Dates for your diary

4 Apr  Entry and payment for University competitions due– optional Y3-6
4 Apr  Deposit due for Year 4, 5, 6 Camps
4 Apr  K-6K & K-6L Excursion to cinema
4 Apr  Primary Assembly at 2.05pm
4 Apr  Easter recess & lunch orders due in
7 Apr  School League team training 3pm
7 Apr  P & C meeting 5.30pm. All welcome
9 Apr  Orders due in for Starstruck T Shirt
9 Apr  School League team training 3pm
9 Apr  Interrelate sessions
10 Apr  Easter celebrations at school
10 Apr  Canteen closed except for pre-ordered Easter Feast recess and lunch orders
11 Apr  Last day of Term 1
11 Apr  K-6T Picnic & Easter egg hunt
11 Apr  CANTEEN CLOSED
29 Apr  Students return for Term 2
30 Apr  Anzac ceremony 11.30am at school
5 May  Year 6 Farewell meeting at 3.10pm
6 May  Photo Day

Easter BBQ lunch
The last day of canteen is on the same day as our Easter celebrations. As always, the canteen will be cooking a BBQ lunch for students who have pre-ordered by tomorrow. If parents intend to take their students home early on this day, then please don’t order from the canteen as this lunch is unable to be supplied before 1:15pm.

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

Personalised Learning Plans
Thanks to all parents who have come in to update their children’s PLPs. All Aboriginal students have a Personalised Learning Plan that is updated annually. The final discussions occur next Mon 7th April.

P&C Meeting
The next P&C meeting is on Monday at 5:30pm in the staff room. All are welcome.

Reward Day
Our next Reward Day for students who have displayed wonderful behaviour and self-regulation occurs next Tuesday 8th April. Invited students will receive an ice-block and extra play at lunch.

Netball and Cricket
No luck with the weather! Both sporting events were called off at late notice. There are negotiations to rerun both events. We are waiting on further advice.

Zone Cross Country
This was run today at Tocal. A report will appear next week.
Community ANZAC Ceremony
We would love to see many students represent our school at the dawn service on ANZAC Day (25th April). This year is the 99th anniversary of Gallipoli.
If you are not out of town, then please make the effort to come down to the Beresfield cenotaph on the corner of Anderson Drive and Allendale Street.
Students should turn up in their school uniform. Bring a jumper also.
A breakfast is offered after the event in the Bowling Club.

Daylight Saving in New South Wales
Daylight saving will end in New South Wales on Sunday 6th April 2014 at 3.00am, when clocks will be put back one hour.
The NSW Fire Brigade recommends changing your smoke alarm battery on Sunday 6th April.

Last Week’s Quiz
Which of the states and territories of Australia is an island? Tasmania.
Congratulations to Lawson Large, Paige & Piper Jongerden, Blake Simmons and Mikayla Ireland who submitted correct entries.

This Week’s Quiz
Twice 2 is 4. What is thrice 2?
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

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 bought home previously.
The deposit of $50 is due by tomorrow, 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 bought home previously.
The deposit of $50 is due by tomorrow, 4th April.

Jan Fanning

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Do you have unloved toys, still in good condition, at home that your children no longer play with? Would you like to donate them to Beresfield PS for our playground Activity program? Our students would love that!! Please contact me or drop them in to me when you can.

Many thanks

Jan Fanning
Easter Picnic and Egg Hunt

Dear Parents

K-6T will be going on a picnic and Easter egg hunt on Friday 11th of April. This will be the last day of term 1.

We will be walking to the local park on Beresford Avenue to play some games, have a picnic lunch of fish and chips and then go on an Easter egg hunt before returning to school.

Please send $4.00 in to cover the cost of lunch and the Easter eggs.

We will depart from school at 11.50am and return to school at 1.30pm.

You are most welcome to join us for the picnic.

Tanya Dutlow

Beresfield PS ANZAC Ceremony

Please join us to help commemorate ANZAC Day at a special ceremony which will be held on Wednesday 30th April at 11.30am in our school hall. Would you please send a flower or two and/or some foliage with your child on Wednesday morning. These will be used to make a class wreath which will be laid at our ANZAC ceremony.

Jan Fanning

Year 6 Farewell

There will be a meeting of any parents interested in being part of the Year 6 Farewell Committee on Monday 5th May at 3:10pm in Mrs Wiedermann's classroom. Please contact me if you need more information.

Jan Fanning
Assistant Principal Stages 2 & 3

NOTES SENT HOME RECENTLY

- Reminder about due date for camp deposit
- P & C Easter Raffle tickets
- P & C Easter raffle donation request
- Star Struck note to successful members including T Shirt order form
- School Rugby League team note

Camp Australia is very excited to be partnering with Beresfield Public School to operate a Before, After and Vacation Care starting in Term 2.

We are pleased to announce that Mandy Jongerden will be the Coordinator of the service and run the day to day program at Beresfield Public School.

For details about the service or to register please visit www.campaustralia.com.au or call our customer service team on 1300 105 343
CSIRO SCIENCE SHOW

Last Thursday, Beresfield Public School students attended a dynamic CSIRO Science Show. The children learned about fascinating concepts including centrifugal forces, friction and Newton’s law of motion. It was a highly interesting, interactive and engaging performance. It was evident we have many Scientists in the making here at Beresfield!

Alanna Wallace
If you have a child in Kindergarten or Stage 1 you probably had some very excited children last week when they received their three free books from the Books in Homes Program.

