



BOBS FARM PUBLIC SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER –Monday February 17, 2020- Term 1 Week 4

Please read our newsletter each week as this is an important means of communication with our parents and community. It is also available on our webpage each week if the hard copy is lost in a bag! Don't forget to check out our Facebook page which we update regularly with lots of photos and reminders for you all!

REMINDERS

Mon 17 th Feb	School Portraits 9am – Please make sure you paid online or through school
Mon 24 th Feb	Leaders Day Hunter High School 9 -11am (Year 6)
Fri 28 th Feb	StartSmart K-6 financial literacy am
Fri 6 th March	Fizzics Liquid Nitrogen Science show.
Tues 3 rd March	P&C AGM - School Library
Fri 3 rd April	Newcastle Writers Festival K-6 excursion
Thurs 9 th April	Easter Picnic- Heavens Garden Salt Ash (David & Amelia's)
Fri 12 th April	Easter Friday followed by School holidays
Sat 25 th April	ANZAC Day
Mon 27 th April	Staff Development day
Tues 28 th April	Students return.

THANK YOU - To Rob and Amber for donating a set of plastic hockey bats and balls to BFPS ready for our Sporting Schools Hockey sessions in a few weeks' time. Thank you to Callum for being our BBQ man yet again at our parent/teacher afternoon last week.

School Leaders – CONGRATULATIONS to Harper and Indi who are our official school Student Leaders for 2020. See the article in the Examiner this week about our well-deserved leaders! There is a leadership morning organised by Kate Washington at Hunter River High on Monday 24th Feb 9.30-11.30am. Morning Tea provided and special guests! Separate note to Indi and Harper.

Attendance at school

It is a legal requirement that all children enrolled in school attend every day with the exception of illness. If your child is absent from school, please provide a written explanation on their return. Regular attendance at school is important. Just one day missed each week adds up to two school weeks per term and over a year this can amount to missing almost a whole term of school.

Health Care updates – If your child has a health condition, it may be time to update your action plan or ASCIA details with us. If your child has a new health condition, please let us know so we can update these in your child's file.

We ask you not to pack nut products in your children's lunch boxes or bring in food containing nut products as we have children at the school with serious allergies and are at risk for anaphylaxis reactions.

New parents please note; we need a copy of your Drivers licence and 3rd Party insurance as well as WWCC to assist with school excursions using private transport. It's best to do this early in the year.

Parent Survey- For parents who were unable to attend the Parent/ teacher afternoon last Thursday, attached is a Parent survey to complete and return this week. This helps us in our planning and reporting. Thank you.

FIZZICS Liquid Nitrogen SCIENCE SHOW- Fri 6th March, BFPS K-6 combined with invited Salt Ash PS Stage 2 and stage 3 class at BFPS. Cost. \$7.50 pp. Students will have the option of making Ice-cream at the end. See website and view Liquid Nitrogen <https://fizzicseducation.com.au>

Ingredients for ice-cream are thickened cream and chocolate topping (Woolworth's home brand ... see materials below)

TOPPING INGREDIENTS

Water, Sugar, Thickeners (1422, 415), Cocoa Powder (2%), Food Acid (270), Natural Flavour, Salt, Preservative (202).

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With some allergies, it is best that we make a separate batch of a coconut cream based flavour.

Parents- If ice-cream making is not an option, send in own safe ingredients.

Please complete permission form at the end of the newsletter and payment options. Thanks.

NEWCASTLE WRITERS FESTIVAL – Friday 3rd April – We were able to book some free author sessions K-2 and Y3-6 at Newcastle City Hall. K-2 *I Love Books* presented by Tania McCartney and for Yrs. 3-6 *The Magic of Picture Books* presented by Graeme Base and *The Chicken Curse* by Frances Watts. A bus will be hired to transport our students and a few participating K-2 parents for the day into Newcastle. In between sessions students will be taken to Newcastle Museum. Students to take their own lunch, afternoon tea and bottled water.

