Term 3 Week 5

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:
- Canteen will be closed this Friday 14th Aug
- Wetlands Excursion $16 due 14th Aug
- Great Aussie Bush Camp final payment due 21st Aug

PRINCIPAL TALK

Wetlands Excursion for Stage 1 and 2/3A
Stage 1 will be going on an excursion to The Wetlands Centre at Shortland on Monday 17th August 2015.
The cost of the excursion is **$16.00** and is due before **10am tomorrow, Friday 14th August 2015**. Payments over $10.00 may be made by EFTPOS at the office or by credit card over the phone. A note with full details went home last week.

Urgent Help Required
We urgently require more volunteers in the canteen. Due to the shortage of volunteers the canteen will unfortunately be closed this Friday 14th August. This may also lead to more canteen closures in the future and could result in the canteen having to close extra days each week. If you can help out please speak to the canteen manager Christine Shelton or complete the form on the back of this week’s newsletter and return it to the office. Thank you.

Mr Jonathan Ridgway

NOTES SENT HOME RECENTLY
- Great Aussie Bush Camp Information
- Book Fair order form

Calender: TERM 3 2015

**WEEK 6**
- Mon 17 Aug  Stage 1 & 2/3A Wetlands Excursion
- Tue 18 Aug  Responsible Pet Program
- Tue 18 Aug  K/6Y Excursion to Charlestown
- Thu 20 Aug  Touch Football Gala Day
- Fri 21 Aug  Final payment for Aussie Bush Camp
- Fri 21 Aug  Celebrity Day - Out of Uniform
- Fri 21 Aug  Playgroup

**WEEK 7** BOOK FAIR
- Mon 24 Aug  Book Fair
- Mon 24 Aug  Stage 1 Excursion to Beresfield Library
- Tues 25 Aug  Book Fair, Book Parade & Picnic
- Wed 26 Aug  Book Fair
- Wed 26 Aug  Stage 3 Excursion to Beresfield Library
- Thu 27 Aug  Book Fair
- Fri 28 Aug  Final payment for Canberra due
- Fri 28 Aug  Playgroup

**WEEK 8**
- Tue 01 Sep  Fathers Day Stall
- Tue 01 Sep  K/6Y Excursion to Newcastle

**Week 9**
- Mon 7 Sep  P & C Meeting 5:30pm
- Tue 8 Sep  K/6Y Excursion to Speers Point
- Thu 10  Regional Public Speaking
- Fri 11 Sep  Playgroup

**Week 10**
- Mon 14 Sep  Great Aussie Bush Camp departs
- Wed 16 Sep  Great Aussie Bush Camp returns
- Wed 16 Sep  Canberra Excursion departs
- Fri 18 Sep  Canberra Excursion returns
- Fri 18 Sep  Last day of Term 3
Celebrity for a Day - Gold Coin Donation
On Friday the 21st August your student leaders are organising a special dress up day. This theme is to dress up as your favourite celebrity for a day!!! You could come as Taylor Swift, Michael Jackson, Katy Perry or Joel Madden just for an example. Just remember to bring a gold coin donation. There will be more events organised by your Student Leaders in the future. Remember to have fun as your favourite celebrity!
Student Leaders

Week 6 Focus: Safe Hands, Safe Feet
When I have safe hands and safe feet:
⇒ I have a calm body
⇒ I keep my hands and feet in my own space
⇒ I keep my own space

Congratulations to......
1. Declan
2. Brooklyn
3. Jacob
4. Imogen
5. James
...who were our weekly focus winners and had their names drawn out of the box.
Leanne Davison

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program
Get ‘em in from now till Tuesday 8th September 2015!

Last Week’s Quiz
What are the names of the three ladies who work in the school admin office? Mrs Hill, Mrs White and Ms Bagnall.

This Week’s Quiz
Name three countries in south-east Asia.
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.

Touch Football Gala Day
We have had a great response to the touch football gala day that is coming up in Week 6. It is a fantastic annual event where students play several games of touch football throughout the day. There were limited places available and they are now all filled. Students will depart school at 8:30am and return at 2:45pm. Students are to wear sports uniform and must bring recess, lunch, a water bottle and hat.
Stef Hainsworth

