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NEWSLETTER – Monday 28th October, 2024 - Term 4, Week 3

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 the school Facebook page which we update regularly with lots of photos and reminders for you all!

REMINDERS

Wed 30 th Oct	Book launch at Soldiers Pt Bowling club 2:30pm Yr 7 transition for Expert students 9.30am
Wed 30 th Oct	Halloween disco at BFPS 5pm-6.30pm \$10 entry includes BBQ & drink
Thurs 31 st Oct	Life Education Van visit- paid by T towel fundraiser!
Mon 11 th Nov	Kinder/yr3 orientation 12:30-2pm
Fri 22 nd Nov	JD's World of Magic show- free! 2-3pm All welcome!
Mon 25-Fri 29 th Nov	Intensive Swimming Scheme 10:15am-11am at Tomaree Aquatic Centre
Mon 25-29 th Nov	Student News and Talent presentations 9am or 2pm
Wed 11 th Dec	Yr 6 bowling/ farewell dinner night
Fri 13 th Dec	Presentation Day 1-3pm- Formal report presentation and performances
Mon 16 th Dec	Christmas beach picnic/ cinema
Wed 18 th Dec	Last day for students

Please note - Our official school Facebook page is Bobs Farm Public School, not BFPS Parent Forum.

Welcome - to Selina Thomas from the University of New England for the next 4 weeks who will be on Primary class.
Welcome to Angel Hodson who is completing 100 hours of training as an SLSO at Bobs Farm PS each Monday and Friday for term 4.

Congratulations to our Champion athletes - Ruby, Fern, Pippi and Emilia with their outstanding achievement at the NSW PSSA Athletics Championships at Homebush last Thursday 24th Oct! Wow! We were so proud of you and all the accolades that have come your way! Such great role models and inspiration to our younger cohort of students and our school community! Our girls not only won by powering way ahead of the rest, but they have had little formal training and do not attend formal athletics training, AND they beat any other large Hunter schools relay teams with the times! How's that for inspiration! Mrs Elliott has organised NBN News to visit BFPS next Wed 6th Nov for a Sports Report news item on our champions!



Combined school Canberra camp - Congratulations to our students who attended the 3-day Canberra Camp last week. So many activities were experienced, and the teachers were so proud of your behaviour and efforts. Thank you to your parents for making this experience possible for you and thank you to Mr Springfield and Ms Kish for their additional time during the camp. Also thank you to the other small schools (Mt Kanwary PS, Millers Forest PS and Glen William PS) for their friendship and assistance before, during and after the excursion. A special mention to Lewis in Yr 3 who was able to step up at the last minute to attend. So much learning occurred and so many memories!

School working bee - Thank you to the parents who attended our **Saturday 26th Oct working bee** from 9am. Jobs completed included – repairing the roof of container, weeding our gardens and surrounds, cleaning out sports shed, sweeping out silver shed, pressure cleaning our concrete stains, cleaning out chicken coup, and general tidy up....There was a great positive atmosphere and genuine comradery between everyone involved. Thank you for the BBQ and your time! Thank you also to our students who lent a hand as well!

University of Newcastle - Congratulations on Bobs Farm Public School's nomination and induction into the University of Newcastle's Industry Hall of Fame! We will be celebrating this achievement on Wed 20th Nov at the University.

"Catchment Crusaders Show "on 22nd November at 2pm - Funded by Hunter Local Land Services. During 2024 Hunter Local Land Services has continued its partnership with JD's World of Magic to provide the Catchment Crusader Show to Hunter schools to provide our students with the 2024 version of his show.

KINDER ORIENTATION - Next Kinder /Yr. 3 Orientation is Monday 11th Nov 12.30-2pm. Please spread the word that BFPS consider OUT OF AREA enrolments and to contact our school to let us know if they are coming along to consider a wonderful, family orientated, small school experience for their child.

Reminder for full school uniform to be worn at school, including black or white socks. Funny sock days will require a gold coin donation each day they are worn from now on. Which will go towards Yr 6 Farewell

Sporting Schools program – term 4 will be AFL coaching on Tuesdays for 5 weeks 1:50-2:50pm. We will also subsidise bussing students to Tomaree Aquatic Centre for 5 days during Intensive swimming scheme.

Buddy Reading - K-6 Students are enjoying their time helping and listening to each other's reading at school It's also a great way to instil a love of reading!

Life Education Van visit - This Thursday 31st Oct 12-3pm. K-2 would be doing *Ready Steady Go* and 3-6 *Relate Respect, Connect*. Our school will pay for our Happy Harold program from the tea towel fundraiser last term. Please make sure you still send in permission forms.

Tell it from me survey – Reminder - An email was sent to all families with the link to the survey. Could all families complete this if possible. We need this for our end of year Annual Reporting. Thank you!

Primary Christmas Play - Senior students have main character parts for our *Christmas on Mars* play for Presentation day. Everyone has a part to play and sing! Main characters are asked to buy a funny tinsel wig from \$2 Bargain shop and suggested outfit ideas will be shared [e.g.](#) coloured tights, baggy green sloppy joe, big ears, tinsel wig etc. Ask your child and send in when you have it.

Please note – Just a reminder that school begins at 8:30am. We open the gate for early bus students but please be mindful that teachers need to prepare before school so other students, please don't arrive until after 8:30am. Breakfast Club does not open before 8:30am on Wed/Thurs, which SLSO staff open and prepare as well. We appreciate the volunteer mums arriving at 8:30 am as well.

John Clarke - Book Launch featuring a chapter on us! Soldiers Pt Bowling Club this Wed 30th Oct. We will leave school at 2pm. School captains will launch the book, and Brax will do an acknowledgment of Country. ABC Radio will be present as well as lots of other VIPs. Parents and community invited! Permission note needs returning if not done already.

Halloween Disco back at school at 5pm on Wed 30th Oct – Permission note sent home last week. Cost \$10 per child. No IOUs, and online payments will be closed at 3pm on the afternoon of the disco. Entry at front main gate to have names marked off. BBQ supplied. Cakes and yummys for cash sale! Profits to go towards end of year functions. Permission note needs returning with payment.

P&C meeting – Next Meeting Tues 19th Nov. A big thank you and acknowledgement of our working bee on Saturday 26th Oct. Next meeting will include Camp subsidy payment and Yr. 6 Farewell venue discussion. We need to discuss preferred end of year activities, News and talent program during swimming scheme, 2025 student numbers, 2025 school camp suggestions etc.