Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that it’s already Week 8- the year is truly flying by. This week our Swimming Program commenced and will continue into next week. Please remember to label all clothing, including socks and underwear. It is always surprising to see the lost property that gathers over the two weeks.

Last week students listened to speeches by the Year 5 students seeking leadership roles for 2016. I must congratulate the students on their speeches and the confident manner in which they delivered them to their fellow students. School Captains and House Captains will be announced at Presentation Day.

Teachers have now completed writing reports, and the Assistant Principals are proofing and signing them before they are given to Mrs White next week. Reports will go home with children on Wednesday, 9th December. Presentation Day will be held Tuesday, 8th December at the Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre, commencing at 10am. All students will be transported to and from school by bus. Permission and medical notes have been sent home with students today and must be returned to Classroom Teachers by Friday, 4th December.

Congratulations to Year 6, who raised $3258.00 at the Mini Fete last Friday. A super effort! Thank you, Mrs Healey and Mr Datt, for all your work coordinating the Mini Fete with the children and Ms Hudson for her assistance on the day.

Congratulations to the students who won the Mini Fete raffle!
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 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
Relieving Principal

Assembly

Friday 27th November 2015 – KR and KP presenting work or an item.
End of Financial School Year

Unfortunately we won’t be accepting any payments (including EFTPOS) on Monday, 30th November and Tuesday, 1st December, due to the School Financial Rollover.

Payments can be made on Wednesday, 2nd December until the end of Term 4.

Sorry for any inconvenience.

Thank you,
Office Staff

STAGE 2 and 3 WRITERS AWARD
BPS are producing some fantastic writers in the primary. Our winners for the Writers Awards this fortnight are:

3/4R - Prabesh Rajbhandari
5/6D - Mitchell Wilson
5/6A - Sidney Speirs
5/6C - Nathan Savage
5/6H - Gemma Ayoub

Chicken pox
Recently we have been informed of Chicken pox within the school.

What are the Symptoms?

- Chicken pox begins with a sudden onset of a slight fever, runny nose, feeling generally unwell and a skin rash.
- The rash usually begins as small lumps that turn into blisters and then scabs.
- The rash appears over three to four days. At any one time, the lesions of the rash vary in stages of development.
- Symptoms usually occur two weeks after exposure to the virus.

People with Chicken pox should avoid others (and not attend School) until at least five days after onset of the rash and all the blisters have dried.

Further information can be obtained from your local Doctor or Greater Western Health Bathurst on 6339 5601.
The Primary Schools State Debating Championships
Collaroy, Sydney 22nd – 25th November, 2015

The Western NSW Debating Team, selected from across Western NSW, competed against 9 other Regional Teams from across NSW.
This Year, our team consisted of: Harry Kater – Dubbo West Public School, Matilda McDonald – Bathurst Public School , Chloe Petersen – Wallarawang Public School, Will Horsburgh – Tottenham Central School
We spent 3 nights and four days at the beautiful beachside Collaroy Centre, under perfect blue skies and sea breezes.
We were awestruck to win our first 3 debates, then 1 loss and another win landed us in the semi-final. It was here we met our match against the Northern Sydney team, who was the eventual winner of the Competition
Congratulations to all Western Team Debaters – you were outstanding and a credit to your coaches and schools.
Marilyn Johnson – Regional Coach 2015
Bathurst Public School app

If you haven’t already done so, download our School app to keep up to date with news, notes and canteen information. You can also send in absentee letters to the school using the app!

Install it today.
Instructions below.

BOOK CLUB

Due: Friday, 27th November 2015

The last Issue for this year has gone home with your child. If you want to order books for Christmas presents, just send me a text and let me know. I will ring you when the order comes back for you to pick up from school so your little one doesn't need to know :-)

Thank you for all the orders during the year; we have been able to buy lots of resources for our classrooms with the rewards. Thank you. Liz (0438210748)
Bathurst Public School is supporting the 2BS Christmas Miracle Appeal for 2015. Please bring your donations of non-perishable items to the front office. Eg: Biscuits, tinned food, bottles of drinks, lollies, chips, chocolates and other packaged food.

Thank you for your support.

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 30th November
Volunteer needed

Wednesday 2nd December
Volunteer needed

Friday 4th December
K Campbell
Term 4 2015 Calendar

- Friday 27th November - Infants Assembly McMullen Hall 2.10pm
- Wednesday 2nd December – KHC Orientation day
- Wednesday 2nd December – BHC Orientation Day
- 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 – Year 6 Tunnel
- 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

Oreo Bauble Cookies

These little Oreo Bauble Cookies are an incredibly easy way to bring some festive fun to the kitchen this Christmas - great to do with kids!

Prep: 0:30

Ingredients
- 24 Oreo biscuits
- 200 g white chocolate
- green food colouring (liquid)
- red food colouring (liquid)
- sprinkles
- silver cachous

Method
1. Line a large baking sheet with baking paper and unwrap the Oreo biscuits. Melt the chocolate either in a microwave or in a heatproof bowl over simmering water.
2. Place each Oreo into the chocolate, one by one, covering it completely and then fish it out with a fork, and shake off as much excess as you can. Continue until all the Oreos are covered.
3. Divide the remaining chocolate between two bowls, and tint one green and the other red. Decorate the cookies to look like Christmas baubles - use the green to make a tree or wreath pattern, and decorate with sprinkles and cachous and the red for other accents.
4. Place in the fridge to set for at least an hour, and serve.

Notes
- These are great to do with kids! Pull out all your decorations and go nuts.
- Feel free to use dark or milk chocolate in place of white.
- Small, disposable piping bags are best to use for piping chocolate and can be found in most supermarkets.

From Louise Angus
Bathurst Public School Yearbook is available now from the front office:

$32

First in first served.... Please send your order and cash or cheque (made payable to Bathurst Public School) in a clearly labelled envelope. There are only 90 copies available...

....GET IN FAST.

School Yearbook 2015
I would like to purchase _____ yearbooks at $32 each.

Total ______

Child’s name ____________________________ Class _______

Parent’s Signature ________________________________