EVENTS AT A GLANCE:

April

Monday 8th
Student Welfare Officer, Annette Dubokovich begins

Friday 12th
No Friday run
End of Term Assembly 1:45 p.m.
End Term 1 - 2013

Wednesday 1st May
Students return to begin Term 2
Puppet Play performance - 'Let’s Chat Habitat'

Bong Bong Cross Country

The weather threatened and tried to rain however we persevered and the day was a success in the end. This year the ball games took place concurrently with the cross country races. This kept the majority of children busy at all times and allowed us to get through the whole program with a little time to spare. This meant that the presentation of ribbons and trophies could take place immediately after the running of the carnival. The overall point score winner of the carnival was Exeter Public School. Winners of the handicap point score was Avoca Public School.

Thank you to all members of staff and parents for helping out in running the variety of activities or working on check points along the track.

Place getters from Berrima School on Friday were:

11 year girls 4th Courtney 5th Lauren 6th Charlotte
8/9 year girls 1st Courteney 6th Lachlan
6 year girls 3rd Raffy 5th Chloe
12 year boys 6th Lachlan
8/9 year boys 2nd Luke 3rd Ben 4th Liam
7 year boys 1st Duncan 3rd Hugh 6th Zeus

Kitchen Thank-you

Friday night's P & C thank you to business people, philanthropists and community members was an outstanding success. The heartfelt thank you to all those who have contributed in a variety of ways was greatly appreciated. It was very gratifying to finally be able to acknowledge the huge input by many people but in particular that of Fred Krahenbuhl our project manager.

Annual School Report

Last week it was stated that the Annual School Report was available on the school website. Unfortunately due to technical difficulties with our intranet this has not been possible. It will hopefully be available from today. Hardcopies of the report are also available in the front office.
2013 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools.

If you have shown an expression of interest for your child to participate in this competition please complete the attached permission note so I can register your child before the holidays. In order for me to register on time I would appreciate payment before the end of term, that being 12 April. After this date payment will not be accepted.

Thank you
Mrs Temporali

School Development Days

Following the first term holidays there will be two School Development Days. This is a one allowance by the Department of Education and Communities to provide an opportunity for staff to work on preparations for the new Australian Curriculum implementation.
All small schools in the Bong Bong Association will be gathering at Berrima to allow teachers working on the same grade levels to work with staff from other schools. This will provide for a cross fertilisation of ideas and sharing of knowledge and expertise.

School Banking

As from Term 2 the school will now have application forms if you are wishing to open a Commonwealth Bank account. All that is required is a copy of your Child’s birth certificate and a copy of a parent’s drivers licence. Please contact the office if you’re interested.

4/5/6 Class Blog
We are ready to officially launch our class blog. We would love for you to have a look at what we have been up to in 4/5/6. The web address is www.missdann2013.edublogs.org

Anzac Day

Anzac Day falls during the Term 1 school holidays. As usual the school will be assisting in the mid morning service. Our school Captains will be taking a leading role.
There will be a dry run on Tuesday 23rd April at 11 am at the War Memorial Gardens. It would be appreciated if the Captains could attend that practice.
There will be a mini working bee to make sprigs of Rosemary to give out at the service. If you can assist please contact Megan Moore.

Kitchen News

No cooking classes on Tuesday Term 2 week 1, so the children will need to bring their lunch.

School Performance
The school has booked a Performance, ‘Let’s Chat Habitat’, to perform on Wednesday 1 May. This will be an exciting performance for all ages to enjoy. The cost will be $5.00 per child, a permission note is attached.
PARENT/CAREGIVER CONSENT FORM

All students will have the opportunity to attend an in-school excursion on Wednesday 1 May 2012, ‘Let’s Chat Habitat’.

This in-school excursion has been planned as it relates directly to our environmental program for 2013.

The total cost of this in-school excursion will be $5.00.

Please have permission note and money in by the end of term, 12 April 2013.

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RETURN SLIP
I do / do not consent to ______________________________ of class ________

participating in an in-school excursion of ‘Let’s Chat Habitat’ on 1 May 2013.

Signature _______________________________ Date _______________________

I enclose $ 5.00 cash / cheque (please circle)

Or alternatively you can pay by direct deposit in the school bank account 032-001 11-6917. Please don’t forget to enter your details.

