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Brookvale News

Term 3 Week 9

Dates for the Diary				
i 13 September	Excursion to Glen St Theatre- Stage 2			
t 14 September	Staff Development Day			
on 16	Sydney FC soccer			
ptember	workshop with Stage 2			
les 17	Visiting scientist, David			
ptember	Morgan-Mar			
eds 18	Touch football			
ptember	competition – Stage 3			
i 20 September	LAST DAY OF TERM 3			
	K-2 and 3-6 lunchtime			
	discos			
TERM 4				
es 8 October	Students return to school			

Tues 8 October	Students return to
	school
Fri 18 October	Rugby League Clinic
	K-6
Sat 19 October	Brookvale Show
Fri 25 October	World Teachers' Day
Fri 25 October	Surf Life Saving talk K- 6
Mon 4 -Thurs 7	Swim School Yrs K-4
November	
Mon 11 – Thurs	Swim School Yrs K-4
	Swill School Its K-4
14 November	
Mon 11 – Fri 12	Surf Education and
November	Kayaking – Yrs 5/6
Fri 29 November	SCHOOL FAIR
Sat 30 November	Family picnic at Pine
	Street playground –
	11:00-1:00
Mon 9 December	Volunteers' Thank You
	Morning Tea
Thurs 12	Presentation Day
December	
Fri 13 December	Semester 2 reports
Fri 13 December	Year 6 Graduation Day
	Evening Christmas
T	Disco K-6
Tues 17	'Brookvale's Got
December	Talent' show
Wed 18	School Picnic Day
December	LAST DAY OF TERM

From The Principal

End of Year Awards

In past years awards have been given at a presentation event held in the evening. This year we are changing it to a day time event to ensure that all our students are able to attend. Please note the date in your diary, so that you can organise to attend. Our Presentation Day will be **Thursday 12 December** starting at 9:30am and finishing by 11:30am at the latest. We may need to have two separate sessions; K-2 followed by 3-6, we shall make that decision nearer the time, when we have an idea of how many parents will be attending.

Reading to your Children

On Friday afternoon our Teacher Librarian, Annette Murphy-Haste gave a very informative presentation to parents about ways to help your child with reading, and tips on encouraging a deep and life-long love of books. Annette inspired everyone with her passion for stories and she finished up by reading a book, 'The Werewolf Knight' to the audience. We were all on the edge of our seats wondering how the tale would unfold! I recommend you look out for Annette's next session in the library.

Reverse Lunch Break

The feedback received from the parent and teacher surveys was strongly in favour of making the reverse lunch break a permanent arrangement. I will send a summary of the feedback to every family this week.

Election Day

A very big thank you to the parents and teachers, who baked, bought or donated to the cake stall and gave up their time on Saturday to help out with cooking and serving the BBQ and selling cakes. Thank you also to the parents and school staff who have given their time throughout the season to park cars and cook sausage sizzles for the Sea Eagles home games. Your support of the school is very much appreciated and the funds raised are a great bonus to the school.

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Positive Behaviour, Engaging Learners (PBEL)

Congratulations to all students for following our school expectations and earning mini merits. Last week the Lucky Dip winners were:

RESPECT – Matthew Kidd RESPONSIBILITY – Giulia Carnevale PERSONAL BEST – Jesse Melani

Manly West PS - Questacon Exhibition

On the 4th of September Mathew, Ethan, Zach, Henry, Jasmine, Joel, Vivian, Nathan, Natalia and Tyler went to Manly West Public School to participate in the Questacon travelling exhibition and these are some recounts written by some of the students who went...

Ethan's Recount:

One of the activities at Questacon was the Musical Bottles. I worked in a group with Mathew and our mentor Joy from Mackellar Girls' High School and we made a video on the iPad with iMovie. This is a picture of the musical bottles.



Tyler's Recount:



The activity that I thought was the best was the ocean diver. The sinking diver is a bottle full of water with an upside down tube in it. To use the sinking diver you have to squeeze the bottle and the tube comes down. This is because of air pressure when you squeeze it and that is how it comes down.

Zach's recount:

I chose to do the bottle tornado. When all the water is at the bottom of the first bottle quickly turn the bottle around and shake the bottle around.



Mathew's Recount:



The activity I choose was the loop to loop. At the loop to loop you have to try to move the ringed rope around the poles so you can either take the rope off the poles or move the rope to a single coloured pole. This is a mind game activity.

We all had a great time at the exhibition!

Around The Stages – Early Stage 1

Beehive Rewards

At the beginning of Term 3, K-2 classes introduced a new positive behaviour system. Students are rewarded with a level on "the beehive" when they demonstrate whole body listening and follow the school values. When they reach the 'top of the beehive', the students choose a reward and start all over again. It has been a great success! Here are some of the choices that students have made in Kindergarten.



Sit at the teacher's desk

Read to the class

15 minutes free time



15 minutes computer time



15 minutes reading in the book corner

Class Blogs

Class blogs have begun in Kindergarten. This will be a great way to communicate and share individual and class achievements. We also hope that it will give you a glimpse into your child's day. Remember to check in for regular updates and reminders of upcoming school and class events! You can find us at: **kjbrookvale.weebly.com** and **kdbrookvale.weebly.com**

Learning Choices

Kindergarten students are beginning to make their own learning choices. During this time, selected activities are available to students once they have finished set tasks. Learning Choices enable children to take responsibility for their own learning – this will be guided by their own interest and experiences of success. It provides opportunities to independently practise skills already taught.











