

Birchgrove Buzz

Term 4 Week 6 November 17th, 2010

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Birchgrove Public School is **125 years old**

Come and help
celebrate at our movie night



Tickets: \$5 per person or \$20 a family (cash only)
On sale after school in the front courtyard

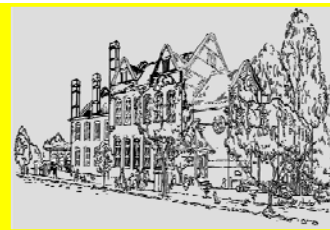
FRIDAY 3RD DECEMBER & SATURDAY 4TH DECEMBER
6:15PM FOR A 6:30PM START
AT BALMAIN HIGH SCHOOL HALL

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Do you want to learn an instrument next year?

It's not too late to sign up for the band next year if you are in third class or older next year. We still have several brass instruments for hire including trombone, French horn and eupho (a mini tuba). We have places in the junior strings for violin of all sizes. If you wish to play violin you will need to be sized by a tutor so we can give you the correct size instrument. For more information contact Denise at: bergmail@tpg.com.au

SCHOOL HIRE INSTRUMENTS

If you are hiring a school instrument this year please note that they are for one year hire only. From next year you will have to purchase or rent your own instrument. The exception to this is the bigger brass instruments

Music invoices

All parents who owe fees for Term 4 should have received an invoice by now. If not, please contact Suzanne at birchgrovemusic@hotmail.com. All fees are due to be finalised by Monday November 22nd

Band & Strings & Recorder Parents

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What's On

17/11	P&C AGM
23/11	2010 Naplan Unpacked 6pm-7:30pm
29/11	Multicultural Public Speaking Championships
30/11	Music Committee AGM 7:30pm Staffroom
3/12	Concert Band Randwick Childrens Hospital
3/12	Preschool Concert (2 day)
3/12-4/12	Birchgrove 125 th Anniversary Movie
6/12	Recognition 1R, 1,K, 1/2C, 2S, 2D
7/12	Preschool Concert (3 day)
8/12	Recognition 4/5W, 5D, 6N
8/12	Preschool Party
9/12	Preschool Party
9/12	Kindergarten Graduation 10am
9/12	Year 6 Formal
10/12	Music End of Year Concert & Party
10/12	125th Birthday Party & Disco pm
13/12	Recognition 3F, 3/4B, 3/4C
13/12	Year 6 Big Day Out
14/12	Pool Picnic
14/12	K-2 Picnic Day
15/12	Last Day for students 2010

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Calendar for term 4

- Tuesday 30th November – music committee AGM. Come along to see how you can help in many small ways
- Friday 3rd December – the concert band has it's BIG DAY OUT when they perform at the starlight room at the children's hospital
- Friday 10th December – end of year Christmas concert at St John's church. Followed by the return of all hire instruments and the music Christmas party with free pizza
- There will be no lessons or rehearsals in the last week of term 4

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Children lie about their age to create Facebook account

“Experts have warned that primary school-aged children are more prone to fall prey to online predators because they are flouting Facebook website age restrictions.”

Under the peer group pressure, children as young as eight are creating Facebook accounts without the knowledge of their elders.

Facebook's age restrictions prevent children under 13 years from signing up to the popular [social networking](#) platform, but children lie about their age to get through.”

[Seher Dhillon](#) 10/05/2010 Top News

Recent instances of students putting their names and photographs and whereabouts on face book strongly encouraged me to remind you **all our students are too young for facebook and would have had to knowingly lie about their age to gain access.**

P&C 2011

Thank you to our newly elected volunteers for 2010

President: David Evans

Vice Presidents: Warren Tease, Mark Langsworth

Treasurer: Tony Board

Secretary: Kate Myles

Assistant Secretary: Amy Large

Sponsorship Co ordinator: William Hill

Sponsorship Committee: Micheal Burgess, Desiree Fiene, Mia Moore

Fundraising Coordinator:

Fundraising Committee: Meredith Davis (Fete) Anneliese Calleja

Parent Liason: Joanna Elliot

Environment Co ordinator:

Environment Committee: Andrew Bulley

Social Commitee Co ordinator:

Social Commitee: Danielle Langsworth(Disco)

There are still some positions waiting to be filled. If you are available to help out please let someone on the P&C know or leave your details at the front office.

Birchgrove P&C achieves an incredible amount of financial and volunteer support for the school.

Canteen Christmas Stall

Friday, 3rd December
From 8.30am outside the canteen

Karen is looking for 'gift' donations for the upcoming Canteen Christmas Stall. All donations must be NEW; she cannot accept used or damaged items. Gifts items for children and adults required.

Some suggestions:

Kids – toys, books, puzzles, crayons, balls, pencils, textas, stationery, CDs, DVDs, clothes, hats, games, etc

Men – Golf/tennis balls, wallets, key rings, socks, hats, clothes, DVDs, CDs, Ties, drink holders, books, thermal coffee mugs, etc.

Ladies – tea/hand-towels, face washers, make up bags, make up, perfume, cups, plates, teapots, platters, address books, stationery, photo frames, etc.

Food items – Christmas puddings (please label with ingredients); wine (for sale to parents only)

Christmas items – decorations, lights, stockings

Gifts will be wrapped and priced by the Karen for sale on 3rd December, but if you could indicate a value of your donation, that would be great.

Please support your school canteen by sending in your donation NOW. Your support is greatly appreciated.