

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome back to Term 4 as you will see by the calendar we have another very busy term ahead, culminating in our 2 Presentation Days in Week 7.

Kindergarten Orientation

Our new Kindergarten for 2010 arrived yesterday for the first of 4 days getting to know all about school. They all seemed very excited and there were very few tears when they said goodbye to mums and dads which is a good sign for when they start next year.

If you haven't enrolled your child yet for Kindergarten in 2010 it is not too late. Just come to the office and we will give you all the details.

Good Luck to Debaters and Public Speakers

This week will see our debaters try to move through to the finals as they battle Bankstown in the semi finals. We wish then all the best for their debate on Thursday.

Cassandra Tran is currently representing our school in the finals of the District Public speaking and we wish her all the best.

Choir News

Our choir has been working very hard for the past weeks and months to perfect their singing for the Primary Choral Concert, School Spectacular and Director's Choice.

The Choral Concert last week was a great success and the children sang beautifully.

Director's Choice is the Regional Arts and Awards ceremony and some of our students will be involved as part of the Regional Choir. *We wish them all the best.*

Rehearsals for school spectacular have begun and our students are very excited to be performing.

During all this time Mrs Taylor has been trying to keep the Choirs on track as well as dealing with a severely ill parent. I would like to thank **Mrs Holden** and **Mr Plunkett** for stepping in at a moments notice to help supervise the choir at various rehearsals. I would also like to thank the choir parents who have willingly transported children to venues all over the city. I would particularly like to thank **Mrs Bligh** for staying all day at the School Spectacular rehearsal to assist Mr Plunkett.

Dancers Turn to Shine

Next week it will be our dancers turn to shine as they take part in the District Dance Festival. We wish them all the best and know that they will make us very proud after their months of practice.

P & C REPORTS

With Term 4 being such a short term, and everyone trying to fit in as much as possible before the end of the year, please excuse the amount of fundraisers the P & C will be offering. As always our fundraisers are optional, we try to offer a variety of things so you might find something that will suit your family. We have the schools best interest at heart as the money raised will go towards improving our school. We are currently looking at installing more

interactive white boards in more classrooms so please think of the end result when these fundraisers are on offer. Thank you once again for your support!!!

Mrs J. Mollica

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Jelly Day

Tomorrow, **Thursday, 29th October 2009** the P & C's Social Committee is having a fundraising Jelly Day. Children will be able to buy a jelly cup at recess for just **60 cents**. Please bring your money along on the day so you don't miss out!!!

2010 Family Organiser

This calendar is designed for even the busiest family. There is a column for each family member (up to 5 people) so you can easily see who is where, at what time, on any given day. This is available to order up until **Wednesday, 11th November 2009** for just \$12.95! With *delivery in December*, this could also be a great idea for gifts for friends & relatives for Christmas too!

Please place orders in the "P & C Letterbox" in the Office.

"Billy G's Biscuit & Cookie Dough" Fundraiser

We ran this fundraiser for the cookie dough earlier this year and it was such a huge success that we decided to do it again. 1.3kg buckets of cookie dough can be purchased this time in 4 delicious flavours. Chocolate Chunk, White Chocolate & Macadamia, Anzac or Triple Choc. The dough can be refrigerated and frozen and refrozen without any effect for up to 12 months. Cookie dough is available for \$13 or \$14 per tub, depending on the flavour. This time we are including the Christmas Cake Mix for \$15 per 1.3kg tub. This mix can be freshly baked into individual or large Christmas Cakes or Puddings at a time convenient to you. *Delivery will be on Tuesday, 8th December* so if you and your friends and family are interested in some yummy treats please *return the order form (distributed next week) by Friday, 20th November 2009.*

Gingerbread House Night

Information will go out shortly about this fundraiser just for the adults (sorry kids!). A great time was had by all last year so we decided to do it again. Come along and decorate your very own Gingerbread House. This fundraiser will be held on **Thursday, 26th November 2009** at 7pm in the school hall just like last year so if you're interested keep that night free. Cost is \$25 per person & will include a light supper. (See Insert)

Mrs Kelly MacDonald, P & C Committee

CLOTHING POOL NEWS

Please bring any donations of unwanted girls summer uniforms to the office ASAP. At the moment the clothing pool has none in stock so your donation will greatly help other families at our school.

