Dear Parents,

What an EXTRAORDINARY concert to celebrate Education Week last week. It makes me so proud to be the Principal of Bathurst Public School. Education Week provides us with the perfect opportunity to showcase the wonderful things Bathurst Public School is doing in preparing our students for the future. I am immensely proud of the commitment and dedication of the entire staff at Bathurst Public. We are extremely fortunate to have such a supportive staff who work tirelessly to ensure the success and positive engagement of every student. Bathurst Public School is a great school and a shining example of our Public Education system. Congratulations all on the amazing way all children were able to participate in the concert. Well Done!
Congratulations to the children who participated at the District Athletics Carnival on Friday 1st August. Our children were simply amazing on Friday and so many children have qualified to attend the Regional trials in Dubbo. Well Done. Bathurst Public School also won the overall point score – congratulations BPS! Congratulations to all children who participated on Friday.

The children who have qualified for Dubbo are:

- Tegan Bush – 11 year girls 100m, 200m, Shot Put, Senior Girls Relay
- Lilly Jabour – 12 year girls 100m
- Sophie Hillsdon – 11 year girls 200m, 800m, Long Jump, Senior Girls Relay
- Miranda Campbell – Junior Girls 800m
- Rachel Horne – 11 year girls 800m, Discus, Senior Girls Relay
- Jennah Rush – Senior girls Long Jump
- Caitlin Morris – Junior Girls Discus
- Angus Cafe – 8 year boys 100m
- Gabriel Langdon – 9 year boys 100m, Junior Boys Relay
- Lachlan Pearce – 9 year boys 100m, Junior boys 800m, Junior Boys Relay
- Johnny Mokaraka – 11 year boys 100m, 200m
- Ben Neary – 11 year boys 100m, Long Jump
- Charlie Ayoub - 12 year boys 100m, Senior Boys Shot Put, Senior Boys Relay
- Evan Cafe – 11 year boys 800m
- Matthew Beattie – Senior Boys 800m, Senior Boys Relay
- Ji Hartland – Junior boys Long Jump
- Brendan Spasic – Senior Boys Long Jump, Senior Boys Relay
- Mitchell Lamb – Junior Boys Shot Put, Discus, Junior Boys Relay
- Nash Hutchings – 11 year boys Discus
- Charlie Dunn – 12 year boys 200m, Senior Boys Relay
- Elissa Ridley - Senior Girls Relay
- Caiden Grimmett - Junior Boys Relay
It was my very great privilege to attend the Choral Festival at the Opera House in Sydney last night. What an incredible night of singing and performing. The mass choir (which the students at BPS were part of) was terrific. It sent shivers down your spine!!!!! Congratulations to all our children and to Mrs Sharon Cafe and Miss Alana Cafe on the preparation of the choir. Thank you also to Mrs Murphy who accompanied the group as a supervisor yesterday.
Good luck to our girls Soccer Team and Mr Thackray as they play Parkes in the Western Soccer Final on Monday 11\textsuperscript{th} August in Orange. We are all so proud of the girls and their achievements this year. Go BPS!

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
Principal

**Children taking Medication at School**

Many children are required to take medication at school on a casual and ongoing basis. We have trained first aid officers that have completed a specific ‘Administration of Prescribed Medications’ course that enables them to administer medication to children at school.

We ask that when children need to take medication during the school day, that parents bring the medication to the office and complete an administering medications form. This informs our staff of the dosage, frequency medication is to be taken and storage instructions.

We ask that parents DO NOT send medication to school with children in school bags.

**General Reminders**

- 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.
DISTRICT ATHLETICS

Last Friday, in the freezing cold, the Bathurst Public School Athletics Team went to the Sportsground to compete in the District Athletics Carnival. A squad of almost 40 children attended, representing BPS in each event on the day. All students competed to the best of their ability and represented Bathurst Public with outstanding sportsmanship and ability. We had winners in 100m (Gabe Langdon), 200m (Tegan Bush), 800m (Sophie Hillsdon), Senior Boys and Girls Relays, Long Jump (Ben Neary) and Discus (Mitchell Lamb), as well as several second and third placed students. 22 students gained selection in the Bathurst District Team and will represent our area at the Western Region Carnival at the end of this month. A great achievement. Congratulations to ALL children on their participation on Friday.

As a school we performed amazingly well and were awarded Champion school on the day. Well done Bathurst Public Athletics Team!

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NAPLAN Update

The 2014 NAPLAN student reports will be delivered to NSW schools from Monday 1 – Friday 5 September. Schools are requested to distribute report envelopes to parents by Friday 5 September.

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:

A few minutes here and there doesn't seem like much but ...
Now accepting Kindergarten enrolments for 2015

"Smart Start"
Transition to Kinder Program

Beginning 19th August 2014
Term 3 - Wednesday & Thursday
Morning Session 9:30 - 11:00
Afternoon Session 1:00 - 2:30

Please contact Bathurst Public School for more information.
Phone: 02 6331 3923
Email: bathurst-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Clothing Pool

Term 3 Clothing Pool will trial opening at 8.15am and closing at 9am on Tuesday morning. 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.

So if your child keeps losing their jumpers, this is definitely a cheaper option! For more information ring Liz Arrow 02 63342853 or 0438 210748

Canteen

Friday 8th August – K Campbell & M Lucas
Monday 11th August – T Platt
Wednesday 13th August – C Allbut
Term 3 2014 Calendar

- Friday 8th August - K-2 Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – K/2H Presenting work or an item
- Monday 11th August – Girls Soccer in Orange
- Wednesday 13th August – Commonwealth Games
- Monday 18th August till Friday 22nd August – Book Week
- Wednesday 20th August – IEXPLORE
- Wednesday 20th August - Primary Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall 3/4F presenting work or an item
- Wednesday 20th August – P&C Meeting 7pm – All welcome
- Thursday 21st August – Book Parade and Book Fair
- Friday 22nd August - K-2 Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – 2P Presenting work or an item
- Friday 29th August – Regional Athletics Trials in Dubbo
- Wednesday 3rd September - Primary Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall 5/6A presenting work or an item
- Friday 5th September - K-2 Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – 1/2M Presenting work or an item

- Monday 15th September – Stage 2 Sydney Excursion
- Tuesday 16th September – Stage 2 Sydney Excursion
- Wednesday 17th September - Primary Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall 3/4RN presenting work or an item
- Friday 19th September - K-2 Assembly 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall – 2D Presenting work or an item
- Friday 19th September – Last day of Term 3 2014
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assisting the P&C resource the school
available from the school office

images shot from a distance in low light without flash and with moving subjects, so the quality is constrained, but they record some kids having a lot of fun!
Book Week Update 2014

There will be a colouring-in competition for book week! All entries are due in the Library by Monday of week 6. Mrs White will judge the competition and announce the winners at the Book Parade.

Children will have a chance to create a wish list once they have seen the book fair throughout the week. Books can be purchased after the book parade on Thursday the 26th of August.

All the staff at BPS are getting their costumes ready. Start thinking about a character from a book that you have a connection to! I wonder who you will be?