



BARDIA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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'THE BUGLE'



Term 4 – Week 8 – 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,

No doubt you have seen the message about attendance above. You may have thought: "What's it matter if my child is a few minutes late?" The most important part of the lesson is its beginning. Children who come to school late miss the explanation of the concept being taught and they also miss important information about the day's program and any up-coming events. For the rest of the lesson these students (despite their teacher's best attempts) will struggle to catch up and they may never do so! Being on time to class **IS** important.

A very special thank you goes to **Mrs Maureen Milroy**, a grandparent at our school, who provided the school with a good quality camera. At last we can take some decent pictures of our many significant events.

Last Wednesday night, teachers, Mr Hanus-Smith, Mrs White, Miss Levar and Mr Mathews and I, along with Kiara Risnes' family, attended the **Braille Competition Awards** at Burwood RSL. There Kiara received an award for her extraordinary skill in using Braille. Congratulations Kiara!

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 24th: Cake & Spider Day
Thursday 26th: ASSEMBLY–2016 Captains' speeches
Commencing at 2pm

DECEMBER

Thursday 3rd: Ingleburn High School Orientation
Tuesday 8th: **Presentation Day (All Welcome!)**
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

1st December: Money due in for Cadbury chocolate
Fundraiser
8th December: Christmas Raffle drawn

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Well, you have read and heard my warnings: last Thursday evening there was a **serious four car collision** at the turn into the school car park. Two cars were ruined and the other two were severely damaged. The traffic situation outside our school is getting worse every day and, oddly enough, more drivers are taking more risks!?!?. Please be **patient!** A few extra minutes won't kill you, but being impatient might.

I have now asked one of our Assistant Principals to remain at the crossing in the car park in the afternoons. Please follow her instructions about using the crossing and not parking near the mini-bus stand – this is for the children's safety. Also, **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD YOU ENTER THE LITTLE CAR PARK WHERE THE LARGE BINS ARE LOCATED**, unless you are Mrs Risnes picking up her daughter. **Remember: a child has already been hit by a car in the car park – be careful!**

Last Thursday evening the P&C met and discussed the fund raising target. I have suggested, and the P&C have agreed, that we should wait until enough money has been raised to purchase **a class set of ICT tablets** or perhaps laptops (they are becoming cheaper all the time). This will cost about \$35,000. Yes, this is a lot of money, but this technology is crucial to the quality of your child's education.

While I am on this subject, combining our current number of lap tops + the Department of Education's biannual allocation + a number of laptops purchased using the school's global budget, as of early next year your children will have the educational benefits of a class set of laptops. So now your children will have three class sets of computers in the school: the computer lab with its aging but still functional PCs, the mobile tablet lab and the new mobile laptop lab. The fundraising by your P&C will lead to us purchasing yet another lab. This will lead to us having one tablet or laptop for every two students at the school. Wow! A fantastic development and this is thanks to your fundraising.

Mr Moseley.

**IMPORTANT
CHANGES!**

School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) Student Opal Card



From Term 1 2016 Transport for NSW will be issuing school opal cards to students eligible for travel under the (SSTS) via a new online application process.

Online applications for school opal cards for travel in 2016 will be accepted from 2nd November. The application form can be found at www.transportnsw.info/school-students.

Most students who already have a school student travel pass will automatically be issued with an opal card at the beginning of 2016 with the following exceptions:

- Moving from Year 2 to Year 3 (change to the minimum walking distance)
- Moving from Year 6 to Year 7 (change to the minimum walking distance)
- Change of address
- As a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation.

Application process:

Applicants will need an email address to complete the form.

Step 1: Parents/guardians (or students over 16 or over) first fill in the online application form at www.transportnsw.info/school-students.

Step 2: Print and sign the form and submit to the school for endorsement.

Step 3: The school will then forward the application to Transport for NSW for processing. If the application is approved a school opal card will be sent to the address given in the application form.

The application process may take several weeks. Students will be informed of the outcome of their application by email.

Please note any previous blue paper applications lodged by end the end of this year will be accepted by Transport for NSW.



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.

SunSmart Snippet

The simplest way

...to get your vitamin D!

