

Blakebrook Public School Bulletin

Term 4 Week 3



Upcoming Events

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Week 3

Fri 1 Nov Canteen
Assembly 3.00pm

Week 4

Mon 4 Nov K-6 NRL Program
in Morning Session

Remembrance
Day Assembly
2pm

Wed 6 Nov Kinder Transition

Thurs 7 Nov Biodiversity Field
Day K-6
Excursion

Fri 8 Nov Move and Munch
Canteen

Week 5

Mon 11 Nov – Fri 15 Nov

K-6 Intensive
Swim Scheme

Fri 15 Nov Lord Taverner's
Sports Camp at
Corndale PS
(select students)

Assembly 3.00pm

Week 6

Wed 20 Nov Kinder Transition

Principal Report

What a fantastic start to the term! We had the Public Speaking Grand Final at Wyrallah Road Public School, with Ayla and Piper doing an outstanding job representing the school. We also had our Halloween Disco on Friday night. It was a joy (and a bit of terror) to see the amazing costumes and dance moves the kids brought!

This week marked the start of our K-6 NRL Development Blitz Program, and it was great to see everyone working on their touch footy skills. We had a guest last week speaking about environmental conservation and biodiversity in preparation for our excursion next Thursday. I'm looking forward to the school heading out to a property in Lindendale.

Mrs Kelly has started a choir group with the anticipation of presenting a couple of songs at the end-of-year presentation. Kindergarten Transition starts next week with Mrs Tate; it has been lovely seeing some new faces eager to join Blakebrook Public.

I had a productive meeting with the build team, and it was pleasing to hear that the project is moving along as expected, with foundation works progressing nicely. We have our Remembrance Day Assembly next week, and I look forward to taking a moment to recognise the people who have served and continue to serve in the tri-services.

Kind regards,

Al Coulter
Relieving Principal

Reports for Semester 2

We've updated the report grading language to better reflect a clearer understanding of your child's current progress. Previously, grades were described as follows:

A – Outstanding, now revised to A – Working Beyond Expected Level
B – High, now revised to B – Working Above Expected Level
C – Sound, now revised to C – Achieving at Expected Level
D – Basic, now revised to D – Working Towards Expected Level
E – Limited, now revised to E – Working Below Expected Level

Additionally, a brief description will appear on the front of each student report.

Week 3 Awards

Presented tomorrow Friday 1 November 3.00pm
(parents & carers welcome).

Principal Award: Riley – Recognition for significant growth in his learning

Library

Junior – Bryce

Senior– Chloe

C.A.P.A

Junior – Taylah

Senior – Maye Farrell-Reeves

K/1/2

Academic: Declan for showing many ways of regrouping objects

Go for it: Lincoln for working well in all group settings

Positive Behaviour Learning (PBL): Briana for being focused on her learning

Special Go for it award for the whole of K-2 for an amazing effort with the class play.
(Please note that this is one award given to the whole class)

3/4 Awards:

Academic: Evie for demonstrating exceptional persuasive writing skills and powerful arguments

Go for it: Gabe and Audrey for their courage and enthusiasm in embracing a new school adventure.

Positive Behaviour Learning (PBL): Rubie for outstanding teamwork and a true spirit of collaborative learning.

5/6 Awards:

Academic: Indie for improved effort in descriptive writing and extended vocabulary in her narratives.

Go For It: Blake for having a positive attitude towards learning and making good decisions

Positive Behaviour Learning (PBL): Indie Rose for consistently demonstrating respectful and polite behaviour inside and outside the classroom

Please note: students who have requested not to be published will have their name/face blanked out with an emoji

Rivers Public Speaking Grand Finals

Last Thursday, Piper & Ayla headed off to Wyrallah Road PS for the Rivers Public Speaking Grand Final. Piper was up first, presenting her speech on imaginary friends. Ayla was then up in the Stage 3 Category where she shared her amazing animal facts. It takes great courage to speak in front of such a large audience, we are so proud of your efforts! Well done Piper and Ayla, thank you for representing Blakebrook Public School at the Grandfinals this year!



