



NEWSLETTER

Term 4 Week 4

29th October, 2015

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Bates Drive School,

I would like to thank Chris Mealey for relieving in my role while I was on leave last term. I would like to congratulate Chris on her professionalism and hard work during this time. As you may be aware I commenced leave on 23rd October to finally have my shoulder operation. Vanessa and Chris are sharing the role of Principal during the weeks that I am away from school. I know that you are in good hands, as I have every confidence in both ladies.

Bogan Bingo was a great success. Everyone had fun, laughed a lot, dressed for the occasion and joined in the antics on the night. The night was a success due to great team work from the P&C committee. A lot of hard work goes into organising such an event and I would personally like to thank all of the team: Kristy Fletcher, Marisa Severino, Karen Orlic, Georgina Bejcek, Voula Kapsilmallis and Belinda Marciano. Andrea Moldrich is the person who organised all the ticket sales, seating, raffle tickets and more. She is a quiet achiever who I would like to thank and congratulate for her contribution to the event. We raised just over \$8,000!

I would also like to say how grateful we are to Kareela Golf Club for providing such a great venue (the room fee was waived by management) and the lovely staff who assisted us on the night.

Grandparent's day was a lovely way to include our extended families into our school. It was wonderful to see so many grandparents and family members. Every classroom welcomed their special guests and had them painting, reading, gluing and I believe even singing.

There are a number of functions at school which I hope you can attend. Carols in the Parks is in November and our Presentation Assembly in December. I look forward to seeing you there.

Warmest Regards, Robyn Compton, Principal

WHOOPIING COUGH INFORMATION FOR SCHOOLS

There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and may be worse at night.

- Children with these symptoms should see a doctor.
- If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough in your school-aged child, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.
- Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades with time. Check that all your children are up to date with their vaccines, due at 6 weeks, 4 months, 6 months, 4 years and 12 years of age (offered to all Year 7 students through the NSW school-based vaccination program). A booster is also recommended at 18 months of age.

A booster dose of vaccine is also recommended for adults that are in contact with young children, such as school staff and parents. Pregnant women are recommended to have a booster dose during each pregnancy and this is funded by NSW Health. Those who are new parents or carers of babies should consult their general practitioner about appropriate immunisation.

Your local public health unit can provide advice about whooping cough on 1300 066 055 or visit the NSW Health website for [information for childcare and schools about whooping cough](#).



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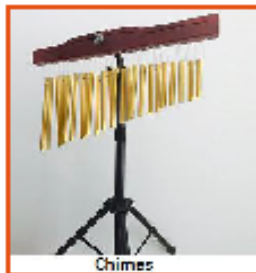
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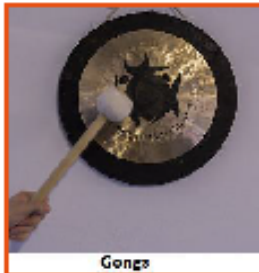
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Wristbands with Bells



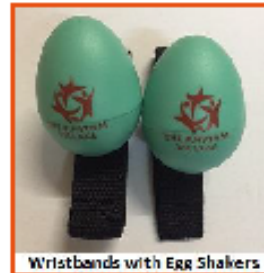
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- * Razors
- * Toothpaste and toothbrushes
- * Sanitary items
- * Men's gift pack toiletries
- * Women's gift pack toiletries
- * Candles, handbags (either new or in excellent condition) and cosmetic purses, scarves and costume jewellery etc. Anything you would class life's little luxuries...



NSW Adolescent Vaccination Program 2016 for Year 7 Students

All year 7 students will be offered

- Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine
 - As a booster dose for all students
- Chickenpox vaccine
 - as a catch-up for students who have not had chickenpox
- Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccine
 - 3 dose course

*Students **will not** be vaccinated at school unless a completed and signed consent form is returned to the school.*

Look out for consent forms early in 2016!

Further information will be provided in Parent Information Packs in 2016 and is also available now in many languages at:

http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/school_vaccination_language.aspx

A record of vaccination will be given to your child at the time of each vaccination. Please keep these for your records and provide a copy to your local doctor.

Please note that these vaccinations are provided *free* only while your child is in year 7.

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SUNSHINE

Is it really Term 4 already!

