Thursday 4th December 2014

Dear Parents,

Last night we held our Year 6 Farewell and what a fabulous event for the children and staff. The children were so beautifully presented – it is hard to believe these children are finishing primary school and are ready to move onto High School – where have the years gone! Congratulations to our Year 6 children for the way in which they presented themselves and represented our school in the wider community last night. You truly are a very special group of children. A big thank you to all our Year 6 parents for their wonderful support of our school and taking the time to make last night such a special event for our children. Thank you all.
I was so thrilled to attend the Schools Spectacular in Sydney last Friday evening at the Sydney Entertainment Centre and to watch the 3600 school children dancing and singing and 1300 children singing as part of the choir. I was even more proud of the 12 children from Bathurst Public School who performed as part of the Dance ensemble. The Schools Spectacular was a wonderful event that showcased the talent and work done as part of Public Education. The children from Bathurst Public School were wonderful ambassadors of Public Education and their families. Congratulations all.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Lisa Roberts, Mrs Karen Mitchell and Ms Chelsea Capper for all the work they have done preparing the children and attending School Spectacular with the children last week. It is wonderful to know that our children are supported by such dedicated and caring staff. Thank you all.

Don’t forget some important dates coming up:

- Tuesday 9th December – Presentation Day at BMEC commencing at 10am
- Thursday 11th December – Reports Home
- Friday 12th December - K-2 Christmas Assembly in the McMullen Hall 11.40am
- Wednesday 17th December – Year 6 Tunnel 2.30pm
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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,

Kate White
Principal
Congratulations to our Schools Spectacular Dance Group.

Our Year 6 dance students performed at Schools Spectacular last week and they really did us proud. They stood out for their hard work at all the combined rehearsals and during every performance they gave 100%. They were in the beach number and feature in the song 'Land of a Thousand Dances’ as sharks.

If you missed the show you can catch it on GEM at 12:00 on Sunday or on the Channel 9 catch up website, Jump In, any time for the next few weeks.
THE SEARCH FOR LITTLE AUSSIE SONGSTERS BEGINS!

To enter, primary school children from Kindergarten to Yr 6 must record a video of themselves singing their best rendition of Australia’s national anthem – either as an individual or as part of a group.

All entries will be judged, on their ability to show meaning, creativity and the Australian spirit by singing the first verse of the national anthem.

PRIZES!!!
1) The overall group winner will score a visit from The Voice 2014 Winner – Anja Nissen, to their school for a classroom sing-along.
2) The overall individual winner will be off on a 9 Night Explore the Loyalty Islands P&O Cruise for two adults and two children valued at $3,996.

PLUS
Individual winners for their age division (KINDERGARTEN – YEAR 2, YEAR 3 – YEAR 4, YEAR 5 – YEAR 6) will be lucky enough to win a 16GB iPad Mini RRP $349 with a LEGO CREATIVE Suitcase RRP $59.95

TO ENTER as an individual or to register as a group, visit: http://www.aussievault.com.au/vault/136/detail/little-australian-songster to read all the terms and conditions.

Ensure your video is in before 14th February 2015. Winners will be announced on 23rd February 2015. Happy creating!

Ms Puebla
Creative Arts Coordinator
**BATHURST PUBLIC HEALTHY KIDS**

Let’s get active! Last week we looked at the fun games of Hopscotch and Pac-man, games you can play outside with your kids that are easy and fun. This week we’ve got some simple ball games you can play with your kids to get them active. Why not play them today? At Bathurst Public School we want all our kids to be healthy kids.

**BOUNCING**
Along a line
Bounce ball onto a wall, then jump over it when it comes back

**HANDBALL**

**KICKING**
Between players
Into a goal

**THROWING and CATCHING**
Between players
Into a goal/bucket/target on wall

**BE ACTIVE**
Go outside and play games

**HEALTHY KIDS**
Get up and play games to stay active
P & C News

SEEKING SPONSORS

PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS to the entire school community and beyond by sponsoring next year's Back to Bathurst Public School Bicentenary Celebrations. All sponsorship paid by the end of December 2014 will receive a 10% discount and there are packages to suit all budgets:

Platinum Sponsor $750
Gold Sponsor $500
Silver Sponsor $200
Bronze Sponsor $85

In return for their support, sponsors will be given exclusive opportunities to promote their business during this exciting community event, which includes a Gala Dinner at Carrington House on Saturday May 23, followed by a “Back to Bathurst Public School Open Day Fair” on Sunday May 24.

So if you own – or work for – a local business that is interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact P&C Sponsorship Coordinator Angela Morris on ajm621@gmail.com

‘Like’ our new Facebook page (www.facebook.com/BacktoBPS) and spread the word about our upcoming celebrations.

DON'T STALL ON STALLS!

GET IN QUICK to secure a stall at the markets being held as part of the Back to BPS Open Day Fair. We are looking for a range of quality stallholders - such as arts and crafts, vintage/retro collectables, books, jewellery, fashion and gourmet foods – and we’re giving families and friends of BPS first dibs. Stalls will cost $40 and you must hold and provide a copy of current Public Liability Insurance. For more information, contact Sueann Brown on 0427 323 929.
**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, Juice Cups till 2015. Banana Milk is no longer available.

Attached is Term 1 2015 Canteen Roster, as you can see there are a lot of empty days that need to be filled. If you are able to help out please call Heather on 63313275.

Thank you to our dedicated Volunteers who have assisted in keeping the Canteen going during the year.

**Canteen Roster**

- **Friday 5th December**
  - T Tonkies & M Lucas

- **Monday 8th December**
  - J Munro

- **Wednesday 10th December**
  - K Naylor

- **Friday 12th December**
  - L Arrow & M Lucas
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Canteen Roster – Term One 2015

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Start time 10 am (Fridays 9.30 am)
Finish time 2pm
Recess 11.10am to 11.30am
Lunch 1.10pm to 2pm
Extra help is always welcome between recess & lunch and will reduce waiting times
If you are unable to make rostered day please try to swap before the day (Phone numbers available on request)
Canteen Phone Number Heather 6331 3275