PSSA Trials: Years 3-6

PSSA trials begin this Friday for our winter sports. This year we are offering netball, soccer and rugby league. Our school has a proud history of participation and success in the Maly Zone Primary School Sports Association (PSSA) competition and we have expanded the number of PSSA teams significantly over recent years to allow more children to represent our school. The coaches assess each child based on a set of criteria, over a few weeks. The children’s grading for weekend sport doesn’t come into it, the coaches base their decisions on what they see at the trials. The teams are chosen on merit and unfortunately some children will miss out. We are fortunate to have a strong school-based sport option which this term includes circus skills and orienteering. Good luck to all children trialling over the next few weeks.

Parent Teacher Interviews

You have until Thursday to book in your parent teacher interview time for next week. Please visit www.schoolinterviews.com.au, enter the code 9umr2 and follow the prompts to select times for your children’s class teachers. Interview slots are 10 minutes and we appreciate your cooperation in keeping them to time.

Crazy Hair Day

Our Year 6 boys and girls have been busily fundraising for ‘The World’s Greatest Shave’. They have raised over $6000 already. The rest of the school can join in on Monday when we have our Crazy Hair Day. The boys and girls can add some colour or crazy up their hair and bring in a gold coin donation which will go to the Leukaemia Foundation. Full school uniform is to be worn. The shave will take place in front of the whole school at morning lines on Monday.

Mothers Day Gift Stall

Thanks to those families who have already brought in their gifts for the Mothers Day stall next term. Our Year 2 fundraising parents have distributed more information via email through the class parents. The gift swap will happen in the lead up to Mothers Day early next term.

Owen Taylor, Principal

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Term 1 Week 10         Wednesday, 30 March 2016

Important Dates
31st March        K-6 Assembly – 1.45pm
4th April         Greatest Shave
6th April         Stage 3 Excursion to Forest High Musical
8th April         Last Day of Term 1
25th April        Anzac Day
26th April        School Development Day
27th April        Students Return for the start of Term 2

Assemblies
This week we will be holding a K – 6 assembly. We look forward to celebrating the many achievements of our students with the presentation of Principal certificates, Banners and Citizenship awards. We welcome parents and friends to join us and please be seated in the hall at 1.45pm.

University of NSW Competitions (ICAS)
If you would like your child in Years 3-6 to enter into the state wide testing program conducted by the University of NSW please return your payment and permission note to the school office by Friday 1st April. No late entries will be processed.

School Photographs
‘Natural Child School Photography’ will be engaged again this year to take our school photographs. They are locally based professional photographers whose aim is to provide a fresh approach to school photographs. School photographs will be held in Term 2, Wednesday 4th May.

Order envelopes and the online link will be sent home next week.

Please ensure your child is wearing their winter school uniform on this Wednesday even if they have a scheduled sport lesson. Please tie back long hair with school coloured ribbons and make sure shoes are polished.

Musical Notes
We are busy planning the Band Camp on Saturday 30th April – Sunday 1st May. The Band Committee is currently working hard in the background to ensure the camp is a success. Please keep an eye out for an email later this week containing all the information needed. Additional emails will also be sent to all band families seeking some assistance over the camp, ‘many hands make light work’.

Marita Nieuwenhuis, Deputy Principal

Friday Sport
Friday 1st April is the first round of PSSA trials for winter sport. Winter sport goes for all of term 2 and the first six weeks of term 3. All children that wish to trial for their chosen sports must put their names on the sports lists on the year 5 windows by Friday recess. We are offering soccer (boys and girls), league and netball. Year 3 girls play netta and for the first time we are offering year 3 soccer. The children that are playing tennis on Friday will have an opportunity to trial on the last Friday of term. They must put their names on their chosen sports list even though they won’t be trialling this week. The term two school sports program is offering orienteering and circus skills. The children will have five weeks of each discipline.

Regional Swimming Carnival Amendment
Apologies to Josh Skinner for leaving him out of the Regional swimming team last week. Sorry Josh!

Susie Stock

Library News
Thank you to all the generous Grandparents and Grandfriends who came to the library on Grandfriends’ Day to donate books. It was a very busy morning and we now have a wonderful selection of beautiful new books for our students to borrow and enjoy. They will be available for borrowing during next term.

