Dear Parents,

Bathurst Public School students have had a very exciting past week. Musica Viva on Friday was a huge success, with students enjoying the sounds of Mara. On Tuesday afternoon, Stage 1 students enjoyed a visit from Stewart Street Vet Clinic as part of their unit Workers in the Community. At 11:00am on Tuesday, students gathered to remember those who have fought and died in the service of our country. I must commend the students on their level of respect during the ceremony, and to the students of Kindergarten who made our poppy wreaths.

Whilst we were holding our school Remembrance Day Ceremony, our School Captain, Charlie Dunn, was presenting the Occasional Address for the Bathurst Remembrance Day service at the War Memorial Carillon. His speech not only reflected the meaning of Remembrance Day but also the importance of remembering for our future generations. Congratulations, Charlie, on your outstanding representation of Bathurst Public School and your amazing speech.

Picture care of the Western Advocate
Good Morning Ladies and Gentleman, Officials and Serving Personnel.

We are here today to remember and commemorate the acts and services of the Australian citizens who fought in WW1.... On Remembrance Day we traditionally set aside a few minutes of silence to remember the sacrifice of those who died in the Great War.

This year I have learnt that WW1 involved 70 million people. 332,000 Australians fought and 6,000 lost their lives. 15,200 were wounded. In Bathurst a bronze honour roll will be unveiled at the Carillion next year on Anzac day for 430 locals who served. There were many more people involved both in conflict and support roles.

This year my school travelled to Canberra to the Australian War Memorial. We were privileged enough to be at the closing ceremony in which I and my fellow school captain laid a wreath. As I bent down with the wreath it dawned on me how far reaching the effects of war are. I observed a large percentage of the people there were weeping in memory, and I felt full of sympathy and sadness for the people who lost their lives, and the people they left behind.

This is why I am honoured to speak today, because I share the strong belief that they must not be forgotten. I am nearly twelve and I have grown up without directly experiencing war. On Sunday I was playing cricket with my brothers and I was thinking about this speech today. What if my big brother had gone to war and there was no one to bowl? What if I had been jealous of him for going, and then had to live my life after he never returned.

I looked up Remembrance Day and I found that many War Memorials have the same writing on them. Here is what they say:

No greater love can there be than to lay down one's life for a friend.

I guess it’s everywhere because a mate is a mate, no matter where you are. The Great War showed us how important our friends are. Being in the war your friends were really all you had. Today we have ipods and toys and lots of things to play with, but friends still mean the world. If you had nothing else but friends, it would be the worst sorrow to lose one. The world has changed a lot since the Great War, but friendship is the same.

My friend Alex’s grandad went to the war and kept diaries. He thought the war would end by Christmas. He thought this every Christmas until five Christmases on when the war finally ended. The Armistice happened on this very day in 1918. Lots of things have been done to remember the war since then. Memorial buildings, stories, statues, ceremonies and lessons in class.

In remembering them we hope for something better.

I hope that the lesson we learn is to look after each other no matter what. When I fight with my brothers my mum asks us to only use words to solve conflict, and to never forget that we are fighting with people we love. It is in our homes and our hearts that we must remember them.

Charles Bean said at the Australian War Memorial “that we must hear their call to build a Nation worthy of their sacrifice”. I stand for the children in saying that we must not let them down.
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-p.schools.nsw.edu.au to download the weekly newsletter.

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

Regards,

Sharon Cafe
Principal (Relieving)

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**YEAR 6 MINI FETE**

Friday, 21st November, 2014

This year’s mini fete will be held on Friday, 21st November, between recess and lunch time. Year 6 have a number of fun activities planned: a haunted house, ice creams, cold drinks, Spiders, lolly stalls, lucky dips, the popular “Water Slaughter”, face painting, and hair spray - something for everyone!!

**Payment on the Day** So that no money is exchanged on the day, vouchers will be used to pay for activities. Each voucher is worth fifty cents and activity costs are based on multiples of 50.

