Term 1 - Week 11
11th April 2013

**Dates to Remember**

April
- 12 Last day of Term 1

TERM 2
- May
  - 1 First day of Term 2 for all students K-6
  - 3 PSSA Winter Comp Commences
  - 3 Stewart House Collection Day
  - 6-7 Life Education Program
  - 8 Interrelate
  - 7 Dance lessons start for Year 5 students
  - 10 Stewart House Day
  - 14-16 NAPLAN Testing - Yrs 3 & 5
  - 17 ICAS Computer
  - 18 ICAS Spelling
  - 21 ICAS Writing
  - 24 Bandfest

June
- 3 Musical Viva
- 5 ICAS Science
- 11 Power of One show
- 13 SSSMF Junior Choir rehearsal
- 17 ICAS Writing
- 18 ICAS Spelling
- 21 Bandfest

**What’s Happening?**

**Principal’s Message**

**TERM TWO 2013** Next term will be a very busy term. Although only nine weeks long, we have the annual NAPLAN tests for Years 3 and 5; the Life Education van visits; Musica Vi- va bringing another quality musical performance to our school and we have the Power Of One Anti-Bullying show. It will be a very busy term. Please mark on your fridge calendar the dates shown in Column 1 so you and your child know what events are coming our way.

**TERM 1 HOLIDAYS** Please note that Term 1 ends tomorrow on Friday 12th April and students return to school on Wednesday 1st May. Please note that Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th April are both pupil free days. The second day has been specifically set aside for staff training in the new Australian Curriculum.

**DANCE SPORT CHALLENGE** Next term all Year 5 students will commence ballroom dancing lessons. The lessons are given over 15 weeks at a cost of $5 per week. Parents can pay the $75 any time next term. This will be the last year for this wonderful opportunity so our current Year 5 students will be the last group to compete. An information pack will go home early next term outlining important dates, how to order tickets and costuming requirements. Any parents who can help with making some more costumes please see me next term.

**ANZAC DAY SERVICE** As ANZAC Day falls in the school holidays this year we will be holding a brief re-membrance service at 2.30 tomorrow before the weekly assembly. All parents and friends are welcome to attend this special event.

**CONTACT DETAILS UPDATE** Thank you to those parents who have returned their form. Your assis-tance in returning this form as soon as possible is greatly appreciated.

**END OF TERM ONE REPORTS** These went home today. If you would like to discuss this report next term, please arrange an interview, by phone or in person, with your child’s teacher. This report should give parents a picture of their child’s attitudes to learning and their social skills and work habits. An academic report will be sent home at the end of Term 2.

**HEALTHY HAROLD AND THE LIFE EDUCATION PROGRAM REPEAT** Life Education will be back in our school early next term. This is an excellent program which visits our school every two years. The cost is $10 per child which covers the cost of the lesson and the workbook. This will be a great introduction to our PD / Health programs across the school in Term 2. See the permission note for more details of which program each class is completing.

**WOOLIES EARN AND LEARN** We will again be participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn program for schools. If you do shop at Woolies, please save your dockets and pop them in the box in the foyer to help us gain valuable resources for our school.

**HOLIDAY SAFETY** Please be safe in the holidays and we look forward to seeing all of our students and their families back next term. Please keep a watch on our school and contact the Police or the School Response Unit on the numbers shown in Column 1 if you see any problems in our school.

Roger Caines
Principal

“The empires of the future are the empires of the mind”

Winston Churchill
**School Assembly Awards**

**School Awards - Term 1 - Week 10**

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**Canteen News**

Canteen volunteers for Term 2, Week 1 are:  
**Mon:** Staff Development Day  
**Tue:** Staff Development Day  
**Wed:** Belinda Lucia, Nina Woodcock.

Thank you for your contribution.  
The Canteen Committee

**PSSA Sport**

Students in Years 3-6 will commence the PSSA Winter competition in Term 2, Week 1 on Friday 3rd May. Students will be competing in Soccer and Netball.

**Netball Training**

Just a reminder that all our fantastic netballers will be training at 8.30am each Wednesday morning. Please meet in the quad or the hall if it’s raining.

Thank you.

