

BILPIN PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 Week 10

Dates to Remember

TERM 2 2018

Week 10

HOOK IV			
Mon 2nd/3rd/4th Jul	- K/1/2 Parent / Teacher Interviews		
Mon 2nd Jul	- Parent Assembly 2.45 pm		
Wed 4th Jul	- Uniform Orders due		
Wed 4th Jul	- Term 3 Canteen Roster due		
Thurs 5th Jul	- Principal's Lunch		
Thurs 5th Jul	- 3/4 Parent / Teacher Interviews		
Thurs 5th Jul	- 5/6 Parent / Teacher Interviews		
Fri 6th Jul	- Athletics Track Events		
	TERM 3 2018		
Week 1			
Mon 23rd Jul	- Staff Development Day		
Mon 23rd Jul	- CPR and First Aid training		
Tues 24th Jul	- Students return to school		
Week 2			
Tues 31st Jul	- Small Schools' Field Events		
Thurs 2nd Aug	- Year 3 & 4 Bush Trackers Program		
Fri 3rd Aug	- Small Schools' Track Events		
Week 3			
Mon 6th Aug	- P&C Meeting		
Thurs 9th Aug	- Education Week Open Day		

End of Term message

As we draw near to the end of this term, I would like to thank all of the parents who have volunteered their time to work in various capacities to assist at school; P & C, canteen, carnivals (school and Small Schools',) reading and fundraisers. I would also like to thank all of you for continuing to support your child with their learning and for supporting our school in whichever way you can.

I would like to thank the students for their continuous efforts at school, both in and out of the classroom. They deserve a few weeks to reboot after end of term assessments!

Lastly, I would like to thank the wonderful staff at Bilpin. We work in a very unique and special environment and you do not always find such a dedicated, nurturing and committed staff as ours.

Tuesday 3rd July 2018

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Education

Wishing you all a safe and restful holiday. We are looking forward to a term filled with exciting learning opportunities!

Interviews

I would like to thank the teachers for the many hours spent on preparing reports and interview notes for the Semester 1 assessment and reporting period.

I have read many wonderful comments about our students over the past few weeks in the lead up to reports going home. I have also enjoyed the opportunity to see the fabulous work being done by our students in various areas of the curriculum when I visit classrooms and when students bring their work to me.

Interviews this week are an opportunity to discuss your child's progress to this point in time and ask any questions that you may have. If you require a longer time for your interview, an alternative time may need to be scheduled.

If you have not yet booked your interview, please return your interview note to the relevant class teacher or the office as soon as possible. If this note has been misplaced, please contact Mrs Chapman.

Hawkesbury Enrichment Programs

Thirty of our students were selected to attend a variety of Enrichment courses across the Hawkesbury this week and last week. The feedback we have had from students who have already attended their courses is excellent! I have also received positive reports from host teachers, expressing how impressed they have been with the behaviour of our students. We are very pleased to hear this praise!

We would like to thank all of the teachers who have run the 42 courses across the Hawkesbury. It is a big commitment and a very worthwhile opportunity for our students, for which we are very grateful!

Stage 2 Camp to Yarramundi YMCA

Stage 2, Mr Hynds and I attended camp at YMCA Yarramundi during Week 8.

The weather was a bit cold and wet at times but the students powered on regardless! Some of the activities undertaken by students were rock climbing, the giant swing, the flying fox, low ropes and cave maze.

P & C Meeting	Bilpin Public School P & C Committee are as follows			
	President	Angie Pirie	0414 570 365	Please feel free to contact any of
Monday 6th August	Vice President	Michelle Leer	0410 548 210	these representatives if you have
	Treasurer	Cheryl Baird	0414 499 239	any concerns you wish to discuss
The Staff Room 3.40pm	Secretary	Nikki Wheen	4567 1154	

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We were very impressed with the perseverance, team work and spirit demonstrated by students throughout the two days of camp.

Attached to this newsletter are more detailed recounts of camp from the students themselves. We hope you enjoy reading them!

Athletics Carnivals

The Track Events Carnival will now take place on Friday 6th July. Full results will be in the first newsletter of next term.

We would like to thank Mr Hynds for the time and effort he spent organising the Track and Field Carnivals during the last two weeks. An excellent job as usual!

We would also like to thank our helpers; Mr Graham, Mr Carle, Mr McLaughlin, Ms Prior (Field Events), Ms Tadrosse and Mrs McLaughlin (canteen), Mr Eugene and Mr Pattison (Bilpin Oval preparation).

Visible Learning Staff Development Day Term 3

On Staff Development Day next term, the teaching staff will be beginning their Visible Learning journey with a number of schools across the Hawkesbury.

An explanation of Visible Learning from Corwin, the company delivering our professional learning is outlined below;

'The Visible Learning school change model of professional learning is based on one simple belief: every student should experience at least one year's growth over the course of one school year.

Visible Learning translates the research of Professor John Hattie into a practical roadmap for implementation in the classroom and school wide. Today, schools around the world use Visible Learning to examine their impact on student achievement and create innovation in the learning environment.'

We are very excited about the prospect of bringing this evidence-based learning model to Bilpin. Once we are well underway with our implementation, we will be inviting parents to an information session after school, for those who might be interested.

