



# BARDIA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## 'THE BUGLE'



Term 1 – Week 5 – 2017

### Message from the Principal

Dear members of the Bardia Public School community,

**Bardia Public School is humming!** Already, lots of things are happening at BPS.

The **Swimming Carnival** (huge thanks to Mrs Parker and Miss Potter and all the other teachers involved) what an amazing success! The weather was kind and the students' behaviour was unbelievably good!

The **Captains' Assembly** was extremely well run by our new captains. I congratulate Ilori, William, Blake and Georgia on officially commencing their term as school captains.

The captains, along with Mrs Lynch and Mrs McCabe, attended a **special service held at Bardia Barracks** to honour those fantastic Australian heroes of WWII, the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup> Divisions. This is something the children should remember for the rest of their lives. Sadly there are very few of these veterans still with us and unfortunately very few services remain.

**Friends of Bardia** is now a reality! Already we are seeing a large increase in the number of volunteers.

**CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS for the TERM ONE FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE! Meet in the library on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 6.00pm**

**ALERT! The date for the first Friends of Bardia Meeting has been changed to Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March in the library at 6.00pm**

**See next page...**

### **FEBRUARY**

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>: **Fundraising volunteers meeting in the library 6.00pm ALL WELCOME**

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>: **Zone Swimming Night**

### **MARCH**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>: **ASSEMBLY All Welcome (2.10pm)**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>: **Zone Swimming Night FINALS**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>: **SWS Swimming Finals**

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>: FRIENDS of BARDIA MEETING 6.00pm**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>: **ASSEMBLY All Welcome (2.10pm)**

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>: **ASSEMBLY All Welcome (2.10pm)**

### **APRIL**

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>: **PARENT / TEACHER NIGHT**

Friday 7<sup>th</sup>: **EASTER HAT PARADE**

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April LAST DAY of TERM**

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April FIRST DAY of TERM 2**

**CANTEEN IS NOW OPEN EVERY DAY**

**See roster attached.**

Thank you to all those wonderful parents who have volunteered their valuable time to run this vital service.

We still require volunteers to come on board to help. Please contact the office and leave your details.

**UNIFORM SHOP IS OPEN EVERY MONDAY**

**MORNING**

### **Disclaimer:**

Bardia Public School does not endorse any product or services advertised in this newsletter.

**Dear Parents, Carers and members of the Bardia community,**

Last Thursday night will be remembered as an important date in the history of our school. The decision to end our P&C and commence the *Friends of Bardia* was unanimously supported by the parents and carers at what was our final P&C meeting. This I believe is a great decision for our school. As I wrote in the last newsletter there are a number of reasons why people do not get involved in their child's school and it is hoped that the Friends of Bardia will address them all.

*Before: Reluctance to volunteer for P&C duties due to fear of being "trapped"*

Now: parents can volunteer to help their child's school for a single day or as many days as they wish

*Before: Not wanting to get involved with P&C "politics"*

Now: There is no formal leadership. All parents and carers are equals in Friends of Bardia

*Before: The workload for those on the P&C is way too hard.*

Now: Here's hoping the *Friends of Bardia* model will encourage more parents/carers to volunteer their time. Besides, the new committee model allows people to volunteer to be on a single committee. Once the committee concludes its activities the parent/carer may **or** may not volunteer to be on another committee. To save confusion there will be four committees throughout the year. Each committee will operate for one term and be responsible for approximately two fundraising activities (except the term 4 committee which will have the Presentation Day fundraising activities only).

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CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS for the **TERM ONE COMMITTEE**

1. Easter Hat Parade (chocolate fundraiser / raffle / BBQ).
2. Mother's day (initial organisation and purchasing for stall and raffle only)

First committee meeting to be held in the library on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 6.00pm** ALL WELCOME! At this meeting a Committee Coordinator will be elected (someone responsible for communication only)

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**The inaugural *Friends of Bardia Meeting* will be held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 6.00pm in the library.**

Everyone is very welcome to come along and hear about the latest developments at their child's school.

A financial statement of money raised through fundraising will be presented to parents and carers.

We will also develop a democratic constitution for the *Friends of Bardia*. In other words we will allow majority rule to decide how we go about the following:

1. The purpose of Friends of Bardia
2. The roles of its members
3. The legal status of its volunteers
4. Financial reporting to its members
5. How money raised from fundraising is to be spent
6. Procedures for parents to present ideas
7. How Friends of Bardia deals with contentious issues
8. The role of the Principal and staff of BPS
9. Other

PLEASE GET INVOLVED IN YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL – WE NEED **YOU!**

**Please make a contribution to your child's education.** The voluntary fee we ask for is \$45 for an individual child and \$70 for two or more children. Granted, this is not very much compared to private schools' ridiculous fees; however, this small amount of money is VERY important to our being able to provide your child the latest and the best educational resources. Please help us to help your children!

