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Banksia 5's Achievements in Semester 1



Last semester B5 investigated Natural and Processed Materials, Natural and Social Systems and Materials in Science, S&E and T&E. These were great areas of study that allowed us to engage in many exciting hands on activities, including the devising and building of scarecrows (in an endeavour to protect school property! Not totally successful) and the manufacture of solar ovens (very efficient at melting chocolate).

We also invented healthy recipes suitable for sale at the canteen devising advertising posters to encourage the purchase of our product. As a finale to this activity we cooked our recipes and invited our Buddy Class to a special Healthy Food Tasting. This was a great success and loads of fun.



In Maths we have completed a number of mathematical investigations and are beginning to learn how Algebra works.

The first few weeks of this semester we are going to be concentrating on the Olympic Games and looking at China as a country.



From the Principal's Desk

Welcome back to what promises to be an exciting term. Students are now well into training for the Faction Athletics Carnival and those who are representing the school in the Interschool Cross Country are braving the cold mornings and training hard for the upcoming event. Good luck to all those competing.

Bull Creek Primary prides itself in being able to have students achieve the best that they possibly can. An established culture of success and striving to do well is something we want to keep promoting. Another example of a student doing exceptionally well is Zhixian Wu who has won a medal for scoring the highest mark in her year level in the state for the 2008 Science International Competitions and Assessments for Schools. Zhixian will have the medal presented to her at an upcoming Assembly. I hope you all share in Zhixian's success as this is a great achievement.



Thank you to Banksia 5 for your contribution to this fortnight's newsletter.

Youth Scholarship 2008

If you live in the City of Melville, aged between 12 and 19 before 1 August 2008 and have aspirations to compete at the highest level, you could be eligible for a Youth Sport Scholarship. Application forms are available to download for the www.melvillecity.com.au or be phoning 1300 6354845. Entries must be received by 4:00pm 29 August 2008.

Western Australian Monitoring Standards in Education (WAMSE) Science Test.

Next week the Year 7's will sit a Science Test along with all other Year 7's in WA. This test will assist us and the Department to gauge student performance in the Learning Area of Science.



National Literacy and Numeracy Week (NLNM)

This year's theme is 'Partnerships in Learning'. In 2008 the NLNM will provide enjoyable literacy and numeracy opportunities across the nation through activities such as National Reading Day on 3 September 2008, Reach for the Stars from 1 to 5 September and the Dorothy Mackellar Poetry Awards on 5 September.

At Home with Spelling Booklet

Parents of students in Kindergarten to Year 3 should receive with this newsletter a booklet on helping your child at home with spelling. This has been produced by the Department of Education and Training and I would encourage all parents of children in this age range to read this booklet. This booklet is a follow up to the "Counting On You" Maths booklet. If you have misplaced this booklet it can be downloaded at http://www.det.wa.edu.au/schoolinginwa/counting_on_you.html Useful parent resources can also be downloaded for Counting On You and At Home with Spelling through the following link <http://www.det.wa.edu.au/schoolinginwa/primary.html>

Stephen Lee

FOR SALE BY TENDER

Computer Workstations (Includes CPU, Monitor, keyboard and mouse; Intel Celeron processor; 256 MB RAM; 4GB HDD).

Ideal for student homework, Athletics and Internet research.



Only 10 are available.

All currently working and used by students in the Library, but are being updated.

There is no warranty and no guarantee issued with each workstation. The hard drives have been re-formatted and do not come with software!

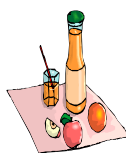
TAKE AS IS!!!

Put in an offer for the PC of your choice.
Tender forms available from the School Office.

SNACK SHACK NEWS

New Mouth Watering Muffins

Yes, we have yummy muffins available to purchase from the Canteen now! You can choose from Chocolate or Blueberry. They are priced at \$1.40 and are available to students at lunch time only as they are an amber product so we can only sell them once a day.



Play Water and Switch are only available at lunch time now for the same reason. You can still buy plain water, juice and flavoured milks at recess as they are green products.

The following are on roster for the week commencing Monday, 4th August.

Mon 4/8 9am-11.20am Sharon C L
 9am-11.20am **Help Needed**
 11.20am-1.20pm Tracey C

Tue 5/8 9am-11.20am **Help Needed**
 9am-11.20am Val E
 11.20am-1.20pm **Help Needed**

Thu 7/8 9am-1.20pm Kay
 9am-11.20 **Help Needed**
 11.20am-1.20pm Dimpy

Fri 8/8 9am-11.20am Simone
 9am-11.20 **Help Needed**
 11.20am-1.20pm **Help Needed**
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Thank you for all your help!

