Calendar

TERM 1

**March**
- 24th Mon: School Photos
- 26th Wed: P&C Meeting
- 27th Thurs: Year 2 Museum Excursion
- 28th Fri: Earth Hour for Schools
- 31st Mar - 4th Apr: Parent/Teacher Interviews

**April**
- 1st Mon: Stewart House Collection Day
- 11th Fri: Last day of Term 1
- 11th Fri: ANZAC Day Ceremony

TERM 2
- 29th Tues: Students Return

Value of the Week

Friendliness

Is dried fruit OK for Crunch&Bsip?*

Although fresh fruit is the best choice, a small amount of dried fruit (e.g. sultanas or apricots) is an acceptable Crunch&Bsip option.

Dried fruit tends to cling to the teeth, so is best eaten with a meal or when a teeth brush is handy.

NOTE fruit straps, bars or rolls are NOT permitted as they contain large amounts of sugar.

Congratulations!

WEEK 8 Bourkey’s Best!

- KC: Jack P
- KK: Hasan
- K/1D: Esme
- 1G: Tia
- 1O: Tara
- 2C: Mark
- 2S: Mazzy
- 2/3N: Ruby S
- 3/4M: Jacob
- 4/5/6G: Vasili

Bourkey’s Best!

In addition to Student of the Week (Bourkey’s Best Award), a class is selected by the staff and awarded “Class of the Week” for outstanding behaviour. The lucky class receives a class treat for their efforts.

Congratulations

2/3N
From the Principal’s Desk...

*Tree management* is under way and shortly you will notice the removal and pruning of some trees to improve our school environment.

*New playground markings* will appear in the next few weeks. Sorry for the delays but the company supplying the materials has had problems with suppliers. The NEW markings for the netball court, etc. will be a welcoming addition to our playground.

Next term our school will be submitting a 2 Junior and a one Senior team into the Winter PSSA Netball Competition. Mr. Goode and Miss McLaughlin will be sending a note home shortly with further information.

The *University of NSW competitions* for Years 3-6 have closed. Please check that you have made the deadline to avoid disappointment.

“The Green Team”, our Eco Warriors, have been busy with the school improving our vegetable gardens and recycling. Miss Campbell and Ms Cherrie have organized lots of new equipment ranging from water cans to compost bins to improve our school’s sustainability.

*National Ride2School Day* and *Harmony Day* were HUGELY successful events last week. Thanks to everyone getting involved and having fun. Special thanks to Ms Gestier, Miss McLaughlin, Ms O’Carolan, Lydia Ho as well as teachers and parents for their hard work behind the scenes in ensuring costumes, organizing stickers, food, decorations and making sure the children were all safe and having a great time.

Last week was also the beginning of the Sydney Girls’ High School Prefect Volunteer program. A total of 20 senior students will be visiting our school each week to offer a helping hand in all classes. Sydney Boys’ High School program will also be starting shortly.

Lastly, please make sure you have organized a time for a *parent/interview* with your child’s class teacher commencing Monday 31st March. This is an invaluable time to share and exchange information regarding your child’s progress and educational needs.

Peter Johnston
Principal

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2014 School Photos
Order forms for the school photographs planned for Monday 24th March 2014 have been sent out. Please ensure that the *correct money* is in the envelope because the school photographer handles all transactions. Should you require a sibling (family) photograph; a different envelope can be collected from the school office for you to place an order.

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Stewart House
*Bags have been sent home for clothing donations to Stewart House.*

The next clothing collection date is

**Tuesday 1st April 2014**

Please return bags to the school prior to the pick-up date.

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Scam Watch
SCAMwatch is a website run by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC). SCAMwatch provides information for consumers and small businesses about how to recognise, avoid and report scams.
Next P&C Meeting

Wednesday 26th March 2014
at 6pm

Come along and get involved
😊ALL WELCOME😊

The 2013/2014 P&C Executive
President: Ross McKinnon
Vice-President: Julia Kosky
Vice-President: Vanessa Trowell
Secretary: Rebecca Johnstone
Treasurer: Holly Coleman

The re-election of P&C Executive for 2014/2015 will be happening soon.

