Dates for your diary
6 Jun  Primary Athletics Carnival
6 Jun  Star Struck Costume balance due
6 Jun  Yr6 Shirt order due
6 Jun  Stage 1 Public Speaking finals
9 Jun  Public Holiday
11 Jun  Star Struck Rehearsal
12 Jun  Star Struck Rehearsal
12 Jun  NAIDOC week visiting performance
13 Jun  Star Struck Performances
13 Jun  Book Club orders due in by 10am
14 Jun  Star Struck Performances
16 Jun  NAIDOC week celebrated this week
16 Jun  Year 6 Farewell meeting 3.15pm
16 Jun  P & C meeting. All welcome
17 Jun  Pie Drive orders due back
17 Jun  Spelling skills-University Competition
18 Jun  School Public Speaking finals 11.45am
19 Jun  Choir visits High School-Bye Bye Birdie
20 Jun  Stage 3 camp instalment due

PRINCIPAL TALK
Athletics Carnival
The primary Athletics Carnival at Woodberry oval is on tomorrow. See further info later in the newsletter.

Landscape Master Plan
The school has commissioned a landscape designer to formulate a master site plan. This will give the school a strategic direction to improve the grounds of the school in a coordinated and efficient manner.

The first draft has been produced and is now available for comment. You will find the full plans on display in the school’s foyer. Please take the time to peruse them and provide feedback.

Consultation will also occur with the students, the staff and the P&C. See after this article just one of the 12 plans available for viewing. You can also view the plans electronically...

Click here to view Beresfield Public School

Feedback will be accepted until the last day of term – Friday 27th June. We will then submit our feedback to the landscaper for a final set of plans. Thanks.

Half Yearly Reports
Students will take home their half-yearly reports in their bags on Friday 20th June.

Student-Led Conferences
We have gone online! That’s right, this year to make a booking for a student-led conference we won’t be sending bits of paper backwards and forwards via your child’s bag, but rather you can get online to book instantly. Your bookings will be sent to your email account to refer to down the track. If your circumstances change, you will be able to change bookings. Each class teacher will have a dedicated day off class to facilitate student-led conferences. These will take place from Monday 23rd to Thursday 26th June inclusive. See the instructions for booking later in this newsletter. Bookings are open now!

Last Week’s Quiz
Name 3 events that feature at the Athletics Carnival. They could be high jump, long jump, discus, shot put, 100m, 200m or 800m. Congratulations to Tahlia Leayr, Mya Te-Wake,

This Week’s Quiz
Butterfly is a compound word – made up of two smaller words. Think of 3 other compound words.
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

STAR STRUCK
Star Struck – Magic Happens is now only ONE WEEK AWAY!!
The dance team has been busy preparing for their performance pieces ‘Abracadabra’ and ‘When Will I See You Again’. We are all looking forward to another spectacular and magical event.
Remember tickets are available through ticketek, so please come along and enjoy the show!

All info about Star Struck can now be found on its own page on the school website. You don’t have to know the date to find it on the calendar!
To access click on the Curriculum & Activities tab at the top and the Star Struck tab is at the bottom on the left.
Info about the costumes and updated drop off times have been uploaded.
Stef Hainsworth
Star Struck Co-ordinator

Choir Excursion
On Thursday 19th June, the Beresfield PS choir will be attending a musical production, ‘Bye Bye Birdie’, which is being performed by students from FGHS. We will walk to and from the high school and students will need a gold coin donation to see the show. I would like to collect this donation by Monday 16th June. Students will need to wear school uniform, a school broad brimmed hat and wear sensible shoes.
Further information will be sent home in a note next Tuesday.

Jan Fanning, Choir Coordinator

NOTES SENT HOME RECENTLY
◊ Year 6 Shirt reminder note
◊ Star Struck Costume note
◊ K-6K & K-6L Excursion note
◊ 5 a side soccer gala day

Public Speaking Competition 2014
Stage finals and the next phase of the Public Speaking competition were held this week. Students who were selected by their class teacher to participate in their Stage final have presented their speeches this week to all the teachers and classes of their Stage. Teachers now have the task of selecting four students from each Stage to continue onto the School finals.

I would like to thank all students who took part in the competition and congratulate them on their bravery and organisation. A special well done to those students who were selected to participate in their respective Stage finals and an extra big congratulations to the four students who have been selected from each Stage to participate in the School final. At the time of writing not all Stages have held their Stage final and therefore, the names of those selected to take part in the School finals will be published in next week’s newsletter. Teachers however, would have verbally informed students of their success in getting to the next stage of the competition.

