



BARDIA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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'THE BUGLE'



Term 4 – Week 6 – 2015

Message from the Principal

How do you help ensure your child has a great future? The answer is easy: get them to school on time and have them attend every day!

Dear members of the Bardia Public School community,

Congratulations to your fantastic P&C for organising what was a **terrific disco**. The children had a great time and even the parents and teachers joined the dancing! Thanks go to Dance Fever for supplying two extremely energetic and enthusiastic DJs. They managed to get the kids up and active for a whole two hours!

A very special thank you goes to **Mr John Tadrosse**, a parent at our school, who provided all the sausages, rolls and water bottles for our P&C to sell. This of course only increased the P&C's profit, and the more profit, the more we will be able to buy your children educational resources!

Mrs Nitto, your P&C President, and I have now met with the group designing and building **our new school** on numerous occasions. At these meetings the architects are very interested to learn of our ideas for the new school and this Tuesday they are meeting with our teachers and class 5/6D to gather even more ideas! Our new school is going to be rather special! Keep reading this newsletter for further updates.

NOVEMBER

- Tuesday 10th: Kindy Orientation 9.05am to 11am
Wednesday 11th: Mufti Day
Thursday 12th: **ASSEMBLY** – All welcome
Tuesday 17th: Kindy Orientation 9.05am to 11am
Ingleburn High School Transition Day
Thursday 19th: Bardia Playgroup Information Session
Tuesday 24th: Cake & Spider Day
Thursday 26th: **ASSEMBLY** – 2016 Captains' speeches

DECEMBER

- Thursday 3rd: Ingleburn High School Orientation
Tuesday 8th: Presentation Day
Monday 14th: Year 6 Farewell
Tuesday 15th: Student Reports go home
Wednesday 16th: **LAST SCHOOL DAY OF 2015**

2016

- Thursday 28th January – Yr1 to Yr6 first day of school**
Tuesday 2nd February – Kindergarten first day of school

P & C EVENTS

- 19th November: P&C Meeting 6.15pm (in hall)
1st December: Money due in for Cadbury chocolate Fundraiser

Disclaimer:

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Parent and Carer Payments to School Policy

Bardia Public School (BPS) is given limited funds from the NSW government for learning resources, casual staff and utilities (water, phone calls, etc.). BPS is given a very small amount of money to assist parents and carers who are suffering financial hardship in paying for basic learning resources for their children (text books etc.).

BPS teachers and office staff are very often dealing with numerous excursions, weekly athletics, gala days and the like, all of which are very complex and time consuming to organise. When parents and carers do not pay by the due date this doubles or even triples the time spent by staff in organising and collecting for these events. Very often this also threatens the viability of these events because we are unable to offer bus companies or excursion companies any assurance that we will meet the minimum number of students required.

To ensure fairness to all parents and carers, and to help ensure that our limited funds are used to enhance the learning of **every** student, the following will be strictly adhered to from Monday 26th October 2015.

1. The event/resource and its associated costs will be advertised in the newsletter.
2. A note will also be sent home outlining the event/resource and its associated costs.
3. An email will also be sent to all parents and carers outlining the event/resource and its associated costs.
4. A **final date due** for payment of the total amount will be outlined in the information sent home. Parents and carers are **strongly** advised to ensure that they pay all money owing **before** the final date due.
5. Two days before the final date due is reached, parents and carers who have not paid in full will be sent one reminder note and a reminder email – parents and carers will **not** be telephoned.
6. Once the final date due is reached, parents and carers who have failed to meet this deadline to pay in full will have any deposit paid refunded.
7. At this point, students on any waiting list will be offered the opportunity of attending the event. Parents and carers of students on any waiting list will have two school days in which to pay the total amount for the resource or event.
8. ***Once the final date due is reached no further payment from parents or carers will be accepted, except from those on a waiting list – usually something that only applies to school camps and excursions.***
9. The children of parents and carers who have money owing for events such as gala days, weekly athletics, book packs, Reading Eggs, Mathletics, etc. will not be permitted to attend any other such events or be supplied further resources until the outstanding money has been paid in full.
10. Parents who are facing financial hardship are encouraged to meet with the Principal to discuss financial support. The increasing number of parents and carers in this unfortunate situation has necessitated the following: upon agreement by the Principal the maximum financial support that can be offered for any single event or educational resource shall not exceed 25% of the total cost. The deadlines as outlined above will apply to people seeking financial assistance.

