



Bathurst South Public School - Newsletter

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Term 3, Week 8, 11th September 2019

Dear Families,

Bathurst Rail Museum

Congratulations to Charlie Clark, Alexis Bastow, Abigail Johnson and Finney Eldershaw whose illustrations have been chosen for the next printing of the temporary fence at the Bathurst Rail Museum as part of the All Aboard Fence Art Project. Mr Prior and these students will attend the unveiling of the new temporary fence on Tuesday 17th September at 10:00 am at the Bathurst Rail Museum site on Havannah Street, Bathurst.

Congratulations!



Eisteddfod

Both of our school choirs have been participating in today's Eisteddfod. Tomorrow our school band will be performing. The Eisteddfod is a wonderful opportunity for students to put their learning into action and present it to the community.

Public Speaking

I am sure your child has been practising the delivery of their public speaking presentation at home. Currently 'speak offs' are being conducted to select representatives from each year level, for the Public Speaking Finals on Thursday 19th September.



Tell Them from Me – Parent survey (Term 3, 2019)

I cannot encourage you enough to complete this online survey. The responses and data is totally confidential. The survey will assist in school planning as well as letting us hear about what we do well and what we need to improve on. To access the survey for our school go to: <http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/bathurstsouth>

CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen

Please be aware that there will be no canteen during the last week of this term.

Toast Volunteers Needed

We are in need of volunteers on Mondays to run our morning Toast Program from 8:45 am until approximately 9:20 am. If you are interested or would like to know what is involved, please contact the front office and ask to speak with Troy Newham.

**Volunteers
Needed!**



Influenza

We have had a confirmed case of Influenza within our school. Influenza is a highly contagious illness which we all need to be mindful of, to assist in preventing further cases within our school. Students that are sick with flu need to stay at home. Please read the influenza fact sheet on **page 4** of this newsletter.

Keep on Track – Winner

Our 'Keeping on Track' winner for this week was **Dominic Falzon**. Dominic received a \$5.00 canteen voucher as his prize. Well done!



Term 3 Calendar

17 September – Railway Art unveiling
19 September – Public Speaking Finals
26 September – PBL Reward Day
27 September – Seaforth PS band visiting BSPS
27 September – Principal's Morning Tea

Yours sincerely,



Greg Cross
Principal



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SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

80 students from Years 2-6 will be participating in the School Swimming Scheme. The Scheme will continue **daily for two weeks** from Monday 14th October to Friday 25th October from 11:30am-12:15pm and the second group from 12:15pm-1:00pm. This is a wonderful program that is run by Bathurst Aquatic Centre and heavily subsidised by the Department of Education. Cost will be \$80.00, which includes lessons, entry to the pool and bus travel.

Notes were sent out in Week 7, places are limited and will be filled on a first in first served basis.

Transition to Kindergarten 2020

In **Term 4** Bathurst South Public School will once again hold our popular Transition to Kindergarten Program over five weeks.

Parents who are planning to enrol their child to begin Kindergarten at our school in 2020 are invited to attend a special parent information session to be held at school on

Thursday 17th October, 2019

commencing at 9.30am in our Art Room.

Over the years we have found this parent information session to be well received and valued by parents. We hope you will be able to attend.

The Transition Program for students beginning Kindergarten in 2020 will commence on

Thursday 24th October, 2019

at 9.30am - 11.00am in our Art Room and will run every Thursday for five weeks.

Please contact our front office on 6331 1297 for further details about session times or if you would like an information letter sent home.

Michelle Chiamonte
Assistant Principal/Transition Coordinator

AWARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Merit Awards

Grace Camenzuli, Kaylee Bateman, Cooper Woodyatt, Kimberley Johnson, Carmen Islip, Savannah Auvaa, Samuel Brew, Nicholas Fraser, Cooper Rogers, Bonnie Mayfield, Zoe Duffy, Jaxon Duffy, Zaylee Miller, Braxdan Forrest-Ward, Samuel Cobcroft x2, Te'amo Luck x3

Large Awards

Zoe Duffy, Jaxon Duffy, Phoenix Cottier, Evie Hawkins, Cayden Cusack, Riley Bateman x2

Book Awards

Riley Bateman

WELL DONE!

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) News

The three expectations that we have at Bathurst South are being Respectful, being a Positive Learner and being Safe. This week students have been participating in lessons focusing on behaviour on top level. All students will receive 10 minutes of extra play later in the week as part of our school acknowledgement system.

Parents will be notified if the child has not made it around their tracks for Term 3. Students who complete a lap will be acknowledged with participation in On Track Day which for this term will be rotational activities which have been coordinated through the SRC.

SAFE

RESPECTFUL

POSITIVE LEARNER

Top Level Equipment

- Only play on what you can reach
- Keep hands and feet to yourself
- Play calmly and carefully

- Take turns
- Use equipment appropriately
- Report any injuries to teacher

- Follow instructions



Michelle Chiaramonte

Please Notice This



CLOTHING POOL

There will be NO Clothing Pool this Friday.
If in the event you do need items, please place your order by 2:00pm Thursday and it will be filled that afternoon.



FOOTY COLOURS DAY

A tremendous Thank You to all that participated in our Footy Colours Day last Friday.
Together we raised a fantastic \$123.00 for the Fight Cancer Foundation.

What is Influenza?

Influenza is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses. The symptoms of influenza range from mild to severe.

What are the symptoms?

The symptoms of influenza range from mild to severe, and in severe cases can lead to death. People who have influenza typically experience some or all of the following symptoms:

- fever and chills
- cough, sore throat and runny or stuffy nose
- muscle aches, joint pains, headaches and fatigue (feeling very tired)
- nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea (more common in children than adults) It is important to seek immediate medical advice if the illness quickly becomes worse or if any of the following symptoms occurs:
- shortness of breath or rapid breathing
- chest pain
- confusion or sudden dizziness persistent vomiting

How is flu spread?

Influenza viruses are mainly spread by droplets made when an infected person coughs or sneezes. Influenza can also be spread through touching surfaces where infected droplets have landed.

People with influenza can be infectious from the day before their symptoms start. Adults are most infectious in the first 3-5 days of their illness, while children remain infectious for 7-10 days, and people with weakened immune systems may be infectious for longer.

Children and younger adults may shed influenza virus for 10 or more days, however, the ability to transmit infection is likely to be higher when respiratory symptoms are present.

What can be done to stop the spread of influenza?

Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. All schools should remind staff and students about good hygiene practices and how to minimise the spread of infection. Any person with symptoms should remain at home until they are well.

There are several effective ways that students and staff can stop the spread of influenza.

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should be advised to stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.

Stay at home if sick

If you are sick with flu, stay at home and avoid close contact with other people to prevent them from also becoming sick. Keep sick children away from school and other activities. Wait at least 24 hours after fever resolves so you that you are unlikely to infect other people.