I am happy to announce that the same program will run in Term 2 as well.

The key components of the Books in Homes Program are:

- To involve whole-school-communities in creating a “value” for reading.
- To support schools to increase student attendance.
- To support remote and low socio-economic schools by giving them equal access to books-of-choice as their more advantaged urban peers.
- To motivate families and students to view reading as a “everyday” activity.
- To create a legacy of books-of-choice in low socio-economic homes.

Our sponsor is Quarry Mining and Construction Equipment Pty Ltd, a local Beresfield business. We would like to acknowledge their generosity by saying thank you.

This project has been a most worthwhile program. Through increasing the exposure and contact of students to literacy in the home, it plays a vital role in helping them not only learn to read, but to experience the joy of reading for pleasure.

Thank you, Margo Collins
Beresfield Public School
Norta Norta Tutor
Expression of Interest
Applications due Tuesday 8th April, 2014
Enquiries: jonathan.ridgway@det.nsw.edu.au or Phone 4966 1146

Please address each of the following selection criteria. (1 page)

- Ability to work with teachers, parents and students to ensure tuition aligns with the students’ Personalised Learning Plan.
- Ability to assist students to develop skills and understanding to enable them to participate independently in class activities.
- Ability to collaborate in the planning, implementing and evaluating of a program of work that enables students to improve in literacy and numeracy skills.

Email application with a covering sheet which includes your name, address, phone number and details of two referees to: jonathan.ridgway@det.nsw.edu.au

NOTE:
Unqualified pay rate $30.40 per hour
Priority Employment – Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people have priority for employment as tutors for the Norta Norta Program.

STOCKLAND STARS
Thank you to all families who registered points for our Stockland Star at Greenhills recently. The official closing ceremony is today 3rd April at 4.30pm, where the winners will be announced. There will also be some great children’s entertainment including the loveable Minion characters from the Despicable Me movie and free face painting.

Date: Thursday 3 April
Time: 4.30pm for kids entertainment, official ceremony commences 6pm.
Location: In front of Best & Less

Kids can enjoy free face painting plus meet the Minions Stuart & Jorge from DME2 from 4.30pm until 7pm.

FAMILY PHOTOGRAPH REQUEST NOTE

I would like to take the opportunity to have my children photographed together on Tuesday 6th May (Term 2, Week 2) by MSP Photography. Please send me a Family Portrait Pack pre-pay envelope.

I will return this to the office before the photo day with full payment enclosed.

Family Surname: ____________________________

Children’s Names: ____________________________  Class____
______________________________  Class____
______________________________  Class____

Signature: ____________________________
Dear Parents / Carers of Years 3-6 students. **Last chance to enter!**

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.*

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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](http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au)

Mrs Fanning, ICAS Coordinator

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**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.  

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**Interrelate Family Evening Program**

I/We ___________________________ will be attending the family evening program run by Interrelate on Wed 9th April 2014, with my/ our children.

1. 6.00pm (Suitability Yr 3,4,5,6)  $25 ☐
2. 7.15pm (Suitability Yr 5,6)  $25 ☐
2. Both Sessions  $30 ☐

☐ Money enclosed ☐ I will pay on the night

Parent signature: ___________________________
**P & C NEWS**

**P & C Meeting**
The next P & C meeting is next Monday 7th April at 5.30pm in the staff room. All welcome.

**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.

**Easter Feast**
On Thursday 10th April the canteen is organising an Easter Feast with a special menu. Recess and lunch can be ordered by completing the note that was sent home recently. Please note that orders need to be returned with payment to the canteen by tomorrow 4th April.
No other food is available on the 10th April. Please note that the canteen is closed for cleaning on the last day of every term, so there is no canteen on Friday 11th April.

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**Visit the Wetlands in the Holidays**
During the school holidays the Hunter Wetlands Centre at Shortland is offering fun activities for kids and families. Kids can learn bush skills, go on a bike safari, make bush perfume or join Tantrum Theatre drama workshops and participate in the creation and performance of ‘Reptilia’. Booking is essential for school holiday activities - go to www.wetlands.org.au for dates, times and costs.

Note: the Centre will be closed Good Friday and Easter Monday. All entry $5, school holiday special - children 3-12 years only $2.

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**Canteen Roster 2014**

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**Fri 11 April**

**CANTEEN CLOSED**

If you are unable to attend on your rostered day, or if you would like to help in the canteen, contact Lisa Woods on 0418 739045

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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.
To swim well is an asset for life”
-Forbes Carlisle

Greenhills Hit-n-Dip
Sports Centre

Intensive Swim and Survive

Monday 14th -Thursday 17th April
Tuesday 22nd – Thursday 24th April

School Holidays
7 lessons - $80.00

Call 49334733 now to enroll.

Junior squash lessons available Saturday.

Players Wanted
Thornton Beresfield RLC
U/6’s -U/15’s
Free Rego for U/6’s

You’re Invited to the
Grand Opening!
of WOODBERRY
Start Your Day
The Brekky Way!
Noel Unicomb Hall
Tuesday 8th April 2014
8am – 9am
BIG YUMMY BREAKFAST
Come and join the fun!

Registrations are open now
Auskick (4 to 7 years)
Under 9s, 11s, 13s, 15s and 17s
GIRLS 12 to 15!!!!! (starting in May)

All are welcome.
Season starts April 6.

Contact Dave Bainbridge on 0411239814
or at registrar@maitlandsaints.org.au

Juniors play Sundays!