difference and helping children reach their full potential, please call 9765 5000 or email fostering@facs.nsw.gov.au

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Looking for safe affordable Vacation Care?

We are taking bookings now for an exciting and cheap Vacation Care Program these School Holidays at North St Marys Children’s Centre. We are located on the grounds of North St Marys Public School and are open 6.30am-6pm each day. Feel free to call in and say Hello or call us on Phone: 96230331

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Ray White Colyton
Introducing Colyton’s only Real Estate Office

You’re Invited
to attend the Grand Opening Celebration and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for our newest RAY WHITE Colyton office.

Come by to enjoy an event planned just for you, our new neighbours, community and business friends.

WHERE
Saturday 26th September
10am - 3pm
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony:
10am at Ray White Colyton
(Shop 2, Corr of Dan Cres & Carpenter St, Colyton)
Tel 02 9833 8881 W raywhitecolyton.com.au

CELEBRATIONS
11am - 3pm at Kevin Maley Park
(Cnr of Dan Cres & Carpenter St, Colyton)
Light Refreshments and Sausage Sizzle will be served.

RAY WHITE YELLOW BIKE GIVEAWAY

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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

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Kindy Orientation for 2016 presents ‘Book Bugs’

Fridays in Term 4

Saturday Story Time

2.00pm – 2.45pm

Friday 16th October
Friday 30th October
Friday 13th November
Starting School in 2016

Is your child turning 5 before 31st July 2016 and ready to start Kindergarten next year?

Bennett Road Public School will be offering a program of Kindergarten Orientation visits showcasing the wonderful ways that students learn using innovative, interesting and motivating strategies.

Our school focuses on all students becoming responsible, caring, creative and respectful learners in a safe environment.

We value family support in the school environment.

For more information or to collect an enrolment form, please visit or contact the school office.

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