Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 4 and what is sure to be a very busy and quick term! We have many events happening this term including the School Fete, Mini Fete, Year 3/4 camp, Year 6 Farewell, Presentation Day and Swimming School. It will be important to keep reading our weekly Newsletters, keeping an eye on our School Website and watching postings on our Facebook page so that all parents are fully informed about what is happening throughout the term.

Today our entire school is at Mt Panorama at the Bathurst 1000. We have been extremely lucky to win pit passes to enable all of our children the most amazing opportunity of accessing areas at Mt Panorama that people cannot usually go in to. Thank you to Mrs Goninan for all her organization and providing our school with such an amazing experience.

Congratulations to our Bathurst Blues Debating Team who were Runners Up in the Western Region on the last day of School in Term 3. We are so proud of Ben Neary, Zara Sheader, Matilda McDonald and Alex Jennings on their representation of our school. A big thank you to Mrs Johnson for her coaching and advise with the teams this year.

A special congratulations to Matilda McDonald who has been selected as part of the Western Region Debating Team to contest the NSW Debating Championships in November. Well done Matilda.
We wish Miranda Campbell, Tegan Bush, Caitlin Morris, Sophie Hillsdon, Sienna Tangaroa and Ben Neary the very best of luck as they head to the NSW PSSA Athletics Championships at Homebush next week. We know the children will do their very best.

Our School has been offered an amazing opportunity to be part of the **School Chaplaincy Program**. Some information about this program is below:

- **What is the Program:** The National School Chaplaincy (NSCP) is a Department of Education (Federal and/or State) funded program which is available to all Australian schools to employ a School Chaplain in their school. The program offers each school a grant of up to $20 000 per annum over 3 years (2016-2018). Under the funding, schools employ a School Chaplain who must complete up to 400 active hours.

- **What does the worker do:** work with existing programs/services in the school, liaise with the school welfare team and counselor, work with local community groups/services, participate in sports, camps, excursions and other activities, mentor and support students identified with higher needs, provide support for staff, students and parents and assist with student led activities

- **What is meant by the term School Chaplain:** The term ‘chaplain’ is what the Department of Education has assigned to workers who will be providing pastoral care to students within a school context. They work alongside the existing welfare and counseling services provided by the school. There is no religious attachment. All Chaplains are non-judgemental, non-coercive and support all students regardless of the student’s issues or worldview.

- **How qualified are the workers:** All workers must meet minimum standards set by the Department of Education. There are certain qualifications that the worker is expected to have.

- **Code of Conduct:** School Chaplains are employed under a ‘code of conduct’ that gives clear guidelines to not only help workers do the best possible job but also peace of mind for the school.

- **Employment:** The School Chaplain is recruited and interviewed by the School Principal. The School Chaplain is employed on a casual basis.

- **Who is Yourdream:** Yourdream is a company that assists with the process of applying, employing, financing and reporting to the Department of Education.

The school is very interested in applying for this program. More information about the program is attached to this Newsletter. Submissions are due by the end of week 2 Term 4. If any parent has any questions or concerns regarding this program, please contact Mrs White by Monday 12th October. A final decision will be made by the School Executive after receiving all feedback on Monday afternoon.

The **Term 4 Intensive Swimming Program** is open to all children K-6 and everyone is encouraged to attend this 10 day Swimming Program that will be held from Monday, 23rd November to Friday, 4th December 2015 at the Bathurst Aquatic Centre. The cost of the program is $100.00 per student which includes bus transport, pool entry, 45 minute small group lessons with a qualified instructor and a certificate at the end of the program. Notes and full payment must be handed to the front office by **Friday, 30th October 2015** to be included in this year’s program.
**Food Allergies** - We do have several children at our school who have peanut 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.

A general reminder:
- 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 sent directly to the front office at the school for processing.

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

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**Drop Off Zone**

A reminder to parents about the School ‘Drop Off Zone’ at the front of the School. Police are regularly patrolling School Zones due to the illegal and dangerous practices displayed by drivers. It is illegal to double park whilst waiting to enter the school zone. If the school zone is full, it is necessary for drivers to drive around the block or secure a park so your child can disembark the car safely. Heavy fines can be imposed to those not obeying the road rules.
Stage 2 Excursion

On the last Thursday of Term 3, Stage 2 left for the Blue Mountains with a forecast for a wet miserable day. Luckily it was magnificent weather with the National Park looking at its very best.

