Term 3 - Week 10

18th Sept 2014

**Dates to Remember**

**Term 2**

September

19 Fun Day

**Term 3**

October

7 Students return to school

10 K-2 Gymnastic Program commences

13 P&C Meeting -7.30

14 Kindergarten Orientation #1

16 Loud Shirt Day

20 Grandfriends Day

21 Teddy Bear’s Picnic K/1T & KL

22 Kindergarten Orientation #2

29 Band Blow In

30 Kindergarten Orientation #3

**School Assembly**

Assembly is at 12.45 tomorrow.

**Notes Home**

No notes were sent home this week.

Notes are accessible from our website.


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**Principal’s Message**

Term 3 2014 has almost come to an end! It has been a busy and enriching time for students. Just a few of the highlights have been Sutherland Shire Schools Music Festival, Education Week, Book Week, the successful completion of winter sporting events and Year 5/6 camp. Congratulations to all those students who have received awards in the last few weeks. Some classes have so many students who have received over 200 DOJO points that they are having a special party to celebrate their achievement. I’ve been encouraged that so many students excel in their learning. It has been my pleasure to stand in for Karen while she has a break. I’m sure she’ll return rested and ready for another eventful final term. Thank you to all of you who have supported me as I manoeuvred my way through the many challenges.

**Term 4 Return to School**

Students will return to school on Wednesday 8 October 2014. Some of the local schools including Bonnet Bay PS arranged to have their Staff Development day Term 4 instead of Term 3. Our staff will be attending a Science and Technology Conference for the on the first day back Term 4, Tuesday 7 October 2014.

**Dance Troupe**

Parents with students who have made the commitment to be part of the dance team for this year please remember to arrive Wednesday’s 8:30 am. There are only two more practises before Grandfriends Day!

**Bonnet Bay PS Band**

A big thank you to Mrs Turner for organising the band try-outs last Monday.

Mr Newham and Mr Bradshaw were impressed with the enthusiasm of all the students. Twelve new students are now joining our band to learn an instrument. Mrs Turner is in the process of finding the instruments and sending home notes. Please return the paperwork promptly. Well done to those students and we hope you enjoy "making music".

**BASC**

The finishing touches are being done to complete the Before and After School Care facility. The footpaths have been laid and I am personally relieved that there is now a safe access to the school buildings that avoids walking through the staff car park. Landscapers will beautify the surrounding gardens. It is planned that the building will be in use by the beginning of Term 4.

I wish you all a safe and fun-filled holiday.

Jan Godwin
Principal (Relieving)

There can be no keener revelation of a society’s soul than the way in which it treats its children. Nelson Mandela

**Grandfriends Day**

A date for your diaries is Grandfriends Day on Monday 20th October 2014. Further details will be sent home early next term. This year for Grandfriends Day I would like to showcase the children with their Grandparents/Grandfriends, in a slideshow for all to enjoy. If you would like your family to be in the slideshow presentation, please email a digital image to Donna.Robertson1@det.nsw.edu.au before Friday 10th October. (Maximum 2 photos per family). Thank you,

Donna Layton
Assistant Principal (Rel)
PSSA Sport

This season students are participating in Cricket, Softball & T-Ball. Games commence at 9.15 until 10.45 at various ovals. Students need to arrive at school by 8.30.

WE ARE PLAYING AGAINST:

At:

Round 1: Woronora River Prince Edward Park
Round 2: Sutherland Lakewood
Round 3: Sylvania Heights Lakewood
Round 4: Loftus Waratah Oval
Round 5: Jannali East Lakewood
Round 6: Oyster Bay Oyster Bay Oval
Round 7: Como West Lakewood
Round 8: Woronora River Lakewood
Round 9: Sutherland Sutherland Oval
Round 10: Sylvania Heights Box Road Oval

LOUD Shirt Day
Thursday 16th October 2014

Gold coin donation in exchange for mufti

BBPS are excited to be supporting this charity to raise much needed funds to support hearing impaired children.

What happens? People from all over Australia step out in their brightly coloured clothes – anything from stripes, florals, polka dots or paisley – to show their support and raise vital funds.

