



Blakebrook Public School Bulletin

Term 4 Week 7 ~ Thursday 19 November 2015

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Diary dates:

Week 7 Swimming school week 2 of 2 Kinder 2016 Orientations

Thu 19/11	Mrs Tate @ CLN meeting / Miss Curran	
Fri 20/11	3rd & final Kinder 2016 Orientation 9.30-3.30pm	Last day of swim school - BRING PYJAMAS for test
	All swim scheme students MUST take a pair of old, loose fitting pyjamas, for a safety test, to the pool - as well as swim gear	

Week 8

Mon 23/11		
Tue 24/11	P&C meeting in Library 5.30pm	
Wed 25/11	Mr Duroux @ PPA meeting / Miss Curran	Deadline for Y6 "Moving into Teen Years" note & \$32
Thu 26/11	FINAL DAY FOR ANY PAYMENTS TO OFFICE due to Financial Rollover - payments accepted up until 9.30am	
	1 st Transition Day for Y7 2016 @The Rivers Secondary College Kadina, Lismore & Richmond River HS Campuses	
Fri 27/11		

Week 9

Mon 30/11	Office closed for bulk of day due to Financial Rollover processes - phone available 8.30-9.30am only	
Tue 1/12	Wendy unavailable all day due to Rollover processes	Xmas Scripture presentation 11.00-11.30am
Wed 2/12		
Thu 3/12	2 nd Transition Day for Y7 2016 @ The Rivers Secondary College Kadina, Lismore & Richmond River HS Campuses	
	Year 5 Captain speeches / election	Deadline for Mystery Tour note & \$10
Fri 4/12	Y6 Interrelate course @ Goolmangar PS Day 1 of 2 - transport by parents	

Coming events:

Mon 7/12	Y6 Interrelate course @ Goolmangar PS Day 2 of 2 - transport by parents	
	Mr Duroux @ Sports Awards day in Coffs Harbour / Miss Curran	
Thu 10/12	MYSTERY TOUR for all students - cost is \$10 per child (Permission Note sent home Thurs 19/11/15 on yellow paper)	
Fri 11/12	Awards Presentation 5pm	Xmas Tree 6pm
Mon 14/12	Y6 Farewell - involves Year 5 & Y6 students and parents (no siblings)	
Wed 16/12	Students last day of school for the year	

Regular P&C days: Tuesdays: 3-3.30pm Uniform shop Thursdays: Lunch orders by 9.30am Fridays: Canteen lunches served (pre-ordered only)

Awards presented at assembly this week, Friday 3pm

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD: **Liam S** for being a great role model for younger students

CAPA: **Lian F**

CITIZENSHIP: **Malakai**

ENVIRONMENT: **Joe**

SPORT: **Simon**

GOOD FRIEND: **Josie P** chosen by: Ivy P-W

BLUE AWARDS: **Bradley, Luke C** Congratulations. Students are awarded a Blue Award after receiving 10 Yellow awards in their class.

ACADEMIC

- K-1 **Baylie E** for persevering to finish typing
- 2-3 **Tamzyn** for an excellent descriptive poem
- Y4 **Lucy** for being a responsible mature student
- 5-6 **Leo** for excellent work in writing and art

GO FOR IT

- K-1 **Amber B** for her keyboarding skills
- 2-3 **Drew** for practising and demonstrating his swimming skills to the instructor
- Y4 **Bella D-G** for refining her swimming strokes
- 5-6 **Zac** for great work as a Peer Support Leader

THINKING SKILLS

- K-1 **Sidney** for great discussion during PE
- 2-3 **Wendell** for his quick response to being safe in the water
- Y4 **Elijah** for listening well and following instructions at the pool **Felix** for being a cyberwise quiz wizz
- 5-6 **Rani** for a fantastic attitude towards learning

LIBRARY

K-1 Austen

2-3 Tristan

Y4 Ivy P-W

5-6 Erika

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT *with Allan Duroux*

School Swimming Scheme

This program commenced this week and is running for 10 school days for students in years 2, 3 and some year 4 students. I'm pleased to say that despite a cold and rainy start to the week, the children are participating with enthusiasm. They are improving their swimming abilities and rescue knowledge every day. Please ensure you send the required items each day for your child to participate. Tomorrow, Friday 20/11/15, all students **MUST** take a pair of old, loose fitting pyjamas as part of the 'pyjama' safety test. Thank you to Mrs Skorjenko and Miss Sheridan for coordinating this invaluable program.

2016 Kinder Orientation

The Kinder Orientation program commenced this week. Our new students experienced 'BIG' school as they prepare to transition to Blakebrook Public School. The students are having a great time with Mrs Tate and are looking forward to being here all day tomorrow as part of our whole school transition day.

Whole School Transition Day

Tomorrow our whole school will transition to another class to gain experience of what may happen in 2016. Next year's classes have not yet been determined and tomorrow's allocation of students to teachers and classrooms is not indicative of 2016 placements.

Crunch and Sip

Each morning at 9:15am our school has an early morning tea before classes commence at 9:30am. During this time we encourage children to eat fruit or vegetables and to drink water. We kindly ask that you provide a healthy option for this time.

There has been an influx of non-healthy food making their way into lunch boxes of late. Lollies, lollipops, chocolate, chips and commercial fast food items are not permitted at school. We would appreciate your cooperation in providing your child with a healthy nutritious lunch each day.

P&C Meeting

The next general meeting for the P&C will be held next Tuesday, 24th November, starting at 5:30pm in the library. The meeting will be discussing the Presentation afternoon and Xmas tree celebrations for the end of the school year. I strongly encourage you to come along to have an input into our school.

