## Dates to Remember

### Term 3

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### Term 4

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Education Week Events - Celebrating Local Heroes

Monday 27/7/15
KC Assembly/Education Week Hero Assembly 12pm KC Parent Event
Guest Speakers & Performers Sydney Symphony Orchestra David Campbell (double bass), Kristy Conrau (chello)

Tuesday 28/7/15
Senior Strings -7:50 to 9:00 front Terrace Parent Event

Wednesday 29/7/15
Rock Band 8:00 to 9:00 Basket Ball Court Parent Event
Dance Group - 8:00-9:00 in the hall Parent Event

Thursday 30/7/15
Concert Band 7:50 to 9:00 Basket Ball Court Parent Event
Open Morning – Parent Event
Preschool 9am -9:30
K, Y1 & Y2 9:30-10.00
Y3 & Y4 10.00 - 10:30
Y 5 & 6 10:30 -11.00
‘Stories for Simon’ Author Lisa Sarzin, Illustrator Lauren Briggs and Ex Sydney Swan Michael O'Loughlin – book available for purchase and autographs Student Event

Friday 31/7/15
Winter Wonderland Disco Parent Event
P-2 5:00-6:30
3-6 6:30-8:00

Grandparents Day Monday 10/8/2015
P to 2 10:35-11:15 Activities in Classroom
Recess with grandchild 11:15 to 11:35 (book fair open)
3 to 6 11:35-12:15 Activities in Classrooms

Peer Support
We are commencing our Peer Support lessons this week. The whole school participates in Peer Support for 30 minutes each week. Two Year 6 Peer leaders facilitate a small group of 8-10 students from Kindergarten to Year 5, who work together through a number of structured activities. Each teacher will supervise 2-3 groups in their classroom. We are working on a module called Promoting Harmony helping us define individual and community values, build relationships and improve decision making skills. The module runs for 8 sessions. Our first session enables the children to get to know everyone in their group, agreeing on how they will work together and interact cooperatively with others. They will also begin to think about what is a value and something they value in themselves. We recommend you talk to your children about Peer Support every week, as it will help to reinforce the concepts learned in each session.
1S Excursion Recount On Thursday the 16th of July Year 1 and Year 2 went to the Maritime Museum. The first thing we did was eat our recess. It was cold and rainy. We looked around the HMAS Vampire. It looked cool. We watched an old movie about the ship. We looked around the museum and saw penguins, birds and seals. We saw many different types of transport. After lunch we went on a ferry ride. Year 1 sat downstairs and Year 2 sat upstairs. On the ferry the captain played games with us. It was a guessing game and we had to yell AHOY! We saw lots of exciting things on the Harbour. We had lots of fun on our excursion.

MUSICAL DATES FOR THE DIARY

- Sunday 26th July - Training Band performing at the Inner West Music Festival - Burwood Girls High, contact disey95@gmail.com with any questions
- Tuesday 28th July - Music Committee Meeting - All welcome in Staffroom at 7pm
- Tuesday 4th August - Consort Recorders and Senior Strings Banksia Opera House Concert
- Saturday 15th August - St John's Church Fete (brought forward from September) Concert Band, Training Band, Rock Band and Senior Strings
- Sunday 16th August - NSW Bands Festival, Concert Band
Hockey
Annie started playing hockey when she was only 6 for the local club in Glebe. This year she is their U11A team captain, and was also selected to play for the PSSA South East team for the state carnival and for the U11A South East Hockey Association Representative team.

These took her to competitions in Liverpool, Lithgow, Gold Coast...and most recently Tamworth - where her team came first out of 12 competing U11 teams from all across NSW, to take home the Kim Small Shield. Her favourite position is Centre Half.

If anyone is interested in starting to play hockey - talk to Annie about joining Glebe, our super friendly easy going local club.

