

Boolaroo Public School

Quality Education in a Caring Environment

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Dates for Your Diary

Active After School	18 October
P & C Meeting	19 October
Kinder Orientation	26 October
Canberra Excursion Yr 5 & 6	2, 3, 4 & 5 Nov

Welcome Back

Welcome back to school everyone! This term is ten weeks with the last two days the 16th and 17th December as Staff Development Days. Students will not attend school on these days. This is an initiative by the Department of Education & Training to provide additional days for teacher training. Everyone will be very busy this term with assessments, reports and end of year activities. The students are looking towards electing their new leaders for 2010 and our School Council and P&C will begin the annual review of our achievements and areas of need within the school. Surveys will be sent out in the near future to gain your input. And don't forget, Year 5/6 Canberra Excursion is just around the corner: 2nd, 3rd, 4th, & 5th November.

Community Environmental Awards Ceremony

Next week on Thursday 21st October, Mrs Bridges and Ms Page will attend the Lake Macquarie City Council Environmental Awards Ceremony. This will be another opportunity for some of our students to gain a broader picture of the environmental work that other organisations are doing and hopefully be rewarded for the results our students have worked towards this year.

School Athletics Carnival

Our carnival was held on the last Thursday of Term 3. The children were given the opportunity to compete in both running races and novelty events. It was pleasing to see that all children participated in at least one of these events, gaining valuable points for their houses. It was a very close competition. The winning house was Macquarie. I'm sure everyone slept well that night!

Kindergarten 2010 Transition

All Kindergarten students for 2011 will attend school on Tuesday mornings for up to two hours. The Transition program will begin on Tuesday 26th October and continue each Tuesday until the 30th November. The children will be involved in activities that will build their confidence and skills. They will get to know their teachers and other students in the class. This is an important time for the children and their families. Please pass the word around in the community. Everyone is welcome.

Active After School

This term, Active After School begins in Week 2. The students will be involved in a Dance program on Monday and Tae Kwon Do on Wednesday.



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Stockland Stars & Coles Sport Program Reminder

Don't forget to register at Woolworths Glendale to collect points for our school.

If you shop at Coles or BiLo, coupons for spending over \$10.00 can be collected and sent to school. The collection box for coupons is just outside the school office door.

School Vandalism

It has been noted that on the weekends we have had some visitors to our playground leaving unwanted messages.

Please report any vandalism or suspicious trespassers in school grounds to the School Security Number 1300 880 001

Classroom Capers.

K-1-2-3

Welcome back to class everyone. This term will again be a busy time for learning. The class program will be streamlined to enable more explicit teaching time in small groups. Mrs Bridges will be working in K-1-2-3 three mornings per week with Mrs Allen and myself. We aim to maximise the teaching time of every student in the class. It is important to know that attendance at school is vital for the success of our program. We are also asking for parent / grandparent helpers to read with the children each morning. If you are interested in helping out please call in and see me as soon as possible. One morning / hour a week or any time you can afford will be accommodated. Thank you for your continued support.

Heather Lewis

3-4-5-6

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a restful break.

This term we will be studying a HSIE unit on State and Federal Government in preparation for the Stage 3 excursion to Canberra.

A reminder to Year 5 and 6 - payments for this excursion should be finalised by this **Friday, 15th October.**

Homework will begin again next week and I hope to see everyone make the effort to complete all tasks set.

Australian Government assistance for national Capital excursion

Students from our school will soon be undertaking an educational tour of the national capital. While on this tour they participate in a variety of educational programs focused on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education. To assist you in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) programme toward the travel expenses incurred. This contribution will be paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

We would like to thank the Australian Government for their support of this program.

We hope this excursion will be a rewarding experience for all students.

Regards

Megan Meek

Birthdays & Awards

Angela Hicks	12
Simone Warby	11
Layth Kruger	7



Awards

Bronze

Tahlia Rae
D'arcy Jones

Silver

Tahlia Rae
D'arcy Jones



Try Baseball

Who: Girls & Boys 9-11 years old
When: Thursday 14th & 21st October
Time: 5:30pm - 7:30pm
Where: Jack Findlay Oval, Arthur St, Mayfield
Cost: FREE
Enquire: Ph: 0458285662
Email - njbl.sdp@gmail.com
www.newcastlejunior.baseball.com.au



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