The Sunshine class would like to say a huge 'Welcome!' to our new student and friend, Sharnae. Sharnae has settled in quickly to her new class and school, with the help of her classmates.

We have had a great start to the term, first with celebrating Katelyn's 8th Birthday with a class party and cake. Happy Birthday Katelyn! Then we were lucky enough to have all of our Grandparents visit for Grandparents' Day! We thoroughly enjoyed showing our Grandparents our classroom and all of the hard work we do. I would like to say a big 'Thank you!' to all of our families for their support on Grandparents' Day. It was lovely having you all to visit.

With so much more to look forward to in the coming weeks – The Teddy Bears Picnic, Halloween Day and Carols in the Park – not to mention our academic work too – Term 4 is sure to be our busiest and most fun term yet!

Until next time,

Leah, Cheryl and the Sunshine Class.



RAINBOWS



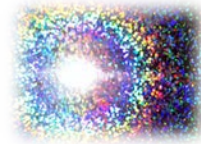
Welcome to Term 4!

Wow! This year has been flying by! The Rainbows are off to a great start to this term. We have been focusing on 'Keeping Safe' for our unit of work where we have been sorting safe and unsafe objects, participating in interactive notebook programs and reading social stories about keeping safe at school, home and while in the community. In Mathematics, we have been working on our data skills by sorting colours, shapes and various objects. The Rainbows have also been enjoying the warm weather and accessing our wonderful pool! We have had so much fun! ☺

Last week was Grandparents' Day and the Rainbows had quite a few visitors. We began by reading *Tangerines and Tea, My Grandparents and Me* written by Ona Gritz. Then, the students created beautiful canvas paintings with their grandparents. They used pomegranate tea bags for the background and stamped citrus prints on the top to create a lovely artwork for their grandparents to take home. The Rainbows students even interviewed their grandparents and completed an 'All About my Grandparents' worksheet. Everyone was excited for their grandparents to arrive and had a great time.

Molly, Karen, Angela and the Rainbows





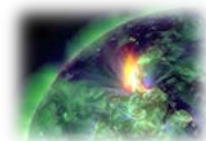
SPARKLES

Welcome to term four! The Sparkles are very busy this term. Last Thursday the 22nd of October, we welcomed eight wonderful Grandparents in to our classroom. Grandparents and staff worked with students to create watercolour artworks and collage placemats to take home. We also experimented with some sensory colour activities – what a day! Thank you to everyone involved. Our Swimming program has commenced as we enjoy this beautiful Spring weather, and our Community Learning program commences this Thursday the 29th of October. This term we are aiming to exit the bus as a class at Shelly Park and take turns on the Infinity Swing, linking with our English and PDHPE learning.

This Friday the 30th of October we will be participating in a whole school 'Halloween Day', during which we will complete regular learning activities with a Halloween theme. We have already created some very spooky artworks to display in our classroom during the week.

Stay tuned for all of the other exciting activities and events coming up soon!

Victoria and Charmaine



SOLARS

The Solars have had a busy start to Term 4 and have been making the most of the warmer weather by participating in a range of outdoor activities. The boys have loved our swimming program as well as the liberty swing and exploring the playground.

Grandparents' Day on Thursday 22nd October was a huge success in the Solars class. We were very lucky to be visited by Cristian's Nonno, Jayden's Nonna and Kwabena's Grandma and the boys were so excited to show their loved ones their hard work in class. Thank you again to those families for visiting and we hope you enjoyed your time in the Solars class.

We have begun making scary artwork and decorating our room to prepare for Friday's Halloween special event. We look forward to all the creepy activities and special treats!

Stay tuned for the rest of our upcoming special events.

Nicole, Kirrily, Kelly & Joanne



RAYS

Welcome back to term 4, the final term for the year! Everyone has returned from their holidays looking rested and ready to get into it. The Rays are back in the water for sport and absolutely love it. The weather has definitely been on our side so far! This term there is a lot to look forward too. We have begun preparing for Halloween, which we will celebrate at school this week. Our windows have already been taken over by giant spiders that the Rays made using their handprints...Scary! We also have Christmas to look forward to and carols in the park. The Rays will be preparing for the festive season by singing along to favourite Christmas songs and getting messy with some Christmas craft later in the term. However, I would most like to tell you about our first event for the term which we celebrated last week, Grandparents' day! We had both Braden and Hayden's family join our class. Both students were very excited to see their grandparents at school – we couldn't wipe the smile off their faces! The students listened to some favourite songs, read a story and then completed some related activities. Thank you again to our visitors for coming and we hope you enjoyed your time in the Rays room.