Students who have been selected to take part in the school finals now have two weeks to prepare their speech and make any final changes and to perfect their performance. We wish them all the best of luck. The school finals will be held in Week 8 on Wednesday 18th June 2014 beginning at 11.45am. Parents are welcome to attend.

Yours Kindly,
Melissa Smith

TOCAL EXCURSION 2nd June
Dear Parents

Student led conferences will be held in the last week of Term 2, from **Monday 23rd June to Thursday 26th June**.

All conferences will be in home classrooms, except K/6L, K/6K and K/6T which will be in the interview room.

**Bookings will now be done online and also can be made from a Smartphone, tablet or other device.**

Go to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and follow these simple instructions.

**Bookings close at 3pm the day before conferences.**

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When you click **Finish**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder if you do not receive your email immediately**. You can return to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) at any time and change your interviews - until bookings close.

Parents that do not have access to the internet at home, at a friend’s house or on their phones may ring the school office to make appointments.

Interviews are 15 minutes and spaces are limited.

If you require more time, please contact the teacher via the office to make alternative arrangements.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address you used when you made your original booking.

Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date should contact the school directly on 49661146.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school on 4966 1146.

Jonathan Ridgway
NAIDOC Week
Our annual NAIDOC Week celebrations are coming up in Week 8. NAIDOC Week is a National event that occurs each year. This is an opportunity to celebrate all aspects of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and bring everyone in our nation together.
The activities your child will participate in include:
- Traditional Aboriginal painting
- Traditional Indigenous Games
- Dreamtime story telling
- Traditional dance workshops
- Tasting of Kangaroo, Emu & Crocodile
- Visiting performance based around traditional dance and music

Please let the school know if your child has any known allergies to food.

Gemma Gash

Great Aussie Bush Camp - Year 4
The Year 4 camp will be held from Monday 15th September until Wednesday 17th September. Thank you to the parents that have paid their deposit and the first instalment that was due. The next $50 instalment is due this Friday 6th June.

Katoomba and Bathurst—Year 5 and 6
This year the Stage 3 overnight excursion will be from Wed 17th until Friday 19th September. Thank you to the parents that have paid their deposit and the first two instalments. The next $50 instalment is due Friday 20th June.

Jan Fanning
Stage 2 and 3 Supervisor

Under 10s Knights Knock Out
Our under 10s Rugby League team had a great day at the Knights Knockout Gala Day last Thursday at Ford Oval, Lambton. The boys played 5 games which resulted in 2 wins, 2 draws and 1 loss. All showed excellent sporting behaviour and great team work.
Thank you to Peter Sams for coaching the team in the lead up and on the day, as well as the other parent helpers on and off the field.
This is the last event for the under 10s, but next year they will be able to try out for the school team!

Helen Wiedermann

5-a-side soccer
The 2014 world cup in Brazil is fast approaching and Beresfield P.S will be getting involved by competing in a 5-a-side soccer competition on the 16th of June for stage 2 students. The students will be playing several small sided games as well as participating in football challenges during a fun and exciting day at Fieldsend Oval.

Notes have gone home to selected students.

PSSA boys soccer gala day
On Tuesday, the PSSA boys soccer team attended a gala day where they played a round robin against Woodberry P.S (2-1), Thornton P.S (0-4) and Maitland P.S (0-7). The boys put in a great effort with honourable mentions going to Daniel Hunt for leading the team in all games, Bradley Shepherd for putting in a great striker’s effort for the team and Beau West for showing such courage against players years older than him. The boys played with skill and bravery and won one game while losing the other two. Well done to all the boys!

Tim Senkalski

Out of uniform day
We would like to thank all staff and students who donated and got involved in last week’s fundraiser. We are proud to announce that we have raised $245.20 which will be going towards supporting the year 6 farewell.

Tim Senkalski
Nationally Consistent Collection of Data
School Students with Disability

Information for Parents/Carers

Schools across Australia are taking part in a new national data collection on school students with disability.

The data collection is being introduced in stages over three years, and started in 2013. From 2015, this information will be collected in every school across Australia, every year.

All Australian governments have agreed to this.

WHAT IS THE BENEFIT FOR MY CHILD?