Mrs Kelly Bailey

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SPORT A MONTH - NOVEMBER - Swimming and Aquacise

Bankstown City Council, in partnership with Ezyswim, is giving you the opportunity to 'Come and Try **Swimming and Aquacise**' throughout the month of NOVEMBER 2009 completely free of charge on Tuesday, 10th November and Thursday, 12th November.

Everyone who registers and takes part in a 'Come and Try **Swimming and Aquacise**' in November will receive a FREE Active Bankstown gift.

For times of sessions and to make a booking, please call 1300 11 SWIM (7946), visit www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au or call the Council's Recreation Officer on 9707 9641.

CHALLENGED BY YOUR CHILD'S ASTHMA? 'Parenting Children with Asthma'

The University of Queensland is conducting research investigating the challenges faced by parents of children with asthma. This project involves a survey examining the factors that parents believe make management of childhood asthma more difficult.

What does participation involve?

Parents of children with asthma, aged 3 to 12 years, can participate by completing a set of online questionnaires about their family, their child, and their child's asthma. These questionnaires will take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

You can complete the survey at: <http://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/asthmaparents>.

For more information, please contact Caroline Gregory—phone: 07 3365 9186, email: caroline.gregory@uqconnect.edu.au.



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TERM 4 DATES TO REMEMBER

OCTOBER

- Wed 28th Yrs 3 -6 District Public Speaking Finals.
- Thu 29th Director's Choice.
P & C Jelly Day. *60 cents each.*
Debating Semi Finals.
- Fri 30th \$3 due for Steve Chard Puppet Show.

NOVEMBER

- Mon 2nd Bankstown Dance Rehearsal.
School Spectacular Rehearsal.
Steve Chard Puppet Show.
- Tue 3rd 9:30am - 12:30pm Kinder Orientation
- Wed 4th Bankstown Dance Festival.
- Thu 5th School Spectacular Rehearsal.
- Tue 10th 9:30am - 1pm Kinder Orientation
- Wed 11th K - 2 District Public Speaking Finals.
2010 Wall Calendar orders due. \$12.95.
Stage 2 CMIT Demo Lessons.
- Thu 12th Debating Finals.
- Mon 16th SRC Nominations.
- Tue 17th 9:30am - 2pm Kinder Orientation.
2pm K 2010 Graduation Assembly.
- Thu 19th P & C Christmas Mufti Day.
- Fri 20th PSSA Season 3 Finals.
Cookie Dough Orders and Money due.
- Mon 23rd SRC Speeches.
- Tue 24th SRC Speeches & Voting.
Regional Public Speaking Finals.
Variety Christmas Party.
- Thu 26th School Spectacular Rehearsal.
3:30 - 4pm Stage 2 Open Afternoon.
7pm Gingerbread House Night. \$25.
School Spectacular Performances.
- Fri 27th Rehearsal for Presentation Day.

DECEMBER

- Tue 1st Presentation Day 1 at Padstow RSL.
- Wed 2nd Presentation Day 2 at School.
- Thu 3rd HS Orientation Day.
- Tue 8th Thank you Morning Tea.
Cookie Dough Orders Delivered.
- Wed 9th Christmas Stall.
- Thu 10th Year 6 Farewell.
- Fri 11th Reports Home.
Last day Canteen Opens for 2009.
- Mon 14th Christmas Raffle.
- Tue 15th K - 2 Oak Park Picnic Day.
Years 3 - 6 Lake Gillawarna Picnic Day.
Last Day of School for Students for 09.
- Thu 17th & Fri 18th Staff Development Days.
- Fri 18th Last Day of School for Staff for 2009.

