Dates for your diary

8 Aug Photo taken of Year 6 in their new shirts
8 Aug Payment due Stage 3 Camp
11 Aug P & C meeting 5.30pm
12 Aug Donut Day fundraiser-$1 each
12 Aug University Maths competition
13-15 Aug K/6K & K/6L excursion
13 Aug Activities at High School for Year 6
14 Aug Lap-a-thon at school. P&C fundraiser
21 Aug Lap-a-thon forms and money returned
18 Aug Year 6 farewell meeting at 3pm
22 Aug Payment due for Year 3 excursion
22 Aug Whole school assembly
25-28 Aug Book Fair
26 Aug Book Week parade

PRINCIPAL TALK

Primary Assembly
Parents are welcome to attend the primary assembly which is on tomorrow at 2:05pm.

Lapathon
The Lapathon is a P&C event which is just one week away. It will be run at school after lunch on Thu 14th August. Students will be walking around a course within the school grounds and while getting fit, will also raise money for the P&C, which of course gets spent on the students.

The sponsorship form went home last Thursday. Please seek some pledges for sponsorship, and return the form so that it can be with the student at school during the Lapathon. You then have one week to collect the money, with all forms due back on Thursday 21st August. Prizes for the most laps and most money raised will be presented at the K-6 assembly on Friday 22nd August.

Last Week’s Quiz
In the next column is Pascal’s Triangle. Look at it for a bit and you’ll work out the pattern. Fill in the four missing numbers. 1, 3, 10 and 15.


This Week’s Quiz
I drive from the Beresfield Golf Club up Anderson Drive to the traffic lights. I turn left into Lawson Ave and drive over the railway bridge and stop at Woodberry Oval. How many pedestrian crossings have I passed?

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.

Jonathan Ridgway

INFORMATION FOR YEAR 6

CAPA (Creative & Performing Arts) Showcase and Mini Lessons at Francis Greenway High School.

On Wednesday 13th August, Year 6 will walk to Francis Greenway High School to have the chance to see what High School has to offer. Students have the opportunity to meet staff and students at FGHS and spend time divided between subject specific lessons in various classrooms. Students will listen to the High School’s talented creative and performing arts students present a variety of performances. The permission note for local walking excursion signed at the beginning of the year will cover this activity.

Jan Fanning
Calling all Dads and other Father-figures!

Celebrate Fathers’ Day with us at Beresfield PS.
You’re invited to a special BBQ breakfast in your honour on Friday 12th September from 7:30am until 9:30am. There will be special activities to do with your children and then an assembly. Your child / children will have a special invitation for you by the end of this week!!

Photos - School Website
New photos from the Concert, Hall Naming and Digi Ed have been uploaded to the website. Google: Beresfield Public School. Unfortunately they have had to be compressed to be uploaded, which means they can be downloaded but will be small in size for printing. Helen Wiedermann

Donut Day
Stage 3 Year 6 Farewell Fundraiser
On Tuesday 12th August at recess, Stage 3 students will be selling donuts to help raise money for their end of year farewell. Donuts will $1 each and there will be a choice of chocolate or strawberry icing. Please help support our Year 6 students by sending along $1 with your child. Jan Fanning

Zone Athletics
Congratulations to all the students who made it to the 2014 Zone Athletics Carnival. Although we were cold our spirits were high. It was great to see our students representing Beresfield Public School with both their sporting prowess and their sensible behaviour. Extra congratulations go to Cooper T Hayden W and Dylan E who all made it to the upcoming Regional Athletics Carnival. Terrific job! Alanna Wallace

Year 3 Excursion to Newcastle Civic Theatre
Still Awake, Still
A reminder to parents that it is only 2 weeks until full payment ($25) of this excursion is due. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to visit an extraordinary theatre and watch a live show so please get that money and permission notes in as soon as possible.

Please note that no payment will be accepted after 10am on 22nd August. (We need to pay the Civic Theatre that day!).
Jan Fanning

NOTES SENT HOME RECENTLY
⇒ National Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander Childrens day note to some families.
⇒ Letter to Kinder 2015 families.
⇒ K/6K, K/6L overnight excursion.
⇒ Lap-a-thon sponsorship sheet

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

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Children's Book Week Parade – Week 7
Book Week, this year, will be celebrated during week 7. We have many special events planned for the children during this week, but the highlight will be our “Book Parade” where the children are asked to come dressed in a costume. The parade will take place on Tuesday the 26th of August at 12.00pm. (Save the date!)

The theme for Book Week this year is “Connect to Reading”. In keeping with our theme, we are asking the children to dress in a costume related to a book they have connected with. They may come dressed as an action/adventure character (e.g. Harry Potter, Tashi), a science fiction character (e.g. Star Wars), a historical fiction character (e.g. Robin Hood, characters from the Royal Diaries, Anne of Green Gables, King Arthur), a fairy-tale character (e.g. Snow White, Cinderella, Jack and the Beanstalk, Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Little Red Riding Hood) or a character from a crime/mystery/spy novel.

Many children also connect with our non-fiction/information section of our library. If your child connects with planets/space, history, explorers, animals, dinosaurs etc, then they can dress-up as real life entities. It would be great to see walking planets, volcanoes, dinosaurs, knights, mummies, pharaohs, kings and queens in our parade.

The possibilities are endless, so let your imaginations run wild. All children participating in our parade are eligible to win a gift voucher to spend at our Book Fair in our prize draws. Please invite grandparents and friends to come along and enjoy the fun.