**How to buy Vouchers?** Vouchers will be on sale at school from Thursday, 13th November, before school, at recess and during first half lunch. Money brought in by students will be collected and recorded against their name.

**Collecting Vouchers to spend** On the Friday of the fete, each student will be given an envelope containing a number of vouchers to spend - equivalent to the money they brought in.

**Are Vouchers Redeemable?** Vouchers are not redeemable but there will be a raffle with some great prizes into which any unused vouchers will go.

**Friday is a Mufti day as well!** Children are encouraged to wear something colourful in the spirit of the day.

**Friday 11.00 am – 1pm – Be there! - Parents are welcome to attend as well.**

**All money raised will go towards Year 6’s customary departing gift to the school**
Bathurst Public School was given a fabulous opportunity to watch and participate in a diverse performance with the Musica Viva group, *Mara*. They shared their wonderful talents, and musical skills in a variety of languages. This was both an entertaining and educational experience for all who attended. Thank you, Mara, for this wonderful musical adventure.
**Strings Group 2015**

A strings introductory morning for the 2015 school year will be held on Tuesday, 18th November, 2014, in the McMullen Hall, commencing at 10.00am. This is a wonderful opportunity for any children in **Years K-5** who would like to join the school strings program in **2015** to try out playing a violin or cello. More information will be available at the conclusion of the session from Ms Fiona Thompson or Ms Stephanie Baker from the Mitchell Conservatorium.

If any parent has any queries regarding the strings program for 2015, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Thompson, Ms Baker or Mrs White at school.

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**HAVE YOUR SAY!**

The Uniform Survey Results indicated the need for a Girl's Uniform **OPTION**.

Whilst the Tunic and Pinafore will remain, we are asking the school community which style you would prefer for the Girl's School Uniform **OPTION**.

**Voting ends Tomorrow Friday 14th November, 2014.**

Fill in your voting slip below and return to the front office.

*BPS Uniform Committee*

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Please ✓ tick the style you prefer most as the Girl's Uniform Option. **ONLY TICK ONE (1)**

- **A** Plain Navy Elastic Waisted Mid-Length Short
- **B** Navy Culottes
- **C** Navy Tailored Short

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Please indicate what year group your child is in: **K** **1** **2** **3** **4** **5** **6**
Let's get active! Last week we explained the fundamental movement skills of sprint run, catch and side gallop and gave you some ideas on how you can practise these with your kids. This week let's look more closely at three more of these skills. Why not practise these at home? At Bathurst Public School we want all our kids to be healthy kids.

**LEAP**
A locomotor skill basic to everyday activities such as jumping, used in gymnastics, dance and athletics

**OVERARM THROW**
A manipulative skill used in many sports such as cricket, softball and baseball. The action is also used for the tennis serve and smash and in volleyball and badminton

**SKIPPING**
A rhythmical locomotor skill basic to many children's games and fundamental to good footwork in numerous sports and many forms of dance

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**LEAP**
Practise it:
Leap over markers set apart at different distances
Run forwards and leap over an obstacle
Leap over small heights eg. a step, garden

**OVERARM THROW**
Practise it:
Throw at a target on the wall at different heights
Throw and catch to yourself or a partner
Use a beanbag, tennis ball, soft ball

**SKIPPING**
Practise it:
Skip along a line, or in a circle
Play skipping tag
Skip backwards and forwards

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**BE ACTIVE**
Go outside:
Leap, overarm throw, skipping

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**HEALTHY KIDS**
Practise their leap, overarm throw and skipping
Stage One have had some wonderful speakers visit us and talk about important roles in keeping animals safe. This has been part of our unit 'Workers in the Community'. The children have learnt some valuable information around the role of the RSPCA and how they provide safety and shelter for animals. This week, the students learnt about the wonderful care provided to animals at the Stewart Street Vet Clinic and how this also benefits us as a community. The students and the teachers at Bathurst Public School have made a new friend in Buttons! Thank you to Mr Datt who has organised such a wonderful opportunity for the students!
Bathurst Public School
Jogathon Prize Winners 2014

A huge thank you to all the children at Bathurst Public School. The Jogathon was once again an amazing success and your efforts and participation are to be congratulated!

