Dear Families,

Book Week / Education Week at Bathurst South

As you are aware, next week will see us hold our Book Week/Education Week celebrations. We are holding the majority of events on Tuesday 25th so that visitors have the opportunity to visit classrooms as well as enjoy our wonderful Book Character Parade and Book Fair on the one occasion.

During the Book Character Parade I will also be presenting five special Education Week awards to a member of our school community, three staff members and one student.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible during these times.

All friends of the school are invited to attend the school during these times:

10.40am-11.15am - Open Classrooms
11.00am-1.05pm – (Except for during the Book Character Parade) Book Fair in the library
11.45am-12.15pm – Book Character Parade on middle level

Staff Development Day – This Saturday
On Saturday all staff of Bathurst South PS will be participating in a day of professional learning regarding the teaching of mathematics. Mrs Cafe has recently trained as a facilitator of a program titled Targeting Early Numeracy (TEN). This program will be the major focus of Saturday’s learning. This day is in place of one of the 2 scheduled staff development days that occur at the end of the school year in December.

Parent Survey – ‘Tell Them From Me’
Distributed with today’s newsletters to all families was the ‘Parents in Partnership – tell them from me’ instruction sheet that outlines the steps for you to take in completing this survey. I encourage all parents/carers to complete this. The survey is designed to clarify and strengthen the important relationship between parents/carers and school by gaining insights into parent/carer and staff communication, activities and practices at home, and parent/carer voice on school support of learning and behaviour.

Guide Dog’s Australia
All students thoroughly enjoyed the presentation today from Matt Bryant who brought along his guide dog Bronco. Thank you Mr McBryde for organising this opportunity for all classes.

P&C Trivia Night
There are still tables available for any interested people for Saturday night’s trivia Night. Simply call the front office on 63311297 to book your spot. It would be great to see this initiative from the P&C well supported!

Keep on Track – Winner
Our ‘Keeping on Track’ winner for this week was Marcus Lewin. Marcus received a $4.00 canteen voucher as his prize. Well done!
**Term 3 2015 Calendar**

Saturday 22 August – Staff Development Day  
Saturday 22 August – P&C trivia Night 6.00pm  
Monday/Friday 24-28 August – Bathurst South Education Week and Book Week  
Tuesday 25 August – Book Fair and Book Character Parade  
Friday 28 August – Western Athletics  
Monday/Friday 31 Aug-4 Sept – Bathurst South PS NAIDOC Week  
Tuesday 1 September – Opera House Cluster rehearsal  
Tuesday 1 September – Bathurst South PS staff development day (half) 4.30-7.30pm  
Wednesday 2 September – Greg at Bathurst Principals meeting all day  
Friday 4 September – Father’s Day Stall  
Saturday 5 September – P&C book stall day  
Sunday 6 September – Father’s day  
Monday 7 September – Responsible Pet Owners sessions K-6  
Wednesday 9 September – Stage 3 Dance at Bathurst Eisteddfod  
Thursday 10 September – Bathurst South PS Public Speaking Competition  
Wednesday 16 September – SRC Cup Cake day  
Friday 18 September – Principal’s Morning Tea 10.45am  
Friday 18 September – Last Day of Term 3

Yours sincerely,

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Greg Cross  
Principal

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**Book Week**

Bathurst South PS will be holding our annual Book Week celebration’s on Tuesday 25th August. On this day we will also be holding our Book Fair in the school Library. As part of the celebrations, we are encouraging students to come to school as their favourite book character. The order of the day’s events are as follows:

- 10:40am—11:15am Visitors are invited to attend classrooms to visit students and see their work
- 11:00am—11:45am and 12:15pm—1:00pm visitors can attend and buy from the Book Fair
- 11:15am—11:35am Morning Tea can be purchased by parents from the SRC in the Art Room
- 11:45am—12:15pm Book Character Parade on Middle Level

Normal lunch time routines and normal afternoon class sessions from 1:15pm onwards.

This week a wish list for the Book Fair has been sent home with your children. All details will be on this note.
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**MERIT AWARDS**

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Jordan Porter, Blaize Grindle, Floyd Young, Azariyah Lansom, Bonnie Ryan, Sadie Payne, Jai Andrews, Riley Carter, Sienna Ross, Ayla Aubin, Tameika Clarke, Paterson Raveneau, Ashley Monk, Te ~amo Luck, Cody Burrell, Matilda Young

**LARGE AWARDS**
Sienna Ross, Edwin Trevillion

**WELL DONE!**

**PBL News**

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**SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME**

All students from Year 2 to 6 have the opportunity to attend the School Swimming Scheme. The Scheme will continue daily for two weeks from Monday 12th October to Friday 23rd from 11.30am-12.15pm and the second group from 12.15pm-1.00pm.

The total cost for the 10 day scheme is $ 75.00. Places are limited to 80 students and will be filled on a first in bases. If you are having difficulty covering the cost, please contact the school. A $30 deposit is required to hold a space in the program with the total amount to be finalised by Wednesday 7th October.

This program is different to past swimming scheme programs run by the school. This year we are organising our own program which the Bathurst Aquatic Centre is running. Instruction this year is open to ALL STUDENTS from Years 2-6 regardless of swimming ability. Swimming group sizes have also been reduced. Daily water safety and survival messages are taught and groups will be formed according to swimming ability.

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Saturday August 22\textsuperscript{nd}
6pm for a 6.30pm start
Bathurst South Public School Hall
Over 18’s only
Tickets available for purchase NOW from the School Office
$15 a head or $100 for a table of eight
Tea & Coffee Available
Bring Your Own Nibbles & Drinks

Public Speaking Competition

Our school’s public speaking competition will be held in week nine of this term, Thursday 10\textsuperscript{th} September. All students and classes have been busy preparing and practising their speeches. All students K-6 will present a speech to their class, with the two finalists from each grade presenting their speeches to the school.

- Kindergarten will prepare and present a one minute speech.
- Years One, Two and Three will prepare and present a two minute speech.
- Years Four, Five and Six will prepare and present a three minute speech plus a one minute impromptu.

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DANCE GROUP

The Bathurst South Dance Group will be competing in the Bathurst Eisteddfod on Wednesday 9\textsuperscript{th} September 2015 at the Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre, Theatre. All the students in this group have been working very hard on a dance titled ‘Seize the Day’. This contemporary piece has the students performing dance and basic acrobatics to an extremely energetic and upbeat piece of music.

We are currently looking for volunteers to assist with sewing of costumes. If you are able to assist in anyway it would be greatly appreciated.