

From the P&C

We are seeking somebody to do breakfast club on Monday mornings. This involves making cereal, toast and milk available to students from 8.45 - 9.15am. If you are not available every Monday perhaps partner up with another parent and do every second Monday, if this suits better. The children really appreciate being able to have breakfast if they run out of time at home in the morning or are just wanting extra. All the food is provided and costs the children nothing. Also volunteers don't need to supply anything. If you are able to help please see Michelle Stennett.

Extra Canteen this Friday

Just a reminder for this Friday that the canteen will be open for lunches, as on a Monday. So parents, take a break from making the lunches and children remember to hand your lunch orders in Friday morning.

Thankyou to the families who brought in yummy goodies to share for supper at **Presentation Night**. Your contribution was much appreciated and enjoyed by all.

Our next **P&C meeting** will be held earlier than usual, taking place on Dec 12th at 2pm in the music room. This will include cake and coffee with a brief meeting to finish up business for the end of year. Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you there.
Michelle Stennett - Secretary

TOURIST HOTEL SANDY HOLLOW

Presents

A Great Day of Family Fun on
Saturday 7th December
1pm to 5pm

ALL PROCEEDS TO
SANDY HOLLOW SCHOOL
LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM

- * Yabbie Races
- * Gourmet Fresh Yabbie lunches.
- * Gourmet BBQ.
- * Kids entertainment.





**ALL INVITED TO THE
BAERAMI COMMUNITY
XMAS TREE**

Keeping the Chrissy spirit alive in the bush

On: Saturday 14th December 2013



Time: 6:30pm

At: Baerami Hall
Bylong Valley Way

Please bring a plate of goodies
for a shared supper

There will be sausage sangas for sale

BYO DRINKS

SANTA COMING TO VISIT ON THE NIGHT



(Approx. 8pm)
Gift Value \$10

Please Phone 65475058 for more info

Additions and Attachments

- Tourist Hotel Yabbie Races information.
- Baerami Community Christmas Tree information.



SANDY HOLLOW SNIPPETS

"Creating Future Leaders"

Phone: 6547 4521
Fax: 6547 4450

4th December 2013

Flashing Lights

Many of you will have noticed that there are now flashing lights at each end of the school zone areas. They were installed almost two weeks ago as part of the ongoing program to improve safety for students. We have already seen a noticeable reduction in the speed that traffic is travelling as they pass the school during those hours. We hope this will also translate to hours outside school zone times!

Year 6 Farewell Dinner

RSVPS and menu selections are due back by Friday this week. Everyone attending the dinner needs to select one main meal from the menu. Fried rice will also be supplied. The meal will be free of charge to year 6, staff and parents, however, year 5 will need to purchase their meals.

Nicola Field will train the year 5 students attending the dinner on Tuesday 10th December.

Year 6 are reminded that the dress code is semi formal, so there are to be no jeans worn on the night. Year 5 will need to wear black pants/skirt and a white collared shirt. If you have any questions regarding this, please see me as soon as possible.

Church Service and Senior Citizens Performance

After swimming on Wednesday 11th December, the whole school will be going to the RSL club to sing for the Senior Citizens. The students will then move to the Anglican Hall for lunch, before attending a service at the Anglican Church at 1.30pm. The students will be running the service themselves. Hopefully, we will also be joined by the students from Martindale Public School. We will return to school at approximately 2.15pm. Parents are most welcome to join us.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Swim School begins Wed 4th Dec

Extra Canteen Day Fri 6th Dec
Nicola Field

Yr 6 Dinner at School Wed 11th Dec

P&C Meeting Thurs 12th Dec
2pm in the Music Room
ALL WELCOME

Sausage Sizzle lunch then
School Disco at the Hall Fri 13th
1pm to 3pm

Last day for students Wed 18th December

Last day for staff Thurs 19th December

Canteen Monday 9th December
Katie McLean
Monday 16th December - Michelle Stennett

Next Toybox
Monday 16th December

Claim the Date
* Students return for 2014 Wed 29th Jan

Jump Rope for Heart Dare Day

It appears that the students have well and truly risen to the dare set out by the teachers to try and raise \$650 for the Heart Foundation. At last count, a total of \$1050.70 was raised. Well done to all who participated in this event. This Friday will be dare day. Every student who raised money will get to decide what Ms Higgins is wearing for the day and throw water bombs at Mrs Parker. Three students will be chosen to ‘do’ Mrs Darlington’s hair. This should be a great way to finish the week!!!!

Friday the 13th Disco

The P&C are running a disco on Friday 13th. It will begin with a sausage sizzle and milkshake lunch at school. Students will then walk to the hall at approximately 1.00pm and remain there until 3.00pm. We will be back at the school in time for the bus.
All students are asked to bring a plate of party food to share.

