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Principals Message

What's On This Week :

Mon 30 May	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion departs
Tue 31 May	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
Wed 1 Jun	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion returns
Fri 3 June	Regional Cross Country
	ICAS Science Exam 8am

Payments coming up

Student Invoices – Assorted costs	
Canberra Excursion	\$280.00
ICAS Competitions	Various
Dance	\$34.00
Gymnastics	\$24.00

Money Days Tuesdays and Thursdays

**Berry Way Award - Alexander Smart
One "Smart" Cookie**



- Genuine love of learning
- Always interested and motivated
- Respectful of all teachers and peers
- Enthusiastic approach to his school work
- Being an excellent reader
- For sharing his wealth of information
- Being a thoughtful and caring friend
- An absolute joy to teach!

We're Off to Canberra!!

Our stage 3 students left early this morning for their Canberra Excursion. They have a very busy few days with a range of exciting learning opportunities in their itinerary (They may even see some snow!).



Learning Management and Business Reform (LMBR)

One of the critical reforms in the Department of Education is to upgrade the electronic management platform. It is a huge task across approximately 2200 public schools in NSW involving hardware and software changes and significant training for school executive and support staff. All South Coast Schools will be involved in the implementation of the new system in Semester 2 and have a range of tasks to complete prior to a "Go Live" next term. On Tuesday Mrs Jennings and I will be attending the mandatory launch training of the LMBR system.

Massive Victory

Congratulations to our Senior Girls' Soccer Team on their outstanding 11-0 victory over Bomaderry PS last Friday. The win sees them through to the next round of the PSSA knockout.



Our Community: a culture of care, respect and enrichment.



Assessment, Planning and Accountability

Last week I coordinated the NSW Assessment Planning and Accountability Reference Group meeting. The meeting agenda included:

- The School Excellence Framework Self-Assessment and Validation Protocols.
- School planning and reporting tools.
- The revision of the Leading and Managing the School Policy which outlines the accountability of all Principals in NSW Schools.
- Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting to Parents Policy update, including curriculum support materials.
- BOSTES Primary Inspector advice on formative assessment in relation to the new Syllabus.

Before and After School Care

Our before and after school care is operated by external provider PCYC. They contacted me this morning to inform me that they are considering removing the morning before school service due to the small number of students using the service. The afternoon service is well utilised but more students are required if the morning service is to be retained.

This message is a reminder to everyone that the service is available every morning and afternoon.

Mr Willetts

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY – starts at 2pm-

Congratulations to the following children who will be receiving classroom awards at the assembly Friday 3rd June 2016, commencing **2pm**

Finn Tobin, Willem Salmon, Noah Frazer, Milla Watts, Olivia Pierratos, Lily Webster, Jack Mandile, Olaf Muller, Montanna Romancewicz, Sienna Bricker, Sophie Orford, Noah Jennings, Emile Gasbarri, Henry Parrish, Alexander Aicken, Paddy Walsh, William Bizeray, Henry Adams, Jack Sewell, Olivia Matthews, Jasmine Snow, Bailey Parker, Keanu Clarke, Bailey Parker, Daniel Whittaker, Eden Jung, Bailey Fitch, Bonnie Mason-Wilcox,

Kate Leung, Bryden Romancewicz, Scarlet Mobbs, Joshua Strong, Ava Carter, Jack Wood, Will Strong, Dayn Ritchie, Lucy Lidbetter, Mia Monkerud, Reuben Turk, Kayla Smith, Fletcher Garvan, Nash Cattell, Alicia Healey, Lachlan Church, Charlotte Bitz, Ben Stewart, Micah Jallard, Chloe Thompson, Callan Heffernan, Toby Rootham, Bella Nellestein, Alexander Nade, Samuel Robinson, Alec Redlich, David Hayburn, Max Israel-Marquis, David Hayburn, Milla Watts, Saffron Chilver.

Messages from the office:

Excursion/Invoice payments

A new payment option: POP – Parent Online Payment - Parents access the schools website and select 'Parent Online Payment Portal' selecting the MAKE A PAYMENT link. By selecting this link you will be taken to a secure Westpac payment page. You will no longer be in the school's website. Complete the fields that are asterixed, tick the OTHER box and type excursion name as per the top of the permission note as the description.

