Dates for your diary
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 5 a side soccer comp for Stage 2
16 Jun Year 6 Farewell meeting 3.15pm
16 Jun P & C meeting. All welcome
17 Jun Pie Drive orders due back
17 Jun NAIDOC week BBQ
17 Jun Spelling skills-University Competition
17 Jun Last day for Active After School netball
18 Jun School Public Speaking finals 11.45am
19 Jun Choir visits High School
19 Jun Student reports go home
19 Jun Last Active After School mutiskill
20 Jun Primary Athletics Carnival
20 Jun Stage 3 camp instalment due
20 Jun Concert tickets go on sale
25 Jun Pie Drive orders due back
25 Jun Hall naming ceremony-see next page.
26 Jun Dream Team Rugby League game

PRINCIPAL TALK
Athletics Carnival
Drats! Foiled again by the rain. The primary Athletics Carnival will now be held on Friday 20th June.

Half Yearly Reports
All students will now take home their half-yearly reports in their bags on Thursday 19th June, because of the changed Athletics Carnival date.

Student-Led Conferences
We have arranged Student-Led Conferences to be held in the last week of this term. However, if the conference date is unsuitable and you wish to make an alternative appointment, please contact the school and inform us of the teacher/s you would like to meet with.
The conferences will be held in the student's classroom (except for K/6T, K/6K and K/6L which will be in the Interview Room).

Last Week’s Quiz
Butterfly is a compound word – made up of two smaller words. Think of 3 other compound words. Examples could be letterbox, sunshine, and motorway. Congratulations to Josie Tuxford, Joel Zlyden, Dean Murray, Skyla Sinclair and Tennikah Champion who submitted correct entries.

NOTES SENT HOME RECENTLY
- NAIDOC Rugby League game
- Playgroup note to 2015 Kinders
- Note to 1/2C
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.

Jan Fanning, Choir Coordinator

Hall Naming
On Wednesday 25th June, we will be naming the hall “The Lloyd Crockett Community Hall” in recognition of a past principal who created the vision for the building. We will be inviting many previous staff, parents and students who were involved in the project reaching fruition. It will be a day of anecdotes and memories. At 9am, the community is invited to the library to look at photos and reminisce with old faces. Then at 10am we will hold a ceremony in the hall. Please feel welcome to come along.

Jan Fanning

Public Speaking Competition 2014
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. School finalists are listed below.
We wish them all the best of luck. The School finals will be held on Wednesday 18th June 2014 beginning at 11.45am.

Melissa Smith

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PSSA Open Shield Rugby League - East Maitland VS Beresfield Public School
On Thursday the 5th of June the Beresfield Public School footy team went to the Maitland Sports grounds to play against East Maitland. We were winning in the first half 10 to 4 then it started raining. In the second half we came out and we ran onto the field with confidence and pride that we were going to win. We kept trying to get as many points as we could but unfortunately our defence fell short and they got more points than us. But we held our chins high! It was really hard to defend against their big and fast players.
The players that scored and kicked were Cooper Taylor, he scored 2 tries and kicked 2 goals and in the second half Corey Stamford scored 1 try but unfortunately when the game finished we lost 22 to 18. The man of match was Dylan Evans.

It was a great battle but that unfortunately means we are knocked out of the PSSA Open Shield, but we still have the Pumpkin Pickers Cup to go!

A big thank you to Mr Barr for coaching us during the game and to Mr Auld and Mr James who ran water and looked after us. Even in the rain!!!

Written by Lucas Barr, Jake Lee and Caleb Brown

Year 6 Farewell Meeting
The Year 6 Farewell meeting will be held in Helen Wiedermann’s room on Monday 16th June at 3:15pm.
All interested parents please come and join us.

Jan Fanning

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.
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.**

Enter THIS school event code - **578K9.**

Then follow the 3 simple steps:

1. Enter your details
2. Choose teachers
3. Choose times

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
It’s show time again!!! The students of Beresfield Public School are once again busy rehearsing and preparing their class acts with the help of their teachers for our upcoming school concert. This year’s concert is an Environmental Showcase.

The concert will be held in Week 2 Term 3. Ticket costing is $7.00 per person and will be available for purchase from the School Hall on Tuesday 24th June 2014 between 8.30am and 9.30am. After this time, tickets will be available for purchase from the office.

✿ Please note that there is a limit of 4 tickets per family. Any unpurchased tickets will be available for sale on Tuesday 15th July Week 1. Tickets have sold out very quickly in previous years. Be sure to purchase your tickets on time to avoid disappointment. Working parents can send money with their child/ren to purchase tickets at the office. No tickets will be sold to or can be bought on your behalf by family friends. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Show Times and Dates are listed below:

- Night Show 5.30pm – Wednesday 23rd July 2014
- Matinee 12:00pm – Thursday 24th July 2014
- Night Show 5:30pm – Thursday 24th July 2014

Light refreshments will be available from the school canteen for audience members only from 4:30pm - 5pm prior to the night performance beginning.

Audience members are asked to be seated 10 minutes prior to the start of each show. Doors will open ½ hour prior. No prams or strollers will be permitted in the hall (sorry for any inconvenience).

