Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school for the last term of 2015. Where has the time gone? I hope everyone had a refreshing and fun break, excited and ready for the weeks ahead. Term 4 is always busy with the mini-fete, swimming, Myuna Bay, Presentation ceremonies, farewells and lots more!

As we mentioned at the end of last term, our expanded PCYC circus skills program gets underway this week. I saw many smiling and excited faces waiting for today’s session to start. As usual, there will be a range of other play time activities available to the kids throughout the term.

A new school communication team are working hard to put the finishing touches on our new Facebook site. I know the whole community has been looking forward to this initiative for some time. After some staff training and last adjustments, we hope to have the site up and running soon. As soon as it’s ready, we’ll let you know! This initiative is part of a much larger and long term communication plan that will help us look at all the ways we communicate and engage with our community. Everything from our newsletter to our school logo will be part of this review and plan. We want to do the best job we can of informing all of you and making sure everybody knows what a wonderful school we have!

Whether you enjoy the sound of V8 engines or not, I hope you can get into the swing of the Bathurst 1000 and enjoy Bathurst’s biggest week of the year with your friends and family. Go Fords!

Darren Denmead
Relieving Principal

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**Term 4**

**Week 1**

- **Tuesday, 6th October**
  - **FIRST DAY TERM 4**
  - Playgroup, Hall, 9.30-11.30
  - **Flying Start**
  - Assembly, Hall, 9.15-10.00

**Week 2**

- **Monday, 12th October**
  - Playgroup, Hall, 9.30-11.30
  - State Athletics
  - **Flying Start**
  - State Athletics

- **Wednesday, 14th October**
  - Myuna Bay final payment
  - Stage 3 Interschool Sport
  - Assembly, Hall, 9.15-10am

**Week 3**

- **Monday, 19th October**
  - Bird Week

- **Tuesday, 20th October**
  - Playgroup, Hall, 9.30-11.30

- **Wednesday, 21st October**
  - Assembly, Hall, 9.15-10am
  - Stage 3 Interschool Sport

**Week 4**

- **Monday, 26th October**
  - Playgroup, Hall, 9.30-11.30

- **Tuesday, 27th October**
  - Day for Daniel
  - Stage 3 Interschool Sport
  - Assembly, Hall, 9.15-10am

- **Wednesday, 28th October**
  - Choir, Opera House

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**Student Notes Sent Home This Week**

- Stage 1 Bathurst 1000 Pantech Parade

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**Due soon**

- Myuna Bay payment
- Swimming Lessons
School Awards

Congratulations to -
Ryley, Curtis, Krystian, Morrison, Chloe, Leo, Alex, Charli, Zac, Evelyne

Principal’s Awards

Congratulations to -
Charli, Chloe

School Terms & Vacations 2015
Term 4 - Tues 6th October to Wed 16th Dec
Summer Vacation - Thurs 17th Dec to Tues 26th Jan 2016

School Terms & Vacations 2016
Term 1 - Wed 27th January to Fri 8th April
Autumn Vacation - Mon 11th Apr to Fri 22nd Apr

Term 2 - Tues 26th April to Fri 1st July
Winter Vacation - Mon 4th July to Fri 15th July

Term 3 - Mon 18th July to Fri 23rd Sept
Spring Vacation - Mon 26th Sept to Fri 7th Oct

Term 4 - Mon 10th Dec to Tues 20th Dec
Summer Vacation - Wed 21st Dec to Thurs 26th Jan 2017

GENERAL INFORMATION
Administration Office Hours - 8.45am - 3.45pm
School commences at 9.15am
School finishes at 3.15pm
Students are supervised from 8.45am
9.15-11.15 Class session 1
11.15-11.45 Play
11.45-1.45 Class session 2 which includes lunch Inside at 11.45
1.45-2.15 Afternoon tea and play
2.15-3.15 Class session 3
The two 2 hour sessions will be split by “fruit breaks”

Swimming K-4 Advance Notice
In Term 4 K-4 children are invited to be involved in a learn-to-swim/water safety program at Bathurst Aquatic Centre. The program runs for 8 days in early November. The cost for the 8 lessons, including pool entry and bus fare, will be $85. Full payment and notes will need to be returned by the 16th October (Week 2, Term 4) for your child/children to be enrolled.

Canteen News

Roster
Mon 13/10 J.Baillie
Tues 14/10 J.Baillie,
Wed 15/10 J.Baillie, A.Mulligan
Thurs 16/10 J.Baillie,
Fri 17/10 T. Roels, K.Riley, K.Turner

A big welcome back to Term 4. Hope your holiday break was a good one. I look forward to seeing all the children at the canteen over this term. We have a great range of healthy sandwiches and rolls available now the weather is warming up.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all those parents who cooked the fantastic cup cakes that we sold at our cup cake afternoon tea. Also thank you to those people who helped Tammy to serve all the hungry people on the day. It was a big effort and we sold over 500 cup cakes. The families and children who also purchased the cakes and items on the day enabled the canteen to make $430 from this day. This money has been given to P&C to put away towards the purchase of a thermomix for use in the canteen to make it easier to make our delicious lunch time items e.g. cottage pie, spaghetti bolognese and macaroni cheese. WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT THE CANTEEN IS UNABLE TO PUT ON THESE GREAT DAYS FOR THE CHILDREN. THANK YOU.

