



BARDIA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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'THE BUGLE'



Term 2 – Week 4 – 2016

Message from the Principal

Dear members of the Bardia Public School community,

The P&C is in trouble! There are so few volunteers now that the canteen is open only three days per week. At the P&C Meeting on the 12th May it was decided to cancel a number of fund raising events planned for later this year.

Please let me remind you that the P&C is made up of parents who volunteer their time to run the canteen and to raise funds for your child's education.

In the past these funds have allowed us to put air-conditioners in every classroom in A Block and B Block, as well as purchase computers and tablet technologies and numerous other learning resources.

Without the P&C your children would have to work in hot classrooms and would not have the learning benefits of information and computer technologies. Your child's learning WOULD suffer.

If you can volunteer even a few hours per month this would be greatly appreciated. Of course, you do not have to volunteer a single minute more than this! Please contact Mrs Hancock in our office for details.

The company responsible for the school rebuild, Coffey, will be holding an information evening on Wednesday 18th May 6-7pm in our library. Please come along and see a computer version of what will be one of the most amazing schools in Australia!

MAY

Wednesday 18th: **New School Information Evening 6-7pm**

Friday 20th: National Walk Safely to School Day

Thursday 26th: Assembly 2pm – ALL WELCOME

Friday 27th: GALA DAY

JUNE

Thursday 2nd: Line of Coins

Tuesday 7th: 5/6M & 4/5M Excursion

Thursday 9th: Assembly 2pm – ALL WELCOME

Thursday 9th: P&C Meeting 6.15pm to 8pm

Friday 10th: GALA DAY

Monday 13th: **PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

Thursday 16th: SSW X-Country

Thursday 16th: Kindergarten Excursion

Monday 20th: 3/4D & 3/4P Excursion

Wednesday 22nd: Banking Talks

Thursday 23rd: Banking Talks

Monday 27th: Bardia Athletics Carnival

Tuesday 28th: Student Reports sent home

JULY

Friday 1st: LAST DAY of TERM 2

P&C EVENTS

(notes with more information will be sent out closer to the date)

Current: Chocolate fundraiser. Boxes can be collected from the front office. Money due back 31st May.

Thursday 9th June: P&C Meeting 6.15 in Hall

PLEASE NOTE THE CANTEEN IS CLOSED ON MONDAYS AND FRIDAYS UNTIL WE CAN GET MORE VOLUNTEERS TO HELP.

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Congratulations go to our amazing cross-country team. BPS is now the Small School Champions in Cross Country 2016! Please see Mrs Parker's report below.

Did you know that Bardia P.S. receives a fixed budget from the State government? With these limited funds BPS is expected to pay for all casual staff required, all gas, water and telephone costs, all paper, books and other educational resources. On the MySchool website it states BPS has a recurrent income of \$1.8 million. But this can be misleading. The vast majority of this money BPS never sees. It goes directly to salaries and wages. In fact at the end of 2015 BPS only had \$13,000 expendable funds left (used to pay for outstanding bills) and this year BPS can only afford \$20,000 for ALL educational resources for our Key Learning Areas. In short, every single dollar BPS gets is crucial to your child's education.

What can you do to help? Please pay all money owing on book packs and class resources that BPS has purchased on your behalf. Please ensure prompt payment for Gala Days, excursions and the School Camp. Please do not ask for subsidies unless you are experiencing genuine financial hardship. Bardia Public School is NOT ABLE to pay for your child's book-packs or weekly athletics. If the school did, there would be very little left for educational resources. And finally, if you can provide the voluntary contribution to our school, this is very much needed! Your understanding and support is appreciated.

School Camp will take place 10th/11th/12th August. The camp is now open for Year 4 students with only a couple of places left. The camp is to the Snowy Mountains and is a two-night-three-day learning experience. In effect, the camp is a combination of *nine* excursions, the highlights being a visit to Parliament House and to the snow fields. The camp will be a great way to expand on and cement classroom learning! The approximate cost for the camp is now \$348 (a final cost is yet to be calculated by the tour company). My advice is to pay it off in increments – say \$20 per week. This is our most popular camp and places are strictly limited to the capacity of one bus. **Students will be accepted on a first come basis.** Should there be more students wanting to go than places available late comers will be placed on a waiting list. **The last day for payment in full is Friday 29th July.**

Please remember that you must be here at 3.00pm each afternoon to collect your child. There is no afternoon supervision provided. If you are going to be late regularly you should enrol your child in our After School Care. If there is an emergency and you will be unavoidably late, please ring the school and let the office staff know.