All Australian governments agree that every child in an Australian school should have a high quality education. It shouldn’t matter what the individual child’s circumstances are – every child should have the same opportunity to succeed at school.

The aim of this new data collection is to have better information about school students with disability in Australia.

Better information about school students with disability will help teachers, principals and education authorities to support students with disability to take part in school on the same basis as students without disability.

WHY IS THIS DATA BEING COLLECTED?

There is nothing new about schools collecting information about students with disability – in fact, schools have had to do this by law for some time. But the type of information currently collected varies between each state and territory.

With the new data collection, every school in Australia will use the same method to collect this information – that is, a government school in suburban Sydney will collect and report data in the same way as a Catholic school in country Victoria and an independent school in the Northern Territory.

The information provided through this new national data collection will enable all Australian governments to better target support and resources to benefit students with disability. It will help to put the right supports in place for students with disability so that they have the same opportunities for a high quality education as students without a disability.

WHAT ARE SCHOOLS REQUIRED TO DO?

Every school in Australia is likely to have a student with disability at some point. Schools need to be able to support students with disability by removing any obstacles for them to participate in their education.

By law, schools are required to make reasonable adjustments where needed to assist students with disability. These responsibilities are outlined in the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education 2005. This means that schools need to talk to the student and/or their parent/carer about reasonable adjustments. These are things the schools do now and this won’t change.

The new data collection will record students who have been identified by a school team as meeting the definition of disability under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and provided with an adjustment.

WHAT IS AN ADJUSTMENT?

An adjustment is a measure or action taken to help a student with disability participate in education on the same basis as other students. Adjustments can be made across the whole school setting (like ramps into classrooms), in the classroom and at an individual student level (like extra tuition for a student with a learning difficulty).
WHAT INFORMATION WILL BE COLLECTED?
Your child’s school will collect and report information every year about:

- the level of adjustment provided
- the number of students who receive each level of adjustment
- where known, the student’s broad type of disability.

Some students who are not provided with an adjustment at the time of the collection will meet the definition of disability under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and will be eligible to be included in the data collection.

WHO WILL COLLECT MY CHILD’S INFORMATION?
Teachers and other school staff from your child’s school will collect the above information based on:

- consultation with parents/carers
- the school team’s observations and professional judgements
- any medical diagnosis
- other relevant information.

School principals are responsible for making sure that the information collected about each student is accurate.

HOW WILL MY CHILD’S PRIVACY BE PROTECTED?
Protecting the privacy and confidentiality of all children and their families is very important. With the new data collection, this will be done in the following ways:

- Personal or confidential information will not be given to anyone not authorised to see it.
- When the information is sent by your child’s school to the local or federal education authority for combination with information from other schools, it will be by school only – student names will not be recorded as part of the data collection.
- When the information is reported from 2016 onwards, it will be by school only – student names will not be recorded as part of the data collection.

WHEN AND WHERE WILL THE DATA BE AVAILABLE?
When all Australian schools are taking part in the new data collection, the information will be reported on the My School website from 2016 onwards. It will be by school only – no student names are recorded as part of the data collection.

CAN I DECIDE WHETHER MY CHILD’S INFORMATION IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL DATA COLLECTION?
It’s your decision about whether you want your child’s information to be included in the national reporting or not.

Including every school child who is being provided with an adjustment because of disability in this new national data collection each year will help schools, education authorities and governments to better meet students’ needs.

Your school will tell you what you need to do if you don’t want to have your child’s information included in the national data collection.

Even if your child’s information is not included in the national data collection, your school is still required to provide support to your child with disability and any adjustments that may be needed to help them participate at school.

FURTHER INFORMATION
Contact your child’s school if you have further questions about the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability and how it may affect your child.

Our school is participating in the collection of nationally consistent data on school students with disability or Learning and Support needs.

We will be collecting information already available in the school about the support that is being provided to students with disability. Better data will help the Government plan for students with disability.

The data collection will have no direct impact on your child and they will not be involved in any testing process.

The NSW Department of Education and Communities will provide data to the Australian Government from all NSW public schools in such a way that no individual student or school will be able to be identified. In this way, we will ensure the privacy and confidentiality of all students.

All information is protected by privacy laws which regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. Information about the Australian Government’s Privacy Policy can be found here: http://education.gov.au/condensed-privacy-policy. Information about the NSW Government’s privacy policies can be found here: http://www.ipc.nsw.gov.au/

If you do not want your child to be counted in the data collection you must complete the attached form and return it to the school before the end of Term 2, 2014. A decision to exclude your child will not affect the support they currently receive.

