

# Brookvale News

#### Term 3 Week 1

Dates for the Diary				
Monday 22	Start Smart			
July	financial lessons			
Tuesday 23	Athletics Carnival			
July	K-6			
	CANTEEN CLOSED			
Wednesday	OPEN DAY			
31 July	11:00-2:00			
Thursday 1	ICAS English			
August	examination			
Monday 5 –	Week of Tastes			
Friday 9	(Stage 2)			
August	(5135 =)			
Friday 9	Peace Run			
August	9:15am			
Monday 12	School band from			
August	Queensland			
	visiting			
Tuesday 13	ICAS Mathematics			
August	examination			
Tuesday 13	'Fizzics' show for			
August	Science Week			
Friday 23	Illustrator visit for			
August	Book Week			
Friday 23	Zone Athletics			
August	Carnival			
Thursday 29	Fathers' Day stall			
August	Tour Addition			
Friday 30 August	• Zone Athletics			
August	Carnival			
	Fathers' Day			
	BBQ			
	2:45pm			
Friday 6	School			
September	photographer			
Tuesday 10	Excursion to The			
September	Observatory –			
Monday 16	Stage 2			
Monday 16	Sydney FC soccer			
September	workshop with Stage 2			
Wednesday	Touch football			
18 September	competition –			
	Stage 3			
Friday 20	Lunchtime discos			
September				

#### From the Principal

#### Hello and welcome back to school!

We are delighted to welcome seven new children and their families to our school this term – Joshua Wells (KD), Tanaz Fatima (KD), Yusra Masalkhi (1/2LR), Jessica Marreiros (1/2B), Taznia Islam (3/4A), Lasveta Pandiyan (5/6S) and Koshella Pandiyan (5/6P).

This promises to be a very busy, exciting, learning-filled Term 3. I have been reading the term overviews that teachers will be sending home to you this week and it's wonderful to see all the exciting activities that will be taking place. Some highlights to look out for are....

- Start Smart financial literacy lessons
- K-6 Athletics Carnival
- Open Day and Kindy Information Session
- Premier's Spelling Bee
- ❖ 'Week of Tastes' Stage 2
- Peace Run
- Science Week with 'Fizzics' show
- Book Week with an illustrator visiting
- Fathers' Day Stall
- Fathers' Day afternoon BBQ
- Stage 2 excursion to the Sydney Observatory
- Sydney FC soccer workshop
- Local schools' touch football competition
- Lunchtime discos

As you can see there will be a lot happening and we hope to see many parents and family members in the school enjoying some of these activities with the children.

#### **Athletics Carnival**

Next Tuesday 23 July, we will be holding our athletics carnival at Brookvale Park (weather permitting). This year all students from K-6 will be involved and will be at the oval for most of the day. Please come along if you can, it will be great to have an enthusiastic audience!

Please note – the school canteen will be closed for the day, children will need to bring their morning tea, lunch and a refillable bottle of water.

**Dads...**make sure you put Friday 30 August in your diary! We are having a

BBQ for you at 2:45pm to celebrate Fathers' Day. When the children come out from lessons at 3:00pm there will be some soccer competitions, games and raffles, so lots of fun for all. What a great way to wind up your working week!

#### **New Staff Members**

We extend a very big welcome to new staff members this term. Ms Maria Kortekaas has taken up the position of Assistant Principal (Relieving) and will be teaching KD. Mrs Michele Doyle will be working with our K-2 classes, focusing on reading comprehension. During last term we welcomed Ms Leanne Olson who is working with us as an extra Teacher's Aide, supporting children with individual learning programs.

#### Ready, Set, Grow

We have some exciting and ambitious plans for our garden area. Under the direction of Brian and Anne-Marie, we will be establishing some new large vegetable beds. Each class will be responsible for one bed and will soon be planting seeds! We would love to hear from any parents that can spare some time to help set this up.

#### **Reverse Lunch Surveys**

At the end of last term surveys were sent home to seek your feedback on the reverse lunch break that we have been trialling. Results will be evaluated next week and a decision will be made about whether or not to continue with this.

#### Flip Sport Gymnastics Classes

Today all students began their gymnastics program with visiting instructors from Flip Sport. The cost of the lessons will be included in the Term 3 invoice.

#### Positive Behaviour, Engaging Learners (PBEL)

Our PBEL expectations of respect, responsibility and personal best are working very well and we are seeing a reduction in the number of playground incidents reported by teachers on duty. Since the initial staff training, we have modified the program and it has evolved into a system that works really well for our school community. Children are praised and rewarded for making good choices and putting in good efforts in learning. Our PBEL award system includes...

- Stickers and stamps given by teachers in class (free and frequent).
- Merit certificates are awarded by teachers; these are presented fortnightly at assembly.
- 'Mini-merit' tokens are awarded to students by all adults in the school. The tokens are recorded on a class chart and then they go into the Lucky Dip boxes for drawing each week at assembly.
- At the end of each term three students from each class are awarded gold, silver or bronze achievement certificates, based on the number of mini-merits received.
- ❖ At the end of the year at Presentation Night, the students who have accumulated the most mini-merits throughout the year receive a gold, silver or bronze star pin.

Sometimes students may experience difficulty following the school rules and expectations, and need to follow an individualised reward system. This ensures that those students have their efforts recognised while working towards their behaviour targets.

#### **Internet Security**

A reminder to all parents to be very mindful that children are naturally curious and may attempt to look at images on the internet that are inappropriate for their age. It is highly recommended that you install child-proof security software on your home computer and only allow your children to access the internet under your direct supervision.