I’ve included some links below to the journeys of those personally affected by hearing loss and the significant difference that Early Intervention through the Shepherd Centre has provided to developing strong listening, language and speech skills. This may present an opportunity to connect with the one, with the individual and the family whose lives have been changed through The Shepherd Centre.

I think it is a great privilege that as a school, we are able to partner with The Shepherd Centre and play our part in supporting many children affected by hearing loss.

Felix: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gRIz17_sLE8
Amalie: http://youtu.be/xBs_Bx39IuQ

School Assembly Awards
Term 3- Week 9

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Congratulations to our Values Award recipients.

Canteen News

Canteen volunteers for Term 4, Week 1 are:
Monday: Public Holiday
Tuesday: Staff Development/Pupil Free Day
Wed: Donna Brown, Belinda Lucia
Dear Parents,

We approach to end of term 3 now. Here are couple of reminders:

Accounts: To avoid cancellation of your booking, please ensure payment of your account is up to date by end of term 3. If you have any queries regarding your account please feel free to contact Kelly on 9528 8797.

Enrolment and re-enrolment for 2015: families who wish to use before and after school care for 2015, it is time to fill the form now. We will start to process the form from the first week of term 4. The form is available from the centre or it can be requested by sending us email admin@oysterbayschoolcare.com.au.

Bonnet Bay Before and After school care hope all of the students and teachers have a great and safe holiday.

Kinds Regards

Bonnet Bay Before and After School Care
Ph: (02) 9528 8797
Messages from the DEC...

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Australians throw away 3.3 million tonnes of food every year – up to a quarter of the country's food supplies - mainly because we purchase too much. Consider planning your meals and only buy what you need. Reduce packaging in your child's lunchbox and use re-usable containers rather than plastic wrap where possible. It also leaves our school grounds much cleaner!

Mobile Maths Games

Channel your child’s interest in playing mobile apps into a chance to improve their maths skills and recall. The free School A to Z app has a Maths Monkey game to help test times tables and the follow-up app, Maths Monkey's Quest ($1.99), challenges kids from Yr 2 to Yr 8 with addition, subtraction, ratios and percentages. Both apps are created by the NSW Department of Education and are available for Apple iPhones and iPads, and Android phones and tablets. You’ll find links to both here: http://bit.ly/oSREYV

Selective Schools

Are you already thinking about your child’s Year 7 placement in a selective school in 2016? Selective high schools are government high schools that cater for highly-achieving, academically talented students by offering an educationally enriched environment. Application for entry to a selective high school in Year 7 in 2016 will be online only, from 14 October, 2014. You'll find more information about selective schools and dates for examinations here: http://bit.ly/selectiveHS

How you can help your child study.

Support your teen through the high school years with School A to Z. This online resource for parents contains study tips and homework help, information on dealing with exam stress, practical advice on health, wellbeing and cybersafety, plus lots more. Watch videos, read articles and listen to podcasts: www.schoolatoz.com.au.

Does your teenager work?

Many teenagers start a weekend or after school job in high school. A helpful guide to how much they should be getting paid and the minimum conditions can be found at: www.fairwork.gov.au. If you have any queries there is a helpline at 13 13 94. You can also lodge an online workplace complaint if you feel your child has been unfairly treated.

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NRL One Community - Ticket Giveaway

The 2014 NRL Telstra Premiership Finals Series are here, and there is no better place to be than at Allianz Stadium this weekend to catch the thrilling games of football.

Kicking off on Friday night, the defending Premiers, the Sydney Roosters, will take on Johnathan Thurston and the North Queensland Cowboys in what promises to be one of the matches of the year.

While on Saturday, the Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles will be keen to bounce back into form when they take on a Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs team desperate to make an impact this finals series.

To celebrate all things Finals, NRL’s One Community and the Premiers Sporting Challenge are again allowing all students to go to one of the exciting elimination Semi Finals this weekend for FREE!

To take up this fantastic offer, students and their parents should go to www.rugbyleague.com.au/prc to register.

Please note: Students must have parental permission to participate in this offer. Each student is entitled to 2 free tickets (limited to one registration per person). Voucher must be printed off and exchanged at Rugby League Central foyer (Rugby League Central, Driver Ave, Moore Park, NSW, 2021) for tickets to the relevant match between 4:30pm and 7:30pm on the day of the game.