February 3, 2015

Dear parents, students & family members,

**WELCOME BACK** to all students, staff, parents, friends & supporters of our school. 2015 will be a year full of learning, challenges, hope & successes. A special welcome to all of our new families — especially our new kindergarten families as you begin your educational journey with us. Bargo is a great school & it leads the way with educational practice & attaining wonderful results for our students.

Mums & dads, each week it will be important that you read the newsletter as it is our main form of **communication between home & school**. References to & explanations about school events are often included for parents, especially new kindergarten parents. Please enjoy your weekly read of the Bargo Newsletter. You can obtain a copy of Bargo Public School newsletter, known as ‘**Bush Buzz**’, 4 ways. Please decide how you would like to receive the newsletter each week. Complete the following information slip with your child’s name as well as yours, if your names are different, also tick the box which reflects your preference & return it to school via the silver tin.

*Bush Buzz—school Newsletter delivery model*

Youngest child’s family name: _______________________________

If different from children’s name: ____________________________

- [ ] A printed copy each week, sent home with my youngest child.
- [ ] By printing it myself from my email account. My current email account is: ____________________________

- [ ] Reading it on line from Bargo Public School website.
- [ ] Reading it live via SchoolStream.

**Other forms of communication** we use to repeat the messages from the newsletter include:

- verbal messages sent home via the children;
- our website – simply google Bargo PS;
- notes on homework sheets;
- messages from the teacher in letter form;
- messages posted on the classroom window;
- messages on the blackboard under the COLA.

Please chat with your children on a daily basis for notes relating to information about meetings, curriculum, excursions, school events, sport, welfare issues or celebrations of success! Why not create a spot in the house where the children can drop school notes.

Enjoy the term ahead, aim to learn something new every day & be as active as you can be in our school!

Anne Bunga
Principal

*Teachers, Parents and Community Caring for Children, Educating for Life*
Topics included in this week’s newsletter include:

* Schoolstream  * School Leaders  * Classes, class names & staffing 2015
* Bell Times  * School Fees  * Student Attendance & Safety
* Playground  * Banking  * Notes to be returned
* Dates for term 1, 2015  * Money collection  * Advertising

SCHOOL STREAM

Our school now has a **free app delivering school information, instantly & directly to your smartphone.**

How to download your FREE APP

1. From your mobile device go to the **App Store (iphone/Ipad)** OR **Google Play (Android)**, search for **School Stream** & download the app to your phone
2. Make sure you agree to **push notifications**
3. Once School Stream has finished installing, open the app, type **BARGO** into the search **THEN** select our school

For more detailed instructions go to schoolstream.com.au/download

SCHOOL LEADERS

Congratulations to this year’s school leaders:

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Congratulations to this year’s school sport’s captains:

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STAFF, CLASS NAMES

We start the year with 15 classes. Our class names are reflective of the teacher’s surname. The classes are as follows:

- **K H** Mrs. Hawkes (M, Tu, W Th) Mrs Fullerton (F)
- **K S** Mrs Smith replacing Mrs O’Reilly
- **K1C** Mrs Cayzer
- **1 K** Mrs. Kluit (M, Tu, W) & Mrs Danaher (Th, F)
- **1 2 H** Mrs Hill (Tu, W, Th, F) & Mrs Fullerton (M)
- **2 6W** Mrs Warder
- **2G** Mr. Gooden
- **2 3C** Mrs. Corney
- **3D** Mrs. D’Onofrio
- **3 4 G** Mrs. Gray
- **4J** Mrs. Jorden (Tu, W, Th, F) & Mrs Pohl (M)
- **4 5 R** Ms. Ritchie (M, Tu, W, Th) & Mrs Hines (F)
- **5 6K** Mrs. Kent
- **6 H** Mr. Hines (M, Tu, Th, F) & Mrs. Hines (W)
- **6 A** Mrs Adam (M,Tu,W) &Mr Hockey (Th,F) replacing Mrs O’Donnell

Teacher/Librarians

- Mrs. Compton & Mr Fudge (W, Th)

Release from Face to Face

- Ms. Feigler, Mr. Hockey, Mrs Bond

Support Teachers

- Mrs. Pohl, Mr Hockey, Mrs Bond

Reading Recovery

- Mrs Compton, Mrs. Cayzer

School Counsellor

- Mrs. Leanne Sathiah; Mrs. Tina Suka

Local Area Relief

- Mr. Spaccavento
Our office staff include:

Mrs. Hatton
School Administration Manager (front office)

Mrs. Ratcliffe
School Administrative Officer (duplicating room & library)

Mrs. Scott
School Administrative Officer (duplicating room)

Mrs. Dacich
School Learning Support Officer (assisting students in 2. 6W)

Mrs. Fowler
School Learning Support Officer (assisting students in classrooms)

Mrs. Franco
School Learning Support Officer (assisting students in classrooms)

Mrs. Sharpe
School Learning Support Officer (assisting students in classrooms)

Mr. Little
General Assistant (Tuesday, Friday, second Wednesday)

BELL TIMES

Arrive at school between 8.45 am & 9.10am (NOT after 9.10am)