CITY2SURF

Have you ever thought about doing the city2surf? This year we’ve created a Berrima Public school team! Some of us were going to do the run anyway and thought that it might be a good opportunity to raise some money for the school. Don’t worry, you can go at your own pace, even walk if you like but we recommend one of the training programs which will come out soon. A fundraising page will be set up for everyone to use and donations can be made via this page. The big day is Sunday August 11 but now is the time to get moving so if you have any questions feel free to email me at hilary_hills@hotmail.com. I look forward to watching our team grow! Hilary

Here’s how to enter if you would like to join us ..... go to the city2surf website http://www.city2surf.com.au click the ‘Enter Now’ button and ‘search for an existing team’ (Berrima Public School). The password is ‘Smarties’ with a capital ‘S’. Most of us are in the ‘Westpac Yellow Start’ group, which is the second from the back and from here you can run on ahead or hang back and walk. The entry form will ask if you would like an online fundraising page to be created for you - you can if you like but if you would like to use the central page that will be created for the school team then answer ‘no’ to this question. The entry fee is $70 so it’s quite a commitment but going on past experience it’s a great goal to have if you are trying to get fit and the day itself is always a fantastic buzz.

April School Holiday Program

It’s that time again we are running casual recreational Gymnastics classes at the Mittagong Recreation Centre. These classes are designed for boys and girls 5 years and over to have fun, play games, keep fit and do some gymnastics!

This class is a casual class pay as you go basis.
Week 1 - Tuesday the 16th, Wednesday the 17th and Thursday the 18th at 10:00am - 12:00pm
Week 2 - Tuesday the 23rd, Wednesday the 24th and Thursday the 25th at 10:00am - 12:00pm
Cost $23.00 per class
MARKETS THIS WEEKEND...

Our school markets are on again this Sunday and we need BBQ helpers. Any parents willing to spend an hour on the BBQ please let me know as we were really desperate for helpers last month. We usually have 2 people on each shift so find a friend and make it an enjoyable hour. Our first shift starts at 8.30 and we usually finish up at 1.30/2.00pm. Please call/text me if you can help out on 0413 482 731.

The jumping castle will be here again this weekend with lots of other new stallholders. Please bring the family along and support our school.

Lonni Bedson and I have coordinated the market BBQ for the last year but would love some other parents to take on this job. At the P&C AGM Lonni was voted into the position of P&C Treasurer, so she won’t be helping out with the BBQ after this market. The BBQ team orders the sausages and bread and organises a roster for each market. It works well to have 2 people on this job so one can set up each month and the other can come in at the end of the day and pack up.

Again, please call/text if you are interested in taking this job on.

ANZAC DAY

Again this year we have been asked to prepare the sprigs of rosemary for the Berrima Anzac Day services. If you would like to help with this we will have a get together in the school holidays at 2pm on Tuesday 23rd April at the school. Please let me know if you are available to come along. We have to tie over 400 sprigs of rosemary so it takes quite a bit of time – many hands make light work!

CROSS COUNTRY

Thanks to all the families who brought in cakes, biscuits, muffins etc last Friday for the cross country and to all those parents who worked on the canteen throughout the day. We raised just over $1000 for the school.

MOTHERS DAY RAFFLE

At the last P&C meeting we decided to hold a Mother’s day raffle that will be drawn at our Mother’s Day school market (!!). We are asking school families to donate items/products/vouchers that could be included in the prizes. If you have anything that might be suitable please place it in the basket in the school office. We will start selling raffle tickets at this weekend’s markets.
Berrima Public School P&C Meeting
18/03/13

Meeting opened by: M Moore 8.00
Attendance: Jane Lawler, Lonni Bedson, Megan Moore, Nicole Collins, James Brooker, Tim Ryan, Caroline Verity, Denise Howes, Kellie Waring, Kelly Nyholm

Apologies:
Karen McNally, Tracy Boyd, Megan Stone, Danni Brooker

Minutes of previous meeting tabled and read.

Adopt Minutes previous:
February adopted moved KellieWaring sec: Lonni Bedson.

Matters arising from previous minutes:
Shelving for kitchen: Denise still looking
Botanic Gardens visit: Very well received.
Red YR 6 Jumpers: New parent Kate Bendle can get better price than previously paid through other supplier. Parents will pay $38.00. P&C usually subsidise the jerseys, but now due to lower price the subsidy was applied to the Young Leaders conference.

