Learning and Student Leadership Presentation Day

On Tuesday 1 December we will be holding our Learning and Student Leadership Presentation day. Many students will be receiving awards to acknowledge their hard work and enthusiasm throughout the year. All students need to ensure that they are wearing full school uniform. We hope to see you there!

Sports and Performance Presentation Day

On Monday 7 December we will be holding our Sports and Performance Presentation Day. We look forward to acknowledging the creative and sporting achievements of our students.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2016

We are still accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2016. Children born between 1st August 2010 and 31st July 2011 are eligible to enrol for Kindergarten.

Parents who would like to enrol a child for Kindergarten next year, need to visit the school office.

Please bring the following;
* Child’s birth certificate for proof of age
* Passports and visas for families born overseas
* Proof of residence (e.g. Council rate notice, gas, electricity account or bank account).

If you would like to complete an enrolment form prior to visiting the office, a copy of the kinder enrolment form can be found on the school website: http://www.basshill-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/
Kindergarten Orientation

Last Thursday our second kindergarten orientation session took place. Students had a wonderful time exploring their new school with their parents. They found many important places like the library, hall, office, canteen and computer lab. All students went home with a passport that they got stamped at each place they visited. Students then enjoyed songs and stories back in the kindergarten classroom.

Thank you to all the staff and parents who were involved in both orientation days.

We look forward to seeing everyone next Thursday 3 December at our last session which will be a Teddy Bears picnic. Don’t forget to bring a teddy bear!

Mrs Clifford
Assistant Principal

The Song Room

This semester, students in Stage 2 have been participating in weekly dance and music lessons offered as part of ‘The Song Room’ program. This is a program that gives children the opportunity to participate in music and creative arts to enhance their education, personal development and community involvement.

Students in each class have been learning new skills each week and rehearsing to perfect a class item, ready to perform in front of the school.

To showcase their efforts each Stage 2 class will be performing their class item at either the Learning and Student Leadership Presentation Day on Tuesday 1 December or the Sports and Performance Presentation Day on Monday 7 December.

We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to Hernan for all his hard work this semester. It has been fantastic to see students’ confidence grow along with their dance and rap skills. We look forward to more Song Room opportunities in 2016.

Miss Buckland
Assistant Principal
Student Leadership

Congratulations to the eight Year 5 boys and eight Year 5 girls who presented their speeches for the positions of captains, vice captains and prefects. Positions will be announced at our upcoming Student Learning and Leadership Presentation Day.

Hating Alison Ashley

On Wednesday 18 December students from Year 3, 4 and 5 travelled by bus to Yagoona Public School to watch the Yagoona Public School drama group perform their version of the story ‘Hating Alison Ashley’. This play is based on the book by Robin Klein.

An enjoyable time was had by all students who had lots of questions about the play for the Yagoona students. We hope that they receive our letters soon and we congratulate them on a fantastic job!

Scholastic Book Club

Two wonderful parents have organised Book Club across the school year. Unfortunately, both parents will not be with us in 2016 and we are needing to fill these positions. If you are available and willing to volunteer your time for book club in 2016, please contact the school office. A huge thank you to Mrs Gikas and Mrs Yagami for their contribution this year.

Quote of the week

No act of kindness is ever wasted

--AESOP
Project based learning

Have you heard about project based learning?

Project Based Learning is a teaching method in which students gain knowledge and skills by working for an extended period of time to investigate and respond to an engaging and complex question, problem, or challenge.

This year many classes have been participating in lessons in a variety of programs that explore different aspects of the curriculum using a project based approach. We encourage you to ask your child about what they have been learning! We look forward to more exciting project based learning programs in 2016.

Important Information for Year 6 Parents & Caregivers

Mini -Fete

The Mini-Fete is fast approaching! Year 6 have been busily preparing their stalls. They are doing an amazing job, but they do need your support. Students need to purchase certain items for their stall and we need these things brought into school by next Monday. All money raised at the mini fete is used to pay for the student's Farewell.

The Mini-Fete is on Friday, December 4. 11.20am - 1.20pm

On the day, each Year 6 student will also need to bring cupcakes, cookies or jellies. We would also appreciate the help of as many parents and caregivers as possible. We can achieve more if we work together. We are providing lunch for the entire school on the day so will need help with the BBQ from 9.15am. We will also need parental support on our stalls. So please, try and lend your support for a few hours, next Friday.
Farewell

Students received their invitation to the Farewell this week. Please ensure that your child returns their RSVP slip with their menu choices by next Wednesday. Students can arrive at the Farewell from 5.30pm with everyone needing to be seated by 6.00pm. There will be opportunities for parents to take photos on arrival.

Parents are then invited to return to the Farewell at 8.45pm for a short ceremony and possibly a last dance with your child!

School Assembly- Year 6

All parents and caregivers are invited to attend a Special Year 6 Assembly on Tuesday, 15 December in the school hall. The assembly will commence just after 2pm and will conclude with the walkout. It is a very special occasion, your child’s final primary school assembly, and we would love to see everyone there.

If you have any questions about the Year 6 end of year activities, please come and see your child’s class teacher.
Congratulations to the Senior Girls Cricket Team for winning their PSSA competition last week. Girls cricket only became a competitive sport in the Bankstown District this year and we are thrilled that BHPS have become the first ever champions! The girls should be proud of their teamwork, dedication and enthusiasm.

Well done!
Mini Fete

DATE: December 4th, 2015

Fun! Celebrity House
Food! Beauty! Games!

Spider Drinks
Horror House
Nail Polish
Photo Booth
Face Paint
Chocolate Throw
Jumping Castle
Xbox 360
The simplest way ...to add veg to a barbecue.

The weather is warming up and so are the backyard barbecues. But it need not be an entirely meat affair. Here are some ideas for adding healthy veg to the barbie:

**Kebabs** - capsicum, zucchini, eggplant and mushrooms work well. Add to pork, chicken or lamb.

**Chips** - slice potato or sweet potato, and grill on the hotplate.

**Salad** – grab some green leaves and toss in tomato, cucumber, carrot, beans, capsicum or whatever takes your fancy!

**Vegie sticks and dip** – chop up carrot, cucumber, and celery sticks to dip in yummy hummus, or an eggplant or beetroot dip.

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