Heaven's Garden Easter Picnic Salt Ash – Thursday 9th April- 9.30-2pm. Thank you to Barb and Andrew for allowing BFPS students, staff and parents to visit their lovely property for an end of term Easter Picnic. Private transport will be required. Easter activities and pond fishing organised and garden viewing. Further information soon.

Canberra/snow combined Small Schools Primary Camp – Dates for your diary – **Tues 28th July- Friday 31st July**. See separate itinerary. Please let your children know if they can participate so we can start planning (or not). Cost will depend on numbers going but it is 3 nights, 4 days and includes all entries, snow hire, accommodation, food and coach transport.

CANTEEN – Fridays only. See Canteen menu. Orders to be written on a paper bag/ pouch and placed in basket at assembly time on a Friday morning with payment inside. Our School desperately need some extra helpers! Thanks Amber, Kerrie and Kira for volunteering some time to help Jenny.

P&C – Tues 3rd March 3.20pm. AGM. All positions will be declared vacant. If you have an interest in a P&C position, please come along and learn about our school. Any items for general business that you wish to discuss, please notify the P&C executive to be added to the Agenda each P&C meeting.

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CANTEEN HELPERS

Name Phone

I can volunteer once a

Term

Month

Fortnight

SCHOOL FEES/ COSTS 2020

Enclose is payment for my child/children Class for:

Mathletics: \$30

Spellodrome \$15 (Primary only)

LEXIA \$30

Languagenut.com (Provided by school)

Student Contributions \$35 per child / \$60 two

Total

Printed Name.....Signature

**Did you know that you can make payments
to your child's school online?**

We have a online payment portal linked to our school's website to make it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

What expenses can be paid online?

- Voluntary School Contributions
- Subject Contributions ie workbooks
- Excursions
- Sport
- Creative and Practical Arts ie dance
- Sales to Students
- Other - any other school related payment

How?

Log onto School site at www.bobsfarm-p.schools.nsw.edu.au. Click on "Make a Payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard.

PARENT HELPERS

We are looking for parents helpers this year in all areas. If you have any special expertise that can help our school please let us know. It can mean anything from reading with the children to gardening or your special skill.

Special Skill Term/Day/Time.....

Reading helper Day/time

Home Reader change overs..... Day/time.....

Cooking program helper..... Day/time.....

General tidy upper of student areas/ mud kitchen.....Day/time.....

Gardening helper..... Day/time.....

Pencils sharpening.....

Name:..... Phone Number.....

FIZZICS- Science Show Friday 6th March 12.15 pm onwards

I give permission for my child/ren.....to watch and participate in the FIZZICS Liquid Nitrogen Science Show at Bobs Farm PS.

My Child/ren **have** permission to have an ice-cream at the end of the show

My child/ren **do not have permission** to have an ice-cream.....

I will send in my own safe ingredients on the day.....

Enclosed is \$7.50 per child for the cost of the show

Signed.....Date.....

Year 3 – 6 School Camp 2020

I am / am not (please circle one) interested in my child/ren

Attending the Canberra Small Schools Camp July 28 – 31 this year.

SignedDate



Register now!

Nelson Bay Marlins AFC

Joshua Horvath 0411 349425
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Open for boys and girls 5-17yo

AFL Sign up for junior footy **play.afl**

Good for Kids good for life

NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY

Walk, bike ride, skate or scooter to school on March 13th, to celebrate active travel.



Children under 16 years of age (and adults supervising them) are allowed to ride on a footpath in NSW.

Encourage your kids to follow these tips for safer riding:

- Always wear an approved bicycle helmet, properly fitted and fastened.
- Always obey road rules, including traffic lights, stop signs and give way signs.
- Turn your head when passing driveways
- Keep left when riding on the footpath and give way to pedestrians
- Travel at a speed that is safe for you and others
- Wear bright clothing to make yourself visible

Sources: The Bicycle Network & Transport for Road Safety NSW



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<http://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/>