Pauline Hough - Canteen Manageress

SCHOOL PHOTOS - SPECIAL ORDERS

Please find with this newsletter an Order Form for purchase of group photos which are on display on the School Office window. Forms are to be completed and returned with money to the School by **Thursday, 7th August 2008**.



Sue Martin - Deputy Principal

GOLDEN EGGS & WONDER BREAD COLLECT-A-THON



The Golden Egg Farms/Aussie Pride and Wonder Bread redemption programs are now well under way.

With only 2 1/2 months left to reach our goal of 1111 bread bags, it's time to get rolling! We have already received \$100 of sports equipment as a spot prize and it will only take a small effort from each family to get some more! If we can get just **5 bread bags over 2 1/2 months from each family, that's another \$100!** And if the whole community gets involved to achieve our grand target of 3333 bags, or 15 per family over the time, we can redeem a massive \$300 worth of equipment!

The small coin tokens on a variety of egg cartons in super markets are now all worth 50c, even if they say 20c! This is great news because if every family brings in **just 1 egg token a month we will be "earning" a great crust of around \$100...EVERY MONTH!**

These competitions will greatly benefit our school, and it is as easy as substituting your normal grocery brands for Wonder breads and Golden Egg Farms or Farm Pride Eggs, and **bringing the whole empty bread bags and tokens into the school canteen in the mornings!** So get your friends, neighbours and relatives to help you and we can redeem fantastic and much needed prizes for our school!

Thank you to all the people who have been bringing in their Wonder White Bread Bags. We are still a long way off from our target!!

Just to let you know that the **Wonder White Bread is on special at WOOLWORTHS this week - 2 for \$6.** Remember to get the ones in the specially marked bags.

Helen Wong & the Year 7 Fundraisers

IS YOUR FAMILY PREPARED FOR THE STORM SEASON?

The State Emergency Service (SES) has provided the following five tips to prepare your homes and families :



1. Inspect your roof, gutters and fences for any damage or corrosion.
2. Clear gutters, downpipes and drains of leaves and blockages.
3. Trim branches near your home and hire a contractor to clear trees from powerlines.
4. Secure and tidy your yard
5. Prepare an emergency kit with portable radio, torch, spare batteries and first aid kit.

If you or your family needs to find out more on what they can do before, during and after a storm, visit the FESA website www.fesa.wa.gov.au

If your home has been affected by severe weather you can call the SES on **132 500** for emergency assistance.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



FRI 1ST AUG Guitar 8.20-8.50am Yr 6 Guitar 8.50-9.20am Yr 7 Derby Day Dress Up	MON 4TH AUG	TUE 5TH AUG Athletics Clinic	WED 6TH AUG Interscholar Cross Country at Burrendah. Eagles Cup Presentation	THU 7TH AUG Assembly - Music NED Show 2.15 - 3.05pm
FRI 8TH AUG Guitar 8.20-8.50am Yr 6 Guitar 8.50-9.20am Yr 7 Derby Day Dress Up	MON 11TH AUG	TUE 12TH AUG Uni of NSW English Test - 9am Athletics Clinic	WED 13TH AUG	THU 14TH AUG Newsletter sent home today.

WASTE WISE BIN SPONSORSHIP

The school currently has a vacancy for sponsorship of one Blue Bin @ \$9.05 per month. In return the sponsor's business will be advertised in our fortnightly school newsletter.



BASEBALL

Registration for 2008/09 season for the Knights Baseball Club will be held on
9th August 2008 from 3pm to 5pm at Meller Park, Hope Road, Bibra Lake
Or contact the Registrar, Sue L'Herpinere on
9417 5438/ Mob 0419 045 381

MELVILLE DISTRICTS TEEBALL CLUB

Come along and join our club for a season filled with fun and excitement. Age groups from 5-12 years of age.

Registration Day is Sunday, 3rd August 2008 from 2pm to 5pm at the Clubrooms at Morris Buzzacott Reserve Prescott Drive, Kardinya

Cost is \$75 per season (Late fee of \$10 applies to all registrations after Registration Day)

The first 20 new players to the club will receive a backpack which includes a free glove, ball, family season pass to Perth Heat and other goodies.

Any queries, please contact Rob Read on 0401 386 974

STUDENT EXCHANGE AUSTRALIA

In February 2009, students aged 15-18yrs from over 15 countries will be arriving in Australia to study at local schools for 5 or 10 months. Opportunities exist to act as a host family in a volunteer/unpaid capacity. Hosting can be on a temporary, short or long term basis. If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, contact us today.

To learn more about this opportunity call Student Exchange Australia on 1300 135 331 or visit our website www.studentexchange.org.au

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