**Dates for your diary**

- **21 Mar** Hunter Rugby League Trials
- **21 Mar** Positive Parenting Program
- **25 Mar** Last day Active After School R League
- **27 Mar** CSIRO Performance. $5 each student due to be paid by 10am 26th March
- **27 Mar** Infants Assembly 12.30pm
- **28 Mar** Netball Gala Day at Kurri
- **28 Mar** Whole School Assembly 2.05pm
- **1 Apr** Reg Kelly Shield cricket v Grahamstown
- **3 Apr** Zone Cross Country
- **4 Apr** Entry and payment for University competitions due—optional Y3-6
- **4 Apr** Deposits due for Year 4, 5, 6 Camps
- **9 Apr** Interrelate sessions
- **10 Apr** Easter celebrations at school

**PRINCIPAL TALK**

**PPP Program**

This three week program concludes tomorrow. If you missed out on this one, others will be provided through Place of Friends at Woodberry. Contact Cynthia Jenkins on 49642174 for details.

**Rugby League Regional Trials**

We wish Dylan Evans, Cooper Taylor and Noah Mather the best of luck as they attend the trials to make the representative rugby league team at regional level tomorrow.

**CSIRO Performance**

Please throw $5 in a clip-lock bag with your name and class by 10am next Wed! Performance on Thursday.

**Personalised Learning Plans**

All Aboriginal students have a Personalised Learning Plan that is updated annually. This involves a discussion between parents and staff (and maybe the student) to consider progress on last year’s goals, and then set new goals. Invitations have gone out for meetings and are due tomorrow. Discussions are scheduled for Mon 31st Mar, Tue 1st Apr and Wed 2nd April.

This year we have 40 Aboriginal students (compared to 28 last year).

**Cricket vs Grahamstown**

Our cricket team play Grahamstown Public School in our second of five matches in the Reg Kelly Shield. It will be an away game on Tuesday 1st April.

**Zone Cross Country**

The first four students from each race yesterday will qualify to attend the Zone Cross Country Carnival which occurs on Thu 3rd April. Results will be published next week.

**Star Struck**

We have been informed earlier this week that our Star Struck group has been successful in performing a dance at this year’s event!

**Interrelate**

Sessions about sexuality will occur on Wed evening 9th April. The first session is appropriate for all students from Years 3-6, and the second session more appropriate for students in Years 5-6. Families are charged $25 for one session or $30 for both. Please let us know beforehand if you intend to participate, but you can pay on the night.

**Easter Celebrations**

Join us on Thursday 10th April when we celebrate Easter. This is our second last day of Term 1. This year Easter occurs on the middle weekend of the school holidays.

**Working Bee**

On Monday this week we had a keen bunch of students getting their hands dirty for a good cause! Aboriginal students from Stages 2 and 3 joined some high school Aboriginal students to work on the bush regeneration in the corner of our school site. Over 100 plants were planted and watered, as well as 150m of edging to form the paths through the mulch. Hammering those stakes into the hard earth was thirsty business.
Everyone is encouraged to have a walk through this most serene section of our yard, and see how many birds or other living creatures you can find. Our next challenge will be to build seating for a yarning circle.

Harmony Day
Although today is the official day for Harmony Day, we celebrated on Tuesday this week. Many students wore orange, with $261.60 being raised for the Year 6 Farewell. The special assembly featured counting to 10 in Khmer, Samoan and Indonesian dances, and a Sri Lankan song about a cat! The lunch (Butter Chicken with rice) that was generously provided free of charge by the Vijeyananthan family was unbelievable! On behalf of the tummies of the staff and students, thank you to Mr and Mrs Vijeyananthan who worked from 5:30am to get the meal ready.

Last Week’s Quiz
What number am I? If you turn me upside down, I am bigger by 3! I am 6.

This Week’s Quiz
When playing board games, you often roll two dice. What do you call just one?
Write your name and class with the answer on a piece of paper, and post it into the Quiz Box near the office by Wednesday.

