Dates to Remember

2014

Parent
Music
Sport
Student Parliament

P&C Meeting 7pm Staffroom
Waverly State High Concert
Last Day of Term 2

Term 3
15/7
School Resumes
ICAS English Competition
10/8
NSW School Band Festival, UNSW
12/8
ICAS Mathematics Competition
26/8-
Stage 3 Camp – Great Aussie Bush Camp
29/8
3/9
Music Night
19/9
Last Day of Term 3

Term 4
7/10
School Resumes
16/10-
Music Camp
17/10
17/12
Year 6 Arch
17/12
Last Day of Term 4

LIBRARY NEWS

I have ordered over $1000.00 worth of books from Scholastic, with our profit from the Book Fair this is a selection from box number 1.

Thank You
Mrs Ilieff
Principals Report

Naidoc Week is on during the holidays. Students P-6 enjoyed the 'Didgeribone' performance yesterday. Aunty Faye from the Aboriginal Education and Engagement Team joined us for the afternoon performance. For more Naiidoc Week activities during the holidays go to: naidoc.org.au/

As you can see by the lost property photo, we are bursting at the seams with lost items. Please make sure you check lost property before the end of term and collect your child’s lost items!

Wishing Tree items purchased for classes at the fete have been arriving and put to good use. KM students are telling stories using their newly arrived 'Making Stories is Fun Dominoes'.
Our new ipads have all been synced with apps uploaded and have started being used in classrooms. A number of teachers have been going on inservices about using ipads in the classroom. Next term Mr Fitzgerald and Ms Ussher are attending a 2 day conference about using ipads in schools, they will present the information to their peers.

Thank you to our fabulous Disco parents. The children had a great night and the parents enjoyed it too! The huge range of glow items certainly proved to be popular and very effective in the dark!!! Thank you also to the staff who stayed behind and helped on the night.

Yesterday Jack, Asha, Rosie and Jean debated Fort Street Public School as a part of the Premiers Debating Challenge. The topic was ‘That gambling should be banned in Australia’ and they were the affirmative side. Congratulations on your debating victory and good luck with your next debate!

Last Thursday was our Athletics Carnival. The carnival was organised by Stage 2 teachers and as well as the teaching staff there was a brigade of parent volunteers helping on the day. Thank you to all for your hard work, it helped make the day a great success for the children.
Staff Development Day

Lyn Hay the Head of Professional Learning at Syba Academy will be working with us on ‘The Australian Curriculum: Developing a Web 2.0 and Guided Inquiry Approach’ on the staff development day. I would like to thank Audrey Mc Gibbon (Annie’s mum) who has generously given us this professional development opportunity. Audrey did some work for Syba Academy and rather than being paid she arranged for Birchgrove teachers to get this professional development.

Happy holidays! Have a safe and happy break and we look forward to seeing you in Term 2. School resumes Tuesday 15/7.

Tracy Gray

Flu season is here! Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.

The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit’s vaccination page.

Previous vaccination with the pandemic influenza vaccine, Panvax® is not a barrier to also receiving the seasonal influenza vaccine.

Banish the “I'm bored” complaints these holidays It’s harder in winter to keep kids occupied with anything other than a small screen. Here are some websites that have great tips for things your family can do these school holidays, whether you’re staying put or taking off on a holiday across the state:

- Destination NSW (http://bit.ly/1niJ7sI)
- Winter school holidays in Sydney (http://bit.ly/1nQsVC6)
- School holidays in Newcastle (http://bit.ly/1nljlpG)
- Winter school holidays Central Coast (http://bit.ly/1ingSwX)
- Attractions for kids in regional NSW (http://bit.ly/1lE8Vmw)
- Australian Museum (http://bit.ly/1uEBhxD)
- Kids Camps – NSW Sport and Recreation (http://bit.ly/1hWxTra)

Keep brains ticking over these holidays If your child is working on a personal project or a school assignment these school holidays (or you want to make use of the break for a little revision), don’t forget www.SchoolAtoZ.com.au has lots of information and fact sheets to help with homework. For students polishing their spelling skills, the free Spelling Bee mobile app also allows them to record a list of their own words and then test themselves. You might even want to challenge them with a list you create. Here’s where you’ll find the free app to download: http://bit.ly/Q9ez0G
Gifted and Talented Students in CAPA at Birchgrove

Throughout the year opportunities arise for external workshops and educational programs in Creative and Performing Arts. If your child has a Talent or is Gifted in any of the areas below please fill out the form below and return it to Di Ford, either as a hard copy or by email to dianne.p.ford@det.nsw.edu.au

Di Ford
GATS Co-ordinator

Tracy Gray
Principal

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Area of Talent or Giftedness (Please circle)

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Is your child taking lessons in this area Yes / No

How long have they been learning ______________________

What experiences has your child been involved in ______________________

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Other Comments __________________________________________________________

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Parent’s signature _______________________________________________________

Contact details _________________________________________________________
P&C News

Congratulations to everyone who helped make last Friday’s mid-year Disco such a fun-filled and enjoyable night for the young and young at heart. First and foremost the P&C extends its heartfelt thanks to Simone Love for organizing this event so well. The numbers haven’t been finalized but it looks to have raised at least $5,000, which will be used to enhance the experience of our children at the School. The majority of this money was raised through very healthy ticket sales, which exceeded 500. Simone was assisted very ably by Simone O’Connor, Michelle Stellini, Jacinta Grant, Amanda Headford-Nolan, Alice Stapleton and Anastasia Warden. There were plenty of nice touches at this event including the tasty pizza slices (many thanks to the Atriano family for those) and a range of very appealing glowing gadgets for the children that gave the event a nice Vivid feel. Special thanks go to Rob Cormack, Paul Angus, Karen and Jennifer Peters, Catherine and Oscar Atriano, Jacki Fortune, and all the Year 4 parents and parents and carers from other years who helped on the night.