Biodiversity Field Day Excursion: Next Thursday 7th November

Next Thursday, we have our K-6 Biodiversity Field Day excursion in Lindendale. As we are visiting a leafy conservation area we encourage students to take some precautions:

- **Students to wear long pants** to protect their legs from leeches and ticks. If possible a breathable/light long pant so students don't overheat. We will also have insect repellent spray on hand to help with this. Let us know if insect repellent is an issue for your child.
- **Wear enclosed shoes with good grip**
- All students must bring their **hat & water bottle**. This is particularly important with the warm days we have been having.

Consent Forms & Payments

Who	What	Cost	Due Date
K-6	Biodiversity Field Day Excursion	No cost to families	Consent form due Monday 4 Nov 2024
K-6	Intensive Swimming Scheme	\$25.00	Consent form and payment due Monday 4 Nov 2024
Year 6	Yr 6-7 High School Transition	No cost	Consent form due Tuesday 19 Nov 2024

Utilise your School Bytes Parent Portal to give consent and make payment. Contact the Office if you require a paper note.

Garden Club enter Lismore Show!

The Garden Club has been hard at work over the past few terms, planting an assortment of vegetables. Their dedication was rewarded at the recent Lismore Show, where they secured 2nd Place for their lettuce and silver beet. Congratulations to the Garden Club!



K-4 Visit Lismore Show!

The students from K-4 had the opportunity to attend the Lismore Show a few weeks ago. It was an exciting opportunity for the students to learn about agriculture, local culture, and community engagement. The day was filled with educational activities and hands-on experiences.

Upon arrival, students were greeted with a vibrant atmosphere showcasing various animal exhibits, including cattle, and poultry. The children were particularly excited to see the nursery animals up close and learned about their care and importance in farming. The environment team entered silver beet and lettuce that we had growing in our school garden and we were lucky enough to be placed second in both sections.

Lincoln, Ziggy, Piper, Audrey, Torah, Taylah, and Chelsea all liked going to the animal nursery that was one of their favourite parts of the show. Kobi's, Colby and Bryce favourite part was the VR's and the tv that they used in the forest learning display.

Jarvis, Chaz, Emmy, Rubie, Evie, Piper, Jess, Audrey, and Diablo loved watching the motorbikes flying through the air.

Connor and Torreto's favourite part was the monster trucks

Mahlo, Chaz, Torah, and Chelsea loved getting drenched by the jetpack display. Declan loved looking around the SES display and interacting with the activities they had there.

Hudson loved looking at the army equipment and trucks.

The circus was enjoyed by all students.

The Lismore Show excursion was a resounding success, providing students with memorable experiences and valuable lessons.

A big thank you to all the teachers, and Natalie McCarthy who made this excursion possible.

We look forward to future opportunities that enhance our students' learning experiences!

Mrs Kelly





K-2 MAKE A SPOOKTACULAR DESSERT!



With Halloween creeping up like a sneaky ghost, Mrs. Tate and the K-2 crew whipped up a spooktacular dessert! 🎃👻



2024 YEAR 6 OBSTACLE CUP



Next Tuesday – 5th November the school will stop for the annual Yr 6 Obstacle Cup. Yr 6 Jockeys and their trusty steeds will be doing a Jockey parade at 2:50pm. Parents and family members are welcome to come and cheer our Jockeys on through the Nutrition station, past the hydration station and onto the course.

Jockeys - Steeds

- Massimo: Tyrone Tysonious the 3rd
- Ayla: Sparkling Sigma
- Liah: Bullseye
- Luka: Jamaull Junior
- Darcy: Prancing Pedro
- Fin: Houdini



- Baxter: Jequarious Junior
- Alicia: Doughnut
- Carley: Buttercup
- Macklin: Mr Dontavious
- Lincoln: Jamaull
- Mikayla: Raging Potatoe

BPS Remembrance Day

Assembly

Monday – 4th November

At 2pm our School Captains will be presenting the 2024 Remembrance Day Assembly. Veterans from the Lismore RSL Sub-branch will be in attendance. Parents and family members are invited to come along for this special assembly. Remember to remember.