Mr Jonathan Ridgway

NOTES SENT HOME RECENTLY
◊ Netball Gala Day notes to interested students in Years 3-6
◊ Digital Animation workshop note to Stage 3 students
◊ E Program Roster to participating Year 6 students
◊ OOSH Note from Camp Australia

Great Aussie Bush Camp - Year 4
The Year 4 camp will be held at the Great Aussie Bush Camp in Port Stephens from Monday 15th September until Wednesday 17th September. The cost of this camp will be $250.00. Further details about this camp are in the letter which your child will bring home today. The deposit of $50 is due by 4th April.

Stage 3 Camp - Katoomba and Bathurst
This year the Stage 3 camp will be held at Katoomba / Jenolan Caves and the Bathurst goldfields from Wed 17th September until Friday 19th September. The cost of this camp will be approximately $350.00. Further details about this camp are in the letter which your child will bring home today. The deposit of $50 is due by 4th April.

Jan Fanning

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at last week’s assembly.

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We would like to give you notice that Tuesday 6th May is school photo day. This date is the second week back at school next term. Each child will receive a personalised photo envelope as soon as they arrive here from the photographers. There will be more information in upcoming newsletters.
CSIRO Education
Touring Science Education Program

Visiting Performance – CSIRO Scientists
On Thursday 27th March, 2014 the CSIRO Scientists from Touring Science Education Centre will be visiting Beresfield Public School. Students will be amazed by their fascinating show which explores the visual and mechanical effects of unseen forces. Topics include pushes, pulls, gravity, balancing and friction.

The cost for each student is $5.00. Please enclose this amount in a clearly labelled bag and return to class teacher by 10am Wednesday 26th March.

This educational show should not be missed!
Please note that there is no separate note about this performance. The performance is for the whole school, Kinder to Year 6 and is $5 per student.

Alanna Wallace

Interrelate
Interrelate’s high quality sexuality and relationship education program is coming to our school! With more than 85 years’ experience in this field, Interrelate has a reputation for providing excellence in sexuality and relationship education. This program is for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6.

When: Wednesday 9th April
Session 1: 6.00pm “Where Did I Come From” (Years 3,4,5,6)
Session 2: 7.15pm “Preparing for Puberty” (Year 5 & 6)

To attend one session it is $25. For both sessions it is $30.

To help us with our organisation of the evening please return the slip below if you would like to attend this program. You can pay in advance or pay on the night.

$5 due in for every child by Wednesday 26th March
HARMONY DAY
2014 UNIVERSITY COMPETITIONS

Dear Parents / Carers of Years 3-6 students

This year we are offering students in Years 3 to 6 the opportunity to participate in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) tests. This competition is run by Educational Assessment Australia, a division of the University of NSW. This year we are offering English, Mathematics, Spelling and Computer Skills and Science papers.

Please note, these tests will only proceed if there are sufficient numbers.

Entry is optional. If you would like your child to participate in any or all of the competitions, please complete the application form at the front office. Please note that payment is due in full for all entries by Friday 4 April. Please note that payments are non refundable.

You can find out more information at this website - www.eaa.unsw.edu.au

Mrs Fanning
ICAS Coordinator

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STOCKLAND GREENHILLS COMPETITION

PLEASE VOTE FOR OUR SCHOOL!

1/2B have entered Beresfield Public School into the Stockland Greenhills Stockland Star competition.

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO EARN VOTES FOR OUR STAR!

When shopping at Stockland Greenhills between 3rd and 30th March, register your details at the Customer Care Centre. For every $1 a customer spends 1 star vote will be allocated to their nominated star. There will also be bonus points periods allocated throughout the program. The winning school receives $3000 so this is a fantastic opportunity to support the school.

Please ask your family and friends to show their support for our school and register to vote for our star which is hanging right above the customer care desk at Greenhills!

Our star will be on display until Sunday 6th April.

Jennifer Bissett
P & C NEWS

Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday and Wednesday from 8.30am til 9am. Order forms are available at the school office if you cannot make it to the uniform shop at these times. Please note that the Uniform Shop is run by parent volunteers.

