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Term 4 Week 2

Calendar – Term 4

Week 2	
Fri 19th	K-6 Assembly BBQ
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Week 3	
Tues 23rd	P&C meeting at 4:30pm Book Club orders due back
Wed 24th	Nude Food Day
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Fri 26th	, World Teachers Day
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Week 4	
Fri 2nd	K-6 Assembly
	BBQ
Week 5	
Tues 6th	Theatre Sports Day
Fri 9th	Hot Dog
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Assembly

Thursday 18 October 2012

Our first assembly for the term will be held tomorrow in the library commencing at 9:00 am. Merit certificates and some additional awards will be presented. We would love to see parents and carers join us for the occasion.

Kindergarten Orientation

Our first Kindergarten Orientation Day is planned for next Thursday 25 October. We will commence with a short assembly in the morning to greet our new students and parents (new and current). Parents will then accompany their children to the Kindergarten class and when students are settled the parent session will commence in the senior classroom.

The parent information session will most likely commence around 9:30am with speakers including: Mr Curtin, Aina Martin (School Counsellor), Anna Huddy (North Coast Health), Sam Peiti (Ballina Buslines) and some representatives from our P&C.

Kindergarten students should bring along their recess, hat and water bottle. Parents

are invited to join us for a morning tea before



taking their "new Kinders" home after recess. We look forward to you joining us for your child's first day at big school!

Swimming Scheme

Please ensure that Intensive Swimming notes are returned to school tomorrow. This program is a great opportunity for our infants' students to participate in a ten day program involving water confidence, water awareness and learn to swim activities. More information will be sent home in week 4 If we receive enough interest for this program.

Teddy Bear's Picnic

The SRC is organising a Teddy Bears Picnic to raise funds for The Westmead Children's Hospital. We are asking all students to bring a gold coin donation to help children not as lucky as us. It is to be held on Wednesday, November 14.

We will be walking from school to Melba's Verandah, where we will have a picnic lunch in the garden with our teddy bears. All parents, grandparents and friends are



welcome to join us. There will be some entertainment provided by our students after lunch. Thank you to Beverly for once again offering this lovely space. It is sure to be a fun time.

Solar Energy

Parents and students can be assured that our school is much "greener" since the end of the holidays due to the 40 new solar panels installed on the roof of our junior classroom. The installation of the solar panel system, which generates 10 kW of power was the end result of a National Schools Solar program grant which commenced in 2009. After a great deal of time and effort, and quite a few obstacles (7 Revisions), our school now creates enough power from the sun each day to be free of electricity costs.

Shortly we will also have the technology, including a school monitoring pack, which will allow students to see how much energy we are creating each day. In light of Shaun McKay's outstanding final presentation on "Global Warming" to the eGATS group last term and his follow-up presentation to his classmates, it's great to see Broadwater School doing its bit to help reduce greenhouse emissions.

Cascade Excursion

Thank you to the many parents who have returned their child's permission note for the Cascade Excursion in

Week 7. If you haven't already done so would you please return the note **by tomorrow** so we can get a clear idea of how many students will be attending.

If parents plan to use the instalment payment plan, the first payment of \$40 for each child is due tomorrow. Parents are most welcome to pay the total amount at any time up until 15 November when all monies are due. Students who have already returned their permission note, have today been given additional information and notes relating to the Cascade Excursion.

Mathletics

It has come to the attention of teachers that this valuable resource is not getting as much use as we would like. There are a few students from each grade who have been fantastic users of the program but there are many others who visit only occasionally. As mentioned in earlier newsletters our P&C has funded this resource so all students can have access to the many numeracy games and activities available.

Can I ask parents to encourage their children to use the website when they have some computer time? The activities are an excellent way for students to revise their numeracy work. If students have lost their log on details they just need to let their class teacher know.

Nude Food Day

As part of our Live Life Well at School action plan (launched in Term 2) we will be holding a "Nude Food Day" at school next Wednesday 24 October. "Nude Food Day" encourages individuals to make their lunch a healthy, nutritious and environmentally friendly meal by filling it with fresh food and **eliminating all unnecessary** wrapping!

Focussing on the positive message of **'nude food = a healthy body + a healthy planet'**, we want our students to be empowered to choose healthy, rubbish free food for their lunches and snacks.

Students are asked to bring along their recess and lunch **next Wednesday** using the least amount of wrapping (rubbish). We will be having a friendly competition between the two classes to see who brings the least amount of wrapping. Of course food scraps won't be counted because they are biodegradable.

"Nude Food Day" is also a great opportunity to take a

closer look at what we're eating for recess and lunch. As a part of our Nutrition Unit this term, we aim to create more awareness about healthy foods and healthy lifestyle choices.



Premier's Sporting Challenge

With Term 3 now over the PSC program has now come to an end. Certificates for each student, based on their participation over the two terms, have been decided and we are awaiting their arrival from PSC coordinators. Although all students have shown excellent participation in physical activity throughout the program, we have identified three students who have demonstrated outstanding achievement over the last two terms. Two of these students will be recognised with a certificate at tomorrow's assembly whilst the third, who we have chosen to receive the PSC medal for overall effort, will be recognised on Presentation Night at the end of the year.

Theatre Sports

As a part of the small schools program a Theatre Sports day will be held at Tregeagle Public School on Tuesday 6th November. Theatre Sports is non-competitive drama games and activities planned for students in Stage 2 and 3. Students who attended last year had a lot of fun. This activity is the last of the small school's program for the year.

The day will commence at 9:30am and be finished by 2:00pm. Drivers are not required to stay for the activities. Four students from Stage 2 and four students from Stage 3 have volunteered to attend the day. Students will need to take their own lunch and recess as well as a broad-brimmed hat and drink bottle.

Students who have been selected to attend have been provided with a separate note and are asked to talk to

their parents about providing transport to the event. We need at least two cars for this to happen.

Live Life Well Ideas Be healthy – be active

Children and adults need physical activity every day. Activity helps build better bones, muscles, joints and helps maintain a healthy weight. Physical activity can also reduce the risk of heart disease, type 2 diabetes and some cancers. Get active anyway you can walking, riding, swimming, and playing active games such as Duck, Duck, Goose or Bull Rush.

Woolworths Earn and Learn

Thank you to our families and community for collecting the Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers. The final tally was 5550 point. We have placed an order for games and resources for the infants classroom.

Book Club

Issue 7 has been given to students. Orders are due back Tuesday 23rd October.

P&C NEWS

The next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 23 October commencing at 4:30pm in the school library. There will be a number of matters up for discussion including the movie night fundraiser planned for later this term and planning for end of year activities. We would love to see you there.

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