Library Excursions Week 7 Book Week
There will be two fantastic excursions during Book Week for our children in Stage 1 and 3. These excursions have been planned to support literacy programs in the classroom.
Stage 1 will be going to the Beresfield Library on the 24th of August, at 11.30am, to be entertained by the talented library team that will present a selection of short listed picture books using drama, stories and songs.
Stage 3 have the privilege of attending a writing workshop with the award winning author Belinda Murrell. Belinda is the author of over 20 books and wrote the popular Lulu Bell series for younger readers and historical and time slip novels for upper primary. Her historical novels include “The Forgotten Pearl” and “The Sequin Star”. Belinda will talk about being an author, her books and the creative writing process. Sixty students from Stage 3 will go to the library on Wednesday the 26th of August at 11.30am and return to school at 12.30pm.
The children are required to wear full school uniform for these excursions. If your child requires any medications, please ensure they are given to teachers prior to the excursion e.g. puffers. The children will be walking to the library and there is no cost for these visits. A consent note will not be required for these excursions as our local walking excursion consent form covers these visits.

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 20th of August. All children completing the challenge will receive a signed certificate from the Premier of NSW.
Happy Reading Everyone,

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 25th of August at 11.30pm. (Save the date!)
The theme for Book Week this year is “Books Light up our World”. In keeping with our theme, we are asking the children to dress in a costume related to a book they enjoy. 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., 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.

Karen Meyer, 
Teacher Librarian

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

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Students enjoyed a science performance from Skyworks Planetarium inside an inflatable dome this week. They were surrounded by the wonders of the night sky and a stunning starfield.
Zone Athletics Results
Well done to the Beresfield zone athletics team who represented the school at the zone carnival on the 31st of July. The students represented the school very honourably and were courteous and supportive all day. Congratulations to Hayden W, who came first in the 11’s long jump with a jump of 4.12 metres. He will have an opportunity now to compete in the regional athletics competition. Special mention to Brayth M (shot put), Jeremiah J (shot put), Paris W (800m) and the junior girls 100m relay team who all came 4th in their events. It was a pleasure to represent the school with such a supportive and mature group of students. 
Mr Gabriellides

Zone Public Speaking
Zone Public Speaking finals were held last week at Nulkaba Public School. All of our talented students attended and presented their speeches to an unknown audience and unfamiliar judges at a school they haven’t been to before. They also had no microphone to use! A huge congratulations to all of our participants and a big thanks to all their parents for taking them there.

BIG NEWS!!!
Josie T from Stage 2 obtained a Highly Recommended on the day and was asked to compete in the Regional Finals in September! Congratulations Josie we are all very proud of you.

Did you know Josie will be the first Beresfield Public School student to represent our school at the Regional Finals?

Thanks to all the teachers and parents for preparing our students for Public Speaking and all the other staff who helped throughout the progression of the event.
Patricia Scott

Your time starts now! Teacher –Mrs Maria Kirby
My earliest memory is...a car accident when I was 18months old.
My most treasured possession is... my family.
My mother/father always told me...to do my best and never give up.
I wish I had...spent more time with my kids as they were growing up.
I am happiest when... I’m with my family.
When I was a child I wanted to...be a scientist.
If I could live anywhere, I’d choose... somewhere warm.
The hardest thing I’ve ever done was... move away from mum and dad.
I relax by... reading.
My worst trait is... getting annoyed when people are late.
My best trait is... organizational skills.
If only I could...be twenty years younger.
I’m always being asked... mum can you drive me.....
If I wasn’t me I’d like to be... I’m happy being me!
I often wonder... about lots of things.
I love Beresfield because...of the students and staff.
You know you are in Beresfield when...pass the new Mortels.
Our school library will be hosting a Book Fair from Monday 24th to the 27th 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.

Karen Meyer, Teacher Librarian

Please return to Mrs Meyer

Book Fair Volunteer

Child’s Name: _______________________________ Class: ______________

Parent’s Name: _____________________________________________

I am available to help at the Book Fair at the following times:

(Please indicate day and time available)

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CAFE HELPERS FORM

I would love to assist on the Canteen Roster, meet other parents and make new friends.

I have circled the days that suit me

MONDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

My name is: ______________________________ My phone number: ______________________________

My child’s name is: __________________________ Child’s class: __________________________
P & C News

Entertainment Books
The P & C now have The Entertainment Book for families to purchase. Books or digital memberships are $60. There will be a small supply available for purchase at the office. Alternatively you can order online at www.entbook.com.au/34615f. $12 from each book sale comes back to the school, so this is a great fundraiser.

Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday and Wednesday from 8.30am until 9am.

Term 3 - Week 6 $4.50 Meal Deal is:
♦ 8 x chicken chippees
♦ Drink of your choice
♦ Fairy Floss Fandangle

Canteen Roster

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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 Christine on 0401 243 323