



Brookvale News

Term 1 Week 7

DATES FOR THE DIARY

TERM 1

Thurs 13 th March	Selective High School Test
Fri 14 th Mar 9:30-12:15	K-2 'Responsible Pet Owners' program
Tues 18 th -Thurs 20 th Mar	Parent /Teacher Interviews
Tues 18 th Mar	Stage 3 'Interrelate' program
Fri 21 st Mar	Harmony Day – wear something orange to school!
Thurs 26 March 2:00pm	Garden Club meeting in the staffroom
Tues 25 th March	Stage 3 'Interrelate' program
Tues 1 st Apr 2:00pm	- Stage 3 'Interrelate' program - P&C meeting
Tues 2 April	Autism Awareness Day
Weds 9 th Apr 2:00pm	Cross Country / Sponsored Run
Thurs 10 th Apr	K/2 and 3/6 lunchtime discos
Fri 11 th Apr LAST DAY OF TERM 1 11:30-1:00	- Grandparents Day / Easter Hat Parade - Cup Cake Sale!

STUDENTS RETURN ON TUESDAY 29TH APRIL

From The Principal

NORTHERN BEACHES LEARNING ALLIANCE - NBLA

Brookvale Public School is part of the Northern Beaches Learning Alliance (NBLA). The NBLA consists of Brookvale, Balgowlah Heights, Balgowlah North, Curl Curl North, Harbord, Manly West, Manly Vale, Manly Village, Seaforth, Narraweena, Dee Why and Beacon Hill Public Schools, along with the local high schools; Cromer, Balgowlah, Mackellar and Manly Campuses.

We are a community of schools united in sharing resources, best teaching practice and professional learning, benefiting all students in our schools.

Each year in Term 2 we hold a combined schools' Staff Development Day aimed at inspiring teachers to build on their strengths personally and professionally. The first day of next term all the staff of each school will meet at Beacon Hill Public school to listen and learn from Dr Michael Carr-Gregg, a well known child and adolescent psychologist who will be leading sessions on positive psychology. This fits in well with our PBEL program which promotes positive behaviour to engage learners.

Bev Maunder

Assembly Roster

TERM 1

Assemblies are held every Thursday in the hall at 2:25pm.
Parents and friends are very welcome.

Week 7	13 March	1/2J class item
Week 8	20 March	Awards Assembly
Week 9	27 March	SRC
Week 10	3 April	3/4D class item
Week 11	10 April	Gold, Silver and Bronze Star Certificates

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 – Mua Jnr Leupolu

RESPONSIBILITY – Sebastian Roper

PERSONAL BEST – Mackenzie Bell

Happening Soon...

There are several important dates for your diary coming up between now and the end of term.....

Parent / Teacher interviews will be held on **Tuesday 18 – Thursday 20 March**. When the note comes home please ensure that you send it back to school promptly indicating your preferred block of time for an appointment.

Autism Awareness Day – **Wednesday 2 April**. Each year we raise funds for ASPECT (Autism Australia) and carry out activities to raise awareness of autism. This year we are having a 'Blue Mufti' Day...gold coin donation please, and holding a raffle for a beautiful blue teddy bear (see details in flyer). We also donate half of the funds raised in the Sponsored Run.

Cross Country / Sponsored Run – **Wednesday 9 April at 2:00pm**. All students K-6 run on this day, although the actual carnival is for 8 years and above. We encourage all students to participate in the Sponsored Run to raise funds which are spent on playground resources and a donation to ASPECT for Autism Awareness Day.

K/2 and 3/6 lunchtime discos – Year 6 students run these discos at the end of each term. On **Thursday 10 April** students can bring \$5 to wear mufti, go to the disco and enjoy a treat. The money raised goes towards the end of year celebrations for our Year 6 leavers.

Grandparents' Day and Easter Hat Parade. This takes place on **Friday 11 April**, the day we break up for the holidays. Come along to join the fun! It will start at 11:30 and finish with a BBQ and cup cake fundraiser at 1:00pm.

GRANDPARENTS DAY CUPCAKE AND CAKES STALL

We will be holding a cupcake/cake stall on the day of the Easter Hat Parade.



Please help by bringing in some yummy treats for us to sell. These can be left in the office in the morning or you may want to bring it prior to the parade. Half the proceeds will be going to Autism Awareness, so you may want to decorate some cupcakes in blue as blue is the theme colour for World Autism Awareness month.