**Easter Egg Fundraiser Update**

Wow - Total Profit to date is: $2178.00!  
We are almost there with all payments back. We do have a few still to return their payments. Can you please return your payment by the end of this week so that we can finalise this fundraising event. Thank you for your support.

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On **Wednesday 8th May**,  
Children will have the opportunity to buy a gift for **Mother’s Day**.  
For either $5 or $10.

If you would like to help out with the stall, phone Sue Burgess on 0403 946 644. Thank-you.

**Families NSW**

**FREE Parenting Course**

FREE parenting course for families with children aged 3-8 years.  
Parenting can be tough. Now internationally acclaimed parenting course Triple P (Positive Parenting Program) is coming to Sutherland North Public School on 8 May 2013. Find practical answers to your everyday parenting concerns, and learn how to raise happy, healthy children.

**Dates:**  
8/5/13 - “The Power of Positive Parenting” -  
22/5/13 - “Raising Confident, Competent Children”  
5/6/13 - “Raising Resilient Children”

**Time:** 1.30pm - 3.00pm

**Location:** Sutherland North Public School,  
12-18 Auburn St, Sutherland  
**Bookings Essential:** Contact Sutherland North Public School on 9521-2226 by 2/5/13 to secure your place.

**Bounce Back**

Just a reminder about our well being and resilience program “Bounce Back”. Students continue to learn coping skills to deal with life’s challenges. To assist our children build resilience it would be advantageous for you as parents to support our program by using the same supporting language. Have a look at our poster on the next page.
Meanwhile at BBPS in Term 1…

Term one has been exciting and certainly full. What a great opportunity to reflect before diving into the next school term. For our kindergarten parents, congratulations, you have made it! Hopefully the morning routine is getting a little easier and you are as a family, adjusting well to life at BBPS. I thoroughly enjoy being part of your child’s learning environment and recognise the value of their social and emotional well-being. I appreciate the sense of community that is evident in the school and value the welcome that is extended to families that choose to make BBPS home.

As a team, our intention is to create and facilitate a safe, supportive environment where your child can thrive. Hazellhurst and Art Express presented a wonderful opportunity for Year 3/4G and 5/6R to engage with the display and participate in various creative activities.

What a great day for the swimming carnival and athletics carnival! Alongside parents and carers, I encouraged and celebrated the student’s effort and willingness to have a go! I was encouraged by the students support of eachother and recognise this as a significant strength of the culture of the school. Thank you for being part of the sporting carnivals, your child/ren does appreciate you being there (even if they don’t tell you).

The Friendship tree was an initiative this term that we will be continuing. It’s a great place for children to be part of and feel a sense of belonging. Everyone is welcome.…

Thank you for all that you do to encourage and support your child’s learning and to nurture their sense of self. Enjoy this upcoming school holiday break, enjoy time together as a family and or with friends, take some time outdoors and make the time to just ‘BE’.

Look forward to seeing you and yours next Term.

Sheree Host
School Chaplain
MESSAGES FROM THE DEC

Managing Depression

Financial Literacy

Spellcheck

Homework Planner

Technology-Savvy Girls
We know our girls are just as techno-savvy as boys - so why do you think they’re not pursuing careers in technology? Read how Silicon Valley is opening the gate for girls and making them consider technology studies. Find our more: [http://dealbook.nytimes.com/2013/04/02/opening-a-gateway-for-girls-to-enter-the-computer-field/?hp](http://dealbook.nytimes.com/2013/04/02/opening-a-gateway-for-girls-to-enter-the-computer-field/?hp)

Help with Ratios

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**KIDS DAY OUT!**
Monday 29th April 2013
9.00am – 3.00pm
Bonnet Bay Public School
Kid's Day Out is on again, on the pupil free day after the holidays! Children participate in craft, music, games and lessons about God!
Run by a group of experienced teachers, SRE teachers and children’s workers from the Sutherland Presbyterian Reformed Church. For further information and rego form contact Jo at joburgess79@gmail.com or phone 0402 410 452.

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**Holiday Fun at Sydney Olympic Park**
Sydney’s largest school holiday program returns this autumn, with over 50 fun-filled activities to keep your kids active, outdoors and entertained. A range of activities are free or under $20, making it affordable to discover Sydney’s most exciting playground this holidays!