# Brookvale PUBLIC SCHOOL AN OUTSTANDING EDUCATION FOR YOUR CHILD

## TERM 3 – WEEK 8

DATES FOR THE DIARY		
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Mon 1 Sept	Zone Athletics Carnival (field)	
Tues 2 Sept	Zone Athletics Carnival (track)	
Tues 2 Sept	Environmental Workshop – Stage 2	
Tues 2 Sept	2:00pm P&C Meeting	
Weds 3 Sept	'Lunch with the Stars' library event	
Weds 3 Sept	'Great Book Swap'	
Thurs 4 Sept	Fathers' Day Stall	
Fri 5 Sept	2:45pm Fathers' Day BBQ	
Mon 8 Sept	'World of Maths' incursion	
Thurs 11 Sept	K-2 excursion – 'The	
	Gruffalo' Glen Street	
	Theatre	
Fri 12 Sept	Jump Off!	
Weds 17 Sept	Primary Proms Concert	
Fri 19 Sept	K/2 and 3/6 lunchtime	
	discos	
Fri 19 Sept LAST DAY OF TERM		
STUDENTS RETURN ON TUESDAY 7		

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# From The Principal

#### **Congratulations Jessica!**

Last Tuesday was a very exciting day for Jessica Shepherd as she set off to the city to compete in the regional final of the *Multicultural Public Speaking Competition.* Giulia Carnevale and Jasmine Peters also went along to support Jessica and to assist the organisers with the running of the competition. Jessica was the only Year 3 student who got through to the final and was competing against Year 4 students, what an achievement! Jessica delivered her prepared speech, *'Can Kids Make a Difference?'* very well and also presented a good impromptu speech. We are very proud of Jessica's success in public speaking. Thank you Mrs Lizzie Smith for helping to coach Jessica and for taking our students to the competition. A great experience for them!

#### **Zone Athletics Carnival**

Good luck to our team of super athletes as they compete in the track and field events on Monday and Tuesday....go Brookvale!

#### Lunch with the Stars

Eight lucky Year 6 students who are avid book lovers will have a fabulous experience on Wednesday when they go to *'Lunch with the Stars'* with Mrs Murphy-Haste. This annual event is held at the old St. Patrick's Estate in Manly. They will enjoy a delicious

lunch while being entertained by a famous author at their table. Can't wait to hear all about it.

### **Great Book Swap**

Don't forget to bring books to donate and some gold coins to the book swap on Wednesday. WE want to raise a good amount to support indigenous literacy initiatives.

### Fathers' Day Stall

A great range of gifts will be available on Thursday....don't forget your \$8!



**Fathers' Day BBQ!** See you at the BBQ on Friday starting at 2:45pm.

Bev Maunder

# 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 – Thomas Morgan RESPONSIBILITY – Jackson Kira PERSONAL BEST – Channing Liu

# **Assembly Roster**

TERM 3			
Assemblies are held every Thursday in the hall at 2:25pm.			
Parents and friends are very welcome.			
Wk 8	4 September	Awards	
Wk 9	11 September	SRC	
Wk 10	18 September	Gold, Silver, Bronze Awards	

# **Mathletics and Reading Eggs Awards**

Congratulations to our award recipients for Week 7!

	Super Mathlete	Reader of the Week
K-2	Sophie Sommer	Ariz Dawla
3-6	Lucy Watt	Jayden Askew

Skye Surrest (Assistant Principal)

# **Indigenous Literacy Day**

# **'The Brookvale Public School Great Book Swap'** Wednesday 3 September

# FACT: In the very remote areas of Western Australia, South Australia and the Northern Territory, 40-60% of Aboriginal children are not achieving the minimum standards for Reading in Year 3.

The Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF) works to raise literacy levels and provide books and literacy resources to children and families in remote communities across Australia. Books, especially those appropriate for children are rare in these communities. Without books, children cannot develop the basic literacy skills that most of us take for granted. Without books, these children do not have the same opportunities to develop a life-long love of reading.