Canteen News
If your child is having a lunch order, could you please send correct change or smaller notes. We do not like to give children lots of change that can be easily lost at school while they are playing. Thank you.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Weekend of dance at Woodville Hall
Talented dancers and professional dance teachers Hanna Trott and Eden Read will be performing and teaching at events at the Woodville School of Arts on 4 and 5 April.
On Friday 4 April they will host and perform at a vibrant dance and dinner evening at the School of Arts, from 7pm. Full buffet dinner and performance: $55 per head. Dress up! (but you don’t have to be formal). BYO alcohol. Soft drinks available.
On Saturday 5 April Hannah and Eden will run three lively and creative dance sessions for children to improve their skills – in tap, circus and jazz.
9 am – 11 am. Ages 12 – 15. $15.00
1 pm – 2 pm. Ages 5 – 8. $5.00
2 pm – 4 pm. Ages 9 – 11. $15.00
Hannah is a graduate of the National Institute of Circus Arts Melbourne, an aerialist, an ex-Disney Princess, and a professional dancer who has performed widely in Europe, Asia and Australia. Eden is a dancer, choreographer and dance teacher, including in tap, jazz and musical theatre. He has performed in musicals including Hello Dolly, Sunset Boulevard, and toured internationally with the Irish tap show Spirit of the Dance. He is a Bachelor of Dance from the Victorian College of the Arts
Both Hannah and Eden currently teach in schools in Victoria, and have appropriate child protection clearance.
For booking or more information please contact:
woodvillesoa@gmail.com
Viv Read 0414 294 339
Lis Smark 0408 660 638

Canteen Roster 2014

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CHECK OUT OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE- It has gone mobile!
Hint– save it as a favourite!
www.beresfield-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
⇒ Newsletters
⇒ Calendar of upcoming events
⇒ Photos of activities the students have been involved in.
⇒ An absentee note you can use.
⇒ Permission notes for upcoming events.
⇒ Announcements in case of cancellation of events due to wet weather etc.
It is now easier to view our website on your mobile phone or tablet. A mobile version of the site has been created with a range of features fine tuned for when you are on the move.
Just visit from a smart phone or tablet device and follow the prompts.
Newcastle Permanent  
Junior Ranger Fun Day
A great opportunity to have an exciting learning experience at Blackbutt Reserve where children can participate in fun and educational activities.

When: 11am - 1pm, Tuesday 15 April 2014
Where: Richley Reserve top flat (entry off Freyberg St)
Free Sausage sandwich for children only, $1 each for adults. Drinks available for purchase.

Compulsory parental supervision at all times. Children must wear fully enclosed shoes.
Blackbutt Reserve Office: 4904 6544
Email: blackbuttd marin@ncc.nsw.gov.au

The Conservatorium Youth Choir
“Life is a song worth singing...why don’t you sing it?”

Are you interested in: singing better, working as a team, developing your harmony singing, making new friendships and having fun?

Entry: No audition – enrolment through Conservatorium Office
Ages: from 8 years (Year 3 onwards)
Rehearsals: Monday’s 4.00pm-5.30pm, Peter Martin Studio at The Conservatorium
Description: The Conservatorium Youth Choir endeavours to foster excellence in musicianship and a love of music as well as to nurture young voices
Director: Christopher Blake
Cost: $99.00 per 9 week term
Contact: the office on (02) 4921 8900 or email: conservatorium@newcastle.edu.au

MAITLAND CITY LIBRARY HOLIDAY FUN -APRIL LEGOMANIA

LEGO mania hits Maitland City Library these April holidays. You’ve seen it on the big screen, now get into the library and get building with LEGO! Lots of exciting activities and challenges for kids from 4 -14 years. Booking and payment prior to events is essential and may be made online at www.maitland.nsw.gov.au/library/kids/holidayfun . Contact Maitland City Library for more information on 4933 6952. Holiday activities include—

- STOP-MOTION LEGO-FUN FILM ANIMATION METHOD
- LEGO LIBRARY COMPETITION BUILDING WORKSHOP
- BLOCKS OF FUN-HOW TALL CAN YOU BUILD A TOWER?
- LEGO IN MOTION-DESIGN A VEHICLE FOR SPEED AND DISTANCE
- LEGO DESIGNS
- LEGO ROBOTICS-HOW DOES A ROBOT WORK?
- MECCANO MACHINES
- THE POWER OF THE BRICK– BUILD AND RACE A LEGO CAR
- CREATE A LEGO MOVIE STAR