Kindergarten 2014 - Orientation Program



You and your child are warmly invited to come along for a taste of 'big school' during Term 4. This is a great opportunity to become familiar with the school and make friends with other pre-Kindy children, ready for starting school in 2014.

Monday 14	12:00-	Plant your own sunflower in the eco-garden, watch it grow each
October	1:00	week!
Monday 21	12:00-	Have fun on a scavenger hunt around the school, with a treat at
October	1:00	the end!
Monday 28	12:00-	Enjoy story time in our library, meet your Year 5/6 buddy 😊
October	1:00	
Monday 4	12:00-	Sensational fun with science!
November	1:00	
Thursday 21	9:30-	Orientation in the classroom - and presentation on literacy for
November	11:00	Mum and Dad
Thursday 28	9:30-	Orientation in the classroom - and presentation on numeracy for
November	11:00	Mum and Dad
Monday 2	12:00-	Get creative in the art studio!
December	1:00	
Monday 9	12:00-	Bring your favourite soft toy for a Teddy Bears Picnic!
December	1:00	

If you would like to attend any or all of these events please RSVP to the office – 9905 41684168

Assembly Awards - Week 6

Congratulations to the following students who received certificates at the Term 3 Week 6 assembly. Come and see the display in the foyer!

KD	Devon Kenshole	Vedansh Upadhyay	Ethan Lovey	Erica Halai
KJ	Sirinda Amornkool	David Song	Kiara McShane	Zahia Aili
1/2B	Oman De Vorms	Mua Jnr Leupolu	Daniel Yu	Jordan Butt
1/2LR	Jasmine Cheng	Riley McShane	Reyan Noim	Yusra Masalkhi
3/4A	James Tupou	Sarah Bashir	Sofia Dailhou	Dylan Goddard
3/4D	Daniel Shepherd	Joel Ronzini	Ethan Stenner	Annysa Dormis
5/6P	Tavita Leupolu	Nate Green	Melanie Randall	Hefzie Lutfi
5/6S	Hasyim Muhammad	Paige Ronzini	Elijah Cassidy	Ava Ramos
Tongan	Michael Halai	James Tupou		
ESL	Loewy McMahon	Sara Matin		

Band

Wow! What a great concert it was last Monday afternoon. We heard from the Concert Band, Trash Percussion Band, Choir and the Recorder Ensemble. All the groups sounded fantastic and everyone really enjoyed it.

This week we are looking forward to doing a blow test for Year 2 to see what instruments they are suited for. Don't forget to bring your instruments early on Monday!

Jason Smith Band Director

Knitting Club News





What an amazing response we've had with our Knitting Club! Every Tuesday, the library is abuzz with students from Kindergarten through to Year 6, parents, grandparents and teachers. Students sit and knit with their friends and they are showing improvement every week. We have had several finished pieces of knitting donated and we've wrapped our first tree! Have you seen it?

We're always looking for more as we've had such a positive response from parents and the community about how it looks, that we are hoping to wrap a few of the trees at the front of our school. If you can knit or you



know someone who can, ask them if they will donate some knitting to help wrap our trees.

Skye Surrest Assistant Principal

IMPORTANT CANTEEN INFORMATION

Unfortunately the canteen is very short on volunteers and due to the lack of response to the pleas for canteen volunteer helpers in last week's newsletter it is with regret and sadness to say that the

Canteen will be closed during the last week of school from Monday 16/09 to Friday 20/09

Our canteen is managed by Jackie who also puts in many voluntary hours every week, has other commitments this week and is unable to be there every day.

The canteen also needs lots more volunteers next term for the canteen to operate smoothly.

So if you or anyone you know of can help, fill in the form below and return it to school. I know time is precious but if you can spare even a few hours a day once a month it would be a great help.

CANTEEN HELPERS/VOLUNTEERS
Once a week
Once a fortnight
Once a month
Name
Child's NameClass
Contact Phone No
Email

Dee Why Family Dental *medicare*

Dental Benefit Schedule For Children
Commencing 1st January

What is the 'Grow Up Smiling' Schedule?

'Grow Up Smiling' is a Government funded dental benefit schedule that will pro- vide benefits for basic dental services for eligible children. <u>This schedule will replace</u> the existing Teen Dental Plan.

How do I know if my children are eligible?

Eligible children will be aged between 2-17 years, in families who meet a means test. This means test will be the same as the existing Medicare Teen Dental Plan, which requires receipt of Family Tax Benefit Part A or other certain government payments.

What does the benefit include?

Each child will have a total benefit entitlement of *\$1,000* over a two calendar year period. This benefit will provide essential dental services such as check-ups, X-rays, fillings and extractions (excludes crowns, bridges, root canal and orthodontic treat ment).

What do I need to do?

As the payment of benefits will be administered through Medicare, using details held by Centrelink or the Department of Veterans Affairs, you should ensure that your details are up to date.

To update your details with Medicare, phone the patient helpline on 132 011

For FTB-A matters, phone Centrelink on 136 150

To contact the Department of Veteran's Affairs, phone 133 254





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As there is no parking facilities available in the school grounds, parking at Westfield Shopping Centre in recommended.

AN INVITATION TO

Hornsby Girls High School

OPEN DAY

For Year 5 students seeking admission to this

Selective High School in 2015

Friday 11th October 2013

9.00am—11.00am

Parents and Students are asked to meet in the

School Hall

If you would like to participate in Band Workshops after Open Day please contact the school.