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NEWSLETTER – Mon 12th October 2015 - Term 4 Week 2

REMINDERS
Mon 12th Oct  James Sanders Music program 2-3pm Mondays for whole term
Wed/Thur 14/15 Oct  Mt Kanwary Sports Gala Days
Fri 16th Oct  Guest speakers at History assembly 12pm – Janet Henderson and Keith Upton
Fri 16th Oct  Sporting Schools Bounce Tennis Academy 12.30-1.30pm 7 week program
Tues 20th Oct  Radio 100.9 for selected students and their parents 9.15-10am
Wed 21st Oct  Road Safety Program consultant & planning
Thurs 22nd Oct  Jump Off Afternoon 2.30-3pm- Parents welcome!
Fri 6th Nov  Basic 1st Aide K-6 with Lloyd Cooper
Fri 13th Nov  CPR training Yr3-6 and staff 2-3pm, 4 -5pm
Mon 9th - Fri 20th Nov  Intensive Swimming Scheme- Tomaree Aquatic Centre K-6 10.45am -12pm
Thurs 10th Dec  Presentation evening 5-7pm
Wed 9th Dec  Yr. 6 student dinner

WELCOME back to another very busy term 4! We have plenty to organise and complete this term so please make sure you read our newsletter and stay informed on what is happening at Bobs Farm School! Welcome to Indy in Year 1 whose family has moved into Marsh Rd recently from Sydney. We are sure they have already been warmly welcomed into our Bobs Farm School family.

WANGAT LODGE BARRINGTON ANNUAL SCHOOL EXCURSION- Term 4 Wed 7th - Fri 9th Oct – WOW what a great time we all had! Thank you to Wangat staff; Ken, David and Dave who looked after all so well! Thank you to our FANTASTIC students for their manners, persistence and teamwork over the 3 days of hiking up hills and down dales, through rainforests and river beds whilst learning how to walk lightly using sustainable practices. Thank you also to Kirstie, Catherine, Lyn, Sadako, Kim & Megan for their kind supervision of the children. I’m sure we are all much fitter and knowledgeable for the experience. Read one of our student RECOUNTS which will be compiled for the Advocate RAAF newspaper for 27th Oct!

Wangat lodge
7.30am we jumped in our car and raced to the school to pick up Connor and we were on the highway to Wangat Lodge .A few hours later we arrived at Wangat Lodge and we dropped our bags off and ran to the ping pong table and played some games. While we were playing, the instructor came racing up and said, “let’s go bush walking!” We went to the big mountain and we walked up the mountain and it took 4 hours of bush walking and my legs were not even hurting. After that we went to our cabin and set up our beds, and then we went to eat dinner. We had chicken schnitzel for dinner it, was great. After dinner we went and had a shower and straight after went to our beds drifted off to sleep. Shshshsh!

By Baylie Barsley
“POSITIVE BODIES/ POSITIVE MINDS”- Gala day this Wed and Thurs 14th and 15th October at Maitland Park for all our students K-6 as per newsletter last term. See further attached information. Bobs Farm PS will pay for our students from Premiers Sporting Schools funds so it will be free! We need parent transport for Wednesday & Thursday but Barry can pick up and drive Soldiers Point mini bus on Wednesday if it is needed. If any other parent who has their bus licence can do this on either day it would be appreciated. Children to wear full school uniform and hat and take their own lunches and water bottles. Good idea for parents to take a deck chair or picnic rug. Please complete permission form at end of the newsletter and return to school no later than Tuesday 3pm.

NEW school Prospectus- Thank you to our local families who were able to sponsor some of the costs involved in updating and printing our new school brochures which will be disseminated in the local community during term 4. It looks great and will assist in growing our enrolments!

School water - Some parents have asked if we are affected by the Williamstown ground water contamination issue at Bobs Farm PS. No. Our school drinking water is provided by NeverFail chilled water for staff and students. Our bubblers (if used at all) are from tank water which is triple filtered. Only the toilets are flushed by ground water. We hope this allays any concerns.

RADIO 100.9- We will meet at the Salamander Radio station at 9.15am. Please make sure selected students have something to perform or read highlighting our upcoming activities at school.

Homework – Homework for primary will start next week. This week just learn spelling lists and complete more maths text and Mathletics. Please return maths texts by Friday so Mrs Elliott has time to make over the weekend as see what students have completed.

