Dear Parents/Carers,

**Presentation Day**

It was lovely to share today in the celebration of success that is Presentation Day. Well done to the students who received awards, and also congratulations to everyone for great behaviour during the ceremonies and for a fantastic year!

**Good luck Year 6**

We wish all of our Year 6 students every success in High School next year. They have been an outstanding group and will be sorely missed. We look forward to their official graduation ceremony on Thursday night and to the many activities planned for the next week culminating in the farewell assembly on the last day of school.

**Riddle of the week…. the final one for the year**

This week's riddle:

Q: What do you take the top off to put the bottom on and the bottom off to put the top back on?

Last week's riddle:

Q: A man falls off a 10 metre ladder but does not get hurt. Why not?

A: He was standing on the bottom rung.

**Holiday Wishes**

As this is our last newsletter for the year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every member of our fantastic school community – kids, parents and staff – for a fun and successful year. I am very proud of you all. I love coming to school each day and I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as Principal. I get a great deal of joy seeing our young people share this love of our school. I thank you all for the support you have offered me and I look forward to continuing in the role of Principal for Term 1 in 2016.

I wish you all a merry Christmas. I hope you manage to have a safe and happy holiday, full of family, smiles and laughter. I can’t wait to see you all back in 2016 for another exciting year of school at Bathurst West!

Darren Denmead
Relieving Principal
**School Awards**

*Congratulations to -*

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**Principal’s Awards**

*Congratulations to -*
- Trinity, Shylira, Supriya, Callie, Antonia, Caitlin, Sameeptha, Alexis, Jonah, Braydon, Eden, Allan, Tegan, Alannah, Kallum, Noah, Kaitlee, Mitchell, Chloe, Emily

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**Badge Awards**

*Congratulations to -*
- Callie, Jonah, Alannah Baldwin, Emily, Mitchell, Kaitlee

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**Canteen News**

**Roster**

*Mon 14 Dec*  
T.Roels

*Tues 15 Dec*  
J.Baillie

*Wed 16 Dec*  
J.Baillie

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**Canteen News for the Last Week of Term.** Please note that the last day for canteen trading will be WEDNESDAY 16.12.15 - the last day that the children will be attending school. We will be open as usual on these last 3 days. We will have some menu items that will not be available but will have alternate menu items available. We have only limited stock of the spag bol, mac and cheese and fried rice and when these run out we won’t be replenishing until 2016. There should be other items available to replace this stock. So if your child would still like to place an order at the canteen we will be able to supply a delicious lunch for him/her. We also will have iceblocks and afternoon tea items available until the end of term. These items are a great way to cool down on these hot afternoons.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all the families of Bathurst West School a great Christmas and even better New Year. I would like to once again thank all the families who support the canteen throughout the year. Without the volunteer helpers supplying the lunches, the children ordering the lunches and afternoon tea and the people who donate to the canteen, we would not be able to run such a great canteen for our children. I look forward to your continued support in 2016 and also look forward to seeing all the children back at school and at the canteen in 2016. HAVE A GREAT CHRISTMAS.

With thanks—Julie

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** Helpers’ Morning Tea 11.12.15**

**Community Room following Friday Assembly**

On Friday, 11th December, in recognition of all those parents and community members who have helped the staff and students of Bathurst West Public School during 2015, there will be a morning tea in the Community Room following the Friday morning assembly.

We look forward to enjoying a cup of tea and a piece of cake with you.

**Please join us.**
Bathurst West Public School
Outstanding Attendance
2015 Term Four

Jarrah
Artin
Curtis
Cooper
Skyla
Riley
Poppy
Sirtesser
Benjamin
Jemma
Izzaiah
Joel
Jovi-Ella
Braydon
Tully
Kasey
Archie
Marcus
Blake
Hunter
Trishna
Mikaila
Kaliyah
Maliki
Leanne
Shaniqua
Shae
Tyesha-Lea
Mackenzie
Benray
Shannon
Jack
Owen
Patrick
Jayde
Kai
Nevarone
Brooke
Pusty
Tyrell Lane Bergan
Lyra
Tara
Hayden
Zachery
David
Nashita
Eli
Yasmin
Danica
Samuel
Angus
Harley
Brandon
Ruby-Layne
Claire
Stanley
Michaela
Chelsea
Dillon
Machayla
Antonia
Caitlin
Scott
Daniel
Tish
Charli
Tace
Supriya
Seth
Ishana
Jesina
Emily
Ian
Norby
Montana
Katy
Brodie
Ronnie
Bronte-Lee
Jamayne
Reannah
Sophie
Mitchell
Ready for high school checklist
Tick each item when it has been done (not all tasks will apply to you).