**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 inform the office staff.

## BPS CANTEEN ROSTER Term 1 2017

| Term One | MONDAY   | TUESDAY                               | WEDNESDAY                                 | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY   | SAT SUN           |
|----------|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|-------------------|
| 1        | 23 January<br>Holidays                             | 24 January<br>Holidays                | 25 January<br>Holidays                    | 26 January<br>Australia Day Public<br>Holiday                | 27 January<br>SDD Eastern Division   | 28<br>29<br>Jan   |
| 2        | 30 January   | 31 January                            | 1 February                                | 2 February   | 3 February   | 4<br>5<br>Feb     |
| 3        | 6 February   | 7 February                            | 8 February                                | 9 February<br>L Smith<br>A Ugwu<br>H Bettison                | 10 February<br>A Yusuf F Najjar<br>K Sealby<br>E McKay<br>A Najjar                                       | 11<br>12<br>Feb   |
| 4        | 13 February  | 14 February                           | 15 February<br><b>Swimming Carnival</b>   | 16 February<br><b>Captain's Assembly</b><br>L Smith & Family | 17 February<br>TBA after training<br><b>Canteen will be open.</b>  | 18<br>19<br>Feb   |
| 5        | 20 February<br>F. Najjar<br>A. Najjar<br>M. Harris | 21 February<br>E. Wright<br>K. Sealby | 22 February<br>J. McWilliam<br>S. Francis | 23 February<br>L. Smith & Family                             | 24 February<br>H. Bettison<br>E. Wright<br>K. Sealby   | 25<br>26<br>Feb   |
| 6        | 27 February<br>F. Najjar<br>A. Najjar<br>M. Harris | 28 February<br>E. Wright<br>K. Sealby | 1 March<br>J McWilliam<br>S Francis       | 2 March <b>Assembly</b><br>L. Smith & Family                 | 3 March<br>H. Bettison<br>E. Wright<br>K. Sealby   | 4<br>5<br>Mar     |
| 7        | 6 March<br>F. Najjar<br>A. Najjar<br>M. Harris     | 7 March<br>E. Wright<br>K. Sealby     | 8 March<br>J McWilliam<br>S Francis       | 9 March<br>L. Smith & Family                                 | 10 March<br>H. Bettison<br>E. Wright<br>K. Sealby  | 11<br>12<br>Mar   |
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| 11       | 3 April<br>F. Najjar<br>A. Najjar<br>M. Harris     | 4 April<br>E. Wright<br>K. Sealby     | 5 April<br>J McWilliam<br>S Francis       | 6 April<br>L. Smith & Family                                 | 7 April <b>Easter Hat<br/>Parade</b><br>H. Bettison<br>E. Wright<br>K. Sealby<br><b>LAST DAY of TERM</b> | 8<br>9<br>Apr     |
| Hols     | 10 April   | 11 April                              | 12 April                                  | 13 April   | 14 April<br>Good Friday  | 15<br>16<br>Apr   |
| Hols     | 17 April   | 18 April                              | 19 April                                  | 20 April   | 21 April   | 22<br>23<br>April |

## FROM THE OFFICE

### 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.



### 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.

## Tissues




URGENT! We have run 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.

Nutrition Snippet

### The simplest way

...to make one ingredient ice cream.


Treat your kids to some homemade ice cream, minus the sugar and additives. Just 100% fruity goodness. Delicious!

**Ingredients:**  
4 – 5 ripe bananas

**Method:**  
\*Slice the bananas into small pieces (about 1.5cm thick is ideal).  
\*Put the slices in a Ziploc bag and freeze them overnight.  
\*Place the frozen banana slices into a food processor. You may need to break up the slices a bit if they've frozen together in clumps.  
\*Blend until the mixture becomes smooth and creamy.  
\*Spoon the blended mixture into a shallow dish and pop in the freezer for about two hours.  
\*Scoop it out and serve immediately.

Watch the video: [eatittobeatit.com.au](http://eatittobeatit.com.au) (recipes section).

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Nutrition Snippet

### The simplest way

...to help parents *Eat It To Beat It*.

Want to learn more about getting your family to eat well to reduce cancer risk, and empower other parents to do the same?

Join Cancer Council NSW's *Eat It To Beat It* program as a volunteer Program Facilitator.

We will train and support you to deliver free Healthy Lunch Box sessions and Fruit & Veg Sense workshops that:

- Help families to reduce their cancer risk.
- Make a difference in your community.
- Increase your confidence and improve your presentation skills.