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#### From the Library

Parents and carers

On Friday afternoons from 2:30pm onwards the library will be open for afternoon tea. Come in out of the cold! You may like to borrow a book for your child or just have a chat with other parents.



Annette Murphy-Haste Teacher Librarian

#### 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** – Emily-Rose King

**RESPONSIBILITY** – Marika Tadulala

**PERSONAL BEST** – Shaqilla Thalib

If these expectations are also reinforced at home by parents it really helps to strengthen the home/school partnership.

#### **Stewart House School Clothing Appeal 2013**

Please return all Stewart House clothing bags to school by Friday 26 July.

#### **Tips for Parents**

#### Writing essays made easier

Rather than worrying about an essay for weeks, suggest your child get in some early preparation and have the self-belief that they can do it.

Find out more: <a href="http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/10-tips-for-writing-an-essay">http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/10-tips-for-writing-an-essay</a>

#### Sorting fact from fiction

You can't always trust what you read when researching information for homework, assignments or projects. Here are ways your child can tell a good website – or any document – from a bad one. Find out more: <a href="http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/sorting-fact-from-fiction">http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/sorting-fact-from-fiction</a>

#### What's in a game?

Among teen and preteen gamers, the names of violent video games travel fast. And before you know anything about these games your child wants to play them. How do you make an informed decision about what to buy?

Find out more: <a href="http://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/10-most-violent-video-games-and-10-alternatives">http://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/10-most-violent-video-games-and-10-alternatives</a>

#### Telling stories

Here's a great school holiday idea: have your kids create an entry for this year's Trop Jr film festival and in the process learn a little something about scripting, shooting, editing and copyright law. (Sneaky learning strikes again.)

Find out more: http://tropfest.com/tropjr/

#### Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards - Term 2

These students were awarded gold, silver or bronze certificates at the end of Term 2. These awards acknowledge consistent and continuous hard work, exemplary behaviour and outstanding citizenship. Well done boys and girls, this is an achievement to be very proud of!

	Gold	Silver	Bronze	
KD	Jack Xu	Ambrin Dawla	Orlando Finau	
KJ	Kiara McShane	Zahia Aili	hia Aili Jonathon Kidd	
1/2B	Caroline Tupou	Paige Cosentino	Rueban Roper	
1/2LR	Liberty Halo	Amelia Kew	Vansh Annam	
3/4A	Jesse Melani	Sila Sankey	Tiani Paitai	
<b>3/4</b> D	Annysa Dormis	Ethan Stenner	Tyler Smith	
5/6P	Janayah Tracey	Brianna Wilson	Ryleene Estanislao	
5/6\$	Ava Ramos	Giulia Carnevale	Paea Sime	

#### Merit Students - Term 2 Week 9

Congratulations to the following students who received merit certificates at the Week 9 assembly. Come and see the display in the foyer!

KD	Dejeon Tupou	Vedansh Upadhyay	Lile Takitaki	Anmol Hassan
KJ	Georgie Smith	David Song	Ariz Dawla	Hope Weng
1/2B	Chanel Finau	Brie Hawkes	Sila Siale Down	Jordan Butt
1/2LR	Natasha Haigh-	Michael Halai	Anthony	Jessica
	Treloar		Hemthong	Shepherd
3/4A	Tatyana Ngaro	Nathan Cheng	Sara Bashir	Dylan Goddard
<b>3/4</b> D	Tyler Smith	Natalia Petrolo	Sarah Randall	Jasmine Peters
5/6P	Kabir Panesar	Justin Leung	Janayah Tracey	Nate Green
5/6\$	Kayleen Falconer	Paige Ronzini	Matthew Kidd	Marika Tadulala
Tongan	James Tupou	Dejeon Tupou		
L&ST	Brooke Jones	Sofia Dailhou		
Enrichment	Caroline Tupo	Natasha Haigh-		
		Treloar		
ESL	Qorina Lutfi	Sara Matin		

#### **Knitting Club**

Next Tuesday we will be starting a knitting club to Brookvale Public School! We really want to be able to decorate some of the trees at the front of the school, like the one in the picture, but we know it will take a very long time. Can you knit? We are hoping for volunteers (mums, dads, grandparents etc.) to come and help us out.

We would also be very grateful for donations of brightly coloured knitting yarn and knitting needles.

For more information please see Miss Surrest.



### Like to See Your Kids More Confident in Maths?

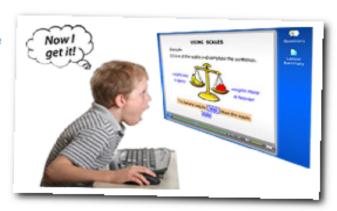
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# Keeping Kids In Mind

### A Course for Parents Experiencing Conflict After Separation

Parents love their children and want the best for them. However, after separation parenting often gets much tougher.

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assist parents to see through their children's eyes the experience of parental separation.

develop greater understanding about how to support their children following family separation.

The course covers the following topics:

- Grief and Loss after Separation
- The Hidden World of Children

#### Dates:

Term 3- 2013

6, 13, 20, 27th Aug and 3rd Sept 2013 (5 **Tuesday** evenings)

Venue: Brookvale Family Centre

Unit 9B, 44 Wattle Rd, Brookvale 2100

**Time:** 6.00 – 8.30 pm. Refreshments provided. **Cost:** \$110 - Certificate of Attendance is provided

#### **Registration is Essential:**

Ring: Rebecca Burnett-Smith or Fred Bretthauer **Brookvale Family Centre** Ph: **8968 5100** to register.

Participants must register, participate in a pre-group interview and pay prior to attending the course.

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