First stop was Hartley Historic Village where everyone learnt about the life of a convict and the harsh conditions they endured. There were even some convict sketches to look at on the walls of the gaol and a court scene was re-enacted. Everyone felt lucky that life is not quite so unfair these days.

After all the students’ hard work writing information reports about the Blue Mountains, Scenic World was great fun as well as informative. A few students (and staff) overcame their fear of heights on the Skyway and Scenic Railway. Everyone managed a glimpse of a lyrebird as well as learning about other flora and fauna in the National Park.

All students were a credit to their school and enjoyed the opportunity to take learning outside the classroom.
Congratulations to Bathurst Public Blues Debating Team for reaching the final of the Premier’s Debating Challenge for 2015 and finishing as ‘Runners Up” for the season.

The Western final was held on the last day of Term 3 at Bletchington Public School, Orange. Adjudicators from the Arts Unit travelled from Sydney to adjudicate on the day.

The ‘Blues’ team on the day was:
- Speaker 1 – Ben Neary
- Speaker 2 – Zara Sheader
- Speaker 3 – Matilda McDonald
- Team Advisor – Alex Jennings

This competition is the most challenging available at a Primary level with students given an unseen topic to prepare in 1 hour with no adult assistance.

A wonderful team effort!

A special congratulations to Matilda McDonald who was selected to be part of the Regional Team to compete at State level in November, at Collaroy in Sydney.

Mrs Johnson – Debating 2015
Bathurst Public School
Jog-a-thon Prize Donations

We will once again be holding a Jog-a-thon on Friday 23rd October, 2015. We have commenced planning and are seeking donations from businesses / companies around town in the way of ‘goods or vouchers’ for prizes for the students.

If you own or work for a business/company that you feel would be able to generously support our Jog-a-thon, please call or come into the School Office and let us know.

We can either give you a letter to take and pass onto the appropriate person, or we can approach them from the school with a letter and seek a donation.

For any further enquiries, please contact Mrs McClements through the school office on 6331 3923.

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Bathurst Public School

Jog-a-thon

Our school will once again be holding a Jog-a-thon for all students K-6 on Friday 23rd October 2015. The Jog-a-thon will be a large fundraiser for our school and money raised from this event will go towards purchasing some exciting resources for use in classrooms in 2016.

This week, students have been issued with a sponsorship form. Children may begin to collect sponsorships or donations from family, friends, and the community with the help of parents, from when they receive the form up until the day of the Jog-a-thon. They record sponsorships on their card and money is not collected until after the running of the Jog-a-thon. Your child’s name, class and a number will be recorded on your form.

Extra sponsorship forms will be available from the office if children manage to fill in more than one. On Friday 23rd October, the children will bring these cards to school for the running of the Jog-a-thon. The students will complete 10 laps of the bottom oval (infants to complete a smaller course) and will get their participation page stamped. After the running of the Jog-a-thon, the children will then bring these cards home and will collect their donations and sponsorship money from their sponsors.

In week 5, on Monday 2nd, Tuesday 3rd, Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th November mornings before school, sponsorship cards and money will be collected in the Annexe. Children will have their names marked off for returning their forms, their fundraising amount recorded and they will be placed in the draw for a chance of winning some fantastic prizes. The draw will take place on Friday 6th November 2015.

The last day to return sponsorship cards and money will be on Thursday 5th November 2015.

It is essential that all sponsorship forms are returned by 5th November 2015 to be included in the prize draws (even if children have not participated). Money returned after this date should be sent directly to the school office.

There are going to be amazing prizes to reward the children for their participation in the Jog-a-thon and efforts in helping to raise money for our school.

A special School Jog-a-thon Assembly for students will be held on Friday 6th November of week 5, to award the following prizes.

Prize categories to include:

- Highest overall fundraiser K-2 to receive a Samsung Galaxy Tablet WiFi 16GB
- Highest overall fundraiser Yr 3 – Yr 6 to receive a Samsung Galaxy Tablet WiFi 16GB
- Highest Boy and Girl fundraiser from each grade to each receive a prize.
- Highest overall fundraiser from the Support Unit Classes to receive a prize.
- 25 + Lucky Draw prizes to be drawn from a barrel open to all students K-6 who return their sponsorship cards and money by Thursday 5th November 2015.

The Jog-a-thon is a wonderful opportunity to have fun, keep fit and raise money for our school that will go directly into resources for our children and also held to supplement our participation in the Premier’s Sporting Challenge.
Support Unit

On Friday, 18th October 2015 the students from the Support Unit attended a wonderful end of term excursion to play a game of Tenpin Bowling and to have a sausage sizzle at the Adventure Park. Students had a wonderful time showing great sportsmanship and their behaviour was a credit to our school.

