NEWSLETTER – Mon 14th September 2015 - Term 3 Week 10
WISHING EVERYONE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY!

REMINDERS
Mon 14th Sept  Summerhill PS Orchestral visit.
Fri 18th September  Last Day term 3, Canteen: Shea Brunt
Mon 5th Oct  Public Holiday
Tues 6th Oct  Students return.
Wed 7th-9th Oct  Wangat Lodge- Barrington Mountain excursion
Wed/Thur 14/15 Oct  Mt Kanwary Sports Gala Days

WANGAT LODGE BARRINGTON ANNUAL SCHOOL EXCURSION- Term 4 Wed 7th- Fri 9th Oct –
This is on the first week back next term so we must now be organised! Kinder and year one students and parents attend for the day only if more practicable for those littlies (parent cars on the Thursday).

Full permission notes will be sent home today. Please bring them back into school before the end of term. $60 pp is the total amount per child for children attending the overnight excursion. That needs to be paid before the holidays. Our P&C has kindly decided to donate $100 per student attending! Parents pay their own way which is $160 pp for three days which is still extremely cheap! This includes accommodation, catered food and meals, apart from own packed lunch on the first day and activities throughout the camp. It is always a wonderful learning experience for everyone involved.

This is a three day excursion which our P&C encourages as many as possible to attend with their financial support. If there are any financial difficulties paying the $60 per child please see Megan and some arrangements can be made so your children can still be part of this wonderful, nature inspired opportunity!

Itinerary, activities, what to pack, map and formal permission note is attached this week. Parents attending are; Kirstie Jolly, Shea Brunt, Kylie Cromarty, Lyn Fairhall, Sadako Pointer, Catherine Barsely as well as Mrs Elliott. We will be travelling up in convoy meeting at BFPS at 8.30am. Please return formal permission note to school by Friday.
K-1 students will travel by parent/ staff cars on Thursday 8th Oct for the day, meeting at school at 8.30am. Permission note attached for this separately as well.

SUMMER HILL PS BAND visit- Thank you to the staff and children for their wonderful 3 band performance (stage band, concert band and orchestral band for us today at BFPS! Also thank you for the lovely 125yr school cook book and pen you presented to us. It will come in useful for our cooking program with students!
**Bobs Farm History Book** - Megan worked on this last week and is meeting with WHO printing on Thursday afternoon in Newcastle to collate and get this project off and running. This is your last chance to get any information into our book and become part of our local area history. Anyone is able to contribute! Email memoirs, funny stories etc. to bobsfarm-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

**Community Engagement Funding** - We have received some additional funding for Community Engagement and would like to spend some of it on paying a parent or community member who has some **gardening** expertise to work on and add to our school gardens and outdoor learning areas. If you think you have the skills, time and energy please see Megan.

**Woolworths earn & learn program** – Thank you for everyone who brought in stickers.

**MUSIC PROGRAM term 4** - We have the opportunity to have James Sanders run a Music program at BFPS next term. 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 was thinking about songs for the Holiday concert.

1. Little drummer boy as a finale. It will incorporate both the little drummers (pun intended) and the little choir. Also, some songs that embody peace and good will towards all men.

**Music Lessons Monday afternoons**

I am interested in my child/children ............................................................attending music lessons on Monday afternoons.

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

**Partners in Learning Parent Survey Link** – Megan would like all parents to complete this survey. When parents have completed it, please sign the note below and then get your child to come and see Mrs Elliott as they will be able to choose a free book to take home and keep. This link is also on our Facebook page for easy access to the website.

Your school's access details to the Partners in Learning Parent survey:

- Parents and carers access the survey via this direct link: [https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/j_acsei_security_check?j_username=parent17781&j_password=Bob1271](https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/j_acsei_security_check?j_username=parent17781&j_password=Bob1271)

  - **Important Note:**
    - The link should open directly to the ‘Begin Survey’ page of the parent survey, and no login details should be required. Please **test the link** to ensure that the survey launches directly to the ‘Begin Survey’ page, and not the login page. In some document types (ie. Word), the link inadvertently opens to a login page.
    - If the survey opens to a login page, please **copy and paste the link into your internet browser**. This will ensure the survey launches directly to page one of the survey.

I have completed the Partners in Learning Survey. My child’s name ........................................
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TICKET PRICES

Standard Seats: $15.00

Concession Seats: $10.00

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VIP Seats: $40.00

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