We are looking to include other information sessions as part of this afternoon, including L3 and Mathematics.

A survey will be sent home in the first week of next term seeking your feedback about sessions that you think would be valuable for us to run, to assist with your understanding of our current curriculum and how to help your children at home.

Staff Development SASS

Whilst the teachers are at Visible Learning training, the office and support staff will be undertaking CPR and First Aid training at school on Monday 23rd July.

Once again, Mrs Chapman has done a magnificent job organising this event for approximately 40 participants from various schools and community organisations across the Hawkesbury.

Mrs Chapman spends the majority of Term 2 as well as time in the holidays coordinating this event. On behalf of everyone attending, I would like to express our gratitude to Mrs Chapman for her hard work and organisation.

Futsal

Nine of our Stage 2 students and 7 of our Stage 3 students had a wonderful day playing Futsal soccer at the YMCA Hawkesbury Indoor Stadium in Windsor last Friday. Congratulations to both teams who played with great spirit and sportsmanship. I would like to thank Mrs Carroll for managing the Stage 2 team and parents who were able to come along and support on the day. Also thanks to Mr Leigh Fox from Kurrajong PS who was able to fit us in.



Shining Star Award Term 2

Congratulations to Mia for achieving the Shining Star Award this term!

Mia is a very deserving student. She works extremely hard in class, always follows school rules and is always willing to help others. This term Mia has displayed great initiative by attending to the vegetable gardens, weeding, planting and watering to ensure they thrive.



Thank you Mia for your amazing efforts!

Parent Assembly

Many thanks to all of our parents who were able to attend yesterday's Parent Assembly. We greatly appreciate you taking the time out of your day to be part of our end of term awards.

Congratulations to all students who achieved their Bronze and Silver Awards this week!

Farewell Wharerau Family

Wishing Ariarna and her family all the best for their new home and school. Ariarna will be greatly missed by all her friends here at Bilpin Public School.

Principal's Lunch

Students who have received Student of the Week, three Principal's Awards for the semester, or the Shining Star Medallion for this term, will be invited to attend Principal's Lunch with me on Thursday 5th July, the second last day of Term 2.

Students who were absent for the last Principal's Lunch will be invited to attend lunch on this day also.

Students will not be required to bring their own lunch on this day.

Term 3

As our first newsletter for next term will not be out until Week 2, I have included some information about some of the events that will be taking place early in the term.

Small Schools' Track and Field Events - These events will take place on Tuesday 31st July and Friday 3rd August respectively at McMahon's Park. Successful students will be notified by Mr Hynds later this week.

Stage 2 Bush Trackers Program - Class 3/4 have been invited to participate in a Bush Trackers excursion which will take place at the old BMX track near Bilpin Hall on Thursday 2nd August. The students will work with National Parks and Wildlife Rangers to map the area for future use by other students and visitors. Students will receive an introductory talk at school this Thursday. Further information will be send home next term with a permission note. The

program is free to our students.

Education Week and Open Day - Week 3, Thursday 9th August. Indigenous performers and presenters from Mura Mittagar, located at Rouse Hill, will visit our school for a whole day of activities. More information will be provided in the first newsletter next term.

Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to the following students who will be celebrating their birthdays in July. Chloe (6 years old), Tex (7 years old), William (7 years old), Khannah (8 years old), Emily (8 years old), Mia (9 years old), Joel (11 years old), Ariarn (11 years old)



Mrs M Mackie PRINCIPAL

CLASS NEWS

Year K/1/2 News - Mrs E McCloy

K/1/2 are finishing up this term by looking at 3D shapes in maths and have been able to use the new school iPads to document our learning. By using a QR code we have been able to log into our student stories in Class Dojo and record photographs of our 3D nets.

K/1/2 attended CPR training last week. Our class learnt to recognise when a person isn't breathing, how to clear their airway and how to place them in the recovery position. Most importantly we practiced calling for help using 'zero zero zero' and remembering to stay on the line.



If you would like extra readers sent home for the holidays please let me know by Wednesday afternoon as it can take some time to organise these. I will also update the activities available to students in Mathletics and Wushka for the holidays and pop a couple of activities including links to 'Sketch Up', in our Google Classroom.

Have a safe holiday K/1/2 and enjoy some well deserved time with your families.

Year 3/4 Class News - Mrs M Mackie

Camp

The students, Mr Hynds and I had a wonderful time at camp! We hope you enjoy reading their recounts attached to this newsletter.

Interviews

If you haven't made an interview time yet, I still have times available. Please contact Mrs Chapman as she has my schedule.

Assignments

Throughout the week the students will present their assignments to the class. Over the past few weeks, students have been working on them in class and at home.

Each student has chosen their own presentation day based on when they thought they would be ready to present. The last day for handing the assignment in is the **last day of term**.

Wishing you all a restful holiday over the next two weeks and I will see you next term!

Year 5/6 News - Mr A Hynds

It's been a busy term and I am sure all my students are looking forward to a nice break to reenergise. We will be finishing off some

of the terms activities this week, including our normal Reading and Maths routines. There will be no homework this week. We are also looking forward to our athletics events this week.

Many of my students have been attending a wide range of enrichment courses this week and I hope they have had really enjoyable and valuable experiences.

I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday and look forward to seeing everyone in Term 3.



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