Until next time,

Sarah, Cassie and our Rays of sunshine, ☺
(Braden, Lucy, Angelina, Victoria, Magnus and Hayden).



COSMICS



Hot gossip from the Cosmics Week 5 Term 4

The Cosmic boys settled perfectly into term 4 life with everyone working and playing calmly together. We missed our friend Byron for a short period of time as he recovered from a fall, but he is now back at school with plaster on his arm which does not appear to have slowed him down at all! We had a beautiful morning last Thursday, with a number of visitors for Grandparents' Day. All of the boys were on their best behaviour, showing off their skills on the interactive white board and producing some wonderful artwork to make a bookmark for all the Grandparents.

The boys have continued to make great strides in their classroom work with focus this term on simple addition activities on the whiteboard and for some, on worksheets. To tie in with Halloween on Friday, we have had great fun counting witches, ghosts, spiders and pumpkins. We have also been busy practising for the End of Year Assembly performance. Bec and I wish everyone continued happiness for the rest of the term and look forward to seeing many happy faces at Carols at School. Cheers from Bec and Chris



HS V

My name is Mel Anderson and I am teaching on HSV class whilst Vanessa is relieving Robyn as Principal. I previously worked at Bates Drive School before teaching in Special Education in London for the past 5 years. It is very exciting to be back and working with the HSV class for the next 5 weeks. The students have been busy completing Halloween activities and preparing Christmas art and craft as part of their Key Learning Area units of work. I have also introduced the 'TEACCH' approach to the class which involves using visual supports in the form of stations to help students enhance their independent work skills and transitions from one activity to another. So far students are responding well to this highly structured program.

Cheers the HSV Team;
Egypt, Reece, Julian, James, Jess and Rick.
Mel A,(Vanessa), Natalie, Sarah and Jo.



HS CK

Term 4 is off to a flying start: Here in HSCK our new geography focus is Asia. We will briefly be exploring each of the seven regions. We have been completing numeracy and literacy tasks with Halloween themes and look forward to the whole school Halloween day at the end of the month. We always love a dress up (especially when it ties in with Luke's birthday, cake and lollies) Swimming is about to start which is always perfect at this time of year followed by a mealtime preparation program (barbeque picnic) on Wednesdays. It's the time of year to enjoy being outside and to remember our sun safety. Kirrawee Friends has started with a fabulous new group of students for term 4 joining us from Kirrawee High. We have changed the venue to the high school for the rest of the term and each week there will be a different task. This week we completed Halloween craft with our buddies and everyone had a lot of fun doing so, next week is sensory week. Until next time...

Keltie, Clare, Cassandra

Luke, Lachlan, Yawkra, Theodore, Rayne



HS A

Week 4 term 4 already where has the term gone?

It's been a busy term Bogan Bingo was a great success. On the night, original artworks created by Michael, Jackson and other students, were auctioned. Michael's artwork was a Water based design. Jackson's was a bright Autumn Tree picture. Thank you to everyone for your generosity and for supporting our school.

Last week we celebrated a very special day, Grandparents' Day. Grandparents were welcomed for morning tea and to visit classrooms. Thank you to the many Grandparents who visited all of our classrooms.

HSA are having an exciting week, on Wednesday we will be starting our swimming lessons. We will be combining with HSM and HSCK on Wednesdays and Thursdays. This Friday the 30th of October HSA and HSM will be attending an excursion to a Halloween Disco, at Caroline Chisholm School. Don't forget it's Halloween dress. Later in the term we are looking forward to the Jack Hinton Walkathon, Carols in the Park, the Year 12 Graduation and Bates Drive School presentation.

Stay tuned

HSA, Annemarie and Linda



Wow! Term 4 is already here. How did that happen?

HSL have had a very settled and productive return to our last term of the school year. We have been working very diligently on our communication and money skills and have been taking full advantage of this glorious weather by hitting the pool on Tuesdays.