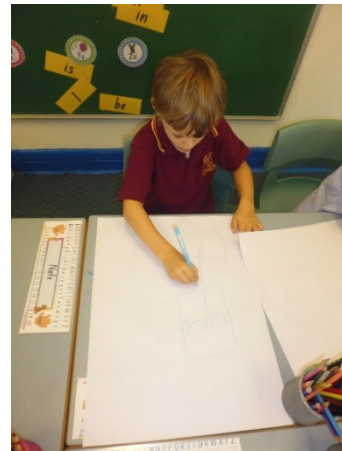


Let's help make Grandparents' Day a yummy success!

Around the Stages – Early Stage 1

What's on in Kindergarten?

Kindergarten has been exploring their school environment in the search for 2D shapes as well as gaining an understanding of mapping and position. We went on a walk around the school. The focus was on noticing objects and places in our school and where they are in relation to one another.



We are so proud of the maps we made!



Kindergarten has been learning about 2D shapes. We sorted shapes and found them everywhere even in our lunch!



We look at the artist, Paul Klee, and his work, 'The castle and the Sun'. We used shapes to create our own collages of 'The Castle and the Sun.'



Library News

The winners of our Library Lovers' Day competition are: Brydie-Rose Peters, Aya Bashir, Olivia Sebbag, Vivian Xu and Jesse Melanie. They all guessed that Possum Magic was the most popular book borrowed from school libraries last year.

Our school captain Kabir Panesar won the prize for reading most of the books on the list.

Premier's Reading Challenge 2014

- Is for children in Years K-9.
- Is a NSW government initiative.
- The aim is to encourage a love of reading for pleasure, experienced through quality literature.
- Is not a competition but a CHALLENGE!

Students in Years K-2 are automatically entered in the challenge so their parents or carers do not need to do anything. The books are all being read during class time and I will enter the information for each child in September when the challenge is complete.

For students in Years 3-6 however, each child (perhaps with parent help) needs to log on and enter the title they have read. Some class time during library will be devoted to showing how to do this.

For more information visit the PRC website <https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/logoff.html>

log on with your child's username and password

e.g. username – john.smith

password - ?

Year 6 – Moving into Year 7 in a NSW Government School in 2015

Expressions of Interest forms for placement in Year 7 at a NSW Government School in 2015 were sent home with students last week. Please complete the forms and return to Miss Surrest or Mr Pye before **Monday 17th March, 2014**. Students not wishing to attend a NSW Government Secondary School **must also return the forms** with the appropriate section completed. Thank you.

Skye Surrest

Assistant Principal

Selective High School Placement Test for 2015

Applicants for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2015 are required to take the Selective High School Placement Test to be held from 9.00am to 1.15pm on Thursday 13 March 2014. As per the note that went home last week, the test centre for students from Brookvale Public School is:

Northern Beaches Secondary College Cromer Campus

South Creek Rd

CROMER NSW 2099

We wish you the best of luck and know you are well prepared.

Skye Surrest

Assistant Principal

Ruby's Story

Brooke, Chris and their only daughter Ruby are a local family from Wheeler Heights. Brooke is a stay at home Mum and Chris runs his own tiling business. 17 month old Ruby was diagnosed as having a rare, malignant brain tumour in December last year. After being told that there was no hope for Ruby and that she would pass away within the following weeks or months, Brooke & Chris obtained a second opinion to be given hope. Renowned surgeon Dr Brian Owler advised he would operate and successfully remove the majority of the tumour. Due to the aggressive nature of the tumour and the fact that Ruby is so young and can only be treated with chemotherapy her chances of pulling through this are still only around 20-30%. Ruby is currently undergoing her first round of treatment at Westmead Children's hospital. The course of chemotherapy is approximately 6-8 weeks. After this time they will do an MRI to see if she is responding to the treatment. If she is then they will continue, if not then they will need to look at their options and decide whether seeking further treatment outside of Australia is an option for them.

EXCLUSIVE PREMIERE SEE IT BEFORE THE RELEASE DATE

To benefit Northern Beaches 1.5 year old Ruby O'Brien and her family with their ongoing battle with brain cancer

Wednesday 9th of April

Showtime: 6:00 pm

United cinemas Warriewood

\$30 Reserved seating

\$30 general admission

To buy tickets contact: Rubysnight@gmail.com

To Donate: <http://www.gofundme.com/Ruby-OBrien>





April Holiday Camps

14 - 24 April 2014

For 5 – 13 year olds - 9am – 3pm

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- Laser Football & Bubble Football,
- Organise a team of mates.
- Team Registration \$200.

8yrs Mon 14/4, 9-10yr Tues 15/4, 11-12yr Wed 16/4, 13-14yrs Thu 7/4, 14-15yrs Tue 22/4, 15-16yrs Wed 23/4 17yrs Thur 24/4

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