Library Books

A reminder that all library books are now overdue. We would appreciate their return as soon as possible. Thanks.

Swimming

Our annual lessons began today. Students have been divided into ability groups and will work with either Kim Stanford, Mrs Parker or Mrs Darlington. Due to the fact that Mangoola Mine, who have funded our swimming program in the past, have significantly reduced their financial support, we have had to seek support from other areas. We would like to thank the P&C for providing the funds for the bus and to the Tourist Hotel for funding pool admissions. This assistance ensures that all students can participate free of charge. Swimming is a vital skill for life and we are pleased that it will be offered to all students.

Reports

Staff have spent the last two weeks completing final assessments so that reports can be written. We expect them to be ready to go home in the last week of term. If by any chance students are not in attendance when the reports are issued, they will be sent home via mail.

Miss Trunk

This week is our last week with Miss Trunk, who has been visiting from Newcastle University. The students have enjoyed a variety of lessons with her including dancing, volleyball, science, literacy and numeracy and of course the day she ran on anti bullying. We wish her all the very best as she moves into her last year of study before becoming qualified to teach.

School Photos were sent home last Thursday. The photographic company included letters for all students who did not order the full range of photos available. This offer is optional. The school will not be taking any orders for whole school or group photos, you will need to contact MSP directly.

Visible Learning Conference

Last Friday I attended the Invermein Small Schools Principal Network meeting. One of the presentations was about an opportunity to attend a Visible Learning Conference based on the research of John Hattie who has specialised in maximising student learning opportunities. This conference has previously only been offered in major cities will actually be offered in Scone early next year. As it would be to the benefit of all staff to attend, we are seeking to vary one of our staff development days. This will mean that on Thursday 27th February we will hold a pupil free day so that all staff can attend. We will then not have a pupil free day at the beginning of term 2. If parents have any concerns regarding this variation, please do not hesitate to contact me as soon as possible. Thank you.

Christina Darlington
Principal

Weekly Awards

- ◆ Ben Nebauer - being a sensible and reliable student.
- ◆ Tylana Cox - writing excellent arguments.
- ◆ Jake Pike - fantastic effort using estimation strategies.
- ◆ Amy Thompson - consistent work in all areas.
- ◆ Natasha - fantastic improvement in reading.
- ◆ Angel Blackhurst - fantastic drumming.
- ◆ Bill Chambers - wonderful drumming.

Workers of the Week

K/1/2 - Matthew Allen and Rhyme Anderson.
3/4/5/6 - Cheslea Borradaile, Amelia Harris and Hugh Higgins.



Drumming



The outgoing Year 6 receiving their gifts from their Kindergarten buddies.

Presentation Night 2013 Award Winners

K/1	
Academic Excellence	Andrew Harris
Most Improved	Rowdy Walters
Bengalla Mining Company Consistent Effort	Darcy Wallace
Jason Daniel Award for Kindness	Riley Borradaile
Creative & Performing Arts	Rhyme Anderson
2/3	
Academic Excellence	Nicholas Terrell
Most Improved	Thomas Gillespie
Bengalla Mining Company Consistent Effort	Natasha Marsh
The Brind Award for Perseverance	Harmony
Blackhurst	
Mathematics	Sam Thompson
4/5/6	
Henry Dalton Cup for Best All Rounder	Chelsea Borradaile
Most Improved	Katie Pike
Bengalla Mining Company Consistent Effort	Olivia McLean
Creative & Performing Arts	Codi Marsh
Science	Hugh Higgins
Environment	Conner Hodder
Macquarie Generation Science Award	Simon Budden
Public Speaking Medal	Junior – Cambell Hinze
	Senior – Amelia Harris
Banking Awards	Olivia McLean, Jackson & Lucas Stair
Banking Certificates	Jackson Whalan & William Stair
Sports Award	Amy Thompson
Premier’s Sporting Challenge	Shanay Turner
Library Awards	K/1/2 - Steven Allen
	3/4/5/6 - Isabella Wallace
Award for Citizenship	Kristy Walker

School Captains for 2013

Captains - Olivia McLean & Jackson Stair
Vice Captains - Tylana Cox & Connor Hodder
Sports Captains - Codi Marsh & Nickolas Roberts
Library Monitors - Katie Pike & Shanay Turner
Dux of the School - Sebastian Owen

Presentation Night was held at school last night. The students, with the help of their drumming teacher Issabella Berrigan, performed two drumming pieces which were thoroughly enjoyed by performers and audience alike.
Congratulations to all our new office bearers and all our award winners.