Correspondence:
In:
Various fundraising brochures
Official P&C handbook
P & C Journal
NSW Education & Communities School Global funding report
Fun run: adidas
Mothers Day fundraising

Out:

Treasurers report: Kellie Nyholm. Tabled.
Books to be audited at the end of March, so a full 12 months of financial records is included in the audit.
Books will be handed over to new treasurer in April.
Balance of Account: $20858.08
Moved: Kellie N Sec: D Howes

General

Market report
Mothers Day Raffle donations to make hamper.
Uniform report: tabled: approx. balance $2124.00
Moved: J Lawler. Sec K Nyholm

Principals report: (attached)
We received $10000.00 worth of products from the Woolworths “Earn and Learn” vouchers. Mr Ryan to put a report in newsletter. An amazing result for a small school. Many important and useful items now at the school. Thank you to all.

Kitchen report
$15000.00 approx. to run kitchen/garden for a year. $60.00/hr to use kitchen.
Berrima town life to give donation $250.00 for kitchen.

General Business:
Highlife to do story on kitchen / garden. Great idea and will get story out to a larger group. School dance: Welcome and social for new parents. Miss Dann to do music. Keep as simple as possible. Theme of “Movie Character”
Kitchen money: Botanic gardens group want to come in back October. Want to spend the day in the Southern highlands.
Bong Bong xcountry carnival. Similar menu to last year. Belinda has to have $ list to send out to schools.
Market phone. Kelly N has a new phone. Need charger. Discussion on the listing for new number. Peter Norman has to close account with carrier.
We are going to do a new budget for an outline on spending for the coming year. A new ‘Wish List’ from the teachers and the P&C requested.
Kitchen opening plaque. Sit above servery clear perplex black lettering. Business names and parent community. Mr Ryan to approve list. To be checked and rewording, spelling and names of businesses.
Fred Krahenuhnl has to have a special sign/acknowledgement. Megan Moore to ask Heidi GardenArt for some sort of ‘special’ sign.
Invites have gone out they are fabulous. Thanks Caroline.
Will be catered. Approve an amount of money.

Motion moved: M Moore: up to $2000.00 to be spent on opening sec. K Waring.
Megan to look into a coffee van to serve coffee at the Bong Bong xcountry.
Thank you to all for attendance. Once again, a lively meeting with lots of ideas and discussion. Please feel very welcome to come along and join in.

Next meeting: 13/05/13
Meeting closed: 9.20

Some upcoming events and important dates:
Mothers day raffle
Mothers day market: 12/5/13
Break up term 1: 12/4/13
Back for term 2: 1/5/13
Berrima Public School P&C Meeting
AGM 18/03/13

Meeting opened by: M Moore 8.00

Attendance: Jane Lawler Lonni Bedson Megan Moore Nicole Collins James Brooker Tim Ryan Caroline Verity Denise Howes Kellie Waring Kelly Nyholm

All members are now financial and are able to vote at future meetings.

Apologies: Karen McNally, Danielle Brooker, Tracey Boyd, Megan Stone

Megan welcomed all. Thank you to all out going position holders. All positions vacated.

Mr Ryan takes meeting over:

Calls for nominations for all positions:

President: Megan Moore nom. Denise Howes sec. Jane Lawler
Vice P Tracey Boyd nom. Megan Moore sec. Denise Howes
Sec: Jane Lawler nom. Megan Moore sec. Lonnie Bedson
Uniform coordinator: Caroline Verity nom: Kellie Waring sec. Jane Lawler
Uniform Treasurer: Jane Lawler nom: Denise Howes sec. Nicole Collins

Fundraising coordinator: position open

Market coordinator: Market coordinator Megan Stone/ Danni Brooker

Thank you and congratulations to all.

Meeting finished: 7.52pm
Principal’s Report
P & C Meeting
18th March, 2013.

Kitchen
Our philanthropist has come good with the dollars.
This should give us about 18 months to get up to speed with self-funding.
School promotion is going gangbusters at the moment with a very positive response to
Saturday’s open day for the Highlands Garden Society. Some hire arrangements
stemming from that event.
The group from the National Museum of Education were astounded by the facilities we
are able to offer.
Still working on the deck

An offer is being made with regard to the Student Welfare Officer.
The successful applicant was very similar in ability to Tamara
Probably an edge in her abilities to work as a teachers aid
Already filling this role at another school so it will really only getting to know staff and stu-
dents that will need to be done before effectively working in the role.
Will look towards starting as soon as possible

Quite a deal of mandatory training taking place at the moment
Just completed module 2 of No Gaps No Excuses, training for Aboriginal Education prac-
tices that attempt to raise outcome for Aboriginal children.
Staff currently quite busy working on training for the new Australian Curriculums.
Small schools will be working together on the implementation the English Syllabus first
Also working together with our community of schools, especially high schools, so that we
are all on the same page with regard to what has been implemented and how.
This will be followed closely by Maths and then History

Currently writing the Annual School Report for 2012. Please complete the survey listed in to-
day’s newsletter so that I have a gauge of parent feelings and information gained can also be
used in forward planning.

