Term 3 - Week 6

DIARY DATES

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

22 August: Ethan A
           Taj M

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Welcome to Week 6. Blacksmiths’ students have performed well on a variety of different fields over the last two weeks. A fantastic effort by all of our Zone competitors at the East Lakes Zone Athletics Carnival last week. It was great to see all of our relay teams win their respective heats. Good luck to those students competing at the Regional Carnival later in the term.

ZONE PUBLIC SPEAKING

Congratulations to our Zone Public Speakers who competed at the Zone finals over the course of last week. Our students all competed to a very high standard. Well done!

SPELLING BEE

A great effort also by all of our finalists at the school Spelling Bee finals in Week 4. The Stage 2 & 3 Winners and Runners Up will now compete at the Regional Premier’s Spelling Bee Finals on Wednesday 16 September at Coal Point Public School.
Spelling Bee Finalists:
Early Stage 1 Winner: Madison R
Early Stage 1 Runner Up: Shaylee U
Stage 1 Winner: Jordan G
Stage 1 Runner Up: Marley M
Stage 2 Winner: Emily G
Stage 2 Runner Up: Harley H
Stage 3 Winner: Kaitlyn E
Stage 3 Runner Up: Thomas H

THE MUSIC BUS
If you are interested in music lessons on the music bus, your expression of interest must be returned this week. Please drop them in to your teacher or the office.

PARENT SURVEY
It is that time of year again when we begin to collect evidence and start the evaluation process, so that we can get the best possible results for our students. As part of this process I would like to ask that our parents complete a short online survey. Surveys are completely confidential and can be completed at home or at school. You teacher will have the survey page open for you to complete in their classroom each afternoon at pick up time. If completing the survey at home please use the following link:


BOOK FAIR & PARADE
We will be celebrating Book Week on Thursday 27 August with our annual Book Fair and Parade. We also invite all parents and grandparents to stay and have a picnic lunch with our students after the parade.

The Book Fair will be held in the hall and purchases can be made from 12 noon.

The Book Week Parade will be held on the concrete area in front of Block A at 12.30pm. All students are encouraged to dress as their favourite character from a book.

Book Fair concludes at 1.45pm, at the end of school lunch time. Hope to see you there!

KINDERGARTEN PARENT INFORMATION SESSION
The parent information session for parents with children starting school in 2016 will be held at the end of term 3. If you know of anyone who has children starting school next year, please pass on the information. Please see below for all the orientation session times.

Parent Information Session: 17 Sept 6pm
Kindergarten Orientation: 12 Nov 9:15am
Kindergarten Orientation: 19 Nov 12:00pm
Kindergarten Orientation: 26 Nov 12:00pm

ZONE ATHLETICS RESULTS
Congratulations to all students who represented Blacksmiths PS at the Zone Athletics carnival last Wednesday and Thursday. All competitors contributed to our school’s awesome results.

A huge congratulations also to Olivia R, who, out of 24 schools, was named Zone Junior Girl Champion....an amazing achievement Olivia!

Results: Small Schools Trophy 1st
Handicap Trophy 1st
Overall Trophy 3rd

Good luck to Olivia R, Jake E, Ty L, Shani P, Shannon K, Jenna H and Philip T who will compete at Glendale next Friday at the Regional Carnival.

Mr Schasser

OFFICE NEWS

YEAR 6 INTERRELATE SESSION
These payments need to be finalised ASAP. The first Interrelate session will be held on Monday 24 August. These sessions are a compulsory part of the curriculum.

CANBERRA EXCURSION - YR 5 - 6
Payments for this excursion need to be finalised by Wednesday 26 August.

IMAX THEATRE EXCURSION - YR 3 - 4
A deposit of $16.00 is to be paid by Friday 21 August with the remaining $16.00 due by Friday 28 August.

CRANKY BEAR EXCURSION - K-2
Final payment of $16.00 is to be finalised by Friday 28 August.

HOME READING AWARDS

25 Nights: Erin B
50 Nights: Sienna K
75 Nights: Eddy M
100 Nights: Kahlia C
125 Nights: Luca B

Congratulations!
INSET: QUALITY WORK AWARDS

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QUALITY WORK AWARDS

| K/1  | Eddy M  | Kai C   |
| 1/2  | Cameron R | Indiana T |
| 3/4  | Ryan E   | Olivia T |
| 4/5  |         |         |
| 5/6  | Jorja C  | Will P  |

P&C NEWS

Only 4 weeks until our Trivia Night. Book it in your diary! Saturday 12 September, 2015. Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased by contacting Col on 0402 814 202 or emailing us at bpstrivianight@hotmail.com. $100 per table with a maximum of 10 people per table. It is preferable to pre-book your table so we can have an idea of numbers for the night. We have been busy collecting donations for prizes and raffles and would love some help. If you have, or know of, a business that would like to donate, please let us know. It could be a product, a voucher or a cash donation ($100) to sponsor a round. We would be grateful for any contribution. A letter is available if needed and can be obtained by emailing us at the above address. We are looking forward to seeing you there for a fun-filled night!

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COMMUNITY NEWS

BELMONT CRICKET CLUB
2015/2016 registration dates, to be held at Miller Oval, Belmont (behind Sporties Club), are as follows:
Saturday 22 & 29 August 12-3pm
Saturday 5 September 12-3pm
For further information phone 0431 436 752.

SWANSEA-CAVES CRICKET CLUB
Final registration date, to be held at 43 Lake Rd, Swansea, will be on Wednesday 19 August from 4-6pm. Phone 0466 915 490 for further information.

EASTLAKES ATHLETICS CENTRE
Saturday morning comp starting 5 Sept. Registrations open on 27 Aug - 5-7pm at Belmont Citi Centre and 29 Aug - 8am-3pm at Baxter Field, Marks Point. New athletes may come along to try for 2 weeks for free (before 31 Oct). Enquiries 0439 590 088 or 0402 544 200.

NEWCASTLE CITY TOUCH
Junior comp registration commences in Sept. Comp begins October. Get your team ready! For further information phone 49465 877 or visit www.newcastlecity.touch.asn.au

NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

I would like to receive the school Newsletter via email.

Youngest child’s name: __________________________ Class: __________
Email Address: ____________________________________________
ANAPHYLAXIS ALERT

IN THE INTEREST OF ALL CHILDREN WHO ATTEND BLACKSMITHS PS WE ENCOURAGE PARENTS NOT TO SEND NUTS, OR PRODUCTS CONTAINING NUTS, TO SCHOOL

Thank you