Dear Parents,

I was delighted to hear of the wonderful results of the children who attended the Regional Swimming Carnival in Dubbo last Friday. Our children were wonderful representatives of Bathurst Public School and Bathurst District. We had a very successful day with most of our children swimming personal best times. Well done all. Congratulations to Morgan Murphy, Caiden Grimmett and Kacey Fox who have qualified to attend the N.S.W. P.S.S.A. Swimming Championships in Homebush in Week 11 of this term. The 3 children have qualified for:

- Morgan Murphy – 11 Years Girls 50m Butterfly
- Caiden Grimmett – 10 Years Boys 50m Freestyle
- Kacey Fox – 11 Years Girls 50m Breaststroke
A big congratulations to our Boys Cricket Team and Mr Thackray on their wonderful win against Lithgow on Tuesday. The boys now commence training for their next game against Eglinton PS.

A general reminder:
- We do have several children at our school who have **peanut and nut allergies** and have severe reactions if exposed to this food. Parents are asked to be mindful of this when packing recess and lunch and are encouraged not to send products which contain nuts in them to school.
- All items of clothing and personal belongings should be clearly marked with your child’s name.
- All children require a broad brimmed hat each day as our school has a “No Hat, No Play” policy.
- When parents and friends come to the school during the day, they should present to the front office on arrival. This is a Legal and Workplace Safety requirement and is followed for the safety and security of all children and teachers.
- We continue to encourage parents to make appointments to come and talk about your child’s progress, problems that may arise, ideas etc. It is reminded that the education of your child is a team effort with teachers and parents being the main stakeholders. With this in mind, it is an important reminder that the parent/teacher relationship always needs to be cohesive and supportive and one of mutual respect. I am sure we will continue to work with one another in a positive manner.
- **All money coming to the school should be placed in a sealed envelope with your child’s name, correct amount of money, class and what the money is for clearly written on the front. All money should be taken to the office before 9am.**

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](http://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*

Kate White  
Principal
Late Notes

School starts at 9.00am every day. It is important that children are here every day to start at 9.00am or they lose valuable learning time. If your child is late, please ensure they come to the office on their arrival with a parent so they can be signed into school and receive a late note. Please remember:

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

A few minutes here and there doesn’t seem like much but ...

at Bathurst Public School every minute counts.

Did you know that your child’s best learning time is at the beginning of the day?
**1C Quocka**

Today 1C completed their 5 week reading program with our Quocka volunteers and each child received a book.

Quocka is a reading program run by Quota International and local police. Volunteers and officers from the Bathurst Police Station come to the school each week to read to the children. At the end of the program, Quota donates a book to each child.

We are very fortunate to have this program at our school. Thank you to the volunteers that come along every week to read to our children. Thank you also to Mrs Noeline Phillips who coordinates this program on behalf of Quota International.

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**K-2 Easter Hat Parade/Dance/Raffle – Tuesday the 8th of April**

The Bathurst Public School annual Easter Hat Parade, Dance and Monster Egg Raffle will be held on Tuesday the 8th of April from 11.40am.

To make our raffle a success we will again be asking for donations of Easter Eggs and baskets, large or small. Baskets and eggs will be collected daily at our 11.00a.m. Assembly so children can be acknowledged for their donations. The children can begin bringing in their donations from Monday.

We will also be having a "Pizza Meal Deal" to coincide with our Easter Hat Parade. Children will need to pre-order their "Meal Deal". Order forms for this will be sent home shortly.

Money raised will go towards our $1000.00 annual pledge to Stewart House. Stewart House is a children's charity that provides short time respite care for children in need.

Information about raffle ticket sales will be provided in the coming weeks.

Thank you for your support

Kathy Murphy and Fiona Bennett
Easter Hat Parade Co-ordinators
School Contributions

School Contributions for 2014 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.

P&C News

P and C News

2014 AGM

Our 2014 AGM will be held prior to the March meeting on the 19th at 7:00pm. We will be electing a new executive committee as all positions have been declared vacant. Please consider nominating yourself for any of these rewarding roles; President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer.

Treasurer’s role
- Manage the planning, budgeting and Cash flow
- Make recommendations for surplus funds
- Organises the financial records for Audit

Secretary Role
- Prepare notice of meetings
- Take minutes
- Prepare meeting agendas

Please consider nominating yourself for one of these roles.

The minutes from the February meeting are now available on the Bathurst Public School website.

Our next P and C meeting will be on the 19th of March in the staff room.

Hope to see you there!

Psst! Keep an eye on the Bathurst Public School FaceBook page for updates from the P and C!

Canteen News

Thanks again to all who have volunteered this term. If you would like to be part of the Canteen Team don’t hesitate to come by any Monday, Wednesday or Friday.

Canteen Phone Number: 6331 3275.

Thanks again for your continued support.

Canteen Committee
Canteen Volunteers Roster

Friday 14th March – L Arrow & M Lucas
Monday 17th March – R Eardley
Wednesday 19th March – C Allbut
Friday 21st March – R Denyer & M Lucas

Clothing Pool

All uniforms you no longer use can be donated to our Clothing Pool, just drop them off at the office.

The Clothing Pool is open every Tuesday morning 8.45am – 9.30am or contact Liz Arrow on 6334 2853 or 0438 210 748 to organize a time.

Term 1 2014 Calendar

- Friday 14th March - Infants (K-2) Assembly – 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – 1/2M presenting work or an item
- Wednesday 26th March - Primary (Years 3-6) Assembly – 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall
- Friday 28th March - Infants (K-2) Assembly – 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – 1B presenting work or an item
- Tuesday 8th April – Easter Hat Parade
- Wednesday 9th April - Primary (Years 3-6) Assembly – 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall
- Wednesday 11th April - Infants (K-2) Assembly – 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – 1C presenting work or an item
- Friday 11th April – Last day of Term 1 2014