Dear Families,

School Development Days

School development days are used by schools to improve the skills of our teachers, school leaders and school administrative support staff. These days are scheduled for the first day of Terms 1-3 and the final two days of the school year.

In 2015 Bathurst South Public School will again be rescheduling the last two days of the year to occur as half day afternoon/evening meetings and also one Saturday School Development Day. We have found this rescheduling to be far more productive as staff can implement or use specific ‘learning’ immediately after the event as opposed to after the Christmas holiday period. This will mean that the last days of school for students and staff in 2015 will be Wednesday 16 December.

Our first half development day for all staff will be held next Monday afternoon between 4.30pm -7.30pm. Staff will participate in face to face Anaphylaxis training as well as developing individual performance and development plans for the 2015 school year.

Athletics Carnival

Mrs Cafe, Mr McBryde and Mrs Rayner are busily preparing for next Wednesday’s Athletics Carnival. If you are able to pop down to have a look throughout the day or lend a hand it would be most appreciated. I look forward to seeing many of you in attendance. It is always a great day.

Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG)

Bathurst South PS has the pleasure of hosting tomorrow’s AECG meeting at 1.45pm in the Connected Classroom, prior to this at 11.30am the Junior AECG will be held in the same location. Interested parents are most welcome to attend the afternoon meeting.

These meetings are rotated around local schools and occur twice per term. The NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc. advocates cultural affirmation, integrity and the pursuit of equality to ensure that the unique and diverse identity of Aboriginal students is recognised and valued. The NSW AECG Inc. has local, regional and state networks that enables effective communication allowing Aboriginal community viewpoint to be echoed throughout the organization.

Star of the Month

It was a pleasure to announce Maya McGrath as the May ‘Star of the Month’. Maya exhibits so many wonderful qualities that are deserving of this award. She is polite, respectful, always on task and a wonderful friend to her peers and is very helpful towards our younger students.

Congratulations Maya!

Keep on Track – Winner

Our ‘Keeping on Track’ winner for this week was Rory Elphick. Rory received a $4.00 canteen voucher as his prize. Well done!
Careflight Pyjama Day – Tomorrow Thursday 11 June

Remember tomorrow’s PJ Day! The gold coin donation goes towards the wonderful Careflight organisation. Students will also be listening to a presentation from representatives of Careflight at 11.35am on what Careflight does as well as addressing general personal safety.

‘Eat it to beat it’

Bathurst South Public School is holding a free ‘Fruit & Veg Sense Session’ for school parents/guardians on Friday 19th June from 1:30pm – 3pm in the Connected Classroom (to finish just before school pick up). Please return your slip that was provided with the Week 6 newsletter to the front office if you are interested in attending this workshop. This will be a really valuable free workshop. If you have misplaced your slip, there are more available at the front office or simply call to notify us of your intention to attend.

Boys Touch

I wish Mr McBryde and the Boy’s Touch team the best of luck as they play against Raglan PS at 11.00am this Friday 19 June on our top oval in Round 1 of the NSW PSSA Touch knockout. Parents are most welcome to come along and support the team.

Western Cross Country

Tim Babbage and Blaize Grindle will be representing our school and Bathurst District at the Regional Cross Country in Geurie today. I wish the boys the best of luck.

Term 2 2015 Calendar

Thursday 11 June – AECG at Bathurst South PS 1.45pm
Thursday 11 June – SRC PJ Day – Careflight Fundraiser
Wednesday 17 June – School Athletics Carnival
Thursday 18 June – Stage 3 attending Kelso HC ‘Little Shop of Horrors’
Friday 19 June – Student reports distributed
Friday 19 June – Parent ‘Eat it to Beat it’ workshop
Monday 22 June – NAIDOC Public Speaking Competition hosted at Bathurst South PS
Thursday 25 June – Principal’s Morning Tea
Friday 26 June – PBL ‘On Track’ activity
Friday 26 June – Last day of Term 2
Tuesday 7 July – Students return for 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 Mrs Cafe or Mrs Chiaramonte (Assistant Principal) or me.

Kind regards
Greg Cross
Principal
MERIT AWARDS

Oscar Christoffersen, Holly Ford, Layla Wohlgemuth, Oliver Bestwick, Grace Chemello, Uriah Loudoun-Shand, Rufus Fox-Allan, Nikita Leonard, Dominic Falzon, Rory Killian, Christina Hay, Karli Butler, Elle Montgomery, Maya McGrath, Samantha Hollis, Ethan Hull, Lucas Babbage, Zoey Wade, Peter Wooderson, Matilda Young, Amy Parker

LARGE AWARDS

Connor Hart, Maxine McGrath, Noah Cusack

WELL DONE!

PBL News

PBL is continuing this term and moving into all classrooms. The three expectations that we have at Bathurst South Public School are Respect, being a Positive Learner and being Safe. This week students will be participating in lessons focusing on listening. Students are collecting track stickers to place around their tracks. They receive a blue award for halfway and another for a complete lap.

Expectations for being a good listener:

- Respectfully wait your turn to speak
- Put your hand up
- Stay seated
- Do not disturb others
- Listen attentively

Mrs Chiaramonte

Reminders

- Athletics Carnival note and money to be returned by Friday 12 June
- Lunch Orders for the Athletics Carnival due Monday 15 June. See note with today’s newsletter.
DON’T MISS THE SOCIAL EVENT OF THE YEAR

TRIVIA NIGHT

SATURDAY 23 AUGUST

Are you a champion at ‘Minute to Win It’ or ‘Who Wants to be a Millionaire’?

THEN YOU DO NOT WANT TO MISS OUR TRIVIA NIGHT

Stay tuned, more details to follow shortly!

SRC PYJAMA DAY

This Thursday, 11 June

Don’t forget to come dressed in your warm comfy PJs on Thursday and bring a gold coin to help raise money for CAREFLIGHT.

Representatives from CAREFLIGHT will visit the school on this day to discuss their service, so please support this great cause.

BOOK STALL—SCHOOL HALL

SATURDAY, 5 SEPTEMBER

Are you putting aside your old books?

Please start to bring in your old books from the start of NEXT TERM.

P & C—NEXT MEETING

When: Monday, 3rd August—5.30pm-6.30pm
Where: Staffroom

ALL WELCOME

Please email carolynpentecost@bigpond.com if you would like anything discussed at our next meeting, or alternatively you can drop any correspondence into the office.