We were very excited to be able to present every child who returned their participation form and money with a prize. We were extremely lucky to have such wonderful support from many local businesses in town donating products and vouchers for prizes. Again, we were overwhelmed and very thankful for the donation of an Apple ipad Mini from The Good Guys Bathurst for one of our Major Prizes.

Congratulations to the following children who through their wonderful sportsmanship and participation in our Jogathon were one of our 30 Lucky Draw Prize Winners:

Oscar Westwood, Morgan Murphy, Abby Price, Alex Brown, Georgina Johnson, Ruby McRobert, Jasmin Beckers, Lachlan Pearce, Gabe Langdon, Emily Brown, Joshua Drummond, Cheyanne Ghattas, Dakota Ryan, Harvey Shead, Sophie Hillson, Leah Dillon, Aiden Poisel, Ellie McDonald, Pearl Grimmet, Sophie Lindsay, Gemma Ayoub, Ben Kessey, Rachel Hattonfells, Seth Kandegedara, Luke O'Brien, Phoebe Pugh, Ben Eardley, Mackenzie Scott, Rebecca Jones, Natalie Kessey.

The following children were awarded prizes for being the girl and boy highest fundraisers from each grade and the Support Class’ highest fundraiser:

- Kindergarten – Charlotte Ortiger and Reuben Driscoll
- Year 1 – Savannah Stead and Corbin Albut
- Year 2 – Tyra McGarry-Wallace and Harrison Stead
- Year 3 – Ella Campbell and James Hillsdon
- Year 4 – Abbey Leven and James Seckold
- Year 5 – Sharnee Swadling and Sean Hargrave
- Year 6 – Kacey Fox and Travis McMahon
- Support Class – Jack Pinder

Our Major Prize winner receiving an Apple ipad Mini was……. Vlad Hlebnikov (K-2)

Our Major Prize winner receiving an Apple ipad Mini was……. Lia Seckold (3-6)

Congratulations to everyone and thank you again to all staff and parents that assisted on the day.

The Jogathon through everyone’s fun, participation and fundraising raised…………..$18,931.63!!!!!
Thank you to our sponsors!

- Good Guys Bathurst
- Woolworths
- Bathurst Aquatic Centre
- McDonalds Kelso
- Domino's Pizza
- City Fit Fitness Club
- Anytime Fitness
- Duncan's Bar and Grill
- Bathurst Motor Racing Museum
- Eagle Boys Pizza
- Blockbuster
- Hungry Jacks Bathurst
- Beck's Bakery
- Price Attack
- Metro 5 Cinemas
- Priceline
- Annie's Ice Cream Parlour
- Surf Skate N Street
- Jack Duggan's
- Ten Pin Bowling Bathurst
- Books Plus
- The Acropole
- ISPAC Kebabs
- Jumbo's Playhouse
- Pollets Martial Arts Bathurst
- Mitre 10 Bathurst
- Athletes Foot Bathurst
  - Smiggle
  - Lowes
  - Subway
  - Civic Video
  - News on William
- Believe Bootcamps
  - Tupperware
  - Cosventure
STICK ’EM UP!

Get ahead for 2015 by ordering your labels before you buy new lunchboxes next year. That’s Mine have labels that will stick on almost anything (probably even foreheads if you try) and if you drop your order into the school office by Friday November 21 the P&C will receive up to 40% commission to donate back to the school. Please write your child’s class at the top of the order form and fill out the credit card details or attach a cheque (payable to That’s Mine Pty Ltd). Extra order forms are available from the office.