This year

☐ Allergies, medical condition or special needs? Talk to the high school principal early.
☐ Encourage your child to participate in any transition to high school program offered to them.
☐ Watch videos about high school at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/highschool

AT HIGH SCHOOL ORIENTATION

Find out about:

☐ school uniforms (including sports uniforms), where and when to buy them
☐ map of school
☐ school start and finish times
☐ transport to and from school – forms for travel pass or subsidy if applicable
☐ programs offered in the school
☐ book packs and school supplies lists
☐ ways to become involved in the school
☐ the name of the Year 7 adviser.

Next year

JANUARY

☐ Buy school uniforms, books, stationery, school bag, drink bottle, house key, etc.
☐ Label everything.
☐ Break in school shoes to make them more comfortable.
☐ Practise travelling to and from school with your child using the transport they will use. Let your child buy travel tickets, if applicable.
☐ Teach your child how to read the timetable for the bus, train or ferry as appropriate.

AT HOME

☐ Talk positively to your child about the move to high school.
☐ Ask them what’s exciting about high school. Does anything worry them?
☐ Make sure your child has a quiet work area and extra stationery supplies.
☐ Organise personal hygiene items in school bags.
☐ Decide what your child will do before and after school, and what time they need to be home.
☐ Discuss emergency and safety issues with your child.

Tips for the first week of high school

☐ Photocopy school timetables for school diaries, the inside of locker doors and on the fridge.
☐ Remind your child to note all assignments, homework and events in their diary.
☐ Check through the timetable each night while your child packs their bag. Encourage your teen to eat healthy food and get a good night’s sleep.
☐ Give the school your current contact details.

THE FIRST DAY

☐ Help set your child’s alarm. Encourage them to get themselves ready on time.
☐ Provide your child with money and your contact numbers in case of emergencies.
☐ Make sure you have the school’s phone number with you.

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For more information: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/highschool
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
## CWOOSH School Holiday Program - Bathurst West
### 17-24th December 2015, and
### 04-27th January 2016
### Bathurst West School Hall (Sutton Street)

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| **Bathurst Goldfields**: blacksmithing and gold panning in the "Gold Ponds". | **Rogue Force Laser Tag**: full-on combat zone between teams to score the most 'hits'. | **Scarecrow competition**: Work together to build a scary scarecrow for CWOOSH garden | **Circus Skills**: learn to juggle with spinning plates, balls, juggling pins and diabolo sets. | **CLOSED**  
**CHRISTMAS DAY** |
| Mon 04/01/16 | Tues 05/01/16 | Wed 06/01/16 | Thurs 07/01/16 | Fri 08/01/16 |
| **Bathurst Goldfields**: make mud bricks, & tents & play Colonial Games. | **Splashtastic**: water games using barrels, buckets, & water guns with Sam. | **Dean Mobbs**: Create a masterpiece using charcoal & water colours with Dean. | **Pool table competition**: test your skills - who will be the last person standing? | **Pantry & Co Cooking**: Learn & cook something amazing with Trudie. |
| Mon 11/01/16 | Tues 12/01/16 | Wed 13/01/16 | Thurs 14/01/16 | Fri 15/01/16 |
| **Crocodile Encounters**: Crocodiles & other scaly creatures | **Boomastic Science Show**: be amazed... be captivated... be there | **Barcoo's Farm visit**: pony & tractor rides and a petting zoo. | **Nerf Competition**: Bring in your nerf guns to play in teams to see who can win against each other. | **Majellan Lawn Bowls**: Bowl on real bowling greens |
| Mon 18/01/16 | Tues 19/01/16 | Wed 20/01/16 | Thurs 21/01/16 | Fri 22/01/16 |
| **Bathurst Goldfields**: interactive session involving electric guitars, base guitars and drums. | **Rock Climbing**: challenging rock climbing experience for all ages. | **Mega Art Day**: Rock painting, tee-pee making, ceramic cupcake money boxes & more. | **Bathurst Movies**: see a new release movie. | **Wood Craft Day**: Including nail art, decorative frames etc. |
| Mon 25/01/16 | Tues 26/01/16 | Wed 27/01/16 | Thurs 28/01/16 | |
| **Plastic Sculptures**: create sculptures using plastic pipes of different dimensions. | **CLOSED**  
**AUSTRALIA DAY** | **Bathurst Goldfields**: interactive session involving electric guitars, base guitars and drums. | **BACK TO SCHOOL** | |
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 2hour sessions will be split by “fruit breaks”

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 April
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

2015
Presentation Day
Thank you to our generous sponsors for supporting our K-6 students

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