Leanne Davison
(on behalf of the Concert Committee)
Random Acts of Kindness and Mental Health:
We know doing a good deed can leave us feeling warm and fuzzy.
Volunteering and getting involved in a local initiative or performing a random act of kindness is the perfect way for your children to develop ‘Social conscience’.
Studies show that children who are generous with their space, time and possessions are happier, more resilient and have higher levels of social competency.
Volunteering or performing good deeds are even being used in the treatment of depression as a way to boost self-esteem and self-worth.
Acts of generosity toward family, the environment or wider community:
- **Promotes physiological changes in the brain.** These rushes of positive endorphins are often followed by longer periods of calm.
- **Brings a sense of belonging and reduces feelings of isolation**
- **Helps kids to learn how to keep things in perspective.**

Can improve confidence, control, happiness and optimism
Get the entire family involved in bettering the lives of others or helping the environment. Such activities indicate to children that they can do something to alleviate the difficulties of others/ the world in a small way. This will promote a sense of connectedness to a community that is larger than just their family.
Easy ways to promote and develop social conscience:
- ‘Supermarket Packaging Challenges’- This is a fun and simple way to develop social conscience as a whole family- it involves challenging the kids to choose/ use products with the least amount of packaging. It also gives them an activity during grocery shopping time to keep them occupied.
- Give away some toys to a charity- ideally, these items should not be seen as ‘unwanted’. If children still value what they choose to give away, it will be a more meaningful gesture.
- Perform a random act of kindness- Anything from picking up a piece of rubbish to giving someone a compliment.
Challenge the family to a Kindness Week!

Rebecca O’Brien
Counsellor

Camp Australia will be offering holiday club during these upcoming school holidays. We will have many fun packed activities for the children.
Choose your fun activities include—
- Designing your very own Super hero cape
- Making your own clock
- Celebrate the FIFA World Cup
- 10 Pin Bowling
- Relays and Obstacle Courses
- Getting Creative with Arts and Crafts
- Dress Up as your favourite Fairytale character and have a try at writing your own story.

More information about these and other holiday activities are available at the camp Australia website as listed below.
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

1300 105 343 for bookings
Pie Drive
Pie Drive order forms went home last week. Orders are due back to the canteen by Tuesday 17th June and then can be collected from the Hall Tuesday 24th June between 1.30pm and 3pm. Extra order forms are available from the canteen.

Canteen News
End of term sausage sizzle order forms are being sent home this week. The end of term sausage sizzle is on Thursday 26th June. Please return orders and correct money to the canteen by Friday 20th June. No other food available at the canteen on Thursday 26th June. Canteen will be closed on Friday 27th June.

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.

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 now, with full payment due by 25th August 2014, 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.

PARENTING TIPS
Too sick for school?
As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It’s often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety’s sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice. School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser www.bit.ly/1hytn2E. Please call the school office if you are keeping your child home so that a message can be conveyed to their teacher.

Canteen Roster 2014

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Recently, our canteen was assessed by Good for Kids, Good for Life. They have graphed how we are going above. Read below the congratulatory letter we received after achieving this result. Well done to the P&C and all volunteers who maintain our wonderful canteen!

Dear Jonathan,

I am writing to congratulate your school on the great efforts it has made in moving towards a healthy canteen. After speaking with Tessa Delaney, who has been working with your school, I was so thrilled to learn that your school canteen has not only removed all RED items but has also made significant progress towards a menu which has >50% GREEN. I understand the difficulties schools face when trying to make any change to their menu so please pass my thanks onto Lisa Woods, Denise Jiles and the other canteen volunteers and parents who have helped make this happen, it is a great achievement. We are looking forward to continuing to work with your school this year.

Yours sincerely

Nicole Nathan
Program Manager
Good for Kids, Good for Life.
Beresfield Starting School Playgroup

Do you have a child starting Kindergarten at Beresfield Public School next year or know someone who does??

Playgroup will be running in Term 3. Registrations are now open for this great program.

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.

To register your child please complete a registration form available from Beresfield Public School office and return it to the school office by Friday 27th June, 2014.

For more information about the playgroup please ring Cynthia Jenkins at Place of Friends on 49 642174.

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**NAIDOC Week**

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

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**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.
COMMUNITY NEWS

Maitland Repertory Theatre
Junior Repertory’s
TOAD
of Toad Hall

Written by Kenneth Graham (adapted by A A Milne) Directed by Mary Coombes
By arrangement with Ogilvy Theatrical “on behalf of Stallion Films Ltd
7:30pm Friday evenings and 2pm Saturday and Sunday matinees
20 June to 6 July, 2014
Bookings 4931 2800
All Tickets $15
Maitland Repertory Theatre, High Street, Maitland
www.maitlandreptheatre.org playhouse@maitlandreptheatre.org

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.

COMMUNITY NEWS

GET THE KIDS ACTIVE!

Do you find it challenging to get the kids away from their computer or TV to play outside?

We all know how important it is for a child’s health, growth and development to be physically active each day, but with increasing technology in our lives this can be a real challenge!

We may have the answer for you!

Go4Fun is a FREE healthy lifestyle program for families with children aged 7-13. It is run after school hours by a qualified Dietitian and Exercise Leader. To see if your child qualifies for the Go4Fun program, or for more information, visit the Go4Fun website at http://go4fun.com.au.

Encourage your child to be active, happy and healthy TODAY!

NSW Health
Hunter New England Local Health District