Bus Zone Parking

Each school morning and afternoon the front of our school becomes a mini-Bus Transit Centre with numerous buses arriving to drop off and collect students from numerous schools. Parents and visitors are reminded **not** to park in the Bus Zone at the front of the school during the following times: Morning 8:15-8:45am. Afternoon 3:45 - 4:15pm.

Year 6 Farewell

This prestigious event will be held on Monday 14 December. Year 6 have decided to go Ten Pin Bowling from 4:30 to 5:30pm then return to school to have pizza for dinner, watch their commemorative DVD and cut their farewell cake. Year 5 and 6 students and parents are invited to attend however bowling has only been booked for the students. Parents are to make their own arrangements if they wish to have a bowl. A separate information note will be sent to 5/6 students in the near future.

High School Orientation visits for Year 7 in 2016

The Rivers Secondary College including the three campuses; Richmond River HS, Lismore HS and Kadina HS will hold two orientation days for our year 6 students transitioning to High School in 2016. These dates are Thursday 26th November and Thursday 3rd December 2015. These are full days and families must organise how students will travel to and from the High School on both days. These promise to be action packed days and will provide students with an opportunity to become familiar with the school, staff and general routines.

PEER SUPPORT at BLAKEBROOK PS - Week 7 update

In this week's Peer Support session the children will be exploring how to join groups and how to accept others into their friendship group. The activities will give the children a chance to practise these skills, as well as how to say no in a respectful way, cope with being told no and inviting others to join them.

Encourage your child to discuss with you the importance of saying no to people in a respectful way so that they don't lose friends. Also discuss with your child various options they have at school if they should find themselves without anyone to play with during break time.

Year 6 program "Moving into the Teen Years"

On Friday 4th December (Week 9) and Monday 7th December (Week 10) all Year 6 students are expected to attend "Moving into the Teen Years". This is a valuable program run by



Intrerrelate, and is being held at Goolmangar PS. Parents are responsible for transporting their children - you may decide to carpool amongst the other Year 6 parents. Students need to be at Goolmangar PS by 9.20am and picked up at 1.00pm. It is expected that students return to Blakebrook for the remainder of both days.

The cost of the four session program is \$32 per student and the deadline for payment and notes is Wednesday 25th November. This program happens each year for Year 6 students. Each Year 6 student received a paper copy (green paper) of the Permission Note last week. It was also emailed to our recipient list and uploaded to our school website. Please notify the school if your child will NOT be attending.

The Permission note & payment deadline is next Wednesday 25/11/15.

Mystery Tour

A Permission Note has been sent home today to each family on yellow paper. The subsidised cost of this event is \$10 per child. The deadline for returning notes and payments is Thursday 3rd December.

Students will need to take their school bag with lunch, recess, water bottle, swimmers, rash shirt & beach towel. School uniform & hat should be worn.

Library News with Mrs McInnes

Borrowing: has finished for the year. Please ensure you look for books at home and send ALL back.

2-3 Class News with Lois Skorjenko

- A reminder that the Intensive Swimming Scheme concludes tomorrow, Friday 20/11/15. All students must bring a pair of old loose fitting pyjamas to wear in the water during the "Pyjama safety test". They are also to bring their usual swimming gear.
- Make sure students pack a water bottle every day, especially now the weather is warming up.
- All students are to bring in an A4 display folder for the 2nd Semester Portfolio. You can easily buy from Big W, Kmart, OfficeWorks etc. You may purchase from school at a cost of \$2 each, however we have limited stock.





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Thursday 19th November 2015 – Week 7 Term 4

CANTEEN

CANTEEN ROSTER & MENU TERM 4 2015

Week 7	Fri 20th Nov	<i>Taco wraps (Mince/Taco Seasoning, lettuce, carrot, tomato & cheese)</i>	\$3.50
Work (9.30am - 1pm)		Karen Symonds	
Week 8	Fri 27th Nov	<i>Pie Day Meat Pies \$4.00 Sausage Rolls \$3.00</i>	\$4.00/ 3.00
Work (9.30am - 1pm)		Rachel Essery	
Week 9	Fri 4th Dec	<i>Toasted sandwiches (any comb. \$3.50 or cheese only \$2)</i>	\$3.50/\$2.00
Work (9.30am - 1pm)		Nicole Davey	
Week 10	Fri 11th Dec	<i>Sausage Sizzle (one bread & one sausage)</i>	\$2.00
Work (9.30am - 1pm)		Sharon Weir/Nicole Murray	

Any enquiries with canteen please contact Ali 0420 946407

FUNDRAISING

Shopping Bus Trip is NOW Saturday 5th December, 2015

We have 10 spare seats on the bus, if we are unable to fill by the 27th November, 2015 unfortunately it will not be viable for the bus to go. An advert has been placed in the local Echo as well as the community radio prior to the event.

The costs will be \$30 per person and we are looking at heading to Robina Town Centre. There are only two pick up points Blakebrook Public School 7.30am and St Carthages Cathedral, Leycester Street, Lismore 7.45am returning to the Cathedral approx 5.30pm and Blakebrook 5.45pm. Remember to bring boxes or bags for your shopping so it doesn't slide around under the bus.

Money raised will support our representative students and purchase equipment for the playground.

Name: _____ Contact Number: _____

Number of Seats required: _____ Pick up point: _____

Masters BBQ is on Sunday 6th December, 2015

Volunteers still needed for the day please contact Betty 0415 394354 with your availability!

P&C QUERIES - please contact Betty to assist on 0415 394354 not Wendy in the office thank you!

Next P&C meeting Tuesday 24th November, 2015 – Week 8, Term 4