



Bathurst South Public School - Newsletter

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Term 1, Week 5, 26th February 2020

Dear Families,

Welcome Disco and Meet the Teacher



Thank you to the 150 attendees of our 2020 welcome event on Monday night. The disco was something we had not tried before and was a way to encourage more families/parents to attend the teacher sessions. I hope that those of you who did attend found the sessions informative and a nice way to meet your child's teacher for the 2020 school year.

A special 'Thank You' is extended to the helpers who assisted the P&C in raising over \$350 from the BBQ. These funds will go towards the purchase of four more television touch panels, that will replace our dated smartboards in all classrooms. Currently six out of our ten classes have these panels already in place.



Blue Cards



Can I please request that all families who are yet to return their Blue Cards do so as soon as possible. Please complete **one card per student** and return them to school. It is vital that we keep information up-to-date, in case of emergencies; particularly if our electronic network is 'down'.

Year 7 Expression of Interest Forms

All current Year 6 students will today receive their expressions of interest enrolment form. These forms are to be completed in the next 2 weeks and returned to Bathurst South PS. Year 6 student's zoned high school has already been filled out based on the student's residential address. Those wishing to seek enrolment at a non-local high school must demonstrate extenuating circumstances.



Western Region Swimming



As a result of last Friday's District Swimming Carnival, we now have eight students attending The Western Primary Swimming Trials in Dubbo on 13th March 2020. These students are Amber Thackeray, Kali Thackeray, Savannah Auvaa, Mia Phelps, Imogen Farmer, Sienna Ross, Georgie Clarke and Sam Whiting. Kali was also awarded Senior Girls Champion at the District Carnival.

School Fees

Our voluntary school contribution fees will remain at \$30 per child or \$50 per family. I am sure you agree that this is extremely reasonable! This amount can be paid at our school front office by cash/Eftpos. If you pay before the end of Term 1, you go in the running for a \$70 restaurant voucher at a location in Bathurst of your choice.



Our SRC will be serving \$1 ice-cream in a cone next Tuesday.
All funds raised will go to our World Vision sponsor child.



Keep On Track

Our 'Keeping On Track' winner for this week is **Lexi Peters-Whitwell**. Lexi received a \$5.00 canteen voucher as her prize. Well done!



Term 1 Calendar

5 March – The Big Veggie Crunch
9 March – P&C Meeting, BPS Staffroom 5:30pm
11-13 March – Year 4 Brewongle Excursion
13 March – Western Region Swimming Carnival
25-27 March – Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
7 April – School Photographs
8 April – On Track Day PBL
9 April – Principal's Morning Tea
9 April – Easter Hat Parade
9 April – Last Day of Term 1

Yours sincerely,

Greg Cross
Principal



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The Big Veggie Crunch?

At **10am on Thursday 5th March** our school will be taking part in *The Big Veggie Crunch*. We will join other primary schools across NSW to break the record for the most students crunching vegetables:



What can you do to help?

- Pack a container of vegetables for your child to eat on Thursday 5th March
- Remember to keep serving up the vegetables at home and in your children's lunchboxes!



Schools Clean Up Day 2020

The nation-wide Schools Clean Up Day has come round quickly once again. Infants (K-2) will participate this Friday, February 28th at 12:35pm. Classes will be allocated an area and will be responsible for cleaning up that location. Children can bring a gardening glove, or similar, to collect litter. This event is a great way to raise awareness of the environment, recycling and waste disposal.

EXCURSION REMINDERS

- ★ Final payment for the Year 4 Brewongle excursion is due **THIS Friday February 28th**.
- ★ Final payment for the Stage 3 Canberra excursion is due **Friday March 13th**.

Toast Program Volunteers



We are seeking volunteers for our **THURSDAY** morning Toast Program, which runs from 8:45 am until approximately 9:20am.
If you are interested or would like to know what is involved, please contact the front office and ask to speak with Troy Newham.

AWARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Merit Awards

Kyeisha Loftus, Emily Collins, Bella Forrest, Cali Wohlgemuth, Sophie Day, Cooper Rogers

Large Awards

Kyeisha Loftus, Cooper Rogers

WELL DONE!

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) News

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is an educational process that brings together the whole-school community to contribute to developing a positive, safe and supportive learning culture. The PBL framework assists us to improve social, emotional, behavioural and academic outcomes for children and young people. PBL is a process, not a program.

When PBL is implemented well, teachers and students have more time to focus on relationships and classroom instruction.

The three expectations that we have at Bathurst South are being Safe, being Respectful and being a Positive Learner. This week students will be participating in lessons focusing on classroom routines and expectations.

	SAFE	RESPECTFUL	POSITIVE LEARNER
All Settings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work and play safely• Be in the right place at the right time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Respect others, self and property• Be proud of what you do and say• Wear school uniform	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Follow instructions• Actively participate• Always do your best• Be at school everyday

Michelle Chiaramonte



CLOTHING POOL

Size 4 -16 Winter Hoodies are now in stock.

- Trading hours **Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am - 9:30 am**
- Outside of these hours orders can be placed with our front office.



- Please join us for our 2020 AGM on Monday 9th March, 5:30pm in the school Staff Room
- The Easter Hat Parade will be held later this term, we are requesting donations of Easter Eggs, Baskets, Ribbon and Cellophane for our Easter Raffle. Contributions can be left at the Front Office.
- Do you have a crafty parent or grandparent?- We would love donations of Mother's Day presents for our stall next term
- Later in the year the P&C will hold a school fete. If you own or know of a business that would like to donate prizes, it would be greatly appreciated. Donors would be mentioned in our school newsletter and posted on our school sign. If you have any questions regarding the fete please contact Sandra Scott; sandradee2@bigpond.com or 0408 903 771

The journey to becoming a good reader begins at home.

Read aloud to your child.



- Read often to your child – if possible, every day. Find a place without distractions.

- Keep a book with you so you can read anywhere: ... bus, train, car, waiting rooms, park, etc.



- Explore the cover and take a 'picture walk' through the pages. Examine the characters, name items and discuss the storyline.



- Keep books in easy reach of your child. If they're out of sight they're out of mind.

- Value reading yourself... let your child see you reading.

- Take your child to the library. Have them join so they can borrow too.

- Read signs, advertisements, instructions, etc. Widen their language experience.



Oh, and read aloud to your child.