2015 CELEBRATIONS: HELP SPREAD THE WORD

If you, or someone you know, went to Bathurst Public School, ‘like’ our new Facebook page (www.facebook.com/BacktoBPS) and spread the word about our upcoming celebrations.

Opened in 1853, Bathurst Public School is the city’s oldest public school and has educated generations of local children. In 2015, Bathurst celebrates its bicentenary and the school will take part in the festivities. It’s also the 80th anniversary of the school’s move to its current George Street site, so save these dates in your diary:

Saturday, 23 May 2015: Back to Bathurst Public School - Gala Dinner
6.30pm Carrington House – Keppel Street, Bathurst. The biggest reunion ever for former students and staff, and a celebration for current staff and parents.

Sunday, 24 May 2015: Back to Bathurst Public School Open Day Fair

School grounds – 10am – 2pm. Featuring school tours, ‘Inkpots to iPads’ exhibition’, vintage markets, carnival rides, music, food, old-fashioned games and more….

NEXT P&C MEETING

7pm, Wednesday 19th November 2014, school staff room

Book Club

Last chance to order for Christmas.

If your order is going to be a gift, just write “GIFT” on your form with your phone number and we will ring you to come and pick it up.

All orders and payments should be handed into the office by 21st November.

HAPPY READING
Clothing Pool

Term 4 Clothing Pool opens at 8.30am and closes at 9.00am on Tuesday mornings. This is for people who work or go to TAFE/UNI and can’t get there any later.

We have plenty of jumpers, pants, some shirts, jackets, shorts, shoes and a few summer dresses. Come and check it out, everything will cost you a gold coin per item purchased.

We need your summer and winter tunics. If you have girls in Year 6 or if they have out grown their dresses, we would love to recycle them for you.

Donations can be left with Heather in the Canteen, Liz in the Clothing Pool or dropped at the front office.

If your child keeps losing their jumper, this is definitely a cheaper option! For more information ring Liz Arrow 6334 2853 or 0438 210748

Canteen News

Please note we will have NO Hamburgers, NACHOS beef or Vegetarian till 2015. Banana Milk is no longer available. Please order option 1, option 2 and option 3 as stocks are being run down to ensure a fresh start for 2015.

Thanks again for your continued support. Final date for Canteen 2014 is December 12th.

Canteen Roster

Friday 14th November
J. Munro & M. Lucas

Monday 17th November
A. McLeod

Wednesday 19th November
L. Arrow

Friday 21st November
K Shead & M. Lucas
Term 4 Important Dates

- Friday 14\textsuperscript{th} November - K-2 Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – 1C Presenting work or an item
- Friday 21\textsuperscript{st} November – Captain Speeches
- Friday 21\textsuperscript{st} November – Year 6 Mini Fete
- Monday 24\textsuperscript{th} November – Friday 5\textsuperscript{th} December Swimming Program
- Wednesday 26\textsuperscript{th} November - Primary Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall 4/5G presenting work or an item
- Wednesday 26\textsuperscript{th} November – Saturday 29\textsuperscript{th} - November School Spec Children performing at School Spectacular in Sydney
- Friday 28\textsuperscript{th} November - K-2 Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – KMC Presenting work or an item
- Wednesday 3\textsuperscript{rd} December – Year 6 to Year 7 2015 Orientation Day
- Wednesday 3\textsuperscript{rd} December – Year 6 Farewell
- Tuesday 9\textsuperscript{th} December – Presentation Day at BMEC commencing at 10am
- Wednesday 10\textsuperscript{th} December - Primary Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall 3/4I presenting work or an item
- Thursday 11\textsuperscript{th} December – Reports Home
- Friday 12\textsuperscript{th} December - K-2 Christmas Assembly in the McMullen Hall 11.40am
- Wednesday 17\textsuperscript{th} December – Year 6 Tunnel 2.30pm
- Wednesday 17\textsuperscript{th} December – Last Day for Children in 2014
- Friday 19\textsuperscript{th} December – Office and School closes for Christmas and January holidays.