Regards, Mr Moseley

SPORTS NEWS

A BIG congratulations goes to those students who attended the zone cross country carnival on May 6th. The efforts of ALL students who attended resulted in Bardia Public School being awarded 'Small Schools Zone Carnival Winner'. FANTASTIC EFFORT!

The following students finished in the top 10 on the day:

Max Dawson 1 st	Blake Bolwell 2 nd	Rylee Takacs 9 th
Oliver Kuk 1 st	Denzel Tarabay 3 rd	
Mitchel Fleming 8 th	Tarik Mesa 2 nd	
Dominik Kuk 2 nd	Jade Dawson 8 th	

Students who finished in the top 8 will be attending the regional cross country carnival to represent the Fields zone on June 16th, 2016. Toby Curry will also be representing our school at the regional carnival.

Well done to all students who attended and participated. Their behaviour and sportsmanship on the day are to be commended.

Mrs Parker and Miss McEwan

NSW PRIMARY SCHOOLS – STATE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Toby Curry from Year 6 represented Bardia Public School at the NSW PSSA State Tennis Championships from Monday 2nd May to Friday 6th May in Queensland. Toby was selected as the No.1 player in his team of 5 boys. He played singles and doubles matches over the week and had some fantastic wins against the top 5 ranking boys in NSW. Toby was commended at the end of the tournament for his sportsmanship from all Managers for his honesty in line calls and manners on and off the court. This is a great achievement. Well done Toby.

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION RAFFLE WINNERS

Thank you to all the parents and careers that have paid the voluntary contribution. This contribution goes towards purchasing valuable resources for your children. The winners of our school raffle (to be in the draw payment of the school contribution needed to be received in Term 1) are:

- 1st Prize: 2 night stay at Wollongong Surf Leisure Resort - Bethel Gebregzabhier
2nd Prize: \$100 voucher for Khrome Urban Wear - Hudson Warren
3rd Prize: Janzsport backpack - Malachi Janz
Minor prizes: Azkar Athar, Harji Singh, Tyson Allen and Srija Das

A huge thank you to the major donors to our school raffle - Wollongong Surf Leisure Resort and Khrome Urban Wear.



Wollongong Surf Leisure Resort offers accommodation and resort facilities right on the waters edge and is in close proximity to the Wollongong CBD.



Khrome Urban Wear is a local retailer carrying major brand headwear, clothing and accessories. They also specialise in in-house printing and embroidery. They are located at Shop 233 Level 2, Liverpool Westfield, Liverpool 8712 9692

Please support these wonderful businesses who gave so generously.

If you have not paid your family voluntary contribution it would be greatly appreciated if you would do so. Every contribution goes directly towards purchasing resources utilised by every student at the school (including your child/ren). The voluntary contribution is \$40 per child or \$70 per family.

FROM THE OFFICE

**Term 2
PDHPE
payments of
\$25 is now
overdue.**

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 – SL SO

Tissues



URGENT! We are running out!

It would be appreciated if families would pop a box of tissues 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.

School Banking




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

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 Bardia Public School.

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.

Nutrition Snippet


The simplest way

...to cook a delicious curry.

Lamb & Veggie Curry

Serves: 4


Top tip: Reduce the amount of meat and increase the vegetables – you'll save money and make the meal healthier. Applies to stir fries, curries, pizzas and mince dishes too.



Ingredients: 1 tsp olive oil; 2 tbsp curry paste; 1 medium brown onion, chopped; 2 cloves garlic, chopped; 300g diced lamb; 3 large carrot, cut into chunks; 250g button mushrooms; 400g tinned tomatoes, diced; 100g red lentils; 500ml reduced salt chicken stock; ½ cup fresh coriander.

Method: Heat oil in heavy-based pot and cook onion, garlic and curry paste until fragrant. Add lamb and brown over a high heat. Add tomatoes, stock, carrots, mushrooms and lentils and reduce the heat to simmer. Cook for about 1 hour with the lid on, stirring regularly until lamb is tender. Mix through coriander reserving a small amount for garnish. Serve with brown rice.

For more information visit
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Library News

Premier's Readers Challenge

Students began the PRC last week and have started to record their books at school during library sessions. If your 3-6 child wishes to borrow books from the local library, or use books from their own collection, they can bring the details of that book to school to record on their master sheet. K-2 students will have their forms completed by the teacher.

