Dear Parents,

I hope all our Mum’s had a wonderful Mother’s Day and were thoroughly spoilt. I have had many stories of mums doing what they always do and love and spent the day on the sporting sidelines cheering along their children – I know this was the case in our house, but I know as a mum, I wouldn’t have it any other way! Thank you to the P&C for coordinating the wonderful Mother’s Day breakfast last Friday morning and to the many mum’s that came along and spent some time with us.

Last week the Captains and I attended the Bathurst Proclamation Day Ceremony in Bicentennial Park. It was a fantastic event and one in which allowed the children to have a greater understanding of the history of Bathurst. Congratulations to the Captains on the manner in which they represented our school. Congratulations also to our Choir members who sang as part of the Combined Schools Choir.

On Friday, 8th May our school held a Flag Raising Ceremony to celebrate Bathurst’s Proclamation Day. This was important for all of our children to take the time to remember and learn more about the history of Bathurst. Thank you to our special guest Bill Allen and our organizer Ms Peubla.
Congratulations to our Year 3 and Year 5 children on the manner in which they have attempted all aspects of the NAPLAN assessments this week. The children really have all done their very best. Well done all. The results of the NAPLAN assessments are not expected back in schools till next term.

The District Cross Country Team has been announced. The District Cross Country will be held at Mt Panorama on Friday, 22\textsuperscript{nd} May 2015. Good luck to the following children who will represent Bathurst Public School at this event: Angus Cafe, Jacob Lamb, Cody Cramer, Oliver Gumpert, Will Sloan, Tiaani Bijelic, Claudia Campbell, Matilda Partridge, Tyra McGarry Wallace, Jemima Luck, Gabriel Langdon, James Hillsdon, Bailey Coe, Tyler Johnson, Josh Miller, Gemma Beecham, Keira Copeland, Aislinn McBurney, Poppie Hutchings, Chloe Turner, Jesse Downey, Sean Hardgrave, Mitchell Lamb, Max Downey, Les Horne, Caiden Grimmett, Miranda Campbell, Holly Downey, Caitlin Morris, Abby Leven, Kayli Burke, Liam Kimbel, Ben Neary, Hayden Sarkis, Charlie Hutchings, Evan Cafe, Tianna Copeland, Sophie Hillsdon, Tegan Bush, Zara Sheader and Ellie McDonald.

Our Back to Bathurst celebrations will be held on Saturday, 23\textsuperscript{rd} May and Sunday, 24\textsuperscript{th} May. A dinner will be held on Saturday, 23\textsuperscript{rd} May at Carrington House. All parents and friends are invited to attend. Please contact the school office for further information or to obtain a booking form. On Sunday, 24\textsuperscript{th} May, our Vintage Fair will be held from 10am-2pm on the school grounds. Once again, all parents, children and friends are welcome to come along to what is sure to be a fantastic event. For more information, email backtobps@outlook.com or check out the backtobps facebook page.

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

Kate White
Principal

School Contributions

School Contributions for 2015 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.
CROSS COUNTRY

Well done to ALL children who participated in the Cross Country held at Bathurst Public School on Wednesday, 6th May.

The following are the results of our Cross Country. These children will compete at the District Cross Country on Friday, 22nd May at Mount Panorama.

8/9 Year Boys – Angus Cafe, Jacob Lamb, Cody Cramer, Oliver Gumpert and Will Sloan.
8/9 Year Girls – Tiaani Bijelic, Claudia Campbell, Matilda Partridge, Tyra McGarry Wallace and Jemmia Luck.
10 Years Boys – Gabriel Langdon, James Hillsdon, Bailey Coe, Tyler Johnson and Josh Miller.
10 Years Girls – Gemma Beecham, Keira Copeland, Aislinn McBurney, Poppie Hutchings and Chloe Turner.
11 Years Boys – Jesse Downey, Sean Hardgrave, Mitchell Lamb, Max Downey and Les Horne
11 Years Girls – Miranda Campbell, Holly Downey, Caitlin Morris, Abby Leven and Kayli Burke
12/13 Years Boys – Liam Kimbel, Ben Neary, Hayden Sarkis, Charlie Hutchings and Evan Cafe
12/13 Years Girls – Tianna Copeland, Sophie Hillsdon, Tegan Bush, Zara Sheader and Ellie McDonald.

Good Luck
Mr Datt

Western Debating Day

Last Friday, 6 of our Year 5 debaters attended the Western NSW Debating Day held at Raglan Public School.

The day was run by The Arts Unit’s debating experts from Sydney, led by Tony Davey.

The students learnt a great deal to assist them in future debates.

Topics covered were speaker roles, rebuttal, the finer points of definition and speaking in an audible, confident manner.

Mrs Johnson – Debating 2015

Caitlyn Morris, Sidney Speirs, Ray Cross, Angus Dunn, Leerroy Frost Laneyrie and Kayli Burke with Arts Unit Team – Ashwin Rudder, Tony Davey and Pat Caldwell
Bathurst Public School's Biggest Morning Tea to support the Cancer Council is on Thursday, 28th of May from 11.15am-12.15noon.