Reading Picnic – Week 7
Following our Book Parade, at approximately 1.00pm, all parents, relatives and friends are invited to join our children in our annual “Reading Picnic”. Families and friends are invited to bring along fold-up chairs, picnic blankets, a delicious picnic lunch and your favourite books from home, that you can read to your children (or your children read to you!). This is a special time where we can help to instil a love of books in our children and just enjoy each other’s company. Reading is not only a learning experience but a pleasure that can be enjoyed for the whole of our lives. Books will also be supplied by our library for you to share with your children.

Premier’s Reading Challenge
Entries for the Premier’s Reading Challenge will close shortly. All record sheets need to be brought to me in the Library as soon as possible. Children are able to enter their own records on the “Premier’s Reading Challenge” website if they wish to do so. If you would like me to enter your child’s records, I am more than happy to enter them for you. The challenge will close on the 21st August. All children completing the challenge will receive a signed certificate from the Premier of NSW.

Volunteers Needed for Book Covering
Recently our school purchased a large number of readers and dictionaries for our students that need to be covered. I would love to hear from anyone that can help with the covering of these books.

Karen Meyer,
Teacher Librarian
**Gymnastics**
Infants are really enjoying their sport this term. They participated in their second Gymnastics lesson this week and had an absolute blast. This week a trampoline was introduced to their delight and they cannot wait to see what new skills they get to learn next week.
Kayla Hawkins

**Zone Public Speaking**
This week the winners and runner-up's from our school competition, represented our school at the Zone Public Speaking competition held at Nulkaba Public School. We would like to congratulate and applaud each and everyone of them for making it to the Zone level. We are all very proud of them and their efforts! A big thank you to their parents and family for supporting them and for providing the transport to the event. Congratulations everyone!!
Melissa Smith
ELECTRIC MUSIC SHOW

The whole school enjoyed performer Andy Jones last Thursday 31st July.
Primary GATS CAMP

On Tuesday the 22nd of July to Friday 25th of July I went to the Hunter Region GATS camp at Morisset. I choose the Science Chemistry and Biology elective. There was a mixture of the science activities and camp activities such as the flying fox, rock climbing, high ropes and giant swing. On Wednesday, in the Science class, we studied the Ph. level of water and determined whether it was either an acid or alkaline base.

On Thursday, I studied how to see DNA in large groups. That was really cool! For the camp activity, my group did the dual flying fox. It went to speeds of about 60kmph and it was 120 metres long. That was my favourite camp activity!

On Friday, there was no class because it was a short day so we just did a camp activity. It was the high ropes and that was fun too! Then it was time to go home and that was the end of my GATS camp experience. One that I will never forget!

By Lachlan A

——— Book Fair ————

Our school library will be hosting a Book Fair from the 25th to the 28th of August. This is our major fundraiser for our library. There will be many fantastic books, novelties and posters for sale. Book Fair hours are 8.30am-9.00am and 3.00pm-3.30pm from Monday until Thursday.

However, it is impossible to run these special events without the help of parent volunteers. Please indicate on the note below if you are able to assist for half an hour, before or after school.

Please return your note as soon as possible.
Thank you Karen Meyer, Teacher Librarian

Please return to Mrs Meyer

Book Fair Volunteer

Name: ________________________________

Child’s Name: ___________________________ Class: ____________________

Day and time available—please tick the appropriate box.

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P & C NEWS

Lap-a-thon 14th August

The P&C are holding a Lap-a-thon on Thursday 14th August in aim to show the children that a little exercise can keep us healthy and to raise money for our school so we can purchase things to make our school better.

Last week we sent home a sponsor sheet. Your child can be sponsored per lap or a flat donation. Get out there and get sponsored! The lap sheet needs to be brought back to school on the day so it can be stamped. They can walk/run or jog the course and at points their card will be stamped by their teacher.

Every child who participates will receive a certificate and every child will receive an ice block at the end of the day which has been donated by a few parents within the school. We will have 2 prizes per stage (1 for the most laps completed and 1 for the most money raised). Prizes will be handed out on Friday 22nd August at the whole school assembly.

All money needs to be returned by Thursday 21st August.

We still need a few volunteers and if you could volunteer for a half an hour on this day please see Lisa Woods in the Canteen.

P & C Meeting

The next P & C meeting will be on 11th August at 5.30pm. 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 if you cannot get to the Uniform shop at these times. If you leave your order and payment at the office, your order will be filled when our Uniform Shop volunteers are next at school.

Canteen News

We still need volunteers to work Wednesdays and Thursdays so we can keep the canteen open.

We still desperately need helpers for Thursday 21st August and Thursday 18th September otherwise we will have to close the canteen on both these days.

Please see Lisa or call on 0418 739045.

Our lunch time meal deals are available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and are $4 each.

This Week’s Meal Deal

Available 13th, 14th, 15th August

- Potato Bowl
- Drink of choice
- Jelly/custard/mousse

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.
MAITLAND OZTAG
2014 SUMMER REGISTRATIONS

SOMERSET PARK, THORNTON
played THURSDAY afternoons

Competition played October – December
(12 Rounds)
Registrations are being held:
Thursday 11th & Thursday 18th September 14
5.00 – 7.00pm at Somerset Park, Thornton

Registration $80 per player
*INTRODUCTORY OFFER – INCLUDES OZTAG SHORTS*
Both teams & individual players are welcome
Divisions: U8’s, U10’s, U12’s, U14’s, U16’s, U18’s
**While all divisions are offered, team numbers will
determine final divisions played** Subject to change
For further details contact: 0434 524 450
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