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NEWSLETTER – Monday 16th September, 2024 - Term 3, Week 9

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!

Last Newsletter before Spring Holidays! Stay Happy and Safe everyone!

REMINDERS

Wed 18 th Sept	<i>Irukandji Shark Encounter excursion - 2 sessions K-2 10am /3-6 1pm</i>
Tues 24 th Sept	<i>Kindergarten Orientation 9.30 – 10.30am</i>
Fri 27 th September	<i>End of term Tomaree Mtn walk and picnic K-6 planned</i>
Mon 14 th Oct	<i>Students and staff return for term 4</i>
Wed 23-25 th Oct	<i>Combined Canberra camp - senior students</i>
Thurs 24 th Oct	<i>State PSSA Championships (PP5 Relay team)</i>
Wed 30 th Oct	<i>Book launch at Soldiers Pt Bowling club 2;30pm</i>
Wed 30 th Oct	<i>Halloween disco at BFPS 5pm-6.30pm \$10 entry includes BBQ & drink</i>

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

Girls Relay Team - Media article in this week's News of The Area!

Council Election BBQ and cake stall- Thank you everyone who assisted and participated on the morning. Thank you to Salamander Bay Bakers Delight for donating the bread for Saturday's Election BBQ. The amount raised was over \$500.00.



KINDER ORIENTATION - We have sent out information packs and flyers to all local pre-schools for BFPS Kinder enrolments for 2025. 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. First Orientation session is Tues 24th Sept at 9.30am. (week 10)

Snack food packages - Please keep any snack food for your children at school to a small amount. We encourage healthy food when at all possible as this is beneficial to their learning. **PLEASE DO NOT send food and lunches to be heated up by staff. It's an OH&S issue for both staff and students if anyone gets burnt.**

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!

Homework – Primary students can always do Mathletics, Lexia and reading/drawing at home to develop good study habits. Well done to some students! Teachers can see results online or if brought in to show! Reading together also produces such a profound connection between parents and child. If you don't already, please use bedtime as an opportunity to connect with your children with a love of reading that will last a lifetime! Start by doing the reading for them first if they are needing it!

Tell it from me survey – An email was sent to all families with the link to the survey. Could all families complete this if possible. Thank you!

Primary joint Canberra Excursion (Years 5/6) – 23rd-25th Oct 2024. Term 4 combining with Glen William PS, Mt Kanwary PS and Millers Forest PS. The excursion includes luxury coach travel, 2 nights dinner, bed and breakfast, accommodation at The Capital Airport Motel, cut lunch on day 2 & 3 and entry fees to Questacon, Australian War Memorial, Institute of Sport, National Zoo and Aquarium and National Art Gallery. We need to be at Millers Forest PS at 5.45am!

Please complete and return medical and permission that were sent home Friday. Notes and extra payment to total payment of \$300 before the end of term as Mrs Moore will not be available in the office before camp next term.

Irukandji Shark and Ray Centre -This Wed 18th Sept- Bobs Farm Movie Star experience! We will split the school into two, either morning and afternoon (10am and 1pm) as taking the photos of both groups at once last time proved difficult.

For the younger group (9:30am leaving school) we would love it if they could all wear their school uniform. (shirts and shorts as their feet will be in the water) For the older group 12:45pm. (leaving school in minibus/staff cars) For Primary, it would be great to have them all in doing the Wetsuit Wading Experience (or most and a few in the shallows)

The excursion will be completely free in all aspects in return for the videos and photos allowing us to promote school excursions online, on social media & maybe even on signs etc.

Students who need booster seats, parents please drop them at school Wednesday morning.

Last Day of term excursion - Friday 27th Sept- 9:15am - We will take K-6 students to Tomaree Mtn to walk to the gun embankments (K-2) and 3-6 to walk to top of Tomaree Mtn (or stay with K-2) Morning tea on return to picnic area, followed by drive to Joe Redman Reserve (Foreshore Dr and mangrove activities and lunch)) and then on to Birubi beach to explore Aboriginal middens and beach ball games. Please complete permission notes attached. School uniform to be worn, hats, fruit, lunch and water bottle brought. Parents of additional supported students can attend. Farewell to Ms Witty who has been our intern in term 3. It's been lovely having you at our school!