Chris O'Donnell
P&C President

OPERA HOUSE CONCERT
We wish the best to our Strings and Recorder students who will be performing in the Jacaranda Concert at the Sydney Opera House on Wednesday, 25th June.

TUTORS CHANGES
Farewell to Katie Whyte who has been a piano and vocals teacher at the school for several years and is moving to Melbourne. Erin Patrice has come on board as a replacement tutor. If you have enquiries about one-on-one piano lessons, please contact Michelle at michelle_stellini@hotmail.com.

KODALY MUSIC CLASSES
If anyone would like to take up beginner Kodaly Music or make enquiries about learning a new instrument in Term 3 please contact Jacki at jackifortune@yahoo.com.

MUSIC FEES
A final reminder that all music fees must be fully paid up by the end of Term 2 for students to be able to continue to participate in the music program. If you have not received an invoice or have any enquiries, please contact Andrew at andrdavies@gmail.com.

MUSICAL DATES FOR THE DIARY
😊 Wednesday, 25th June – Jacaranda Concert, Sydney Opera House
😊 Thursday, 24th July – Music Committee Dinner, 7pm
😊 Sunday, 10th August – NSW School Band Festival, UNSW
# NSW Birchgrove Public School Holiday Club

Birchgrove Road Balmain NSW 2041
0405 413 528 (07:00-18:15)

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KIDS AT THE ARTHOUSE

2014 ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN!

EXCITING NEW AFTER SCHOOL ART PROGRAM
INCLUDING SUBMISSIONS TO ART COMPETITIONS!
CREATIVE AND STIMULATING CLASSES
OPEN TO K - 6 STUDENTS.
CLASSES HELD AT BIRCHGROVE PUBLIC SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY 3:15PM - 5PM.
VISUAL ARTS TEACHER WITH 20 YEARS EXPERIENCE!
$30 PER CLASS. AFTERNOON TEA PROVIDED.

CONTACT Sabina: sabina@kidsatthearthouse.com M: 0403768282

KIDS AT THE ARTHOUSE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS:
STUDENTS CHINESE NEW YEAR EXHIBITION AT THE CHINESE GARDEN OF FRIENDSHIP (DARLING HABOUR) “DREAM” EXHIBITION - 2014
FINALIST: AUSSIE ART COMPETITION 2014
WINNER: AVANT CARDS “CALLING ALL ARTIST’S” COMPETITION 2013
FINALIST: AUSSIE ART COMPETITION 2013
WINNER: SYDNEY PORT AUTHORITY POSTER COMPETITION 2012
WINNER: SYDNEY PORT AUTHORITY PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION 2011
WINNER: AVANT CARDS “CALLING ALL ARTIST’S” COMPETITION 2010
COLLABORATIVE PROJECT WITH:
THE AUSTRALIAN NUMERACY AND LITERACY FOUNDATION 2013
THE TAFE ULTIMO SCREEN PRINTING DEPARTMENT 2011
ANZ HOT SHOTS TENNIS
AT THE BIRCHGROVE PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEXT GENERATION SPORTS
Established in 2001
ABN: 80 111 922 279

YOUR COACH FOR THESE SESSIONS IS MIKE LOWERS; Tennis Australia Coach and Senior Tennis Coach at Kincoppal Rose Bay

DATE: Thu July 17 - Thu September 18
MEETING POINT: School Basketball Court
TIME: 8.00am - 8.45am
COST: $150 (10 lessons)
(Pro-rata rates for late enrolments)
Cheques to NEXT GENERATION SPORTS
HOT SHOTS TENNIS
ANZ Hot Shots Tennis is the fun way for kids to learn how to play tennis at school. Smaller courts, nets, racquets and low-compression balls make learning easy and gives younger players the chance to serve, rally and score right from the first time they play.

IMPORTANT POINTS
- Students won’t be accepted without enrolment form
- Suitable for all boys and girls in primary school
- It is preferred students have a tennis racquet
- Coaches turn up in all weather conditions

ENROLMENT SLIP | Tax Invoice  ABN: 80 111 922 279  (Term 3 Tennis, 2014)

CHILD/REN’S NAME ___________________________ MOBILE PHONE/EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER (Must be supplied) ___________________________ AGE ___________________________

EMAIL ADDRESS ___________________________ DATE OF BIRTH ___________________________

ANY MEDICAL CONDITIONS ___________________________

I consent to my child attending the Hot Shots Tennis at BIRCHGROVE PUBLIC and authorise the tennis coaches to supervise these activities. If medical treatment is required and contact cannot be made with a parent/guardian, I authorise the coach in charge to seek the necessary medical treatment. Next Generation Sports will not be held responsible for any accidents. I accept responsibility for the payment of this account.

PAYMENT METHOD:  CASH  CHECK  VISA  M/CARD  MONEY ORDER  AMOUNT ENCLOSED:  $__________  ($3.50 c/c charge)

CARD NUMBER:  ____________  ____________  ____________  ____________  ____________  ____________  ____________

EXPIRY DATE:  ____________ / ____________

I acknowledge my child is automatically enrolled unless I am notified by phone. Classes missed due to sickness or injury will be credited. No refunds given.