

Birchgrove Buzz

Term 4 Week 8

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2015

Dates to Remember

16/11-26/11

27/11

30/11

2/12

4/12

4/12

8/12

8/12

9/12

10/12

10/12

10/12

11/12

11/12

11/12

15/12

15/12

16/12

16/12

16/12

Parent

Music

Sport

Student Parliament

Swimming School Years 3-6

Preschool Red Concert

Canteen Christmas Stall

Stage 3 Recognition Ceremony

St Johns Christmas Concert & Hired Instrument Handback

Volunteers Thank you Morning Tea

Preschool Concert

Year 6 Farewell Dinner

Stage 2 Recognition Ceremony

Preschool Concert

Stage 1 Recognition

Music Committee Dinner

Preschool Party

Kindergarten Graduation Ceremony

Year 6 Picnic Day

Preschool Party

K-6 Parsley Bay Picnic Day

Year 6 Farewell Assembly and Arch/ Clap out

Preschool Cleaning Day

Last Day of 2015 School Year for students



Principals Report

The **Disco** was lots of fun. The children really enjoyed themselves. Thank you to our BBQ and supervision helpers you were amazing. Year 6 you did a wonderful job of running the event. Thank you to the many teachers who happily stayed to help on the night. Lastly thank you to all the parents who waited patiently to collect their child. Next time we are aiming to have a teacher for each class sign out rather than for each grade.

There is a **Thank you Morning Tea** after the St Johns Music concert for all our sensational parent volunteers and helpers.... Which is actually nearly every parent !(invitation following, further down newsletter).

The **second hand uniform shop** is also open next week (details following, further down newsletter).

Reminder: finance office closed 1st December for annual financial rollover.

The **Recognition Ceremonies** start next week, so we are well on the way to all our wrap up activities.

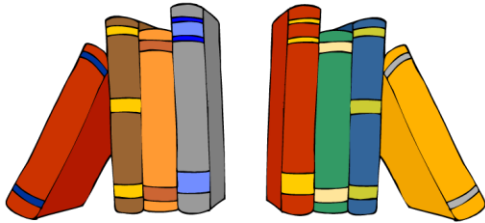
Tracy Gray

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Library News

Library borrowing has finished for 2015, please look at home for lost books, I will send out overdue notices next week. Redgum orders have arrived and I have distributed the books to the children. Please call Redgum if your order did not arrive.

Mrs Christine Ilieff



Music Registrations

Band (Available for Year 3+)

If you have missed Music Registrations it's not too late! We have spots available for the following band instruments; Trombone, French Horn, Flute and Trumpet. Guitar and piano lessons are also available.

Kodaly (Available for Kindy - Year 5)

Is the ideal way to introduce your child to the fundamentals of music or as a complement to playing an instrument.

Recorders (Available for Year 2 +)

Join our wonderful recorder ensembles and play at the Opera House when you join the Consort Recorder group as part of the Festival of Instrument Music.

All forms available from the office or can be emailed to you by michelle_stellini@hotmail.com

Not sure what's right for your child? Please feel free to call or email Michelle Stellini for options.
0417316725

Dates for the Diary

04/12 St John's Concert 9.30 & Instrument Hand back - End of 2015 Music Program
10/12 Music Committee Dinner - The Royal Oak 7pm



HELPER MORNING TEA

**We want to say
THANK YOU
to all the parents and carers
who have helped in many
different ways**

bread
butter

ham
cheese

carrots
beans
apples
bananas

biscuits

When: Friday 4th December

**Time: 11.15 am approx.
(after St John's concert)**

**Where: On the Terrace/
Staffroom**

Saturday
morning
Working Bee

Thursday - Help
with reading

CANTEEN ORDER FORM

hot dog

☐

drink

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payment \$ _____

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THE 2nd HAND UNIFORM STALL

is on again at the Main School Entrance

Wednesday 2nd Dec at pick up 2:30-3:30

Thursday 3rd Dec at drop off 8:30 to 9:30

There will be loads of good quality recycled summer
and winter uniform items so...

THINK GREEN & GRAB A BARGAIN!