Walkathon 2016



Upcoming dates for 2016

Tue 24 May	PSSA Rugby League
Mon 30 May	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion departs
Tue 31 May	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
Wed 1 Jun	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion returns
Fri 3 Jun	ICAS - Science
	Regional Cross Country
Mon 6 June	Stage 2 Public Speaking
Wed 8 Jun	Performance – "One Stop Rock Shop"
Tues 14 Jun	P & C Meeting 6:30pm in Library
Wed 15 Jun	ICAS – Spelling
Thurs 16 Jun	ICAS – Writing (to be confirmed)
Tue 21 Jun	Interrelate Evening Stage 2 & 3
Fri 1 July	Last Day of Term 2
Mon 18 July	Staff Development Day (TBC)
Tue 18 July	Students begin Term 3
First Week in August	is Education Week
Tue 2 Aug	ICAS – English

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Thurs 11 Aug	½ Day District Athletics
Fri 12 Aug	Full Day District Athletics
Tue 16 Aug	ICAS – Mathematics
Fri 2 Sept	Regional Athletics
Mon 5 Sep	Group Photos
Tue 6 Sept	Performance – “Fish Outta Water”

Canteen Roster for the current week

Day	Date	Lunch	Recess
Tue	31 - Mar	Correna Garvan	
Wed	1-June		Isobel Hoffman
Thu	2-June	Kylie Walker	Zelinda Turk
Fri	3-June	Mimi Fahey Nicky Sawkins/ Lioni May	Bec Heather/ Wade Wardle
Mon	6-June	Emma Bell/ Kylie Musto-Nichols	Kate Bramley

Notes sent home today and last week:

Stage 3 Dance Term 2, Gym Term 2, One Stop Rock Shop

COMMUNITY NEWS

Save the Date

Mark Sunday, 19 June on your calendar for an important Community Planning Workshop for the Whole Family. Come along to your school hall at 1.30 to participate in the continuing development of the Berry Forum's Strategic Plan for Berry. Move around discussion stations to help us prioritise strategies while the kids play on a supervised jumping castle and enjoy other activities. Light refreshments will be available.

Please don't miss this chance to be involved and to help shape the future of our community!

News from Plant Prop

Autumn is the season when *Pittosporum revolutum* or Rough Fruited pittosporum is fruiting in gardens and in the bush. Year 3 pupils have been learning how to prepare the sticky red seeds for planting at Plant Prop.



Yellow fruit capsules



Sticky red seeds

Unlike other Pittosporums, this species is a small shrub, not a large tree. The fruit capsules are yellow and are shaped like a small lemon about 3cm long. When the capsule is ripe, it splits open to reveal very decorative red sticky seeds that are attractive to birds.

Pittosporum revolutum is common in the Berry area. The fruits and seeds persist on the shrub for several weeks. They are very decorative and attractive to birds. This shrub is suitable for large or small gardens.

Parents and grandparents are welcome to visit Plant Prop on Thursday afternoons from 1.00pm until 3.30pm.

Bushfire Emergency Planning for Carers of Young Children



Would you invest an hour to make your family safer?

Do you live in a bushfire-prone area?

Do you care for young children including during school holidays or weekends?

Did you know that families with young children can be particularly vulnerable during bush fires?

Red Cross in partnership with NSW Rural Fire Service invites parents and carers of young children to book in for a **free** home visit to discuss bush fire safety or to receive this information in the mail.

Want to know more?

For more information or to express interest please contact Julie Tancred on (02) 44284908 or jtancred@redcross.org.au.





THE BEST HOLIDAYS HAPPEN AT CAMP

Kids' Club (day only)

A fun-filled daytime only camp. Where each day is full of action and activity. It's a great way to get out in the open and release all that energy! Price includes lunch, morning and afternoon activities. Parents must organise transport to and from the Centre each day.

Activities vary each day; see website for further details.

We also offer accommodation, programs and facilities to suit every budget:

- Family camps
- Group getaways
- School camps

Berry Sport and Recreation Centre

Kids' Club

5 July	7-12 years	\$55
15 July	7-12 years	\$55



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