Dear Parents,

Week 7 has again been a busy week within the school. I had the pleasure of transporting Isabel Whalan to a Regional Meeting of the Aboriginal Education Group on Monday that was held at the Bathurst School's Office. Isabel welcomed all participants to Bathurst and to the meeting and then gave the ‘Acknowledgement of Country’ at the meeting. I was very proud of Isabel, she represented our school so well.

All staff yesterday participated in a joint Bathurst School’s Network Science and Technology staff meeting where individuals and schools shared some of the great work they have been doing in regard to the implementation of the new Science and Technology syllabus that has been taught since the commencement of the 2015 school year. It is great to see our public schools collectively sharing ideas and expertise.

As I write this letter Year 6 students are attending Kelso High Campus in their first instalment of transition to high school. These activities occur each term and have proven to aid our students and make for a smooth start to Year 7. At this same time all Year 1-5 students are at the BMEC enjoying a performance from the ‘Listies’. I am sure the students would have had a ball.

Tomorrow both Year 5/6 classes will be participating in workshops for 1 hour that have been coordinated and will be run by the CSU Future Moves program. These workshops include valuable learning and aspiration-building experiences for school students in the Central West.

To round the week off, I will be transporting Jackson Carter and Charlotte Glen to Carrington Park at mid-day this Friday to participate in a primary school’s challenge that the Bathurst Council is running to select 2 ball boys/girls for this weekend’s NRL match. I am sure these students will try hard, enjoy the experience and who knows, may even end up as the official ball boy/girl!

We have had approximately 25 families return their yellow note indicating their attendance at next Tuesday’s ‘Welcome BBQ’. If you are still yet to do so, please return the note or simply give our front office a call to let us know for catering purposes. I look forward along with the teachers to seeing as many of you as possible on between 5-6pm next Tuesday.

**Easter Raffle Donations** – We have started to see some great donations come in already. These all contribute to our P&C Easter Raffle prizes. The more donations we receive, the more prizes we have to give away. Thank you for your generosity.

**Star of the Month – February**

Connor Hart was the recipient of the February Star of the Month. Connor is a worthy winner as he is a valuable member of the South Bathurst PS student body. He is always willing to help others, uses his initiative and gives his time generously to several worthy charities as well.
Term 1 2015 Calendar

Thursday 12th March – CSU Future Moves session for both Year 5/6 classes
Tuesday 17th March – Camp Quality Puppet Show (Anti-Bullying) Kinder-Year 6 (Free)
Tuesday 17th March – 5/6pm Welcome BBQ on mid-level
Wed/Fri 18th - 20th March – Year 4 Red Hill excursion
Wednesday 18th February – Mr Cross at Bathurst Principals Network Meeting
Thursday 19th March - Aboriginal Education Consultation Group (AECG) 1.45pm at Stannies
Tuesday 24th March – School Photos
Thursday 26th March – Yr 6 attending CSU (Future Moves program)
Friday 27th March – Questacon visiting Bathurst South for Infants and Primary performances
Friday 27th March – Bx South Vs Bx West PSSA Netball
Wednesday 1st April – P&C Meeting 2.00pm
Thursday 2nd April – Easter Hat Parade. Time TBA
Thursday 2nd April – Keep on Track PBL activity
Thursday 2nd April – Last Day Term 3

Please remember that if you have any concerns or questions regarding the education of your child to make a time to discuss this with their teacher, either Mr McBryde (Relieving Assistant Principal) or Mrs Chiaramonte (Assistant Principal) or myself.

Kind regards

Greg Cross
Principal

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Public Schools NSW

Name: _______________________________________           Class: ________________________
The three expectations that we are focusing on are Respect, being a Positive Learner and being Safe. This week students will continue participating in lessons focusing on entering the rooms after breaks and arriving and leaving school safely.

Expectations for entering the room after breaks:

- Line up in two lines
- Put your bag in the right place
- Get all your equipment you need for the day
- Enter the room quietly as instructed
- Going to the toilet at the right time
- Returning sports equipment
- Leaving school safely at the end of the day

Camp Quality Puppet Show

For over 25 years, the Camp Quality Primary Education Program has been delivering its unique brand of cancer education to primary schools across Australia. They will be performing at our school on Tuesday March 17th 2015. The FREE program uses an interactive puppet show to dispel common myths and misconceptions about cancer in an engaging, safe and effective way.

The performance will go for approximately 45 minutes and focus on cancer education, self confidence, tolerance and friendship.

REMINDEERS

Final Payment for Year 6 Jumpers due Friday 13th March
Final Payment for Red Hill due Friday 13th March
Book Club Orders due by Friday 13th March
Photograph Envelopes due in by Friday 20th March
School Fees are set for 2015 at $30 per child or $50 per family
Welcome BBQ Yellow notes due to front office by Monday 16th March
Year 7 Expression of Interest forms due back by Monday 20th March
Garden News

The Wholefood Co-op on William St (near Coles carpark) is holding their first ever Harvest Festival on Sat 14th March from 9am -1pm in the arcade outside the Co-op. Juanita and Kirsty from the garden are setting up a table to sell some of the school garden produce from the BSPS garden to raise money for the garden and let the community know about our garden.

We would love some students, parents and carers to support us either helping out behind the stall or coming along to the Harvest Festival to enjoy the live music, cooking demos and taste testing, sample fresh produce for sale and meet with local growers and producers.

Can you join us? Call Juanita 0410 034 916 or Kirsty 0417 658 719 or simply come along on the day.

Easter is just over three weeks away

One of our major fundraisers is our Easter Egg Raffle. We would love donations of eggs to make up our baskets for the raffle. If you can donate some Easter eggs please drop them into the office. Keep an eye out for the tickets they’ll be out next week!

Position of Secretary of the P & C is still vacant if you are interested please see the Office.