Further information about the data collection can be found on the Australian Government Department of Education website:

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Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability and or Learning Support Needs – 2014

I/we ___________________________________________________________

Name of parent/carer

**do not** wish my child ______________________________ to be counted

Name of child

for the purposes of the collection of nationally consistent data on school students with disability and or Learning and Support Needs

Parent/Carer signature: ____________________________ date: __________
Regional Touch Trials

On Friday the 30th May I went to Wallsend touch fields to try out for the Hunter Touch Team. I got there at 9:15am and was very cold and very wet. There were 80 boys and 30 girls and they had to pick 12 boys and 12 girls. I got put in a team and I didn’t know anyone but we all got along fine.

My team won 2 out of 3 games and I got all wet and dirty. At the end of the day they had a “possibles” and “probable” game. I was in the probables team. I sat down on the grass when they were about to pick the team. I was the third person to get called out!

Now I have to go to Ulladulla to play on the 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th in July at the State Titles. I will train at Taree. From Newcastle to Ulladulla it takes 5 hours and is 375.4km.

By Cooper Taylor 5/6H

Congratulations, Cooper on a great achievement in making the Regional Team! Good luck at the State Championships!

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Pie Drive
Pie Drive order forms went home on Tuesday. Orders are due back to the canteen by Tuesday 17th June and then can be collected from the Hall Tuesday 24th June between 1.30 and 3pm. Extra order forms are available from the canteen.

P & C Meeting
The next P & C meeting is on 16th June in the staffroom. All welcome.

Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday and Wednesday from 8.30am until 9am. Order forms are available at the school office.

Canteen News
Mondays are Toasty Recess days. The meal deal for next week is a chicken burger, drink, a mousse or jelly or custard – all for $4.00
If you are interested in doing a day in the canteen come and have a talk to Lisa.

Shopping Trip to Sydney
Deposits are now due
It’s that time of year again where we start organising the shopping tour to raise funds for our school. It is on the 25th and 26th October 2014. We will be staying at the Holiday Inn Darling Harbour, and the cost is $240. This includes: overnight accommodation, Luxury coach (pick up points are Tarro Hotel and Wallsend), Light Breakfast (day 1), Full Buffet Breakfast (day 2), wine and cheese to relax on the way home. Lunch Day 1 will be at The Intersection Tavern at the cost of $15.50.
A deposit of $50 is required by Friday 2nd June which can be dropped off in an envelope with name and contact details at the school office or canteen. For further details you can contact Jodie Payne on 0425 26 16 36.

Canteen Roster 2014

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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

1300 105 343 for bookings
Camp Australia will be offering holiday club during these upcoming school holidays. We will have many fun packed activities for the children. Information is available on the counter at the school office. If you have any questions please call Mandy on 0424 596749 or register at www.campaustralia.com.au

Kinder Enrolment for 2015
Beresfield Public School is now taking enrolments for 2015. If you have a child or know of a child who turns 5 years old on or before 31st July 2015 and wishes to enrol in Kindergarten please contact the school and collect an “Application to Enrol” form. 2014, with full payment due by 25th August 2014,
Beresfield Public School
Starting School Playgroup

In partnership with Woodberry Place of Friends

Do you have a child starting Kindergarten next year or know someone who does??
Playgroup will be running in Term 3. Registrations are now open - please register by Friday 27th June.
Details are outlined below:

When: Fridays 1st August to 5th September (Term 3).

Time: 9.00am – 11.00am

Where: Beresfield Public School Hall

Who: Students eligible to start Kindergarten at Beresfield Public School in 2015 and their younger siblings may attend.

Cost: Weekly $2 donation per family to contribute to play resources.

Phone: Cynthia on 49642174 for more information.

COMMUNITY NEWS

CHECK OUT OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

It has gone mobile!

Hint – save it as a favourite!

www.beresfield-p.schoos.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.

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When: 30th June, 1st, 2nd July

( Mon, Tues, Wed)

Where: Maitland Tennis Centre

cnr Page & Lawes St East Maitland

Time: 9.00am to 10.30am per day

Price: $50.00 for 3 days per child (Family Discounts Available)

Age: 4 years to 16 years

Standard: Beginner to intermediate

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