Dear Families,

It only seems like yesterday that the school year commenced and here I am already writing the Week 11 newsletter, the last for Term 1. I wish all families a very safe and enjoyable holiday break.

Please note that this Friday will be a ‘Mufti’ non-uniform day for all students (nil cost). Students are to wear enclosed shoes, no singlet tops and must also wear a broad brimmed hat.

P&C Meeting

I was again thrilled to have so many parents attend last night’s P&C meeting. This group is really starting to gain some momentum. Two items that are on their agenda for improving our school is the purchase of a drinking fountain for our top level playground as well as the purchase of an additional flag pole to enable us to fly the Torres Strait Islander flag in addition to our National, Aboriginal and State flags. I look forward to our next P&C meeting in Week 2 of next term.

Road Safety

To maximise our student’s safety both before and after school I would like to remind our existing families and bring to the attention of our new families the following two items:

1. Can all parents crossing Havannah St, at any point, with their children of a morning or afternoon please use our school crossing. I have been advised that parents are crossing this busy road of an afternoon near the crest of the hill which is very dangerous.

2. Can all parents who need to use the crossing also meet their children within school grounds and make their way to the crossing via the school’s front entrance steps and not walk in front of the staff car park driveway as this is a very busy area of an afternoon. The only exceptions to this are families with mobility needs, prams or other similar needs.

Red Hill

What a way for our Year 4 students to end the term! A three day excursion to Red Hill Environmental Education Centre! Thank you to Mrs Freestone and Mr McBryde and the volunteer parents who are making this excursion possible. This is an excursion that our students always have a fantastic time on. The expected arrival time at Bathurst South PS on Friday is 5.00pm. I will however, keep you updated on this via Facebook and our Schoolstream app.

On Track Day

As I write this newsletter I can hear the excited Kindergarten to Year 2 students make their way to the bus as they depart for the Adventure Playground on their ‘On Track’ reward day. The Primary students will be having their disco during mid-session which they too are excited about. Congratulations to all of these students who have demonstrated our PBL expectations of being Respectful and Safe Positive learners.

Western Representative - Well done!

Jackson Carter travelled to Dubbo yesterday to trial for the Western Rugby League team. After trialling in some extreme temperatures Jackson was selected for the Western side. He now participates in a three day coaching clinic before representing Western in Term 2.
ANZAC Day – Bathurst Service

As part of the Bathurst RSL commemoration of ANZAC Day, our students have once again been invited to march in the morning parade on April 25th. Interested students should dress in school uniform and meet Mr Cross and Mrs Connell at 9.45am at the front of the RSL club in Rankin Street. Students will then march to the Carillon in Kings Parade for the Community Commemoration Service. At the end of the service students will gather at the gates of the Court House for collection by their parents.

Our school’s ANZAC Day service will be held at 10.30am on the first Friday of Term 2 in the school hall.

School Fee – Raffle Winner

Congratulations to Katie Emanuel who is the winner of the $70 restaurant voucher. Katie has selected a voucher to Malouf’s as her prize. Thank you very much to the 59 families who have paid their 2016 school fees.

Keep on Track – Winner

Our ‘Keeping on Track’ winner for this week was Takoda Wipaki. Takoda received a $5.00 canteen voucher as his prize. Well done!

Yours sincerely,

Greg Cross
Principal

Term 1 2016 Calendar

Wed/Fri 6th–8th April – Year 4 Red Hill excursion  
Friday 8th April – Principal’s Morning Tea  
Friday 8th April – Last Day Term 1

Term 2 2016 Calendar

Tuesday 26th April – Staff Development Day  
Wednesday 27th April – All students return to school  
Thursday 28th April – Penrith Panthers (NRL) speaking to primary students  
Friday 29th April – School ANZAC Day service 10.30am in school hall

Reminders

Athletics carnival permission notes and bus fares to be returned to the school by Friday 8 April (end of Term 1)
The three expectations that we have been focusing on all term are **Respect**, **being a Positive Learner** and **being Safe**. Today students who have completed a lap of their track will be recognised and will participate in a PBL on track day. Students K-2 will be going to the Adventure Playground and students 3-6 will be enjoying a disco. This week students will continue to focus on expectations for whole class activities.

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Michelle Chiaramonte

Infants Cross Country
Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributes funding under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.