This policy is meant to assist your child's school in being able to provide educational events and resources for every student. With every dollar and or minute that we save, the quality and quantity of your child's education is enhanced.

For parents and carers of students in Year 5: the **selective high school applications** and information downloads are available at:

<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/learning/k-6assessments/shsplacement/index.php>

Applications will close on 16th November 2015.

The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 10th March 2016.

Bardia Playgroup Information Session

An information session will be held on Thursday 19th November between 10am and 12 noon for all parents of toddlers and pre-schoolers interested in being part of the Bardia Community Playgroup in 2016.

Mark Jackson, a Community Development Worker from Camden Community Connections Inc, will be speaking about how to organise and run a community playgroup. Mark has successfully set up three playgroups in Camden and they are run by parents.

The meeting will be held in the hall. We hope to attract lots of community interest in this project.



Cake and Spider Day



On Tuesday 24th November Year 6 will be holding a cake stall and spider drink fundraiser. The delicious cakes will be priced between 50 cents and \$2.00 each and will be available at both recess and lunchtime. The soft drink and ice-cream spiders will be \$1.00 each and will be sold only at lunchtime. You can also purchase a cup of soft drink or ice-cream for just 50 cents.

We thank you in advance for supporting Year 6 on their last fundraiser for the year, it is greatly appreciated.

Mrs Duffy and Year 6



UnitingCare Burnside Christmas Giving Tree



This year, the staff and students have decided to once again support UnitingCare Burnside's Christmas Giving Tree. Last year, our school donated many gifts to brighten the Christmas of many disadvantaged families in the local community.

UnitingCare Burnside works directly with families in need in the Macarthur area. Their Brighter Futures program targets families experiencing problems that impact on their ability to care for their children. UnitingCare currently have over 100 children who need our help to ensure they receive a Christmas gift this year.

If you would like to support one of these families in need, we are now taking donations of new toys and gifts for girls and boys up to age 13. The gifts do not need to be expensive but they must be new. All gifts collected will go directly to targeted families working with UnitingCare in our local area.

Once you have purchased your gift, please place it in a gift bag or leave it unwrapped, and attach the gift tag to the present indicating the age group it is suitable for. Students can then place the present under the Christmas tree located in the office. Extra gift tags are also available at the office.

Some suggested gift ideas include: toys, games, colouring in and reading books, sporting equipment, puzzles, art and craft supplies.

Please place all gifts under the Christmas tree by Monday 7th December to enable them to be collected by UnitingCare and distributed before Christmas.

Thank you for your support of this worthy charity and in helping to bring the Christmas spirit to needy children in the Macarthur district.

Miss Lewis - Assistant Principal



FROM THE OFFICE

Tissues



URGENT! We have run out!

It would be appreciated if families would pop a box into their shopping trolley next time you are shopping to build up our supply. Boxes can be sent to the office.

Thank you in anticipation.

Office staff.

CRAFT SESSIONS

We are running craft sessions during the lunch period. If you have any craft items you could donate (e.g. wool, knitting needles, ribbon etc.) please hand in to the office.

All donations welcome.
Mrs. White – SLSO



School Banking



Wednesday is school banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit to the front office before 9:00 a.m.

HELP!

The office spare clothing is in desperate need of small trackpants and jackets. If you have any items that you could donate please see the ladies in the office.

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for a school banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour. Remember our school earns 5% commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit). Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Ingleburn North Public School.

 Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to add veg to a barbecue.


The weather is warming up and so are the backyard barbecues. But it need not be an entirely meat affair. Here are some ideas for adding healthy veg to the barbie:



- Kebabs** - capsicum, zucchini, eggplant and mushrooms work well. Add to pork, chicken or lamb.
- Chips** - slice potato or sweet potato, and grill on the hotplate.
- Salad** - grab some green leaves and toss in tomato, cucumber, carrot, beans, capsicum or whatever takes your fancy!
- Veggie sticks and dip** - chop up carrot, cucumber, and celery sticks to dip in yummy hummus, or an eggplant or beetroot dip.

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 Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to disguise vegetables.