Bourke Street Beats
The Bourke Street Beats performance this Friday at 2pm for the children is an opera singer from OPERA AUSTRALIA.

She will be showing the children some photographs of herself in costume and of the orchestra. The performance will be in the school hall.

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P&C Class Parent Representatives

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Parent Class representatives assist the P&C in:
- organising contact class lists for those families who like to share their contact details
- meet with the teacher to discuss class needs
- encourage parents to be involved in school life
- communicate with the teacher and other parents regularly
- provide opportunities for parent involvement in P&C events
- being the go-between to support and provide information to the P&C and class parents.

Second Hand Uniforms
There are a few pieces to buy for $2, $5, and $10. These can be purchased through the canteen. We encourage families to bring surplus, laundered pieces to the canteen where there is a collection box.
Want to know if your child should be fitter, healthier and happier?

BMI-for-age charts are a way to determine if your child is within the healthy weight range for their age.

Scan the QR code below to check how healthy your child is, or visit www.go4fun.com.au and follow the links to the BMI Calculator.

Go4Fun is a FREE healthy lifestyle program to improve health, fitness, self-esteem and confidence in children above their ideal weight.

Register now! Call the Linda Trotter (Local Go4Fun Coordinator) on 9382 8641.

Scan the QR code to find out how healthy your child is, or visit www.go4fun.com.au.
Professional Guitar & Keyboard Tuition at School

We have an amazing opportunity to offer professional guitar and keyboard tuition to students starting in Term 2, 2014. The program is run by Music Stars – Australia’s leading provider of school music tuition. Music Stars provides:

- Group guitar and keyboard tuition
- Caters for all grades & music levels
- Weekly 30 minute sessions
- Convenient! Lessons at school!
- Very Affordable! $110 per term
- 70% less than out-of-school lessons + early bird & family discounts available
- End of year reports and certificates
- Guitars and keyboards supplied for use during lessons

Registrations Close Soon!
Please register online via www.musicstars.com.au
Fortnightly and monthly payment options are available. If minimum numbers are not met the program will not be able to run.

More Information
If you require more information or would like to discuss the program in more detail please contact Music Stars directly using the information below.

Phone: 1300 889 179
Email: info@musicstars.com.au
Web: www.musicstars.com.au

LAST CHANCE TO AUDITION FOR THE CHOIR  Voices of Sydney

Voices of Sydney Choir (formerly Sydney Region Choir) is an auditioned and official DEC choir for public school students from Years 5 – 12, with great performance opportunities.

- If you like to sing, and would like to sing in a choir, and
- If you would like to perform in great events (including the 2014 Schools Spectacular)

Then come along to a weekly rehearsal before the end of this term and join the rehearsal.

- Tuesday afternoons at Sutherland Public School. 4.00pm-5.30pm (Deb and Therese)
- Thursday afternoons at Darlington Public School 4.30pm – 5.45pm (Kipi and Helen)

Please ring, text or email to find out more - or turn up to a rehearsal and meet the choir.
Heather Causley Manager- 0400 808 603 causleys@bigpond.net.au

More information on the website www.sydneyregionarts.det.nsw.edu.au – Music Programs-Sydney Region Choir (the 2013 information is still current for this year).
Bourke Street Public School will be participating in School’s Earth Hour this year.

This year’s *Earth Hour* theme focuses on the effects of climate change on the Great Barrier Reef. Scientists tell us that if we don’t act by 2030, the changes to our greatest national treasure will be irreversible. In the weeks leading up to the event students will be engaging in sustainability lessons with focus on energy consumption, waste separation and caring for our garden.

**On the day:**

- Dress up as your favourite sea creature or in the colours blue and green
- Bring a gold coin donation
- Take on a “lights out” or “power out” challenge with your class

**Friday**

28th March