Debbie Horsley & Wendy Trute
Librarians

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**School Banking Account Opening Day**

BNPS is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

The School Banking program provides children with an opportunity to deposit money into their Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account at school each week. The program is about how often your child makes deposits, not how much they deposit. School Banking day is Thursday 8:30-9am outside the school library.

To encourage regular savings behaviour the program offers an exciting Rewards Program. Every deposit earns your child a Dollarmites token, and once they’ve collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for a reward.

We will be holding an Account Opening Day at our school:

- **Time:** 8:30-9am
- **Date:** This Thursday 31st March
- **Location:** School Banking desk outside the library

If you are interested in opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account for your child please bring along your current driver’s licence or another form of photographic identification.

Alternatively, you can open an account at your local branch. All you need to bring is your current identification as well as your child’s birth certificate. If you are an existing Commonwealth Bank customer and have NetBank, you can open an account online.

Any queries please contact Yogi Johnstone 0402780167

**Yogi Johnstone**

**Entertainment Book**

The 2016/2017 books are being printed and the new edition is launched in April! Both digital and hard copies are available for pre-order now! Purchase before 4 April and you’ll receive an additional $130 worth of vouchers including 25% off vouchers for Mrs Jones the Baker in Freshwater & the White Rock Cafe at Long Reef. Order now, 20% of every book sold goes directly to the school!

**Nicole Margetts**

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**CRAZY HAIR DAY**

Balgowlah North PS 2016

Monday 4th April

Every day, 34 Australians will be given the devastating news that they have blood cancer, and they’ll turn to the Leukaemia Foundation for help.

On Monday April 4th, our team of 35 students will have their heads shaved and coloured to support this wonderful cause. The team has raised over $6,000 so far.

You can help too by joining in the fun!

Come to school with a crazy hair style and bring a gold coin donation. Let’s see how creative the school community can be as we help to support this great cause. (Not multi - Uniform should be worn)

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**BNPS Annual Trivia Night**

**FRIDAY 3RD & SATURDAY 4TH JUNE 2016**

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Family movie night
The date of the outdoor cinema event has been changed to the **13th May**. We are showing the 2015 movie Oddball, an Australian film based on a true story, about a dog that has been trained to protect a penguin sanctuary from foxes. Coincidently, our local penguin colony in Manly was attacked by a lone fox in 2015 and 26 little penguins were killed.

Tickets will be on sale soon via Flexischools, and all tickets sold before April 8 (end of term one) will go into a draw to an early bird prize!

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**FUNDRAISING DATES FOR THE DIARY**
- May 3rd & 5th – Mothers Day Stall
- 13th May - Outdoor Cinema Experience (PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE)
- 3rd & 4th June - Trivia Nights
- Early September – Fathers Day Stall
- 17th September - Parents social event - ‘An afternoon at the Races’
- 3rd December - Christmas Carnival

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**HOLIDAY CAMPS**

**DATES:**
- **WEEK 1**
  - 11th – 18th April 2016
- **WEEK 2**
  - 19th – 25th April 2016

**TIMING:**
- 9:00am - 12:30pm – Tennis
- 12:30pm - 1:00pm – Lunch (optional)
- 11:00 - 11:30am – Multi-sports
- 11:30 – 12:30pm – Games and Matchplay

**PRICING:**
- $30/day, $125/week (5 days)

**WHAT TO BRING:**
- hat, water, recess and re quest (free hire available)

Book online at www.wakehursttennis.net.au or 9907-9160

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**North Balgowlah Community Centre**

**Autumn Holiday ART workshop + Term 2**

Magical Forests & Woodland Creatures 14th April
Canvas painting inspired by magical forests with metallic paints. Woodland animal chalk pastels & make your own fairy folk in a jar

Me, Myself & I 21st April
Create a mixed media self portrait so good we’ll frame it! Paint & decorate a wooden flower picture frame and a miniature watercolour to go in it. Plus a bedroom door hanger to keep troublemakers out!

Age: 5-10   Time: 11-2pm   Cost: $55

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**Term 2 After School Program**

- Wed 3.30-5.00 5-7’s $210
- Thurs 3.30-5.15 7-10’s $225
8 week term starts 4th May

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