Dear Families,

**Beach to Bush**
Next Monday all classes will be participating in sessions presented from ‘Surf Lifesaving NSW’ called Beach to Bush. This program lasts for one hour and primarily focuses on beach and surf safety, however also touches on safety around home pools, dams and inland waterways.

**Bathurst Goldfields – Stage 3 Excursion**
As you are aware on Monday our Stage 3 students visited the Bathurst Goldfields and completed one of their ‘in town’ educational tours. They also participated in the Goldfields business launch. It was wonderful to be included in their media promotion at this exciting time for the Bathurst Goldfields. In attendance at the launch were the Director of Bathurst School’s Mr Peter Harvey and also The Hon. Paul Toole - Member for Bathurst and the Minister for Local Government.

**School Band Testing Program**
Next Monday (23rd November) between 11.35am and 1.05pm our school bandmaster, Mr Phil Snitch will be testing all current Year 2 students and interested Year 3-5 students in regard to musical instrument suitability. Following the testing Mr Snitch will forward home a letter of interest to parents that can be returned to the school office indicating a desire for your child to commence in the 2016 school band program. Please feel welcome to contact Mr Snitch on any Monday from 9.30am onwards on our school telephone (63311297) if you have any questions regarding our school band program.

**Lockdown/Emergency Evacuation Drills**
It is very important that we hold regular ‘drills’ to ensure our procedures in such circumstances are known, tested and actually work. During the past fortnight we have held a ‘lockdown’ drill during class time. We have also been developing lockdown procedures should the need arise during our non-class times. We have discussed and revised these procedures with our students to maximise their success during the implementation. This Friday during lunch time we will be holding a lockdown drill. All staff and students will be advised of this leading up to the drill. Students will be asked to remain calm and take their instructions from the teachers who will be on playground duty at that particular time.

**Year 6 – Western Advocate Photograph**
‘High School Here We Come’ is a segment that the Western Advocate are publishing in the upcoming weeks. It will show all Bathurst school’s year 6 classes within the segment. Our Year 6 will be getting their photograph taken collectively at school next Monday at 12.30pm for this segment.
School Leaders 2016
I wish all candidates well in their quest for a school leadership position next year. All candidates presented their election speech to the student and staff population today. Following today’s speeches the first round of voting was held which determines the six leaders for next year. The next step in the process is a second round of voting to elect the school captains from within the six school leaders.

Keep on Track – Winner
Our ‘Keeping on Track’ winner for this week was Indigo-Jade Lyte. Indigo-Jade received a $4.00 canteen voucher as her prize. Well done!

2016 Reminder
Please advise me of any considerations you would like taken into account when we commence placing students in class groups for the 2016 school year in writing by November 28th at the latest.

Yours sincerely,

Greg Cross
Principal

Term 4 2015 Calendar
Monday 23 November – Beach to Bush session for Kindergarten - Year 6
Monday 23 November – 2016 Band testing for new Primary students and Year 2
Thursday 26 November – AECG at MacKillop College
Thursday 26 November – Year 6 Mini Fete
Wednesday 2 December – Year 6 High School Orientation Day
Friday 4 December – Volunteers Morning Tea
Friday 4 December – Social Housie/Bingo 5.30-6.30pm in the hall
Tuesday 8 December – Year 6 Farewell
Thursday 10 December – Presentation Day
Friday 11 December – Adventure Playground/Class Parties
Monday 14 December – Term 4 ‘On Track Day’
Wednesday 16 December – Final day of 2015 school year

Don’t forget to keep your donations coming in for the 2BS Christmas Miracle Appeal
MERIT AWARDS

**MERIT AWARDS**
Nikita Leonard, Taleah Watson, Azariyah Lansom, Maclay Ryan & Kable Ryan

**LARGE AWARDS**
Isabella Ward, Tim Babbage, Alexis Dennis, Azariyah Lansom & Guy Lorè

**WELL DONE!**

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**PBL News**

The three expectations that we have at our school are Respect, being a Positive Learner and being Safe. This week students will begin to focus on and follow the school wide expectations when they are working in small groups.

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**Group work activities**

- Hands and feet to yourself
- Be aware of personal space
- Take turns
- Help others
- Listen to each other
- Cooperate
- Listen carefully and follow instructions
- Be on task and work together

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**Year 5 Candidates for School Leaders 2016**

This morning the Year 5 candidates for 2016 school leader presented their prepared speech to the school. All students K-5 have had the opportunity to vote for the candidates. The six students, who hold the most votes after counting, will be elected to a leadership position. I would like to congratulate all the candidates and take this opportunity to wish all the students the best of luck.

**Boy Candidates**

- Blaize Grindle
- Jeffrey Knox
- Isaac Bower
- Mackenzie Suringa
- Tom Snitch
- Owen Trevillion
- Rohan Smith
- Jordan Austin

**Girl Candidates**

- Charlotte Glen
- Maddison Browne
- Sophi Petford
- Georgia Gould
- Karla Truscott
- Amy Parker
- Matilda Young
- Sophie Whalan
- Layla Wohlgemuth

Michelle Chiaramonte
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SCHOOL LEADER CANDIDATES