March 15, 2016

Dear parents, carers, staff & students,

Congratulations to all of our award recipients!

2015 Premiers’ Sporting Challenge ... Cody V

Principal Medallion Recipients.... #10. Tenille Lindley       #11. Ewan S

Reigning Kings & Queens

King of Safe - Mitchell S 4J
Queen of Safe –Mici D 4J
King of Respectful –Travis F 4J
Queen of Respectful—Mackenzi H 4J
King of Learners –Liam G 4J
Queen of Learners —Jessica C 2H
King of Environment—Patrick L 1K
Queen of Environment—Lillyan V 1K
King of MAD Reading— Riley W 12R
Queen of MAD Reading - Emily H 2K
King of Friendship - Eddie H 2H
Queen of Friendship –Metilda P 1P

March 2016 to April 2016

Winner of School Fees Prize—E Dowd family
Winners of Emergency Contact details prize
1. E Dowd family 2. M Andrews family

Notes

Please look for these notes which have been sent home 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:

◆ 2017 Kindergarten enrolments, especially if you are unsure if your child has any learning issues or medical issues
◆ 2017 Yr 6 to High School enrolment paperwork. Every student NEEDS to return this form even if you are enrolling into the private system.
◆ Asthma plans, Anaphylaxis plans and/or Health Plans from your friendly doctor and a supply of cakes if needed.
◆ School Photograph envelopes
◆ Easter Raffle donations
◆ Eddie Q—in school excursion paperwork and payment
◆ PSSA sport trial and swimming carnival notes and fees, including Paul Kelly Cup

Thursday is banking day. Please place your bankbooks in the silver tin before school
Congratulations to 12R the winning class at our first **AMAZING ASSEMBLY**. Well done to our Captains Jack and Tahlia; and Vice Captains Cohen and Amelia for leading Bargo Public School.

Congratulations to all students for demonstrating how well you know and follow our ‘5 L’s’. Once again I am a very proud principal, Bargo Public School students are **AMAZING**.

Now... some more information for all parents:

**Brett Emerton visits Bargo Public School—on Wednesday**

11:45 am  Brett Emerton arrives at school reception
12:00 pm  Assembly with whole school (369 students) in school hall. Parents welcome!

Brett to give a brief talk about the importance of daily physical activity, healthy eating and good habits, goal setting and working hard to achieve dreams.

Brett to be “interviewed” by students for approximately thirty minutes, **using pre-prepared questions**. All students are asked to prepare a question to ask Brett. These questions will be vetted by the teachers so that the questions meet the brief. Opportunities exist for photos to be taken, however, students will need to return the media release form.

12:40 pm  Brett takes a group of 25 students (**selected by the school**) outside for a mini-coaching clinic.

**Student Attendance**

It is a legal requirement that all students attend school each and every day that they are well. It is a parental responsibility to ensure children attend school. As a school we can assist you and your child, if you experience any difficulties.

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Parents are also responsible for ensuring that their children arrive at school each day between 8.50am and 9.10am. When children are late it impacts on their learning and the learning of their peers.

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**Premiers Reading Challenge**

Mums and dads of students in year 3 - 6, instructions for logging onto PRC website. Students can access the website from home or school.

**How do Students Log in to the PRC Website?**

Students can either:  Go to their **Student Portal** >>> Go to the **Learning** section >>> Click on the link to the PRC website.

OR  Go to [https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/logon.html](https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/logon.html)  >>> Log on using their DoE username and password

Once students have logged on they will be prompted to complete a survey just once.

Q1 – do they intend to complete the Challenge this year?
Q2 – how many books did they read last year?

* Students in Yr 3 will have read 20+ books in the previous year.
* All other students’ reading will need to reflect their own personal reading achievement.

From here, students need to click on the Student Reading Record link and enter their books!

**HAPPY READING!!!**
Harmony Day—Monday 21st March

Students are invited to wear orange to school on Monday 21st March as part of our school’s Harmony Day Celebrations. Look through your wardrobe, visit 2nd hand clothing stores to locate something ORANGE to wear. Orange is the internationally recognized colour for harmony. If you have troubles finding orange colour, try school uniform with a splash of orange, orange hair, orange ribbons, orange socks.

Teachers will complete a unit of work relating to a country during next week. Watch this week and next week’s homework sheets for information.

Enrolling into High School and Year 7 in 2017 paperwork required by Friday

Parents of year 6 students, it is important that your child’s Expression of Interest High School 2017 is completed and returned asap. Every parent needs to complete this paperwork whether your child is seeking placement in a public high school or a private high school in 2017. If you do not return the paperwork, your year 6 student will be without a place for year 7.

‘Meet the Teacher’ meetings will be conducted on Wednesday 16th March commencing at 5pm.

- Kindergarten parents are asked to meet their teachers in library.
- Parents of students in 12R, 2H and 2K are asked to meet in 2K’s room.
- All other classes are asked to meet their child’s teacher in their room.

Head Lice

Remember to check all heads for head lice tonight. Head lice have caused enormous concern & frustration for parents, teachers & children. No reports this week (so far). So we are going to continue our blitz on HEAD LICE but we all need to work together!

Step 1: Every Tuesday night parents stop & check each child’s hair for lice, from the baby to the adults in the family.

Step 2: Should you find head lice…. PLEASE treat your family's hair, brushes, combs & bed linen on Tuesday night.

Step 3: Notify the school on Wednesday morning, so that I can advise all families to take extra precautions.

We have had an incredible amount of success with our plan in the past, but we cannot afford to become complacent. Remember head lice love to live in clean, strong hair. Kids love to touch heads while giggling & sharing a joke. Their eggs are usually found behind the ears & along the nape of the neck. Some simple solutions include:

- tie your child’s hair up — both boys & girls
- spraying your child’s hair with hairspray, making it much harder for the nit to attach to the hair shaft
- spraying Tea Tree oil in the lining of the school cap—nits don’t like the smell.

And finally, as is the tradition at Bargo Public School, we would like to extend an invitation to all grandparents (and grand friends) to attend our Easter Hat Parade and Cross Country Carnival. Reserve this date on your calendar! Start thinking about hats both for the children and for yourself- come along in the spirit of the day! The date is March 24th.

Easter 2016 is a 4 day break, followed two weeks later by the school holidays commencing 3.20pm Friday 8th April returning Wednesday 27th April 2016.

Enjoy the term ahead, aim to learn something new every day and be as active as you can be in our school! Please chat with your children on a daily basis about notes relating to information about meetings, curriculum, excursions, school events, sport, welfare issues or celebrations of success!

Anne Bunga
Principal
Week 10 commencing Monday 28th March and finishing on the 1st April.

5 cent Challenge

Students will be asked to bring in 5 cent pieces and place into a container in their classes to help win the 5 cent challenge. The class who has the most money in their container will be the winning class. The winning class will be rewarded with a yummy treat.

The money raised from this fundraiser will go towards new technology for our children in school.

Start saving all your 5 cent pieces and help support this great fundraiser.

Thank you from the P & C

P & C Fundraiser

Mittagong Blue Light Disco

Venue: Mittagong RSL
Date: Saturday 19th March
Times: 4pm to 6.30 pm
Cost: $5.00 per child 4 – 14 years
Parents and children under 4 free.
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