**Calendar**

**TERM 1 - WEEK 5**

**February**
- 22nd Mon: Camp Quality Performance
- 24th Wed: P&C Meeting
- 25th Thurs: Zone Swimming Carnival
- SmartStart Workshops
- 26th Fri: Kindy Teddy Bears Picnic

**March**
- 4th Fri: Clean-Up Australia Day for schools
- National Ride2School Day
- 7th – 11th: Parent/teacher Interview Week
- 10th Thurs: Selective High School Placement Test
- 15th Tues: Regional Swimming Carnival
- 18th Fri: Harmony Day
- Earth Hour Day for schools
- 21st Mon: School Photos
- 24th Thurs: Hat Parade
- 25th Fri: Good Friday – Public Holidays
- 28th Mon: Easter Monday – Public Holidays
- 30th Wed: Cross Country Carnival

**April**
- 8th Fri: Last Day of Term 1

### School Holidays
- Mon 11th April – Mon 25th April
- Students Return: Tues 26th April

### Value of the Week
**Acceptance**

**Congratulations!**

**WEEK 4 Bourkey’s Best!**
- KA Nikita
- KC Cameron
- KL Ginger
- KM Nina
- 1C Jack M
- 1L Leon
- 1S Marcus
- 1/2B Anita
- 2Z Isaac
- 2/3K Alan
- 3G Liam
- 3/4A Rohan
- 4M Sam
- 4/5H Rishita
- 5/6L Jesse
School Assemblies
Will be held on **FRIDAYS** in the Music/OOSH Room

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**BEAR Program**

Thank you to those parents who have already expressed interest in volunteering for BEAR program! If you think you might like to get involved in this wonderful tutoring program, the parent training session will take place on **Wednesday the 24th February at 5pm**, prior to this month’s P&C Meeting. In the meantime if you have any questions about the program please don’t hesitate to approach me for a chat.

Miss Loveridge

BEAR Program Coordinator

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**From the Principal’s Desk…**

**The Tell Them From Me student feedback survey**

I am delighted that this term, our school again, like many others in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.


The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide our school with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school. I want to assure you that the survey is confidential and school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 14 March and 8 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and a list of frequently asked questions (FAQs) for parents/carers about the survey has been sent home with students.

**Only Years 4-6 students participate in the survey.**

If you do not want your child or children to participate, please return the consent form to school by **Friday 4th March 2016**. The FAQs and copies of the consent form, including translated consent forms, are available from the website above.

Peter Johnston
Principal

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**The P&C Meeting**

**Wednesday 24th February at 6pm**

in the Music/OOSH room

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Bourke Street Public School, 590 Bourke Street, Surry Hills, NSW, 2010

Email: bourkest-p.admin@det.nsw.edu.au  Phone: 9319 7310  Fax: 9310 2708
Get to know your school community on an urban camping safari!

Overnight options
Campsite only – $50
Pre-erected tent + mattresses – $99
Mini-glamping – $155 SOLD OUT!
Glamping – $175 SOLD OUT!

Book online at www.cockatooisland.gov.au and let Sam Wong (3/4A mum) know you’ve booked - mcwong1@bigpond.com.au. Put ‘Bourke Street Public School’ under ‘Special Requests and Group Information’ and we will be placed together.

If you can’t stay the night, just come for the day!

This is a social event organised by the Bourke Street Public School P&C. Parents are responsible for their children at all times.
MOORE PARK TIGERS
WINNER OF ‘2012 CLUB OF THE YEAR’ AWARD

Moore Park Tigers Junior AFL Club is on the lookout for new players of all ages. U5 to U12’s all welcome to join!

Contact: Michael Luvio
Phone: 0411 431 907
Email: president@mooreparktigers.com.au
Website: mooreparktigers.com.au

Children will learn the skills of AFL and receive an awesome backpack jammed full of gear!
Dear Parents

Parent/Teacher interviews will be from Monday 7th March – Thursday 10th March 2016.

*Bookings will OPEN Monday 22nd February and must be finalised before Monday 29th of February at 4pm, when bookings for this event will close.*

For parents that do not have internet access, computer kiosks will be available at Reception from Friday onwards, for parents to make their own bookings. Parents may send a note to school with the approximate times they require, or phone the school on 9319-7310. Interviews are strictly 15 mins and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

Now you can book school interviews for the times that suit your family. Go to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and follow these simple instructions.

Simply enter the code and press "Go"

Enter your details

Select the teachers you wish to see

Select the appointment times that suit your family best

When you click *FINISH*, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically. If you do not receive your email immediately – *Check your junk mail folder AND make sure you have spelled your email address correctly*

You can return to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) at any time, and change your interviews - until the bookings close on 29th February at 4pm.

You may change your bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visitng the [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on: 9319-7310

We would love to hear what you think about online booking. If you get time, click on the “contact us” button on the [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) website, and leave some feedback - anonymously if you wish, but please include the school’s name and suburb.

*If you don’t have access to a computer, or experiencing difficulties, please come to the school office for assistance. 😊*