Dear Parents and Carers

We welcome in Week 5 of the term today – not sure where the weeks go but they are certainly flying by there! We celebrate Literacy & Numeracy Week as well as Education Week tomorrow… Please read the details below and join us to celebrate here at BPS.

**Celebration Day – TOMORROW – Don’t miss out – Bring your pocket money!!**

Our day will begin by opening our classrooms to visitors from 9.30am. Please come along and see us learning, help in our rooms, hear us read, see our workbooks, artworks and much more. Families can visit multiple rooms during the ‘open’ time and also visit the Dean Swift Book Stall which will be set up in the COLA from 10.30am. There will be loads of affordable children’s books to choose from.

When our lunch bell sounds at 11.00am, the $2 sausage sizzle will be available, as well as a huge selection of cakes, slices and other goodies – please stay and enjoy lunch with us in the cola and playground. There is no need to pre-order sausages, we will serve the line-up as quickly as possible. Just come along.

Immediately following playtime, at 11.45am, our whole school assembly will take place in the hall.

Thank you to all of the wonderful families who have confirmed that they are able to send in sweet goodies for our cake stall tomorrow. We have had over 20 parents and 10 staff already pledge yummy! Thank you so much. These can be left in the hall tomorrow morning. Please feel free to support the stall.

**Book Week**

As mentioned, we are celebrating some of ‘book week’ this week with a bookstall, assembly and a very special theatrical presentation of “Tiddalik” in the hall this Friday afternoon. We have been listening to some ‘requests’ amongst the students and ….. we will also hold a much-anticipated Book Character Parade and our Annual Library Book Fair, during the official Book Week (24-28 Aug) – Book Fair will run in the Library during the week (more information coming soon) and the Parade will take place from 10.00am on Tuesday 25th August during our whole school assembly. Can’t wait!

**Students Kicking Goals**

Every BPS student sets learning goals, which they work hard to achieve. These goals are ‘kicked’ with ongoing learning, encouragement and specific feedback from their teachers and SLSO’s.

Congratulations to Tony from 4C who set a goal, strived hard in his book presentation until recently being awarded his pen licence. Well done.

**Norta Norta Tutoring Program**

Some very lucky Year 4 and 6 students will begin an intensive tutoring program this week. Mrs Desley Stewart will work with the students who have been identified through last year’s NAPLAN results. Thank you to Desley, who has prepared the tutoring content by liaising with class teachers and Aunty Allison Aldridge. Students who are involved in the program have been given an information letter for parents/carer.

**Pencil Cases/Stationery Packs**

We have had news from the classrooms that pencil case supplies are starting to run low! Student’s personal supplies and the classroom coffers are running low. If you would like to take advantage of a special low price pack of stationery necessities, they are on sale in the front office at a very reduced price. At the beginning of the year, many families purchased the packs, which was very helpful and students have been organised with supplies. The prices have now been reduced by one third to allow you to make a ‘top up’ purchase. There are limited supplies:

- We have 15 Kindergarten packs available at $9.00
- We have 18 Year 1 packs available at $9.00
- We have 37 Year 2 packs available at $10.00
- We have 36 Year 3/4 packs available at $12.00
- We have 39 Year 5/6 packs available at $18.00

Please call in at the office to ‘shop for supplies’ or send in a note and payment with your child.

**P&C AGM**

The next P&C meeting will be the Annual General Meeting for 2014-2015 financial year. Elections for office bearers, including fundraising team members and a canteen committee will be held. Please come along to vote YOUR parent representatives. The AGM will be held on Thursday August 27th at 4.00pm.

**Lunch and Recess ‘What’s On?’ Activities**

During each play break, staff offer additional activities across the school as part of our ‘What’s On? Program’. These fun activities allow greater variety for students as well as increased enjoyment, engagement and socialisation during the breaks. Thank you to all of the staff who have agreed to prepare these additional opportunities.

Mrs King has been providing a Maths Game Club with Koori perspectives and the students are loving it. Here are a couple of photos of the large group of participants last Friday.

**Jeans4Genes**

Last Friday was Jeans4Genes day. Bomaderry Public School staff supported the cause and some went all the way, sporting double-denim! We raised a very generous $112.00. Thank you everyone.