Library News
Term 3 is a busy time in the Library. The Scholastic Book Fair will be here on the 10th of August for 2 weeks. The children will have time to browse and buy books. To celebrate Children's Book Week, we have the Book Parade .I have purchased books on the Short List for Book of the Year. Thankyou to the P@CWishing Tree. Mrs Ilieff

MASKS needed for Year 4 Week of Tastes
Does any family have a connection where we can be donated or can purchase 50 sleep marks? They are needed for Year 4 in early August for activites during 'Week of Tastes' program they are participating in. If you can help out please see Raylene or Michelle in the office.

Woolworths Earn & Learn
It's simple to participate. From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There'll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box, either at your local school or at your local Woolworths. The school can then redeem your Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers for valuable education resources for your local school.
Birchgrove Public School
Kindergarten 2016
Play, Learn, Grow

IMPORTANT DATES

Orientation Evening 6:30pm
(For Parents & Carers)
Tuesday 13th October 2015

Kindergarten Orientation Morning
9:30am- 11am
(For Parents, Carers and Children)
Tuesday 20th October 2015

Kindergarten Orientation Morning
9:30am-11am
(For Parents, Carers and Children)
Tuesday 27th October 2015

Kindergarten Orientation Morning
9:30am-11am
(For Children & their 2016 Buddies)
Tuesday 3rd November 2015

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School Tours are available by prior arrangement through the school office
Applications to Enrol can be found on the school website or collected from the school office:
Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our school is participating in the Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart program and we would love your support! Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart is an exciting and non-competitive program which encourages children to become more active through skipping, learning new skills and raising vital funds for heart research and community health programs. Skipping is an excellent way for children to keep fit and healthy. Over the next few weeks, your child/children will be learning a range of fun skipping skills and new tricks.

We will emphasise the importance of regular physical activity and the importance of healthy eating for a healthy lifestyle. Jump Rope for Heart is also a great way to encourage children to get involved in our community and support Australia’s leading heart health charity, the Heart Foundation. The Jump Rope team provides us with lots of resources and support to implement the program and in return we ask that students help by seeking sponsorship for their involvement.

Sponsorship is easy – simply go online to www.heartfoundation.org.au/jumprope, click on the green 'Kids Join Now' button, and register your child today!

- A secure fundraising page will be created as soon as you register; all you need to do then is click the 'Email Sponsors' link to send your family and friends an email asking them for their support... It’s that easy!
- This is an easy, safe way for your child to monitor their progress, receive bonus prizes and even receive sponsorship from family and friends who are further afield.

At the end of the program we will be holding a Jump Off Day, an event to celebrate and culminate the Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart program.

When your child has finished fundraising online, you may like to print out a copy of the donations received online. Thank you for joining us in the fight against heart disease.

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Yours sincerely,

Nicole Shanahan
Jump Rope for Heart School Coordinator

Tracy Gray
Principal
Term 3  Week 2  22nd July  2015

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WINTER WONDERLAND

DISCO
Friday 31st JULY

K-Year2  5pm→6.30pm
Year3-6  6.30pm→8pm

Tickets:
Includes DISCO, BBQ sausage (vegetarian option available) and a drink.
$7 per Student
$7 per Adult
$25 Family (2 Adults and 2 or more children)

Dress in NEON and Icy Whites for a great surprise...!

* GLOWSTICKS
* NEON FACE PAINTING
* SWEET TREATS
available for sale on the night...

Book online at www.trybooking.com/141391

Tickets for sale at pickup Wednesday 29th, Thursday 30th & Friday 31st. Cash and EFTPOS only
As this is a P&C event, Parents/Carers must attend to supervise their children at all times.
Latest news

Chess class
The chess class at Birchgrove Public School runs on Tuesday lunch from 1:10 pm - 1:55 pm. If you are interested in joining the chess class, please contact the Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170 or enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au

Upcoming chess event
2nd August: Inner West Sunday Fun Tournament

More information on events and coaching can be found on: sydneyacademyofchess.com.au

Solution puzzle #8
1. Bg2, Bxg2 2. Qxg2#