Lest we Forget.

P&C NEWS

NO MOVE & MUNCH TOMORROW

Unfortunately Move & Munch had to be cancelled this week due to volunteer availability. We hope to run the program again next week.

TERM 4 CANTEEN UPDATE

This term, the canteen will be operating differently. After careful consideration at the P&C meeting on 28/10/2024, we will be implementing some changes.

While we recognise that many families appreciated the convenience of pre-paid lunch ordering and a menu, these options will not be available this term. Instead, we will be offering a specific food item and a drink each Friday, with options changing weekly. We appreciate your understanding as we seek to enhance our services in the future.

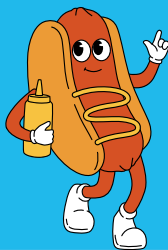
We look forward to revisiting our canteen offerings in 2025 and appreciate your continued support and understanding.

Thank you!

P&C

HOT DOG FRIDAY

Canteen this Friday 01/11/2024 will
be Hot Dogs
Hot Dog \$5each
Popper \$2each



BLAKEBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN HELPERS

Blakebrook Public School Canteen Roster.

Hi to all Parents and Carers,

Our School Canteen would love some help! We are asking for any parents/carers who can help out from 9am – 12.30pm for 1 or 2 Friday/s this term. **There is a roster below to help out with dates** - could you please fill in the spot that you are available with your name + ph. number or email and return the form to the office ASAP. We will contact you to confirm your date and will also send a roster home with the kids - fingers crossed we are hoping to get enough helpers to keep the canteen running for the kids this term!

Thanks,
Cassie.

Week 3 01/11/2024	
Week 4 08/11/2024	
Week 5 15/11/2024	NO CANTEEN SWIMMING
Week 6 22/11/2024	
Week 7 29/11/2024	
Week 8 06/12/2024	
Week 9 13/12/2024	

BLAKEBROOK P&C

CRAFTY CREATIVES CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Do you like to make?

Sew? sculpt? build? or bake?

Then please get in touch as we are once again looking for donations of hand crafted items for our end of year raffle.

Items can be dropped off at the school office by Monday December 9th or email us for further information

PLEASE SEND US AN EMAIL & GET INVOLVED

handmadehumans2023@gmail.com



P&C HALLOWEEN DISCO



A HUGE SHOUTOUT TO THE P&C FOR THROWING THE MOST FANG-TASTIC HALLOWEEN DISCO! THE KIDS HAD A GHOULISHLY GOOD TIME, AND THOSE COSTUMES? ABSOLUTELY SPOOKTACULAR!



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Before and After SCHOOL CARE

With **Rainbow
region Kids**

We are now taking bookings for NSW
SCHOOL TERM 4 in ALSTONVILLE, BLAKEBROOK,
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COORABELL, EVANS HEAD, KYOGLE, LISMORE,
LISMORE SOUTH, MULLUMBIMBY, OCEAN
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School Newsletter for new semester October 24

Rainbow Region Kids offers a safe, fun, social and educational space for before school care, after school care and vacation club during NSW school holidays.

Rebates up to 90% - our services are childcare subsidy approved which means that families can receive government payments and could be paying as little as \$5 per day. Conditions apply, so please refer to servicesaustralia.gov.au/child-care-subsidy

Free food for kids - all children receive a free, healthy breakfast at before school care and a free healthy afternoon tea at after school care.

Check out our website at nrcg.org.au/about-rainbow-region-kids for locations and hours of service your catchment area, call 0429 640 075 or email rrkassist@nrcg.org.au

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Murwillumbah office | Room 6, Murwillumbah Community Centre Nullum St, Murwillumbah NSW 2487 | Tel 02 66725552
Grafton office | 2/70 Prince Street, Grafton NSW 2460 | Tel 02 66434726

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