For more information and the book list please see: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge/index

Parent's Library

Over the last few years we have built up a small collection of books for the parents from donations. All parents are welcome to come in and borrow these books or if you have any books you don't want at home we are happy to put them in the parent library.



Parent Helpers

Thanks to the parents who have arranged to come in and help in the library. If you would like to help Thursday afternoon on the weeks we don't have assembly are popular but if you can't make it on this day just give me a call through the office or pop in and chat. I'm sure I'll have another time that can suit. A number of mums have used this volunteering as an avenue to returning to work.

"Children are made readers on the laps of their parents." Emilie Buchwald

Happy Reading
Kathy Wyber
Teacher/Librarian



WE'RE TAKING IT IN OUR STRIDE ON FRIDAY, 20TH MAY 2016

Well it's that time of the year when school starts talking about walking!

Not only is walking a wonderful way to get you where you want to be but it also gets your health and your child's health on the right track too. So that is why this year our school is participating in National Walk Safely to School Day on Friday 20 May 2016.

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:

- Walking with them the whole way to school.
- If they catch the bus or train, walk them past your usual stop and get on at the next stop.
- If you have to drive, park your car a few blocks away from school and walk them the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes, it also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Mrs Greenup, along with Mark from Camden Community Connections (funded by Landcom) will be running the Bardia Public School Walk Safely to School Day on 20th May 2016. Students and parents will be asked to meet at Brallos Park (Cnr Bardia Avenue & Vedi Street), Bardia at 8am and we will all walk together to school where a healthy breakfast will be provided. Further information to come!

Keep your eye out for a note closer to the time.

Tips for Parents and Other Adults For Teaching Pedestrian Safety to Children

SafeRoutes
National Center for Safe Routes to School



TIP SHEET

Walking is a fun and healthy way to spend time with your children while teaching them skills that can serve them well throughout life. The walk to school is a great time to use these safety tips.

Be a walking role model

Children learn through experience. Walking with parents or another caregiver is an important way for children to practice crossing real streets and picking safe places to walk. There is no magic age when children are old enough to walk without an adult. But, as a parent, you should decide when your child has the skills and experience to deal with traffic safely without you.

As you walk with your child, remember these safety tips:

- Wear bright-colored clothes, and carry flashlights or wear reflective gear if it is dark or hard to see.
- Look for traffic at every driveway and intersection. Be aware of drivers in parked cars that may be getting ready to move.
- Obey all traffic signs and signals.
- Cross the street safely:
 1. Stop at the curb or edge of the street.
 2. Look left, right, left and behind you and in front of you for traffic.
 3. Wait until no traffic is coming and begin crossing.
 4. Keep looking for traffic until you have finished crossing.
 5. Walk, don't run across the street.



Choose the safest route to school

Select a walking route with less traffic and intersections.

- Pick places where there are sidewalks or paths separated from traffic. If there are no sidewalks or paths, walk as far from the motor vehicles as possible and, if possible, on the side of the street facing traffic.
- Limit the number of street crossings. When available, cross at a location with an adult school crossing guard.
- Avoid crossing busy or high-speed streets.

Understand your child's limitations

Children are not small adults. It will take time and practice for a child to develop the ability to deal with lots of traffic. Over time, children develop the ability to accurately judge the speed and distance of oncoming traffic. Young children may think that a car is able to stop, when in fact, it is not. Also, children may think that if they can see a driver, the driver can see them. But, children are smaller and harder for drivers to see. Get down to a child's height to experience their perspective and see what they see.

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 will be closed every Monday and Friday until further notice.

The canteen is open every other 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.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Canteen - Unfortunately, due to lack of volunteers, the Canteen will be closed on **Mondays and Fridays** from the 16th of May. The Canteen will be open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. If you would like to volunteer so we can continue to provide a canteen service to the students, canteen hours are 8.30am to 11.45am and your help will be greatly appreciated. Please let office staff know of your availability.

Next P & C Meeting - Thursday 9th June at 6.15pm in the school hall. All welcome.

Chocolate Fundraiser - P&C ran a Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser in Term 1 and, unfortunately, we still have some remaining boxes of chocolates that we desperately need to sell. Parents and Carers are invited to collect a box of Cadbury chocolates from the office. All money is due back by the 31st May, 2016.

Kind Regards, Bardia Public School P&C Committee

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