Dear Parents,

This week we are celebrating Book Week. The theme this year is “Books Light up our World.” Today we have had our Book Parade and Book Fair. All of our children and staff look incredible. Thank you to everyone associated with our Book Week Celebrations. Below is a sample of some of the amazing costumes the children were dressed in.

Each year the Bathurst City Library, in partnership with the Books Plus ABC Centre and the Bathurst Branch of the CWA run a children’s reading program Booklink. Bathurst Public School has won the prize of a $100 gift voucher from Books Plus for the city school who has logged the most books read by students. This is to purchase books for our school library.
The awards ceremony was held on Monday, 24th August at the Bathurst Library. Several students from the school attended to collect both individual, and of course the award for the school. A special mention goes to Kayli Burke who won an individual prize for the child who had read the most books in the 12 years age group.

Participating students are pictured with Mayor Garry Rush receiving the award on behalf of our school. Everyone will benefit from the addition of even more books in our extensive library. Well done readers. Thank you to Mrs Rutherford for attending the award ceremony with the children.

Last Friday 21st August, our Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 children had an excursion to the train station and went for a ride on the Steam Train. The children had a fantastic time on their excursion. We have had complimentary emails about the behaviour of all our children and manner in which they represented our school from members of the public and volunteers on the steam train. Well done everyone. Thank you to Mrs McClements for her coordination of the excursion and to the staff for their work on Friday.

**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

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**Bathurst Eisteddfod**

Bathurst Public School has many commitments at the Bathurst Eisteddfod. We commence performing at the Bathurst Eisteddfod on Wednesday 2\textsuperscript{nd} September. We have 21 entries in this years Eisteddfod. We wish all our groups and individuals well and hope lots of parents and friends can come along to support us. All children participating in the Eisteddfod have received permission notes this week. Please contact the office if your child did not get a note. A reminder that full school uniform for children should be worn to this event. This is:

- **Boys** – Navy trousers, white polo shirt, navy school sloppy-joe with large middle emblem, white ankle socks and clean black shoes.
- **Girls** – Winter pinafore, white polo shirt, navy school sloppy-joe with large middle emblem, navy tights/stockings, clean black shoes and navy blue hair ribbons.

The outline of our groups and their performance dates and times is below.

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**OUR SCHOOL CONCERT DVD IS AVAILABLE FROM THE FRONT OFFICE FOR $15. THIS DVD IS A WONDERFUL KEEPSAKE.**

Like Bathurst Public School on Facebook!
STEAM TRAIN EXCURSION

Last Friday, children in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 walked to the Bathurst Railway Station to see and enjoy a ride on the 3642 Steam Train that was traveling through Bathurst on its ‘Great Western Tour’.

In the classroom, children have been involved in the units of work Transport and Push and Pull Forces and Friday’s excursion was a fun way to experience and further their understanding on these topics.

We arrived on the platform to see the 3642 Steam Engine across the track. We could see the steam engine working, see the coal that was to be used and heard the loud whistle and the loud shunting noise as it slowly moved out of the way for the fast XPT train that came through.

It was then our turn to board the steam train. It was very exciting to finally get on the train and see the craftsmanship in the carriages, the different types of carriages and to listen and talk about how travel by train used to be compared to how it is now with employees from Heritage Transport in each carriage. It was fun travelling out of town, over and under bridges seeing the old steam engine out the window as it pulled us along.

We hope you enjoy looking through some photos that we have put together for you.
Steam Train Excursion
BATHURST PUBLIC SCHOOL CELEBRATES FRUIT and VEG MONTH

In classes this week we have begun collecting food scraps from Crunch and Sip. Collections are being made daily and thanks to Miss Hudson, we have 3 brand new compost areas to start filling up.

Children are excited to see how much they can collect and where it is going to be composted.

Next week we will have our first Fruit and Veg Meal Deal from the canteen. Students can order a yummy combination of lunch, drink and snack for $5.00 on Wednesday. All healthy and all helping to promote the message that healthy food is yummy food too!

HOW HEALTHY ARE YOU?

Research shows 56% of primary school students do not eat the recommended daily amount of vegetables.

Students aged 4-8yrs should have 4 ½ serves each day and 9-11yr olds should have 5 serves a day.

1 serving size is about 75g or ½ a cup.