K-1-2 News - Welcome back to school for Term 4! It is going to be an extremely busy term, but K12 are going to learn a lot and have a lot of fun along the way. We are very fortunate to welcome back Natasha Armstrong, who will be completing her 4 week practicum starting in Week 3. I know that she has some wonderful lessons planned which the students will love. This term, I will be teaching on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, and Mrs Margan will be teaching on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Later in the term, I will be taking some Long Service Leave. I will be away from the 9th of November - 4th December. During this time, Mrs Margan will be covering the majority of my days. We will continue to communicate regarding student lessons, progress, assessments and end-of-year reports. This term our theme is ‘Space’ and K12 will be going on a ‘Space Odyssey’. Using literacy, Numeracy, PDHPE, CAPA and HSIE, to support this unit, this unit of work has a little bit of everything, and naturally, a lot of Science. Students will be learning about Space through hands-on experiences, as well as utilising technology. This term students will also be continuing to master many skills in Literacy and Numeracy, as we begin to wrap up the school year. K12, along with the primary class, will be learning performance pieces for our end-of-year presentation evening, so please keep your eyes on the newsletter for announcements. This term, Kindergarten Orientations will be happening in K12, so please keep your eyes peeled for dates and information, in the newsletter and on our Facebook page and spread the word to friends and family.

Jump Rope for Heart- Our Jump Off day will be on Thursday 22nd October from 2-3. Please come along to cheer on our students as they demonstrate some terrific skipping skills and we announce our fundraising
success. With 10 days left, there is still time to fundraise! Please help our students support the Heart Foundation and consider making a donation, or asking family, friends and colleagues to make a donation. **Money and fundraising forms need to be returned on our Jump Off Day.** You can also fundraise online. Please see me (Mrs Allen) if you would like more fundraising forms.

**Bobs Farm History Book** - Anyone is able to contribute to our publication over the next few weeks! Email memoirs, funny stories etc. to bobsfarm-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au. If you know of someone who should have a mention/write up in our book to be published next year please have them ring the school ASAP!

**Sporting Skills program funding for term 4** - We have organised Free Bounce Tennis to begin their program at Bobs Farm PS this week Fri 16th Oct for 7 weeks. This will occur at 12.30-1.30pm so all students are able to participate; slightly later when swim school is on. All equipment is supplied. Pack some extra fruit and water! We would also like to encourage any parents or community members who have **sporting qualifications and Working with Children Checks** that they too can register with the Sporting Schools Program and be a sports presenter at our or any other local school under the Sporting Schools Program. Just log into [www.sportingschools.gov.au](http://www.sportingschools.gov.au) read the information and follow the registration process and then let us know.

**Bus Driving at BFPS** - If any parent has their bus licence and **Working With Children Check** and would like their name put down on a school register of available drivers, could they please see the school office and complete the necessary paper work. From time to time we require a bus driver who can pick up a mini bus at late notice, if we do not have enough parent drivers for school activities. If we have a registry of several people it makes it easier to manage. Thanks.

**P&C Meetings** - We will have parent meetings this term as needed to organise end of year presentation night etc. We also need to organise a treasurer for P&C banking so that the Canteen can function smoothly at the beginning of next year. Other positions can be organised early next year. Can we organise an informal parent meeting during the Gala Sports day at Maitland on Wed 14th Oct?

### CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4 2015

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Final Roster for the year. If you are unable to do the day you have been allocated please try to swap with someone and let me know the swap.
Thanks again
Kirstie 0435821548

**MUSIC PROGRAM term 4** - We have the opportunity to have James Sanders run a Music program at BFPS term 4. The goals of the program are to nurture children’s natural sense of music, develop their co-ordination and focus, instil a sense of importance and deep respect for music, develop a sense of team work, increase their theoretic knowledge of music and assist children in learning the inter cultural and inter species importance of music. We will run choir and rhythm drumming. Please let Megan know if your child would like a private (or small group) lesson afterwards on a Monday afternoon as James is happy to stay back. Please send in the EOI form if you are interested in your child attending this.
James has organised songs for Presentation night and our Space theme this term.
I am interested in my child/children attending music lessons on Monday afternoons additional to class lesson. (the cost to be negotiated with James)

Signed ..........................................................Date ..................................................

PERMISSION FORM TO ATTEND GALA DAY AT MAITLAND PARK

I hereby give permission for ................................................................. to attend Maitland Park on Wednesday and Thursday 14th and 15th Oct from 9am to 2pm.
Transport will be by private car.
I can assist with transportation Wed........Thurs........number of car seat spaces........
I can / cannot assist....and my child/ren need a lift with another parent or staff member.
Car booster seat will be given to school......
I will take my own children to the venue and meet there......

Students need to be at school by 8.10am to enable us to arrive as close to possible to starting time.
Medicare Number.........................

Signed.................................................................date......

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