Dear Parents,

What a wonderful event our Easter Hat Parade was on Tuesday. Congratulations to all the children on the wonderful hats they made and the excellent dancing they performed. Thank you to all the parents for their outstanding support of this event. A big thank you to the K-2 and Support staff on their organisation of the Easter Hat Parade and to our many volunteers that helped on the Sausage Sizzle.

Congratulations to our Boys Cricket Team on their success over Mudgee Public School on Tuesday. Mr Datt was thrilled with the boy’s behaviour and sportsmanship on and off the pitch. Well done all.

All the children that attended Myuna Bay had a great time. We are still hearing lots of stories and looking at photos of things that occurred. A very big thank you to Mrs Sharon Cafe, Mrs Helen Healey, Mrs Carly Guihot, Mrs Robbie Henderson, Mr Dean Windsor and Mrs Di Mooney who did a spectacular job in caring for all of our children last week. They ensured all of the children experienced new opportunities and activities and it has been wonderful to watch how our entire Stage 3 group have bonded because of these experiences. Thank you all for your work!
Lots of day to day happenings are being placed on Facebook for all parents to follow. Lots of photos and videos from Myuna Bay and the Easter Hat Parade are on there as well as student work in the classroom. Please like us on Facebook to follow what is happening at Bathurst Public School.

Like Bathurst Public School on Facebook!

Our School Newsletter will now be uploaded every Thursday so all parents receive information at the same time. Please refer to our website at www.bathurst-pschools.nsw.edu.au to download the weekly newsletter.

Have a wonderful Easter long weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday 2nd April, 2013 at 9am.

If any parent has any concerns regarding any aspect of school life, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards
Kate White
Kate White
Principal

Arrival and departure time for school

Parents are reminded that school begins at 9.00am each day. Teachers are on duty from 8.30am on the top quad and COLA area. Children should not be dropped to school before this time as the playground is unsupervised. Please ensure this is adhered to for the safety of all of our children.

School finishes at 3.00pm. Children who catch buses go to the COLA where they are supervised by teachers until buses arrive. Children who are picked up from the front area of the school sit on the front lawns, are supervised by staff and leave via the front gates when parents arrive and park their car. The teacher remains on duty till 3.20pm so parents are asked to ensure their child is picked up by this time.

Parents are asked to please ensure they inform their child/children where they need to go after school and how they are getting home before children come to school in the morning. This will ensure that children do not get distressed in the afternoon.

Assemblies

- Wednesday 3rd April – Primary (3-6) Assembly – 2.10pm McMullen Hall – 3/4W Feature Spot
- Friday 5th April - Infants (K-2) Assembly – 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – 2D showing work or an item
Swimming Program in Term 4

The 10 day intensive Swimming program will occur from Monday 25\textsuperscript{th} November to Friday 6\textsuperscript{th} December 2013. This program is available for all children in K-6. A note has been sent home this week regarding the program. The cost of the program in 2013 is $95.00. I strongly encourage parents to pay this program in instalments if they are interested in their child/children participating.

School Contributions

School Contributions for 2013 have been set and are now due. Fees can be paid by sending cash or cheque in a sealed envelope with your child’s name, class and School Fees written on the front to the front office at school. Alternatively parents can come to the office and pay by cash, cheque or EFTPOS. The fees are:

- $50.00 (1 child)
- $90.00 (2 children)
- $120.00 (3 or more children)

There is also a $15.00 Technology levy and $15.00 resource levy payable for each child. This assists the school to purchase new resources for the children to use in the classroom.

School Disco

A School Disco will be held on Thursday 11\textsuperscript{th} April in the McMullen Hall.

- K-2 – 5.30pm-7.00pm
- 3-6 – 7.00pm-8.30pm

Entry is $2 at the door.

More information available soon.
**PBL News**

**PBL WINNERS FOR THE WEEK**

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**CONGRATULATIONS** to all these people for being **SAFE, RESPONSIBLE and RESPECTFUL learners**

**WEEK 9**

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**FOCUS FOR THE WEEK**

Lining up under the cola
Easter Hat Parade
2013
Easter Hat Parade 2013

A wonderful day was had by all at the Easter Hat Parade! The hats were amazing, the students were very excited and there was a wonderful turnout by parents and visitors. Thanks to all the generous donations, we were able to raise $3081.10 which will contribute towards our yearly $1000 contribution to Stewart House.

Thank you to all teachers, parents and volunteers involved in making the Easter Hat Parade such a success!

QuoCKa Reading

This term, 1C have been fortunate enough to be involved in a fantastic reading program known as QuoCKa (Quota, Cops and Kids Reading Together). Volunteers and police officers have devoted 45 mins each Thursday to read with the children of 1C. As you can see by the smiles on their faces, the students have thoroughly enjoyed it and are delighted with their parting gifts...a book each to take home!
Easter Holiday
road safety tips

As the Easter long weekend approaches, thousands of families are set to hit the roads for holiday trips. A concern for everyone across the country is always that of road safety over the long weekend. There are more people using our roads at this time meaning there is a higher risk for accident, injury or even death. Motorists are urged to be extra cautious especially at night and when passing through residential areas, due to the unpredictable actions of pedestrians. Here are some useful road safety tips you can take in to make sure your journey is a safe one:

- Don’t set off on a long trip at the end of a day’s work.
- Sleep well before travelling. Don’t drive at times you would normally be asleep.
- Take a 15 minute break outside your car every two hours. There are almost 100 community driver reviver sites that operate throughout NSW during holiday periods.
- Eat well balanced meals at regular times. You need the energy for brain activity and concentration while driving.
- Do not use your mobile phone while driving. Turn off your mobile phone or keep it on silent.
- Pack some quiet activities for the children in the car such as portable DVD players, books, small computer games, portable music player with headphones.