Date for the calendar
Wednesday 21st October
Year6 MINI FETE
Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children once enrolled.

Children are required to attend school each day it is open for instruction.

Principals are legally responsible for maintaining accurate records of student attendance.

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It is important to understand that parents/carers may be prosecuted if children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of absences from school.

It is the responsibility of parents or carers to make sure that their children attend school each day that the school is open for instruction or other activity.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when absences explained as being due to illness are frequent or prolonged.

Principals may decline to accept as satisfactory an explanation for an absence and will record that absence as unjustified.

When reasons for absences are provided to the school by parents, principals are accountable for their decision to record a student’s absence as justified.

100% – 96% Excellent

95% - 90% Cause for concern

89% and below This will have a drastic effect on academic achievement

Why is it important?
Selective High School Entry to Year 7 in 2017


Applications can only be made online through the Selective High Schools website. The link is


Information Packages and website link are also on our school website


Contact the school office if you require further information.

Debbie Barratt
R/AP Stage 3

Stage 3
Myuna Bay
16th - 20th November, 2015

Next Friday 16th October is the 6th and final instalment due date for Myuna Bay. All payments need to be finalised by this date. Thanks to the many families who have finalised payments.

Further information will be sent home with students during Week 3.

Medical forms can only be completed online this year. If you are having difficulties please make contact with Debbie Barratt before next Friday.

Central West OOSH Services

Central West OOSH Services provide quality & caring out of school hours care (including vacation care, pupil free days) for children & families in the Central West NSW.

♦ Care provided for children aged 5-12
♦ Transport provided to & from schools in Bathurst and Kelso
♦ Breakfast is provided till 8am at before school care
♦ Government CCB & CCR is available to eligible families

Before School Care - 7am-9am
After School Care - 3pm-6pm
Vacation Care - 7am-6pm

For more information please contact Tanya on 0411 521 460
Managing Strong Emotions

Do you often get anxious, angry or overwhelmed? Do you manage your emotions or do they manage you?
Learn the Why, What and How of managing your strong emotions, so you can enjoy life!

DATE: Thursday's 15th Oct to 19th Nov 2015 (6 weeks)
Pre-Group interviews by appointment:
Mon 28th Sept & Tues 6th Oct, 2015

TIME: 9.30am to 12.00pm

LOCATION: Bathurst Hospital Education Room, Heritage Building

COST: $20 per session or a donation you can afford

To book your place, or for more information please call us on 6333 8888

Circle of Security

This 8 week program is for parents and caregivers who have children aged from 0 – 12 years old.

Circle of Security is an early intervention program that focuses on relationships that support children to feel secure.

Children who are secure have:
- Increased empathy
- Greater self esteem
- Better relationships with parent, caregivers and peers
- Enhanced school readiness
- An increased capacity to handle emotions

The program supports parents to look beyond a child's behaviour and identify their needs in the relationship.

DATE: Friday's 23rd Oct to 11th Dec 2015

TIME: 10:00am to 12:30pm

LOCATION: Family Relationship Centre
91 Seymour St, Bathurst

COST: Fees have been waived for this course

To register your interest or for more information about any of our courses or seminars, please contact by phone on: 02 6333 8888
Central West Women’s Health Centre

Out of the Dark
A Family Violence Support Program for Women

Session Details:
Dates - each Thursday for 4 weeks from 15th October to 5th November 2015
Time - 10.30am to 2.30pm. Morning tea and lunch provided
Venue - Central West Women’s Health Centre
20 William St, Bathurst
To Register - Contact Annelie, 6331 4133
E: information@cwwhc.org.au
If you require child care please discuss with us

Yoga 2015
Term 4, October 6th - December 10th
At the Central West Women’s Health Centre
Phone 6331 4133 for details

Bathurst and District Junior Touch Football Competition
BJTF competition is calling for nominations in Boys, Girls and Mixed Junior touch football teams.
Divisions include Under 8’s, 10’s, 12’s, and Under 14’s. Under 16’s play as a junior team in the senior competition.
Venue: To be held at Learmonth Park from 4.30 pm each Monday for 30 minute games.
Starts: 26 October 2015. Finishes: 29 February 2016 (with a break over Christmas).
Nominations period – Opens 14 September to 19 October 2015 – Team registrations can be completed online at: bathurst-toucfootball.asn.au
Cost: $250 per team. Please note there is minimum of six players (usually ten player sides). For under 16 teams playing in the Senior Competition nomination fees are $570.00 per team.
Coach: Each team requires a Coach/Manager who can also referee. The cost of the referee course is free. Those persons wishing to do the referee course should contact David Weekes (0439321568).
Age: Age divisions are based on players turning that age during 2015. For example, if you turn 12 in 2015 you can play in the Under 12’s division.
More Information: contact Gerard Lang – Competition Coordinator on 0427 223 410

Two presentations by Julie Hollitt
Educational Development and Counselling Psychologist

Where the Wild Things Are
Kids, Behaviour & Families
Looking at children 0-12 years

And

When the Wild Things Turn Into Aliens
Teenagers, Behaviour & Families
Looking at young people from 12-25 years

For information and bookings please phone Centacare Bathurst on 6331 8944 or
Email: reception@centacarebathurst.com.au

Bookings close 9th October 2015