Items \$2 - \$10



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NSW Birchgrove Public School

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0405 413 528 (07:00-18:15)

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|------------|--|---------|------------|---|---------|
| club based | Monday 11 January 2016 | \$53.88 | club based | Monday 18 January 2016 | \$53.88 |
| | Mina's Majestic Murals Mina loves colour too! Speak to the onsite Coordinator to find out what exciting fun awaits, in a specially designed program. | | | Wild Animal Patterns Ready for a colourful safari? Speak to the onsite Coordinator to find out what exciting fun awaits, in a specially designed program. | |
| excursion | Tuesday 12 January 2016 | \$79.88 | excursion | Tuesday 19 January 2016 | \$68.88 |
| | Fluorescent Fever Ten Pin Bowling - We'll be keeping the fun rolling, leaving nothing to SPARE Please arrive by 8:45am | | | Global Construction with Texture and Tone Build your own solar powered windmill! | |
| incursion | Wednesday 13 January 2016 | \$70.38 | incursion | Wednesday 20 January 2016 | \$68.88 |
| | Summer Fun Get ready, get set - for a colour run of fun! | | | Bright Lights Chinese Lanterns - Paint and decorate your own traditional Chinese lantern. | |
| incursion | Thursday 14 January 2016 | \$68.88 | excursion | Thursday 21 January 2016 | \$79.88 |
| | Going Green Make your own mini Green House! | | | A Tinge of Time Travel At the movies - The Good Dinosaur Please arrive by 8:45am | |
| club based | Friday 15 January 2016 | \$53.88 | club based | Friday 22 January 2016 | \$53.88 |
| | What a Colourful World! Where will we go? Speak to the onsite Coordinator to find out what exciting fun awaits, in a specially designed program. | | | Green and Gold Who's favourite season is Summer? Speak to the onsite Coordinator to find out what exciting fun awaits, in a specially designed program. | |
| incursion | Monday 25 January 2016 | \$68.88 | | | |
| | Bronzed Bounty Create your own Egyptian cartouchel | | | | |



Canteen Christmas Stall



The canteen will be holding its annual Christmas stall again this year on Monday 30th November.

If you're not familiar with this, the idea is that children come and buy gifts for their parents, siblings, grandparents, and friends and loved ones etc. Karen runs this every year and it's extremely popular.

Instead of donating items from the wish list in term 4, we would be very grateful to receive your donation of gifts for kids, Men & Ladies etc. to sell. Please consider buying something to donate as soon as possible to ensure that we have enough time to have all the gifts wrapped ready for sale in time for the stall.

Your support for the canteen is much appreciated, without fundraising events like the Christmas stall the canteen would not meet its obligation to be self-funding and therefore couldn't keep going. Be aware also any money left in the canteen coffers at the end of the year reverts to the school, this just ensures that we keep our school canteen going.

LET'S MAKE THIS YEAR'S CHRISTMAS STALL A GREAT SUCCESS AGAIN IN 2015.

All gifts must be brand new. We cannot accept any used, damaged or broken items.

Gift ideas include (but are not limited to)

Toys, Books, Puzzles, Footballs, Soccer Balls, Tennis Balls, Golf Balls, Games, Stationery, CD's, DVD'S, SMIGGLE ITEMS, Aftershave, Hats, Caps, Wallets, Key Rings, Socks, Drink Holders, Perfume, Bags, Candles, Cups, Mugs, Bowls, Plates, Platters, Sporting Goods etc. Christmas Cakes, Christmas Puddings, Chocolates, Lollies and other Christmas food items, Christmas Decorations, Christmas Tea Towels, Stockings etc.

Handmade craft items are also always very popular as well.

..... Or any other gift item you think would make a nice Christmas gift.

MOST GIFTS WILL BE PRICED AT \$5.00, \$10.00, \$15.00 & \$20.00 but there will also be some items priced higher due to quality of the gifts.

Cups & Mugs filled with chocolates and lollies were extremely popular last year and all the smiggle packs sold out on the first day.



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Balmain Swim Club

Hawaiian Kids Disco

Dress code: Your swimmers and a hint of Hawaii!

Friday 27th November

Dawn Fraser Pool - Elkington Park, Balmain

BBQ dinner, dessert and & drinks available

Time: 5.45pm – 8.30pm Disco starts at 6pm

Entry Fee: \$20 per child. Entry includes pool entry, disco and a sausage for dinner!

Get your ticket through:

<http://www.trybooking.com/166981>

All WELCOME and bring your friends!!!