HSL have also been venturing out to the Sylvania Bowling club for lunch as part of our Community Learning program which has been fantastic. The next few weeks will see HSL preparing for our Halloween theme day, Carols in the Park as well as Graduation Night. This year Bates Drive School will farewell Harrison Katzos and Daniel D'Souza from HSL and Phillip Kapsimallis from HSM. We wish you all the best gentleman.

Till next time

Lee and Deb



2015 JACK HINTON WALKATHON REMINDER

Attention all Parents and Carers!

Don't forget that the 2015 annual Jack Hinton Walkathon is on Wednesday 4th November Week 5. This annual event is not only a nice way of remembering a former student who passed away tragically in an accident whilst in his final year here at school, but also a fun way of raising much needed funds to purchase equipment for our school playground!

Don't forget to get those sponsorship forms filled out!

Sports clothing or Mufti clothing is allowed and encouraged for the day.

Many thanks

Vanessa Marsden

Co-ordinator Jack Hinton Walkathon

Hello again to our HSM families!

It's been very busy for our class this term. As we continue our literature study of *The Secret Garden*, we've been working on our own garden in class. We learned about the needs of a plant and used this knowledge to plant and care for our own seedlings. We continue to explore measurement in maths, learning about 'empty' and 'full', 'heavy' and 'light'. We had fun playing with bottles of coloured water, filling and emptying containers of sand and trying to lift heavy objects such as a medicine ball or trying to catch feathers and balloons to explore these concepts. We've had a few exciting activities happening this term. We celebrated Anthea's 16th birthday a very posh soiree and had lots of fun dancing, singing and enjoying delicious pizza and birthday cupcakes. Anthea had a wonderful time with all of her friends.

We were lucky enough to have Karl and Kent's grandparents join us last week for Grandparents' Day. They helped us to work in our Secret Garden. Thankyou from all of us for your wonderful help!

Phil joined his other Year 12 mates to wash the teachers' cars to raise money for our Year 12 Graduation night. I'll definitely be putting my car in for another wash – they all did such a great job! Well done!

Now that the warmer weather is here we have started our swimming program which will be taking place (most) Wednesdays and Thursdays (weather permitting!).

Finally we joined with HSA this week to attend the Blue Light Disco at Caroline Chisholm School. We all got dressed up and lots of fun was had with dancing and having a great time with lots of peers from other schools. Thanks to all the staff who helped get us there!

Mel, Narelle & Carmen.



FOOTY COLOURS DAY

Last Term on the 3rd September the students at Bates Drive participated in the 2015 Footy Colours day. Each year the Fight Cancer Foundation asks all Australians to unite and wear your favourite team's colours on the first Friday in September and help support the fight against cancer. For the past 25 years Fight Cancer Foundation has supported cancer patients and their families.

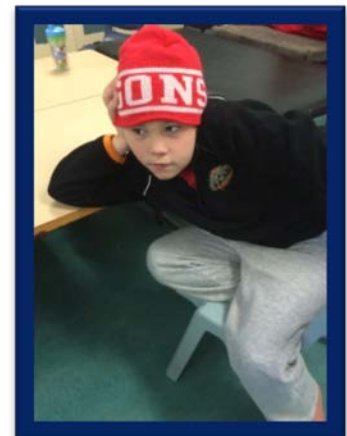
We had an overwhelming response by our families. A BIG thankyou to all who supported our day by dressing your child in mufti/footy team colours or through the gold coin donations.

Our school helped to raise \$100 for such a good cause.

Many thanks

Vanessa Marsden

2015 Footy Colours Day Co-ordinator



TERM PLANNER 2015

TERM 4		
WEEK 1		
WEEK 2		
WEEK 3		
WEEK 4		
WEEK 5		
WEEK 6	12 th November	Clinic (full)
	13 th November	Carols in the Park
WEEK 7	18 th November	Orientation for new students
WEEK 8	23 rd November 7pm	P&C Meeting
	24 th November	School Leaver's Function
WEEK 9	4 th December	Presentation Assembly
WEEK 10	10 th December	Clinic (Full)
WEEK 11	16 th December	School finishes for students
	18 th December	School finishes for staff

Please note School returns on 28th January, 2016 for students.