In support of the incredible work of the ILF, our school will join many other schools in holding a 'Great Book Swap' event on 3 September.

#### HOW IT WORKS...

**NOW:** Each child brings a book to school, one that they love but can bear to give away. (Book Collection Boxes are in classrooms now.)

**ON INDIGENOUS LITERACY DAY:** Students donate a gold coin for the right to choose a new book from the collection.

The ILF will use the money our school raises to provide new books for Aboriginal children in remote communities. *María Kortekaas* (Assistant Principal)

# Around the Stages – Stage 2

This term we have been learning to write information reports. We started writing about Australian animals and then we were allowed to choose a topic of interest. This is Tyler Smith's fantastic information report on snails.

# <u>Snails</u>

#### **Description**

A snail can be a different size or shape depending on what type it is. A snail leaves a trail of mucus behind it where ever it goes. A snail is a mollusc. Snails can be about 3 centimetres long to about 12 inches in length.

#### **Reproduction**

It is really easy for snails to have babies because all snails can be a male and a female at the same time so they can have lots of babies whenever they want.

#### **Predators**

The bad thing about snails is that they are very slow and can't out run any other animals so that makes them easy to get. The other thing that isn't good about snails is that they leave a trail of mucus behind, so predators of the snail like leeches, beetles and caterpillars can follow the trail of mucus to the snail for their tasty snack.

#### <u>Diet</u>

Snails usually feed on a variety of different items found in their natural habitat. What they'll consume depends on where they live and what species they are. Some common items for their diet include plants, fruits, vegetables, and algae. Plants that are decaying are often a good meal for them. To get calcium and a stronger shell, snails will usually eat the dirt.

#### Interesting facts

Some snails actually hibernate during the cold months of the year. They cover there body's with a thin layer of mucus, which prevents them from drying out. The largest snail in the world is the Syrinx Aruanus and it is 91cm long and weighs up to 18kg.

By Tyler Smith 3/4A

#### 3/4A Performance

Last week 3/4A performed a song about friendship to Justice Crew's Que Sera. Great Job 3/4A!









# Checkout our amazing Australian themed artwork!



# From the Garden Club

**Gardening News - Ready Steady Grow** We are in our second year of the council program 'Ready, Steady, Grow'. The council started the program in local schools to encourage an awareness of sustainability. At Brookvale we now recycle, compost our food scraps, grow our own fruit and veggies and look after our chickens (who provide us with delicious fresh eggs and also eat our unwanted scraps).

In week 6, the Garden Club had a very busy day harvesting our crops of kale, spinach and herbs. Our keen gardeners then spent their lunch time hastily bundling and sorting our produce so it could be sold to parents and teachers after school. The children proudly carried their baskets of produce around the playground and sold bundles for a gold coin donation. The children felt such a sense of achievement when they realised that they had started with a seed just 8 weeks ago and now, not only have they grown a very healthy crop of produce, but they have earned some extra money for next season's planting.

Thank you very much to all of the Garden Club for all their hard work! Mrs Dixon













# From the office

**Group Photos**: Leadership Team, library monitors, Choir, Band, SRC are now available for viewing either at the school office at a cost of \$18 or online via <u>www.advancedlife.com.au</u>. Discounts apply on line. Order code: **DLT K3J 1T9**, Job No: **MLB358-1A**.

**Sports photo day is this Friday 5 September** so if were in netball, soccer, zone swimming, athletics, cross country or regional swimming, please make sure to wear your best clean sports uniform.

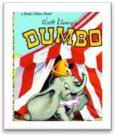
## Library News





During lunch hour several sleuths have been guessing teachers' favourite books. Students have been asking for clues and then matching the photos to the book covers. A syndicate of three students (David Song and Jude Pangilinan and Reyan Noim) have joined forces to find the answers. They know the power of combined thinking. This group call themselves the Mystery Winners. Anmol assan is striking out on his own.