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 Wed 30th Oct. We will leave school at 2pm. School captains will launch one book and Brax will do an acknowledgement of Country. ABC Radio will be present as well as lots of others. Parents and community invited! Permission note next term.

Halloween Disco back at school at 5pm on Wed 30th Oct - More details next term.

P&C meeting – Meeting next term now. -working bee date for early term 4, Camp subsidy of \$125 per student and Yr. 6 Farewell shirts

TEA Towel Fundraiser for term 4 – Organised, ordered and all sold by school already. We ordered 50 as only a few indicated their interest to us. Thank you all for your support as they all sold within 2 days!

We can do another minimum order of 30, **however we will only do this if we have enough interest.** If you missed out, or would like another tea towel, please indicate below.

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Number of personalised Expressions T towels I would like to order @ \$20 each

Name..... Number.....

Permission Form for Friday 27th Sept whole school excursion to Tomaree Mtn/ Joe Redmon Reserve and Birubi Beach sand area

I give permission for my child/ren.....to be transported by Lucky Dog minivan/staff cars to Tomaree Mtn area and then onto Foreshore Drive and Birubi Beach area for outdoor lessons and activities

I understand No swimming is allowed.

Full school uniform to be worn and my child will have their lunch, fruit, water and healthy snacks with them.

In the event of injury or illness I authorise the seeking of such medical assistance on my behalf that my child may require. Medical conditions / special needs of my child which you should be aware (e.g. Allergies, medication, asthma etc.) are:

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- I can confirm that I understand that, in the event of injury, no personal injury insurance cover is provided by the NSW Department of Education for students in relation to school sporting activities, physical education lessons or any other school activity. (Personal injury statement)
- I acknowledge that if my child/ward sustains a concussion, or experiences any concussion symptoms, in the 14-day period prior to the event commencing, I am required to report this to team officials. I further acknowledge that, should this occur, my child/ward will only be permitted to participate in the event, if a medical clearance is provided. (Concussion statement)

Ambulance / medical treatment

- I affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, my child/ward has no medical condition or injury that places him/her at risk by participating in this sport activity.
- In the event of any accident or illness, I authorise the obtaining, on my behalf, of an ambulance and any such medical assistance that my child/ward may require. I accept full responsibility for expenses incurred

Signed: Date:.....

SPOOKY CAKES WILL BE SOLD FOR \$1-\$2 BY OUR YEAR 6'S!
CASH ONLY

PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS THE YEAR 6 FAREWELL

BFPs HALLOWEEN DISCO

COME JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN! GET INTO YOUR FAVOURITE COSTUME AND GET READY TO BOOOOOOGIE.

WEDNESDAY 30TH OF OCTOBER
5PM - 6:30 PM

\$10 ENTRY (INCLUDES SAUSAGE SIZZLE + DRINK)

MONEY MUST BE PAID TO CAROLINE BY FRIDAY 25/10/24



Indoor activities to keep the body moving

Did you know that children who are active are healthier, sleep better and perform better at school?

It's important to encourage children to move their body in a range of ways and directions. It can be challenging to meet physical activity needs on days when children aren't able to be outside.

Why not try these indoor activities to keep children moving:

Balloon Volleyball

Using balloons, have kids hit the balloon back and forth over a "net" which can be outlined using string, tape or objects i.e. chairs. For an extra challenge, add more balloons or restrict body parts from touching balloon i.e. Only use left hand.



Laundry Basketball

Take turns throwing rolled-up socks into a laundry basket. Move back further each time to make it more challenging!



Obstacle Course

Set up an obstacle course around the house. You could use chairs, pillows, plastic cups etc that kids need to manoeuvre around (side to side, under and over). To increase difficulty, have kids crab crawl or bear walk the course.



Indoor Bowling

Use plastic or paper cups as the pins and a lightweight ball or rolled pair of socks as the bowling ball. Set the cups up in a triangle format. Bowl the ball towards the cups to knock them down.



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Good for Kids acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land that we live and work on as the first people of this country, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.