Can't get the kids to go near the greens? Disguise is a great way to get them eating veg, without the protests!



Here's how:

- Grate veggies into meat dishes:** carrot, zucchini, capsicum and celery work well in bolognese sauce, meat patties, meatballs, shepherd's pie and tacos.
- Add chopped veggies:** to quiches or omelettes - try mushroom, tomato, capsicum or zucchini.
- Blend veggies in to sauces:** puree sweet potato, pumpkin or cauliflower.
- Add extra veggies:** mushrooms, capsicum and pineapple are great on pizzas.
- Add in other root veg to mashed potato:** pumpkin and sweet potato are favourites.

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Library News

Well the term is quickly passing. This week I will be sending home overdue notes. Please catch me in the playground or send a message on the back of the reminder if you have any questions.



Parents Helpers

I have a wonderful crew of parent helpers who help make the library run smoothly but I'm always looking for more. If you can spare some time on a Thursday afternoon from 2pm you will find a cool retreat, great company and even a cuppa. Toddlers are welcome.

Vegetable garden

The students have been in the garden tending to our crops. We have plenty of kale and lettuce that needs harvesting regularly so that they keep growing. Anytime you would like to take some home please just give Mrs Hancock a gold coin donation and take what you need. If there is anyone good at making kale chips I would love your help so the children are able to taste them.

"Outside of a dog, a book is a man's best friend. Inside of a dog, it's too dark to read." — Groucho Marx

Happy Reading
Kathy Wyber
Teacher/Librarian

Enhancing Online Safety for Children Act 2015

The use of social media and the internet is an inevitable part of our lives. At school we run programs to educate students about appropriate behaviour on the internet and model this behavior as adults on a daily basis. At the beginning of the year the government launched an office for E-Safety, especially for students and parents. Although many of you will not need to be concerned about this issue until your students are in high school, it is important that we are aware of the resources available to us. For more information www.esafety.gov.au



Camden
Community
Connections



Edmondson
Park

BARDIA PLAYGROUP OPEN DAY

10AM – 12PM

THURSDAY 19TH NOVEMBER

BARDIA PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Community
Connections

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P&C NEWS



Bardia Public School P & C now on Facebook

“Like” our page to keep updated on:

1. Events happening at the school such as assemblies, Easter hat parades, cake days etc;
2. Fundraising events;
3. Uniform changes and updates;
4. Canteen changes – menu, new products, opening times;
5. Play group for parents and carers with children 5 years and under.

All that and more at <https://facebook.com/ingleburnnorth>

Canteen

The canteen is now open every day for lunch and closes at 12pm except for Wednesday when it will be also open at recess.

A wonderful way to be part of the school community is through volunteering. We currently have some amazing volunteers in our canteen to ensure we have canteen facilities for our students. No experience necessary. If you are able to donate any of your precious time, please contact the canteen or office staff. Your children also gain a sense of pride when their parent helps at the school.

P & C Fundraising



It is that time of year we will be needing donations towards our Christmas Raffle. A basket has been placed in each classroom for your children to bring in their donations. For the classroom that has the most donations, each child will receive a treat from the canteen.

Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser

There are 9 boxes still available at the office if you would like to help sell a box. All profits go towards important resources for our children. If you can help please see the admin ladies in the office to have your name recorded and collect a box.

Thank you
Fundraising Team

P & C Meeting

The next P & C meeting will be held on Thursday, 19th
November in the hall at 6:15 pm.
All welcome!

Whooping cough information for schools

There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and may be worse at night.

- Children with these symptoms should see a doctor.
- If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough in your school-aged child, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.
- Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades with time. Check that all your children are up to date with their vaccines, due at 6 weeks, 4 months, 6 months, 4 years and 12 years of age (offered to all Year 7 students through the NSW school-based vaccination program). A booster is also recommended at 18 months of age.

A booster dose of vaccine is also recommended for adults that are in contact with young children, such as school staff and parents. Pregnant women are recommended to have a booster dose during each pregnancy and this is funded by NSW Health. Those who are new parents or carers of babies should consult their general practitioner about appropriate immunisation.

Your local public health unit can provide advice about whooping cough on 1300 066 055 or visit the NSW Health website for [information for childcare and schools about whooping cough](#).

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