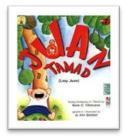
This week's guesses which have proved correct:



Anna



Mrs Smith



Lourdes



Mrs Staniforth

Annette Murphy-Haste (Teacher Librarian)

# **P&C News**

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A Family Portrait for only \$15! For your \$15, you receive your choice of a 10×13 inch colour print or a pencil sketch with a bonus keyring with a family photo to fit. Additional photos will be available for purchase at **no obligation**.

This is a wonderful fundraiser for our school. 100% of the money retained goes to Brookvale Public School but we need a minimum of 30 families to take part, so invite your neighbours and friends.

To book your sitting time please contact the school office.

# Is **anxiety** an issue for you?

12 week

<u>self-help</u>

program

Do you...

- Fear participating in social situations or being the centre of attention?
- Fear going into public places or leaving your house?
- Have panic attacks where you breathe rapidly, or feel like you are having a heart attack?
- Fear specific objects or situations such as driving, dogs, spiders, lifts or heights?
- Repeat actions like washing and checking in order to prevent something bad from happening or fear contamination from germs or disease?
- Avoid activities due to the anxiety experienced whilst contemplating them? Or
- Have you at some time taken part in a behaviour therapy treatment program and would like to continue working on your anxiety issues?

# Join our local self-help group

- Group members are guided, step-by-step through a program of gradual exposure to help overcome their fears.
- All enquiries are treated confidentially and details of the venue will be given after a phone assessment.

#### Next meeting: 10/09/14 Wed 6:30-8:15pm Location: Dee Why Cost: FREE

Contact Linda Junee on **02 9339 6093** or selfhelp@mentalhealth.asn.au for more details



mental health association nsw https://www.mentalhealth.asn.au/findsupport/self-help-group-program

Part of the Facing Anxiety program – Developed by Mental Health Association NSW



### THE BEST HOLIDAYS HAPPEN AT CAMP

Choose from over 30 exhilarating camps at 10 locations across NSW these school holidays.

Our Sport and Recreation Centres offer over 40 activities for kids aged 5 to 16 years. Try your hand at fishing, mountain biking, kayaking, abseiling, crafts, cooking or flying fox. You're sure to find a camp the kids will love.

#### Kids' Camps from \$45 per day

Call 13 13 02 fb.com/wsportandrecreation www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps



office of Sport Sport & Recreation



# **Spring School Holiday Camp**

#### Tennis \*Futsal \*Basketball\* Squash\* Cricket \*Volleyball

Don't miss the opportunity to join the famous holiday camps at the WRC North Manly. Children will enjoy challenging themselves in loads of different sports. There will be coaching, competitions and tons of fun. We also have a full wet weather program in case of rain.

Dates: Week 1: Sept 22 - 26 Week 2: Sept 29 - Oct 3

#### Times: 8:30am to 6pm (activities between 9am and 3pm) Costs: \$40 per day, \$150 for any 5 days, \$280 for 10 days

#### Term 4 WRC North Manly Tennis and Sports After School Program FREE TENNIS OR MULTSPORT LESSON OFFER

Winter sports are about to wrap up and the summer sports are about to start. Book your child in for a free tennis or multisport today for before the new term begins: Call 99381831 or email wrc@voyagertennis.comPrograms are every day after school from Mon-

day to Friday.

Book and pay online at www.voyagertennis.com and click on the North Maniy tab

Enquires: Contact wrc@voygertennis.com or call 99381831



#### Join our Summer Fun at Manly Nippers!

A Surf-lifesaving programme for all 5-13 year olds conducted at Manly Beach every Sunday morning from October to March.

Manly Nippers learn about:

- Surf Safety and Awareness
- Surf Sports Skills
- Personal development and leadership, including teamwork and self-confidence.

#### Register at Manly LSC on Sunday 7 & 14 September from 8.30am to 12.30pm.

Further info www.manlylsc.com.au/nippers

2010-2014 NSW Junior State Champions!