Stage 3 students will be setting up food stalls and there will be tea and coffee available for adults. Parents, Teachers and Students will be able to enjoy morning tea together while listening to talented buskers from Stage 2 and 3 who will be entertaining the crowd.

To make this a successful fundraiser we are asking students in Stage 2 and Stage 3 to provide a plate of food which can then be sold, e.g. biscuits, muffins, cupcakes etc. These can be taken to the George Street Annexe before School on Thursday, 28th May.

We hope you can join us for Morning Tea on Thursday, 28th May at 11:15am.

Kathy Murphy
There is a lot happening in the final countdown to our exciting Vintage Fair on Sunday May 24 so don’t forget to:

- Return your raffle tickets by May 22 to go in the lucky draw for 12 amazing prize packages!
  - More tickets are available at the office if you want to sell them to family and friends.

- Clean out the cupboards for our Trash ‘n’ Treasure Stall.
  - We’d love donations of preloved goods in good condition and working order such as books, CDs, DVDs, knick-knacks, toys and small household items. No bulky furniture or clothes please. Deliveries to the office on Thursday May 21 and Friday May 22 only.

- Remind your kids to enter the colouring competition by Monday May 18 for their chance to win a prize.
  - Entries will also be on display at the Back to BPS Vintage Fair.

- Raid Grandma’s cookbooks to donate homemade goodies for our Old-fashioned Cake Stall
  - Think classic cakes, slices and biscuits such as melting moment, lamingtons, brownies, toffees, honey joys etc.
  - Well-packaged items that will keep well at room temperature until Sunday can be delivered to the front office on Friday May 22 only.
  - You can also deliver to the stall on the morning of the fair if you prefer. Ingredients MUST be listed.

PLUS, A BIG THANK YOU TO...
- The mums and dads who organised and cooked our delicious Mother’s Day breakfast, and everyone who attended this fantastic family event.

NEXT P&C MEETING
- 7pm, Wednesday 20th May 2015, school staff room. All welcome!
Canteen Roster Term 2

Friday 15th May 2015
J Munro
Volunteer required

Monday 18th May 2015
T Tonkies

Wednesday 20th May 2015
Volunteer required

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.

Term 2 2015 Calendar

- Friday 15th May – Infants Assembly
- Tuesday 19th May – Computer Skills test UNSW
- Wednesday 20th May – Choral Conservatorium
- Thursday 21st May – Band Conservatorium
- Thursday 21st May – Girl’s Netball Team playing in Dubbo
- Friday 22nd May – Strings Conservatorium
- Friday 22nd May – District Cross Country at Mt Panorama
- Saturday 23rd May – Bathurst Public School Dinner Dance
- Sunday 24th May - Back to Bathurst Public School Day
- Wednesday 27th May – Primary Assembly
- Wednesday 27th May – Iexplore BHC
- Thursday 28th May – Biggest Morning Tea
- Friday 29th May – Infants Assembly
- Wednesday 3rd June – Science skills test UNSW
- Monday 8th June – Public holiday Queens Birthday
- Wednesday 10th June – Primary Assembly
- Wednesday 10th June – Western Cross Country trials at Geurie
- Friday 12th June – Mufti Day – Pirate Day
- Friday 12th June – Infants Assembly
- Monday 15th June – Writing skills test UNSW
- Tuesday 16th June – Spelling skills test UNSW
- Thursday 18th June – School Reports home
- Wednesday 24th June – Primary Assembly
- Friday 26th June – Infants Assembly
- Friday 26th June – Last day of Term 2
Back to BPS
Bicentenary Celebrations

Saturday, 23 May
BACK TO BPS GALA DINNER
Carrington Function Centre

Sunday, 24 May
OPEN DAY & VINTAGE FAIR
School tours, rides, music, food,
old fashioned games, market stalls
‘Inkpots to iPads’ photographic
exhibition and much, much more!

School grounds 10am - 2pm
(George Street, Bathurst)

www.facebook.com/BacktoBPS
Back to BPS Vintage Fair
Sunday May 24
10am-2pm

Help make our fair a success with donations of
TRASH 'N' TREASURE

Let us sell your preloved toys, books, CDs, DVDs, knick-knacks, small household goods etc to raise money for the school. No clothes or bulky items please. Items can be delivered to the office on Thursday May 21 and Friday May 22 only (due to storage issues).

HOMEMADE TREATS

Whip up a batch of your favourite fete food for our old-fashioned cake stall. Think toffees, lamingtons, melting moments, fairy cakes, caramel slice etc. Homegrown produce and eggs also welcome. Well-packaged goodies that will keep at room temperature until Sunday can be delivered to the office on Friday May 22. Or bring them to the stall on Sunday morning.

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