For more information email [eatittobeatit@nswcc.org.au](mailto:eatittobeatit@nswcc.org.au) or phone (02) 4923 0710.

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# Library News

Well library is off and running with most of the children borrowing. I do have the policy that if children want to borrow for home they must have a library bag. I have found over the years that having a library bag ensures the students bring their books back. It does not need to be fancy or expensive, just a cloth bag with their name on it.



## Chess Club

Chess club will begin again on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> half of lunch. This is open to all students, regardless of age. I will be spending the next few weeks teaching how to play chess.



The Friday afternoon competition with the NSW primary chess competition begins in the second term and teams are being developed over the next week. This competition is out of school hours and run and supervised by the parents. If your child is interested please ask them to collect a note this week. If you are seeking more information about this competition please check the website [www.nswjcl.org.au](http://www.nswjcl.org.au)

## Educational Websites

All students are given an email address through the Department of Education. They can access this address and other department approved sites and games by;

Going to the department website <https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/>

On the right hand side click on **DET internet access and email**

On the right hand side again click on the green link **Student Portals**

From here they will need to type in their user name and password.

If you have any problems accessing this site please contact me at school on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.



## Cyber Safety Workshop for Parents

At the beginning of each year we teach the students about cyber safety. This year we are offering a workshop to help parents keep their children safe online. You will learn what the most dangerous activity is for students online and how to protect them. We will explain department policies on cyber bullying and how to report as well as how to set up parental controls on your computer and where to find help. This is not just for parents of older children!

**When:** Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March

**Time:** 6pm- 7:30pm

**RSVP Office:** 9605 2459 7<sup>th</sup> March

*Happy Reading!*

*Kathy Wyber*

*Teacher/Librarian*



The school is a member of the Amart All Sports Community Kickbacks Program. Customers of Amart All Sports can elect Bardia Public School to receive credits against purchases made.

You will need to join the Amart All Sports Team Amart Loyalty Program and nominate Bardia Public School as your “Relevant Participating Club or School”.

You will receive a loyalty program card which must be swiped or selected when purchasing goods in store or on-line in order for the school to accrue credits. Once the school’s credits reach \$2000 (ex GST) within a 12 month period the school will receive a 5% store credit (\$100).

This is a convenient way for the school to acquire sporting equipment for the benefit of all our students.

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## NOTICES

### First Confession and Holy Communion

Catholic children in state schools in Year 3 or over are due to be prepared to receive the Sacraments of Forgiveness and Holy Communion. An enrolment and information meeting for parents will be held on **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm** in the basement of the Holy Family Church, Oxford Road, Ingleburn. Baptism certificates are required for enrolment.

For enquiries, please contact Fr Peter on 9605 2785.



## GREAT FUN

- ★ Outdoor games and sports
- ★ Arts & Crafts
- ★ Playing with friends
- ★ Great Educators
- ★ Food and Cooking
- ★ Indoor Activities



### Welcome to the new school year Term 1 2017

We hope you enjoyed the summer holiday break and we welcome you to another exciting term in OSHC.

Welcome back coordinator Nadine Martin. Welcome back from last year assistance Vanessa Pantriano.

Also, as we have some changes in our permanent staff roster, we are still working towards to keep the consistency in the service all the times and thank you for your patience and understanding.

### Upcoming Weeks at Camp Australia Service Bardia Public:

This term we will have and create lots of fun and exciting craft activities, focusing on children's skills and building a strong relationship between children, families and staff.

We're here to make after school care the best experience possible – for you and your child. If you have any questions about the program – please feel free to drop by, meet the team and see what happens in after school care first hand.

### About tCAF

tCAF is our not for profit organisation. The outside school hours care programs Camp Australia provides enables us to work with charity partners to develop exclusive programs to improve the lives of primary school children. tCAF then coordinates these programs enabling our whole organisation to work together and have a big impact on the children we are supporting.

In 2016 we were able to positively impact the lives of more than 77,000 primary school children through our awareness raising programs and support of disadvantaged children throughout Australia and overseas. We also donated more than \$160,000 to our charity partners.

### Camp Australia's Welcome and Leadership Program

This program offers a range of welcome activities to help children and families feel 'at home' in each service. It also provides opportunities for children to learn from each other and build self-confidence through our Leadership Program.

Our program commences in Term 1 and is to be offered throughout 2017. The activities are:

**Welcome Program:** Creating Child Profiles, Welcoming diversity activity and Creating a CA Family Tree.

#### Leadership Program including:

Selecting Leaders, Roles for Leaders and Leader Presentations (certificate template provided).

### Program Details

To find out more about our program, view and to register visit [www.campastralia.com.au](http://www.campastralia.com.au)