First block of learning 9.15 am—11.15 am
Fruit break 10.10 am
Supervised eating 11.15 am—11.25 am
Playtime 11.25 am—11.55 am

Second block of learning 1.55 am —1.25 pm
Supervised eating 1.25 pm—1.35 am
Playtime 1.35 pm—1.55 pm

Third block of learning 1.55 pm—3.20 pm
Dismissal 3.20 pm
Bus run 3.25 pm

SCHOOL FEES

Each year parents are asked to make a contribution to the school in the form of school fees. The fees in 2015 are:

Child (number 1 & 2) $45 dollars each

for every other child, from number 3 on….. add another $30

As in previous years parents who pay their contributions before the first whole school assembly on Friday 6th March will be entered into the lucky draw — a chance to have all of your family’s excursions paid for, for the entire year. The P & C have also donated a number of school polo shirts for draw.

Please make an effort to pay your children’s school fees as every bit helps. The government contributes $68.10 per child to purchase everything— electricity (on average $42,000 a year), gas, readers, maths equipment, exercise books (K-6), pencils & rulers (K-2), art equipment, sports equipment, science equipment, interactive white boards, computers, scissors, photocopying paper, paste, fancy paper, awards, maintenance of school grounds, & so much more, you name it we pay for it.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE & SAFETY

It is a legal requirement & parental responsibility that all students attend school each & every day that they are well. As a school we can assist you & your child, if you experience any difficulties, just talk to us. If your child is absent for school, a parent must provide a signed note of explanation. An absence note is available on Schoolstream—look under notes.
Parents are also responsible for ensuring that their children arrive at school daily between 8.45 am & 9.10am ready for a 9.15am start.

Teachers are on duty during this time & actively monitor students on the netball court & under the COLA. Students and their parents should not wait outside classrooms, this is out of bounds area - waiting in this area will result in a consequence.

Parents are also responsible for ensuring that their children are collected promptly each afternoon at 3.20 pm. If there is an issue due to traffic delays or delays at work, just ring the office before 3pm with a message & we will let your children know about the new arrangements. If your normal routine has changed for the day please write a note letting your child’s teacher know so that they can reinforce your instructions. Children do forget!

Where children are late or need to leave early they must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver to the front office. At the front office you will need to identify yourself & the reason why you are taking your child out of school (or why they are late to school), following this brief conversation you will be issued with a yellow slip which must be handed to the class teacher. Again a legal requirement.

With the installation of the security fence the only entrance which opens during the day is the front gate near the office. Simply press the BLUE button & wait for the office staff to open the gate. When you leave the school you will need to call into the office so that the ladies can open the gate for you. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES should you use the car park entrance as pedestrian access!!

Thursday is banking day & banking has started for 2015

Welcome Back to School Banking

Well done to all of the students who participated in School Banking in 2014. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for exclusive School Banking Reward items in recognition of their continued savings behaviour. Our school receives $5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit).

The Commonwealth Bank has an exciting prize up for grabs for any student who participates in school banking and makes a minimum of 25 deposits during 2015.. 

….A family trip for up to two adults and two kids to California’s Disneyland, including:

- Return flights to LA and airport transfers
- 5 nights at a Disneyland hotel
- 3 day pass to Disneyland
- AUD$2,000 spending money

All students will bring home an information pack including application forms and reward redemption cards. If your child does not receive one and you would like one please place a note in the silver tin with your child’s name and class and one will be sent home.

Please complete the details of your deposit on both the deposit slip and the stub in your deposit book.

Unfortunately, we cannot accept foreign currency via the School Banking program.

School Banking is unable to provide you with an account balance.
If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and don’t forget that **THURSDAY** is School Banking day!

**Notes to be returned via the silver collection tin**

Please look for these notes which have been sent home in paper form and return as soon as possible, placing the correct money (if necessary) in the envelope and place it in the silver security tin at the rear of the administration block on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday morning:

- Emergency contact names and numbers for 2015 (all students)
- Permission to attend local excursions (all students)
- Permission to have access to technology, photos on the web (all students)
- Voluntary contributions note (all students)
- How do you wish to receive your weekly newsletter
- Swimming Carnival Friday Feb 6th 2015 (Years 3 to 6 plus swimmers from Y2) & via Schoolstream
- Swimming School for years 1 to 6 & via Schoolstream later this week

**Upcoming Dates Term 1 - 2015**

Watch this space in the newsletter and add and amend the dates as necessary.

Attached to this week’s newsletter is the term 1 calendar.

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**S.T.A.D.S.**

**Actors, Singers & Dancers**

*Now Booking for 2015!* For Ages 18 months to adult.

*Drama/Acting* *Singing* *Dance/Choreography*

**AND** *The Agency*

Class numbers are strictly limited. Saturday classes available.

Come in and join the fun today! For more information call Sarah on 0415 985 225 or 4685 0183

www.s-t-a-d-s.com
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- **3 Feb**: RR training @ CNPS, 8:30am Miranda
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**Note**: The dates listed are placeholders and will need to be updated with actual events and dates.