**Joke of the Week**

Where do cows go on the weekend? _The moooonnovies!_

Please join us to celebrate the outstanding education provided at BPS, by visiting classrooms, or having lunch, or coming along to assembly – TOMORROW from 9.30am. Looking forward to seeing you all.

**Aim High - set goals, do high quality work - Achieve High**

Ms Dionne Hanbidge - Principal
This term we have been learning about Information Reports. We have been looking at the importance of imparting factual information and delivering quality pieces of writing to help people understand important facts about our history and community in detail. Our text for this term is 'Our Place' and we have listened to the book and watched the TV series to back up our understanding and to incorporate multi-modal texts in the classroom. We are researching and writing structured information reports and comparing the past to present communities.

In our numeracy work we have been looking at position and locating items of interest on maps, addition and subtraction of money and recognising patterns in everyday life.

One of the activities we did recently was to devise our own maps of Bomaderry Public School using software on the computer from different perspectives, imagining we are flying in a helicopter over the school for a bird's-eye view. We used this as a treasure map and other students had to locate the treasure using our directions on the map.

Our teacher, Mr Dinnie, has expected us to complete Quality Work such as writing complex sentences and ensuring we are writing using capitals, correct apostrophes and full stops. We have also been focussing on contractions and recognising the importance between informal and formal writing.

One of the stars of our class who has produced Quality Work is Emilia because she has committed herself to learning and she also produced an outstanding art work on the 'Community Tree' from My Place. Emilia demonstrated a deeper understanding of the symbolism of the tree and used natural earth colours to evoke meaning and significance in her design.

This term we are also going to be looking at communities and how they operate. We are visiting our local dentist and police station to see how these support our community and designing our own sustainable community.

Mr Dinnie - Class Teacher
Second-Hand Uniforms Wanted
If you have any Bomaderry Public School uniforms that are no longer required, please consider donating them to the school. Items can be left at the school office.

Thank you,
Uniform Shop Staff

Home Reading Levels
Bomaderry Public School rewards efforts with Home Reading. Our level system promotes reading at home, motivates readers with special reading “gifts” and helps students aim for improvement. Congratulations to the following students who have reached these levels in Home Reading:

LEVEL 2 - 25 BOOKS
Stage 1: Edie
Stage 2: Jesse, Danyal
Stage 3: Brock

LEVEL 3 - 50 BOOKS
Early Stage 1: Reibey, Rebecca
Stage 1: David
Stage 2: Wil
Stage 3: Byron

LEVEL 4 - 75 BOOKS
Early Stage 1: Charlee, Shanley
Stage 1: Dustin, Eltica, Jordan
Stage 2: Ethan
Stage 3: Emilia, Byron, Ajay

LEVEL 5 - 100 BOOKS
Stage 1: Madison, Dylan, Bridget
Stage 2: Quinten
Stage 3: Stirling

LEVEL 6 - 150 BOOKS
Stage 3: Harper, Shayliegh

Stationery Packs - Special Offer
Now that we have started Term 3, it is a great time to top up stationery supplies for your child.

We have limited stock of our Stationery Packs available at the following discounted price:

- Kindergarten - was $14 now $9
- Year 1 - was $14 now $9
- Year 2 - was $16 now $10
- Year 3 & 4 - was $18 now $12
- Year 5 & 6 - was $27 now $18

These stationery packs are available from the office. Limited stock - Don’t miss out!

Canteen News
This week’s $5.00 Lunch Special
- Ham or Chicken Salad Sub
- Choice of popper, plain milk or small water
- Super Dooper

Uniform Shop Closures This Week
Please note that the Uniform shop will be closed today, Monday 10th August and Friday 14th August. The only day the Uniform Shop will be open this week is Wednesday 12th August from 2.30-3.30pm. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Assembly Time Change - This Week Only
Due to our Celebration Day activities tomorrow, we will be holding our school assembly at 11.45am this week.

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Please remember that our newsletter is able to be viewed in colour on our school website: www.bomaderry-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Don’t forget to keep collecting your Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers!