Calendar

TERM 2

May
23rd Fri National Walk Safely to School Day
26th - 30th National Reconciliation Week
26th Mon National Sorry Day
28th Wed Tigers AFL Workshop

June
2nd Mon 2N Sydney Story Factory workshop
3rd Tues 2C Sydney Story Factory workshop
4th Wed 2S Sydney Story Factory workshop
5th Thurs ICAS Uni Competition—Science
6th Fri World Environment Day
“Bike to Bourke & Cruise to Crown”
9th Mon Queen’s Birthday – Public Holiday
11th Wed Regional Cross Country
Yrs3&4 Syd. Story Factory workshop
12th Thurs Yrs3&4 Syd. Story Factory workshop
16th Mon ICAS Uni Competition—Writing
17th Tues ICAS Uni Competition—Spelling
K-2 Athletics Carnival
26th Thurs Recorder Group Opera House
27th Fri Last Day of Term 2
NAIDOC WEEK
Mufti Day Red/Black/Yellow

School Holidays ----------- 30th June – 14th July
15th July Tues – Students Return

Congratulations!

WEEK 4 Bourkey’s Best!
KC Henry
KK Ophelia
K/1D Grace
1G Charlie
1O Isla
2C Ned
2S Chilli
2/3N Metta
3/4M Hunter K
4/5/6G Ye Chan

CLASS OF THE WEEK
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Value of the Week
Honesty
PSSA Netball Results

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Consultation on strengthening public secondary education in the inner Sydney area

The NSW Department of Education and Communities is looking at how to address changing needs for public secondary education in inner Sydney. They want feedback from the community and have organised a number of ways this can occur. Full details are available at


Consultation is open to parents, teachers, students and the wider community. Comments can be made online, by attending a workshop or by hosting a Kitchen Table Discussion - please go to the website for more information.

The consultation period is from 16 May – 27 June 2014.

From the Principal’s Desk...

Congratulations to all students who represented our school at the District Cross Country last week. Unfortunately this year, none of our students have progressed to Regionals. However, it was a great day of fun competition.

Year 2 student had a visit from our friendly fireman last Thursday as part of the unit of work they are currently studying.

Music Star will commence soon on a Wednesday and Thursday afternoon for guitar and keyboard lessons. Thank you to everyone for their patience. The company has been overwhelmed by the response and is trying to accommodate everyone’s requests for lesson times.

Peter Johnston
Principal
The 2014/2015 P&C Executive
The elected P&C Executive for 2014/2015 are:
President: Julia Kosky
Vice-President: Victoria Lucas
Vice-President: Vanessa Trowell
Secretary: Rebecca Johnstone
Treasurer: Verity Froud

P&C Committees
The P&C's have a number of committees focused on different aspects of school life. Being part of a committee is a great way to get involved. If you wish to join or find out more about a committee please contact the relevant person below.

The School Banking Program
School Banking is on every Thursday morning from 8.30am-9am. Children simply bring to school their completed deposit slip and their deposit amount and the Banking Coordinators will enter all of the deposits into the individual student's accounts. The amount will immediately appear in your child's account.

Note the CHANGE of date
2014
Bourke Street Public School

Trivia Night
Friday 25th July 2014

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.
Consultation on strengthening public secondary education in the inner Sydney area

The Department of Education and Communities is looking for community ideas and feedback as it considers how best to strengthen the provision of public secondary schooling in inner Sydney, especially from 2018 when projections indicate there will be a need for additional teaching and learning spaces in the area. You are invited to visit


to find out more about the consultation, participate in online forums, RSVP to attend a community workshop and find out how to host your own “Kitchen Table Discussion” to gather opinions and feed them back into the consultation process.

Community workshops are being conducted from 6:30 - 8:30pm on:

- Thursday, 29 May at Sydney Girls High School - Campbell Hall - Cleveland Street, Moore Park
- Tuesday, 3 June at Alexandria Park Community School - The Denzel - school hall - Park Road Campus, Alexandria
- Thursday 5 June at Sydney Secondary College – school hall - Blackwattle Campus, Taylor Street, Glebe

The majority of the workshop will be spent working in small groups to maximise the opportunity for you to discuss the issues and give feedback.

To register for a community workshop please go to


If you are unable to attend one of the community workshops there are multiple other opportunities to participate and have your say. Visit the Department’s website at


to find out more.

The consultation period is from Friday 16 May – Friday 27 June 2014.

All members of the school community are encouraged to participate in and support this exciting initiative to help shape the future of public secondary school education in our area.

Reforms to P&C Federation

The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations.

Each school’s P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation’s Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation’s Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department’s website at

This term Bourke Street Public School and Crown Street Public School are joining forces and celebrating the fun of active travel with a WINTER RIDE2SCHOOL DAY!

All students, their parents, carers and teachers are encouraged to ride, walk, scoot or skate to school on Friday 6th June. Join the bike bus at two mustering points. See details overleaf.

There’s no theme this time. Just nice and simple...GET ACTIVE!

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR BIKE, SCOOTER OR SKATEBOARD ARE IN GOOD WORKING ORDER.

HELMETS MUST BE WORN BY ALL STUDENTS RIDING.
Get On

Winter Bike Bus
RIDE2SCHOOL on Friday 6TH June

Bike Bus Meeting Points:

MEET MR JOHNSTON &
LYDIA HO

8.15 Cnr Telopea Street & Bourke Street, Redfern – for Bourke Street Public School students (and any Crown Street Public School students who live south of Cleveland Street)

MEET MR BUENEN &
MR ELMS

8.30 Wimbo Park, opp Bourke St Bakery – for Crown Street Public School Students.

Parents also needed! If you can help ride or walk with a group on the morning, please let Lydia Ho (Bourke Street Public School) and Mr Buenen (Crown Street Public School) know.

Map by Anna Gaffney
404 Riley Street Surry Hills, PH: 9319 4509, gbb.enquiry@girlsandboysbrigade.com.au

www.girlsandboysbrigade.org.au

“Providing care, recreation and education activities since 1882”

The Girls & Boys Brigade provides a Vacation Care program for all enrolled children. This includes a wide range of low cost excursions and FREE care in centre. Our hours are 10 am till 6pm Monday – Friday as well as Pupil Free Days.

Please call 9319 4509 to enquire about enrolment and our other services.
Fun Languages

educational, affordable and fun

Your child will find it easy to learn another language with us!

Fun Language Clubs for Kids
FRENCH SPANISH MANDARIN ITALIAN GERMAN

Primary aged clubs at Bourke Street:
Spanish on Tuesdays from 8.00-9.00am
Enquiries for French

Register your child’s interest TODAY!

www.lcfclubs.com.au  classes@lcfclubs.com.au
The Front Garden Working Bee

Saturday 24th May 8am – 4pm

BYO water, snacks, gardening tools, sunscreen & hats

All families, friends and students of BSPS - this Saturday please come along and help with the front garden makeover. If you can spare an hour of your day it would be fabulous. Or if gardening is not your ‘thing’, you can help out in the following ways.

PLAYGROUND DUTY
We are looking for a regular stream of parents/family members who wouldn’t mind coming along to watch the kids in the playground while the parents are working.

LEMONADE, CAKES AND FRESH HERBS STALL
We are setting up a stall at the front garden selling old-fashioned lemonade, cakes/sweets and bunches of herbs & greens from our herb gardens. If you can assist with selling or sending along some sweets to sell - it would be very much appreciated.

Please let us know!

We appreciate any amount of time you can give us, and the more people we have the faster the new gardens start looking gorgeous & green.

Please call Nina Fordham 0407 208 454 or Anja Walsh 0417 020 462 if you have any questions.

ninafordham@bigpond.com  anja.schetke@gmail.com
Enhanced Primary Care (EPC) for Allied Health Services

A Medicare rebate system to help refund part of the cost of attending a private allied health service.

This program might be useful if you are on a waiting list for a public service and feel an initial assessment and guidelines to start prior to been seen might be helpful. For example:

- you are on the waiting list for Early Childhood Intervention (Occupational Therapist, Physiotherapist, Speech Therapist)
- you want an assessment / advice for leading and growth issues (Speech Therapist / Dietician)
- you require an assessment / review of your child’s feet and appropriate footwear (Podiatrist)
- you would like a Psychologist review to evaluate your child’s learning profile and behavior prior to starting school (Psychologist)

EPC is for clients (adults or children) who have a chronic condition and complex care needs. A chronic medical condition is one that has been (or is likely to be) present for six months or longer. It can include conditions such as asthma, diabetes, and musculoskeletal conditions.

Patient’s (adults or children) have complex care needs if they need ongoing care from a multidisciplinary team consisting of their GP and a least two (2) other health care providers.

In summary:

- It provides a total of five (5) services per patient each calendar year
- Medicare rebate of $47.85 per service, with out of pocket expenses costs counting towards the extended Medicare safety net.
- Patient must have an Enhanced Primary Care (EPC) plan prepared by their GP
- GP refers to allied health professional

Eligible allied health professionals include:

- Audiologists
- Chiropractors
- Diabetes Educators Dietician
- Occupational Therapists
- Physiotherapists
- Podiatrists
- Psychologists
- Speech Pathologists

Private health insurance
If you have private health insurance, you will need to decide if you wish to use Medicare or your private health insurance to pay for these services.

Claiming
Allied health professionals, like doctors, are free to set the level of their fees. If your allied health provider bulk bills, there will be no charge for these services. If not, you will be charged a fee and you can claim the rebate from Medicare. Out-of-pocket expenses for these services count towards the extended Medicare safety net. If you are unsure, or lose track of how many allied health services you have claimed in a year, you can check with Medicare Australia on 132 131.

If you have any questions, ask your doctor or practice nurse.

More information

- email: alliedhealth.items@health.gov.au
- Ph: (02) 6289 4297
FREE fun program for kids to become healthier, fitter and happier!

Go4Fun is a healthy lifestyle program to improve health, fitness, self-esteem and confidence in children above their ideal weight. Go4Fun runs for 9 weeks during school term for children and their parents.

Sessions are each week for two hours after school and include games, activities, tips on healthy food, label reading and portion sizes plus much more!

Registrations are now open for Term 3, 2014. To register for your local Eastern Suburbs program or for more information contact:

Linda Trotter (Local Go4Fun Coordinator) on 9382 8641

Free call 1800 780 900 or visit www.go4fun.com.au