Clothing Pool

The clothing pool is open Tuesday morning from 8:30am-9:00am or by appointment. All donations of second hand uniforms are gratefully accepted and sold back into our school.

For more information or to book a time with me to have a look call Liz Arrow on 6334 2853 or 0438 210 748.
Canteen Roster Term 4 2015

Monday 12th October
J Munro

Wednesday 14th October
L Arrow

Friday 16th October
A Thomas

Term 4 2015 Calendar

- Thursday 8th October – Whole School Pit Pass Excursion – Bathurst races
- Wednesday 14th October – Infants Athletics Carnival
- Wednesday 14th October – Primary Assembly McMullen Hall 2.10pm
- Thursday 15th October – Drumming Workshop – McMullen Hall
- Friday 16th October – NAIDOC activities
- Friday 16th October – Interschool Sport Stage 3
- Friday 16th October - Infants Assembly McMullen Hall 2.10pm
- Wednesday 21st October – P&C Meeting 7pm
- Friday 23rd October – Jogathon
- Friday 23rd October – Interschool Sport Stage 3
- Wednesday 28th October - Primary Assembly McMullen Hall 2.10pm
- Friday 30th October – Choral Festival at the Opera House
- Friday 30th October – Interschool Sport Stage 3
- Friday 30th October - Infants Assembly McMullen Hall 2.10pm
- Thursday 5th November – Year 3 and 4 Camp
- Friday 6th November – Year 3 and 4 Camp
- Wednesday 11th November - Primary Assembly McMullen Hall 2.10pm
- Friday 13th November - Infants Assembly McMullen Hall 2.10pm
- Wednesday 18th November – P&C Meeting 7pm
- Friday 20th November – Year 6 Mini Fete
- Tuesday 24th November – BHS and KHS year 6 to year 7 parent information evening 6.30pm
- Wednesday 25th November - Primary Assembly McMullen Hall 2.10pm
- Friday 27th November - Infants Assembly McMullen Hall 2.10pm
- Wednesday 2nd December – KHS Orientation day
- Monday 23rd November till Friday 4th December – Intensive Swimming Program
- Wednesday 2nd December – Year 6 Farewell
- Tuesday 8th December – Presentation Day
- Wednesday 9th December – Semester 2 Reports Home
- Wednesday 9th December - Primary Assembly McMullen Hall 2.10pm
- Friday 11th December - Infants Assembly McMullen Hall 2.10pm
- Wednesday 16th December – Students last day of School Term 4
- Thursday 17th December – School Development Day
- Friday 18th December – School Development Day - last day of School 2015
## Canteen Roster Term 4 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: 6331 3275
### Bathurst Public School
#### Summer - Term 4 2015
#### Canteen Menu

All our foods are Healthy Kids Association or Canteen Approved - we have put the daily maximum recommendation on some items.

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**SALAD BOXES (with fork)**
No dressing, gluten free with grated carrot, diced cucumber, tomato, pineapple and beetroot on shredded lettuce,

- Small: $2.50
- Large: $4.00
- Add: grated cheese: $0.40
- Egg: $0.50
- Ham/Chicken: $1.00
- Paper Bag: $0.10

**Open Monday, Wednesday & Friday**

### RECESS
- Cheesy Crusts $0.50
- Chicken nuggets (max 6 per order) $0.50
- Baked egg $1.00

### SNACKS
- Fruit filled mini muffin $0.30
- Fruit filled std muffin $0.70
- Cheese slice $0.20
- Boiled egg $0.50
- Seasonal fruit piece $0.30
- Whole seasonal fruit $0.60
- Air popped corn $0.40
- Custard cup with spoon $0.70
- Aussie fruit salad cup $1.00
- Finger bun - half $1.00
- Red Rock Chips - honey soy chicken $1.20
- Grain Waves - sour cream & chives $1.20

### DRINKS
- Apple or orange juice 99% $1.20
- Bottled water - 600ml $1.10
- Milk-300ml -plain $1.90
- Milk-300ml chocolate/strawberry $1.90

### FROZEN - 2nd half lunch
- Apple/orange juice cup $0.80
- Milk cup - choco/strawberry $0.80
- Quelch sticks $0.80
- Lemonade icy pole $1.20
- Fandangles-floss/chocmello $2.00
- Slush puppy $2.00