Did you know:

- Our bodies make vitamin D when skin is exposed to sunlight?
- We need vitamin D as well as calcium to maintain good health, in particular to keep our bones and muscles fit and strong?
- Sun protection is required when UV levels are 3 and above?

Does sunscreen stop vitamin D?

- Sunscreen filters out most, but not all UV radiation.
- People who use sunscreen regularly (when UV levels are 3 and above) don't have lower vitamin D levels than people who do not use sunscreen.

To help keep your kids safe in the sun, check your school's SunSmart status by heading to www.sunsmartnsw.com.au

Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to make tasty summer rolls.

Go for something different in the lunch box and swap a sandwich for a summer roll. These little morsels also make great after school snacks.

Ingredients
The options are endless! A combination containing a few veg (grated carrot, finely sliced cucumber, avocado, snow peas) + noodles (vermicelli, rice stick) + meat (prawns, chicken, pork) + herbs (coriander, mint) works well, wrapped up in rice paper.

Method
Prepare filling.
Soak the rice paper in warm water until just softened.
Remove from the bowl and place on a plate.
Divide filling and add each portion of rice paper.
Fold over rice paper and roll up, pressing edge to seal.
Repeat with remaining ingredients.
Cut rolls in half and serve with sweet chilli sauce.

For more information visit www.eatittoeatit.com.au or join us at [facebook.com/eatittoeatit](https://www.facebook.com/eatittoeatit)

Library News

This week I will be stock taking so the students will not be borrowing for the remainder of the year and another teacher will be taking them for their library time in the classroom. I am following up on any overdue books this week. 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 for home please just give Mrs Hancock a gold coin donation and take what you need.

Happy Reading
Kathy Wyber
Teacher/Librarian

Primary End of Year Excursion

The classes from Years 3-6 will be attending an end of year excursion to the Macarthur Centre for Sustainable Living which supports the current classroom programs. The students will experience first-hand how we can all help society 'go green' in both our built and the natural environments. The day will consist of workshops catered to the teaching and learning outcomes of each grade and allow the students to experience all aspects of sustainability. As this is a council run facility the excursion is free and the students will only need to pay for the bus.



When: Monday 7th December

Where: Macarthur Centre for Sustainable Living, Mt Annan

Cost: \$5.00 (Bus)

Note has gone home!

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

All money is due back by Tuesday 1st December, 2015.

Thank you
Fundraising Team

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NOTICES



A festive poster for the Bardia Christmas Party. The background is a bright yellow-green with a border of green pine branches and red holly leaves. At the top left is the Camden Community Connections logo, and at the top right is the Edmondson Park logo with the tagline 'Add your touch'. The title 'BARDIA CHRISTMAS PARTY' is prominently displayed in the center, with 'BARDIA' in purple and 'CHRISTMAS PARTY' in large red letters. Below the title, the date and time 'FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER 5:00PM-7:00PM' and the location 'BRIGADE PARK' are written in orange. On the right side, there is a cutout of Santa Claus in a red suit, holding a red sack. At the bottom left, contact information is provided: 'P. 4647 1283', 'E. info@camdenconnections.org.au', and 'www.facebook/camdenconnections'. Logos for Camden Community Connections and LANDCOM are at the bottom.

Camden Community Connections

Edmondson Park *Add your touch*

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Camden Community Connections

LANDCOM



A poster for the Bardia Playgroup. The background is white with a colorful, abstract border of blue, green, and yellow paint splashes. At the top left is the Camden Community Connections logo, in the center is the Bardia Public School crest, and at the top right is the Edmondson Park logo. The title 'BARDIA PLAYGROUP' is in large purple letters, with a small brown teddy bear icon to the left and a small red car icon to the right. Below the title, the time '10AM - 12PM' and the location 'BARDIA PUBLIC SCHOOL' are written in yellow. The dates 'THURSDAY 18TH FEBRUARY 2016', 'THURSDAY 3RD MARCH 2016', 'THURSDAY 17TH MARCH 2016', and 'THURSDAY 31ST MARCH 2016' are listed in red. At the bottom left is the Camden Community Connections logo, and at the bottom right is the contact information for Mark Jackson: 'P. 4647 1283', 'info@camdenconnections.org.au', and 'www.camdenconnections.org.au'.

Camden Community Connections

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Edmondson Park

BARDIA PLAYGROUP

10AM - 12PM
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