CANTEEN MEAL DEAL

Order by Monday 31st August at canteen
Meal Deal – Wed 2nd September
$5.00

Spaghetti bolognaise + bottled water + apple yoghurt crumble

Put your order in at the canteen with your name and class on it. Label it ‘Meal Deal’ and on Wednesday you’ll be enjoying a delicious and healthy lunch, drink and snack for only $5.00
FRUIT and VEG SCULPTURE COMPETITION

Prizes for best in every grade

Entries due: Mon and Tues 7th / 8th September
Judging: Wednesday 9th September

Sculpture display in the school office foyer

Woolworths Earn and Learn Program

The Woolworths Earn & Learn Program will be operating from Wednesday 15th July till Tuesday 8th September 2015. During this time points can be collected & sheets completed. Completed sheets can be handed into the front office.
‘ROLL’ UP FOR DAD’S DAY

Nothing says ‘I love you’ quite like a mouth-watering P&C egg & bacon roll so don’t miss our Father’s Day barbecue breakfast next Friday (September 4).

Order forms will go home this week but if you don’t receive one, please pick one up from the office. Only a limited number of extra rolls will be available for purchase on the day. Extra helpers to serve and cook are also welcome. So roll on up!

SUPPORT OUR SUPPORTERS

Next week is SAS Staff Recognition Week, which highlights the important role School Administration and Support Staff play in our children’s education. While much of their work is done behind the scenes, SAS Staff play a vital role in ensuring the school runs smoothly and efficiently, which allows teachers to focus on student learning. So give them an extra big smile and thankyou whenever you see them next week.

NEXT MEETING

When: 7pm, Wednesday 16th September 2015
Where: School staff room
All welcome!

Clothing Pool Monday 31st August NOT Tuesday

Canteen Roster Term 3
Friday 28th August 2015
A Bennett
Monday 31st August 2015
J Munro
Wednesday 2nd September 2015
C Allbut
Term 3 2015 Calendar

- Friday 28th August – Regional Athletics Trials in Dubbo
- Monday 31st August – Friday 4th September – SASS Recognition Week
- Tuesday 1st September – Choral Cluster Rehearsal
- Wednesday 2nd September - Primary Assembly at 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall
- Wednesday 2nd September – Year 3/4R to Eisteddfod – Verse Speaking
- Friday 4th September - Infants Assembly at 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall
- Wednesday 9th September - Year 1 and 2 Dance to Eisteddfod – Dance Group
- Wednesday 9th September – Stage 2 Dance to Eisteddfod – Dance Group
- Wednesday 9th September – Stage 3 Dance to Eisteddfod – Dance Group
- Sunday 13th September – Jazz Singers to the Eisteddfod – Individual Jazz performances
- Monday 14th September – Netball Team to NSW PSSA Finals at Homebush
- Monday 14th September – String Ensemble to Eisteddfod – Strings performance
- Monday 14th September – Drumming Group to Eisteddfod – Drumming performance
- Monday 14th September – Recorder Group to Eisteddfod – Recorder performance
- Monday 14th September – Support Classes to Eisteddfod – Support Unit performances
- Tuesday 15th September – Infants Choir to Eisteddfod – Infants Choir performance
- Tuesday 15th September – Primary Choir to Eisteddfod – Primary Choir performance
- Wednesday 16th September - Primary Assembly at 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall
- Wednesday 16th September – Junior Band to Eisteddfod – Junior Band performance
- Wednesday 16th September – Senior Band to Eisteddfod – Senior Band performance
- Thursday 17th September – Stage 1 Workers in the Community Day
- Thursday 17th September – Stage 2 Blue Mountains Excursion
- Friday 18th September - Infants Assembly at 2.10pm in the McMullen Hall
- Friday 18th September – Bathurst Blues Debating Team in final at Bletchington PS
- Friday 18th September – Term 3 ends
Now accepting Kindergarten enrolments for 2016

“Smart Start”

Transition to Kinder Program

2 Week School Readiness Program 2015

Monday 23rd November - Friday 4th December

Term 4 - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday mornings

Session Time: 9:30am – 11:30am

Please contact Bathurst Public School for more information.

Phone: 02 6331 3923

Email: bathurst-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Shout dad breakfast at our Father’s Day barbecue!

When: Friday 4th September 2015
Where: Front of the school from 8.30am

Brought to you by BPS P&C – dad, mum and other family members all welcome.

Father’s Day Breakfast Pre-Order Form
Please return to school with payment by 3rd September 2015.

Name: ____________________________
Class: ____________________________

Bacon & Egg roll with your choice of juice/coffee/tea $6.00 each

Father’s Day Activity Bag ($6.00 if purchased on the day) $5.00 each

Total

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Father’s Day Activity Bag ($6.00 if purchased on the day)

Total