Lunch orders & money to be placed in a bag or envelope with your child's name and class, and posted through slot before 9am.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q - WHAT IS MEANT BY THE TERM ‘SCHOOL CHAPLAIN’?
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Q - HOW LONG IS THE OVERALL PROCESS?
There is no set time period for the process. The time it takes from application to completion will depend on a number of factors that include:
- evidence of community and school support of the program
- priority given to schools with greater needs
- time for completion of the application paperwork
- availability of a worker in your area
- Department of Education (Federal and/or State) decisions

Q - CAN WE CHANGE OUR FUNDING RECIPIENT?
Yes. If you would like to nominate us as your Funding Recipient you will first need to notify your current Funding Recipient. We will then notify the Department of Education (Federal and/or State) and begin the process which may take a few weeks.

Q - WHAT IS THE ROLE OF THE SCHOOL?
The role of the school is to provide support and opportunities for the worker to be as actively involved as possible in the life of the school. The school will also provide an accountability network whilst working alongside the worker and our organisation. We look after insurances, payments and most of the administration which releases the school to utilise the services the worker can provide.

Q - HOW QUALIFIED ARE THE WORKERS?
All workers must meet the minimum requirements set by the Department of Education (Federal and/or State). The worker must have completed either a Cert IV in Youthwork or Pastoral Care or an equivalent qualification which must include the two core units CHCSS4222A/3C - Respond holistically to client issues & refer appropriately and CHCMH301A/B/C - Work effectively in mental health. They must also obtain a cleared Working With Children Check.
“HAVING A MENTOR RATHER THAN A TEACHER HAS GIVEN THE STUDENTS A WHOLE NEW LEVEL OF SUPPORT THAT WE CAN NOT OFFER”
PRINCIPAL
THE BEACH SCHOOL, NSW

HOW DOES IT WORK?
Below is a sample of the Application Process from start to finish. Once the school is approved and the worker registered, funding is released and the worker may commence.

STEP 1 - THE SCHOOL
The school needs to apply and nominate Your Dream Inc as its chosen funding recipient.

STEP 2 - THE DEPT. OF EDUCATION
The Department of Education (Federal and/or State) receives the application and informs the school and Funding Recipient of decision.

STEP 3 - YOUR DREAM INC
Your Dream Inc agrees to be Funding Recipient and signs a Work Service Agreement with the school.

STEP 4 - YOUR DREAM INC AND WORKER
Your Dream Inc recruits and employs worker who meets the minimum requirements as set out by the Department of Education (Federal and/or State).

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND CLARIFICATION PLEASE VISIT WWW.YOURDREAM.ORG.AU

“OUR CHAPLAIN HAS EFFECTIVELY WORKED WITH STUDENTS AND PARENTS IN NEED AND HAS TRULY MADE A DIFFERENCE”
PRINCIPAL
ETTALONG PUBLIC SCHOOL, NSW

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WHAT DOES YOUR DREAM INC DO?
Your Dream Incorporated is recognised as a ‘Funding Recipient’ under the NSCP. We are mainly responsible for:
- registering the school and worker
- reporting finances to the Dept. of Education (Federal and/or State)
- recruiting potential workers

Additionally we provide all our workers with:
- individual/group training and support
- annual school seminar visits at a special discounted rate
- entry to our student leadership events
- monthly newsletters

WHAT DOES THE WORKER DO?
- work with existing programs/services in the school
- liaise with school welfare team and counsellor
- work with local community groups/services
- participate in sports, camps, excursions and other activities
- mentor and support students identified with higher needs
- provide support for staff, students and parents
- assist with student-led activities

WHO IS YOUR DREAM INC?
Your Dream Incorporated is a Sydney based Not-For-Profit organisation that has been running School Seminar Programs since 2006. We annually present in over 100 schools, run a bi-annual Student Leadership Summit and since 2011 have taken over 50 schools across NSW and VIC as their Funding Recipient under the National School Chaplaincy Program.

Your Dream Director Darren McMahon has been working with young people for over 20 years. He started Your Dream in 2003 with the vision to help people dream their dreams. Since then, the Your Dream program has been presented in over 600 schools reaching almost 500,000 young people.

“HAVING A CHAPLAIN IN OUR SMALL RURAL SCHOOL MEANS WE ARE BETTER PREPARING OUR STUDENTS FOR THE CHALLENGES THEY WILL FACE IN THEIR EDUCATION AND AS FUTURE CITIZENS”
PRINCIPAL
WHORDULY PRIMARY SCHOOL, VIC