Dear Parents

Welcome to Tracy Sherringham in the new position of Instructional Leader. Tracy comes to us with experience in the role at her past two schools. We will be attending the New Schools Forum in Sydney this Thursday and Friday to begin planning our work. We look forward to working with Tracy in this exciting opportunity for our school.

Congratulations to the swimmers who attended the Area Carnival in Dubbo, last Friday. Josh, Callie, Max and Austen represented their District with pride and sportsmanship. Well done!

The Wagganah Dance group has been performing at events during the past week. The children danced the welcome at The Big Banter last Thursday and also performed at Brucedale on the weekend. Tomorrow they will perform at the opening of the Performing Arts Centre at Bathurst High School. Congratulations to the children and many thanks to Kerrie and Tracy for their work with the children.

Good luck to our year six students as they begin their transition to High School. This is a very exciting time for the children as they explore the new challenges of secondary education. I am sure they will represent themselves, their school and their families with pride.

Have a great week!

Stan Kowalski
ST PATRICK’S DAY MEAL DEAL. This is the last chance to get your child’s meal deal notes to the canteen for our great deal on Wednesday 18th March. There are two great deals available and both are $5.00. Your choice is either a pizza deal or a chicken nugget deal. If your child hasn’t got a note there are spare available at the canteen. NO OTHER HOT FOOD IS AVAILABLE ON THIS DAY - ONLY BASIC SANDWICHES. NOTES AND MONEY ARE TO BE TO THE CANTEEN BY FRIDAY 13.3.15. No late orders will be accepted as we have to finalise our surprises and other items needed for the meal deal.

LET’S ALL GO GREEN AND CELEBRATE ST PATRICK’S DAY.

School Awards

Congratulations to-

Lacey , Charlie , Aidan , Ashley , Savannah ,
Tiarne , Robert , Brea , Sophie , Machayla , Baiden , Molly , Supriya , Alannah , Charli , Alex , Katy , Jesina , Evelyn , Shelley , Callie , Jamayne , Montana , Ian , Kaitlee , Dezzy , Alarni , Bodhi , Siyarna , Isabella , Sarah

Principal’s Awards

Congratulations to-

Ashley , Aidan , Kaitlee , Jamayne

Canteen News

Roster

Monday 16/3       J.Baillie
Tuesday 17/3      J Baillie
Wednesday 18/3    J Baillie , M.Wilkins
Thursday 19/3     J Baillie , J.McNab
Friday 20/3       T Roels , K.McClure , L.Drew

GRANDPARENTS MORNING

10.am Tuesday 17th March
Concert followed by Morning Tea
A donation of cake/slice/biscuits would be appreciated. They can be left in the Wattle & Banksia wet areas on the morning of Grandparents Morning

Harmony Day

Harmony Day is coming up on Friday of Week 8. The SRC have decided to raise money for Relay for Life, so we can help the people who have been diagnosed with cancer. We would appreciate it if you could wear orange and bring a gold coin donation to school on the day.

Thank you,
Michaela Doungmanee
SRC Representative
**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"

When: Week 9-Tuesday 24th March
Students learning will be based around Road Safety for the whole day
Science show for each stage.
Students are to bring their helmets into school and as part of the show they will be shown how to fit them properly.
Parents are welcome to attend the first show 9:20am-10:10am

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**Clothing Pool**
The clothing pool is open every morning from 9.00 to 9.30

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**Central West OOSH Services (CWOOSH)**
provides before and after School care for 5-12 year olds. We offer a variety of activities including art & craft, sports activities, billy carts, homework corner. Breakfast and afternoon tea is also included. CWOOSH is located in the school hall. Please call Tanya on 0411 521 460 or email admin@cwoosh.com for further information.

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**When older kids struggle with reading**
Should you let your reluctant teen reader choose magazines over books? If your child is still struggling to read and write, and they're heading into high school, there are ways to get them on the right page.

**Sorting fact from fiction**
Help your child develop their “dodgy website” antennae when doing homework. Here are ways your child can tell a good website – or any document – from a bad one.

**Reading with your child at home**
When your kids see you reading and writing in everyday life – whether reading for pleasure, sharing a story with them or making a shopping list – it teaches them that they are useful skills. Here are some things you can do at home to help your kids with reading.
“STAND TALL” AFL Funding Initiative

Through a joint initiative with the BATHURST GIANTS Junior Australian Rules Football Club and the NSW Office of Sport and Recreation, I am pleased to advise that there is funding available for all students of Bathurst West PS who would like to play AFL in the 2015 season.

Specifically, the participation funding provides
- The full cost of junior registration for the 2015 AFL season (played Sundays)
- The full cost of a player’s team uniform for the 2015 AFL season
- Free football boots (to the value of $100)
- The full cost of any representative registration
- The full cost of a player’s team uniform for the representative season.

The funding specifically targets Year 5 & 6 students at Bathurst West PS but will also extend to Year 4 students if places exist.

No experience is necessary to play AFL - just a desire to “Stand Tall”

AFL is played on Sundays with the Under 12’s commencing at 10.00am

For more information contact the Club secretary by email: bathurst.giants@gmail.com or phone 0447 697 723

More information and registration can also be obtained at our first training day - Wednesday, 18th March from 4.30pm, George Park 1 (top oval)
Students and staff were falling asleep all over the school last Friday when they wore their PJs to school. The BWPS Staff Relay Team would like to thank the school community for raising $390 which will greatly assist them in reaching the target of $1500 that they hope to raise for the Cancer Council.
A group of Stage 3 students have been working with local author Paul Stafford researching and writing about Windradyne.

Stage 3 received a visit from local Wiradjuri Elder Bill Allen. Mr Allen spoke to us about Windradyne. Giving us a greater insight into the life of the well known Wiradjuri Warrior.