Berrima Town Life is keen to make a donation at their next meeting. Jo & Deb are sorting.
MOSS VALE GYMNASTICS
SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

MOSS VALE SHOWGROUND

16TH AND 17TH APRIL 2013
10am - 1pm both days
$30 per day or $55 both days
Bring morning tea and a drink
Phone Kim on 0412635680

Kindest Regards

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EVERYDAY

CareSouth

cares for people in your
community who are doing it tough. Whether it’s children having a hard time at home, people living with a
disability, or families struggling to get by – we’re here to help, every day.
You could volunteer to become a CareSouth Aunty or Uncle and give hope to a child (aged 3-12 years) –
simply by including them in your everyday family activities one weekend a month.
Our 2013 Aunties & Uncles Colouring-in Competition is on! Get your kids involved in this fun school holiday activity and they could win some great family prizes.
Simply download the Form from our website at www.everydaycaresouth.org.au/kids--youth/ and get creative!
Entries close on Friday 3rd May 2013. There will be one winner for each age group and a Disability category.
Full details are on our website.

Caroline Jones
Public Relations, CareSouth
www.everydaycaresouth.org.au

Want some Family Fun
The Swiss colour run is a great opportunity for you to get out with your children and enjoy the outdoors. This year the colour run is being held on August 25, 2013 at Centennial park in Sydney. I am encouraging parents and children to participate as part of my team.
Have a look at the website http://thecolorrun.com/australia/sydney/ and if you are interested enter through the team entry. Search for my team "fit families" and that will give you a discount. Children under 5 are free but please keep in mind that colour dust is thrown around the track. I would love to have a big team having great fun as a family.

Brione

Brione Thiessen
Berrima Public School
Ph: 0407 288 680
FIRST AID COURSE
‘In home’ first aid course
14 April 2013 all day
+ online reading + text book
COST: 4-5 people - $160pp
6-10 people $150pp
11-20 people $140pp
IF INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT MICHELLE RICHARDSON ON 0435093255.
Many thanks, Michelle

Wingecarribee Shire Council Promotion: The Home Power Savings Program
Wingecarribee Shire Council is pleased to be able to promote a NSW Government initiative – the Home Power Savings Program.
Households that join the Home Power Savings Program can save up to 20% off their power usage. More than 160,000 pensioners and families on a lower income have already taken advantage of the program and are on their way to saving power and money. If you require more information please call 1300 663 416.

NetSetGO! Netball for 5-7 year olds. Learn skills and basics and get a netball goody bag. Trial session and registration 9.30am, 4th May at Er ridge Park. Contact Kylie on shna.netsetgo@gmail.com

Netta: Netball for 7-10 year olds. Teams are looking for players. Netta is a modified game of netball where you can learn skills and meet new friends. Contact Kylie on shna.netsetgo@gmail.com

Wingecarribee Family Support Service

Starting Wednesday 1 May 2013, an eight week program known as Me(n) and My Family will be presented. Developed locally, the Program will address the challenges of being a modern day dad and will consider topics from Childhood, The Changing Role of Being a Dad, Renovating Your Relationships, Separation, Grief and Loss and Managing Feelings etc. It’s free and will be presented by Psychologist Harry Koster & Psychotherapist David Shapiro Del-Sole through Wingecarribee Family Support Service (WFSS), corner of Bowral and Holmhale Streets, Bowral. Numbers are limited so reserve your place by calling Harry on 0408402946, WFSS on 48621777 or email harryk@acent.com.au.

HOLIDAY WORKSHOP
Simple Steps to Acrylic Painting – with SHELLY WILLINGHAM
Acrylic Painting for KIDS Aged 10 – 12

A wonderful opportunity for children interested in art and acrylic painting.

Paint with Acrylics using artist quality materials – ALL PROVIDED

Discover the key painting steps used by professional artists

Learn about colours and how to effectively work with paints

Discover and develop an interest that can last for a lifetime

Book now! Spaces are limited.

When: Wed, 17 April 9:30 – 12:00

Where: Mittagong Girl Guides Hall, Mittagong (Next to Library)

Cost: $25 Per child – includes ALL art materials

Contact: Shelly on 0412 243 640, info@shellwillingham.com

Website: www.shellywillingham.com