*Please remember that children are inexperienced road users and that it’s important they are supervised in the traffic environment. Please remember to:*

- Hold your child’s hand while in the car park, on the footpath and when crossing the road.
- Always buckle up in your seatbelt and follow the national child restraint laws for 0-7 year olds.
- Help your children exit the car using the rear passenger door on the footpath side.
- Ensure your child wears a helmet and rides in a safe place away from the road while on a bike, scooter or skateboard.

**Easter /ANZAC double demerit period**

Double demerit points apply to all speeding and seatbelt offences from Thursday 28 March to Monday 1 April inclusive. Demerits also apply in the ANZAC period 24-28 April inclusive.
P&C News

We will be holding our **2013 Annual General Meeting** on **Wednesday 15**\(^{th}\) of May in the staffroom at 7:00pm. All of our committee positions are available; President, Vice President (2 positions), Treasurer and Secretary. You are most welcome to join us should you wish to volunteer for one of these positions.

If you would like more information on what is involved with any of these positions, please contact Amanda Lynch on 0410 546 553.

Our next P and C meeting will be held after the AGM on Wednesday 15\(^{th}\) of May. We would love to see you there.

Canteen News

The school canteen will be open every Monday, Wednesday and Friday throughout the year.

Attached to this newsletter is a copy of this terms price list. Please refer to this when making orders. Thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers. The staff and children appreciate the time you give up to be with us in the canteen.

Canteen Committee

**Canteen Volunteers Roster**

Friday 29th March – Good Friday (Canteen closed)
Monday 1\(^{st}\) April – Easter Monday (Canteen closed)
Wednesday 3\(^{rd}\) April – T. Tonkies

**Clothing Pool**

If you have any uniforms you no longer need, please donate them to the clothing pool. All donations can be left at the office. If you would like to see what clothing is available in the clothing pool, access can only be made through Liz Arrow. Liz can be contacted on 6334 2853 to organise a time.

**Term 1 2013 Calendar**

- Friday 29\(^{th}\) March – Good Friday Public Holiday
- Monday 1\(^{st}\) April – Easter Monday Public Holiday
- Wednesday 3\(^{rd}\) April – Primary (3-6) Assembly – 2.10pm McMullen Hall – 3/4W Feature Spot
- Friday 5\(^{th}\) April - Infants (K-2) Assembly – 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – 2D showing work or an item
- Friday 5\(^{th}\) April – Paul Kelly AFL Cup Bathurst
- Monday 8\(^{th}\) April – Toonschool Workshop for years 3-6 – Accepting challenges and achieving goals
- Tuesday 9\(^{th}\) April – Toonschool Workshop for years 3-6 - Accepting challenges and achieving goals
- Wednesday 10\(^{th}\) April – ANZAC Service at 2pm in the McMullen Hall
- Thursday 11\(^{th}\) April – PBL Morning Tea at 11.15am
- Thursday 11\(^{th}\) April – School Disco – K-2 from 5.30pm-7.00pm and 3-6 from 7.00pm-8.30pm
- Friday 12\(^{th}\) April – PBL whole school reward day
- Friday 12\(^{th}\) April – Last Day of Term
Term 2 2013 Calendar

- Monday 29th April – School Development Day
- Tuesday 30th April – School Development Day
- Wednesday 1st May – Children in Years K-6 return
- Tuesday 7th May – School Public Speaking Finals
- Wednesday 8th May – 3-6 Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – 4/5C feature spot
- Thursday 9th May – Monster Band Day held by the Mitchell Conservatorium at the BMEC
- Friday 10th May – Awesome Orchestra Day
- Friday 10th May – Mother’s Day Stall
- Friday 10th May – K-2 Assembly at 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall– 1W presenting work or an item
- Tuesday 14th May – NAPLAN – Language and Writing
- Wednesday 15th May – NAPLAN - Reading
- Thursday 16th May – NAPLAN - Numeracy
- Tuesday 21st May – CWA Zone Public Speaking Finals at Kinross
- Wednesday 22nd May – 3-6 Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – 5/6H feature spot
- Friday 24th May - K-2 Assembly at 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall– 1NJ presenting work or an item
- Wednesday 5th June – I explore and I learn – Year 6 to Year 7 2014
- Wednesday 5th June – 3-6 Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – 5/6A feature spot
- Friday 7th June - K-2 Assembly at 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall– KE presenting work or an item
- Tuesday 11th June – NAIDOC Public Speaking
- Wednesday 19th June - 3-6 Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – 5/6G feature spot
- Thursday 20th June – Reports Home
- Thursday 20th June – Athletics Carnival
- Friday 21st June - K-2 Assembly at 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall– KK presenting work or an item
- Friday 28th June – Last Day of Term 2
Myuna Bay Stage 3 Camp