EVENTS & DATES TO REMEMBER - TERM 4, 2014

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The P & C will be holding the BBQ at Bunnings as a fundraiser on Saturday November 22nd. Please pencil this date in as helpers will be needed on the day.

WEEKLY CLASS AWARDS

INFANTS CLASS

RACHAEL PIGGOTT
Working really hard during maths.

PRIMARY CLASS

HOPE PORTER
For much improved story-writing and journal entries.

The Risk Public School
NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 8 October 2014 Term 4 Week 1

A BIG DAY AT BARKERS VALE PS

The COLOURSS network of schools all came together in the last week of term 3 to share time together doing a wide variety of activities. The Year 3/4/5/6 students attended the public speaking competition in which 4 of our students were outstanding with their speeches. The K/1/2 students enjoyed art, craft, cooking, singing, dancing and sporting activities in the beautiful classrooms and playground at Barkers Vale.

Thanks to all parents who assisted with transport.

LEFT: Travis looks like he enjoyed decorating his patty cake with coloured icing and sprinkles. The patty cakes were provided then everyone decorated one each!

RIGHT: Quinn has decorated his patty cake and now comes the fun bit - gobbling it up! Yummo!

What’s in this week’s Newsletter
- Kindergarten Orientation days
- Parent Helpers
- Lake Ainsworth Medical
- Friday Lunches
- Uniforms
- Recess
- Breakfast Club
- Ice Block sales
- Attendance

Attachments
- Lake Ainsworth notes
- Term 4 Calendar

Next P & C Meeting
Wednesday 15th Oct
9.00am

TOGETHER WE LEARN
KINDERGARTEN 2015 ORIENTATION PROGRAM
Mrs Petherbridge is offering a 4 day orientation program to any students starting Kindergarten next year.
The program involves 4 full school days spent in the Infants classroom participating in introductory school activities and getting to know other students and staff.
This program provides new students with a fantastic start to their school career.
We encourage all families with students starting school next year to send their children along. Enrolment forms and information packs will be sent out next term.

DATES OF KINDER ORIENTATION PROGRAM
Wednesday 29 October - 9.10am - 3.10pm
Wednesday 5 November - 9.10am - 3.10pm
Wednesday 12 November - 9.10am - 3.10pm
Wednesday 19 November - 9.10am - 3.10pm

PARENT READING HELPERS IN PRIMARY CLASS
Mr Mac is requesting assistance from parents to listen to students read a couple of times a week. Parents would be asked to listen to students individually for 5-10 minutes each. Best days would be Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri. If you can spare 30 min or an hour on any of these mornings (9.30-10.50), please contact Mr Mac.

STAFF UPDATE
Staff are all on deck again this term with Mrs Petherbridge taking some leave in week 2 and week 3. Ms Sawford will take over for her so programs and routines will remain the same.

LAKE AINSWORTH EXCURSION MEDICAL NOTE
The staff at Lake Ainsworth have informed us of new procedures to gather the medical information they require for the camp. The procedure is totally electronic, through the Dept of Sport and Recreation website. Paper medical notes won’t be accepted by them.
This must happen before 17 October. Parents can access the appropriate web page at - www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/schoolcampmedicalform
It is a straight-forward process that can be accessed by computer or smart phone. Please contact Mr Mac if you need assistance to complete the form.
The school will send out school-based permission notes and school medical notes early next term.

LAKE AINSWORTH PERMISSION NOTES
Year 5 & 6 students will have the school-based permission notes attached to today’s newsletter. These all need to be filled in and returned by the 17th October. The total money for the excursion also needs to be paid by 17th October as we will be billed by the camp on this date. If there are any problems with this please contact Mr Mac.

TRPS CHRISTMAS TREE DATE
Advance advice that The Risk PS Christmas Tree will be held on Tuesday 9th December at The Risk Hall.

FAMILY LIFE UNIT IN K-2 CLASS
This term the K-2 class is studying ‘Family Life’. The unit looks at different family structures and what a family means to you. We would like each student to display photographs of their family in the library. The photos can be of immediate family and extended, some students are talking about their pets being a part of their families. I will copy the original photos and send them home. Parents could email photos to me at lisa.blackburn1@det.nsw.edu.au

SCHOOL UNIFORMS
The Risk PS has a very good looking school uniform that is fully endorsed and supported by the school community. Staff encourage students to be in the correct uniform every day. Families are very supportive of the uniform and the school is proud of the regular wearing of the uniform.
Please remember, school shirts are on sale for $20 through the school office.
When buying shorts, please ensure navy blue shorts are purchased for school as there have been odd-coloured shorts creeping in of late.
Additionally, please consider the purchase of joggers or black school shoes as your child’s preferred school footwear. The wearing of slip-on thin-soled shoes are causing some safety concerns during PE classes.

STUDENT PARLIAMENT RECESS BUY-UP
Every Wednesday, the primary students run a healthy recess ‘tuck shop’. Selected students prepare and sell healthy choices for recess for those people who bring money - no book ups.

MENU
1/2 Toasted sandwich - 50c each
(cheese, cheese/tomato or garlic)
Milk cup - 50c each (choc or strawberry)

BREAKFAST CLUB
Thank you to those families who were on the ball this week and have already paid their $2 for this week’s breakfast club. Remember, students can have cereal, toast and a drink every morning for their $2 each week.

P&C ICE BLOCK SALES
Just a reminder that the P&C will be selling ice blocks for 50c each Wednesday at lunch time.

FREE MULCH - LOTS OF IT!!
There is still a LARGE pile of chipped tree mulch out the back of the school near the shed so if anyone wants a trailer load (or 2) please come down before or after school to get a free load.

FRIDAY LUNCHES THIS WEEK

STUDENT PARLIAMENT

Zucchini Slice
$2 for 3 slices

ATTENDANCE UPDATE
Attendance is one of the more significant indicators of scholastic success during the primary school years. If a student is at school every day they are sure of getting their fair share of support, information and practice of all the skills needed for 21st Century learning.
If a student is absent, say, 5 days per term they are missing 10% of their learning that can NEVER be recovered. If that happens for 7 years of primary school, they are missing almost 3/4 of a year of schooling!
As always, term 3 is a tough term to stay healthy and at school every year. At The Risk this year we had a bumpy start to last term but finished with great attendance to see our school attendance rate jump back to 93.7% after being as low as 91%.
Let’s see if we can get back to the great record we had in semester 1 of 97% attendance.
Please remember to send in notes for all absences or ring the office.

ANNUAL SWIMMING SCHOOL
Just an advance advice that the annual swimming school for 10 days will take place in weeks 8&9.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Kyogle Swimming Club
The first night of pointscores for the coming season will be held on Friday 10th October at the pool. Pointscores is open to any age person who can swim 12.5m or more of any stroke. There is also carnivals that you can compete in if you wish and training is available at the pool weekdays from 4pm. New members most welcome.
Marshalling at 5.45pm for 6pm start. Committee members will be there from 5.30pm for any enquiries and to sign on new members. This week there will be no BBQ. For more information phone Peter 66331335 or Sharon 66322438