



Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 10

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CIVICS & CITIZENSHIP THEME – CELEBRATIONS

Celebration is about showing how much you appreciate the things people do and about being proud of the things you have achieved. The end of a year is a good time to celebrate all the great things that have happened.

Dear Parents and Friends,

2015 has been a momentous year for Black Hill Public School as numbers have grown and achievements gained. Success in sport and academic pursuits, highlight the strength of small schools as a strong option for education now and into the future. The staff and I wish you all the best for the festive season and we all look forward to the challenges and a number of pleasant new developments in the new year.

Presentation Night

I look forward to seeing you all at presentation night tonight. This is our special celebration of 2015, enjoy the night.

Reminders:

- The Presentation Night program begins at 7.00pm.
- The car park will be locked for student safety. Parking is on the street.
- The program will be finished by 8.30am and a supper of tea, coffee, cordial and biscuits will be provided.
- Again, we will be holding this event at C3 Church Hope at 1/1 Peppita Close, Beresfield, 7.00pm.
- We thank the Church for generously providing the venue.



Coming Events 	
Swimming concludes	Fri 9 Oct
Presentation Night (7.00pm)	Wed 9 Dec
Party Day	Tues 15 Dec
Water Play	Wed 16 Dec
End 2015 School Year	Wed 16 Dec
Year 6 Night Out	Wed 16 Dec
Commence 2016 School Year—Staff	Wed 27 Jan
Commence 2016 School Year, 1-6	Thurs 28 Jan
Kindergarten Best Start Testing	27 & 28 Jan
Commence 2016 Kindergarten	Mon, 1 Feb

Party Day

Tuesday, 15 December

This is an out of uniform day. Party foods can be brought to the kitchen. We will follow our usual custom where each class brings a different category of food to share so there is variety. Do not send any food which requires cooking, only reheating. Please do not send any food containing nuts or traces of nuts as these can be life threatening for some students. Please send small servings only.

K-1	Fruit and crackers	Watermelon, grapes, cherries etc. Jatz etc.
1-2	Munchies	Popcorn, chips, cheezels etc
3-4	Sweets	Cake, slices etc
4-5-6	Finger Food	Frankfurts, party pies, sandwiches etc. If you are sending hot food, please send only food that needs to be heated and not cooked.

Due for Return this week	
Sausage Sizzle Order	Fri
Water Play Permission Note	Fri
Online bus pass applications	Fri

Water Play

We will be conducting our traditional water play event on Wednesday, 16 December. The following rules continue to apply:

- All participants must have a signed permission note (see below).
- All participants must have closed-in shoes.
- All participants must have swimming goggles.
- All participants must use squirting devices. No cups or buckets are permitted.

If the weather is not officially over 25°C water play will not occur and an alternate activity will be organised.

At any time, students can choose to withdraw themselves from the activity and go to "Switzerland" neutral space in the lunch shed and COLA.

Year 6 Dinner

Wednesday, 16 December

Year 6 will conclude their year and primary school with a dinner at Billabongs Restaurant, at East Maitland Bowling Club. Booking is for 5.30pm.

Buss Pass Applications

All students who qualify for subsidised bus travel, moving from Year 2 to Year 3 in 2016 are required to submit new bus pass applications. All applications are completed online, printed, then brought to school for verification and submission to Transport NSW. To date, only 2 students have submitted applications. Opal Cards will be issued in 2016. Please visit transportnsw.info/school-students to complete this process.

P&C News

Hot Lunches

Today was the last hot lunch for the year. A huge thank you to Jo, Mel and Gwenda for all their help throughout the year, it is greatly appreciated.

Louise



Water Play Activities—Permission

I give permission for my child/ren _____ of class/es _____ to participate in water play activities at the school on Wednesday, 16 December 2015.

I understand students may use water pistols and must wear swimming goggles and enclosed shoes.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Sausage Sizzle



Friday 11 December 2015

Narelle Robertson **Trudie Rofe**

Sizzle \$1.50 Poppers \$1.00 Up'n'Go \$1.50

Assembly Report 4 December 2015

Miss Gardoll's Awards	Merit	Zach Logan S.	
	English Award	William	
	Mathematics Award	Grace	
	Creative Arts Award	Harmony	
	Quality Work Award	Sianna	
Mr Braye's Awards	Merit	Odin Noah M.	
	English Award	Maddison	
	Mathematics Award	Dakota	
	Creative Arts Award	Samuel	
	Quality Work Award	Cooper J.	
Mrs Strickland's Awards	Merit	Kaylah Alexis	
	English Award	Ben	
	Mathematics Award	Tallulah	
	Creative Arts Award	Lily W.	
	Quality Work Award	Leah	
Mrs Adamthwaite's Awards	Merit	Montanna Isabella	
	English Award	Lachlan	
	Mathematics Award	Emily	
	Creative Arts Award	Jordan	
	Quality Work Award	Imogen	
Prefect's Awards	Miss McGrath		
Special Awards	Kaylah, Chloe W.		
House Cup	Awabakal		



Students 1-6 Thursday 28 January 2016
 Students Kindergarten Monday 1 February 2016

Summer holiday activities @ your library

Pre-booking essential - no phone bookings, tickets on sale mid December.
Numbers strictly limited

Santa Story time – ages 2-6

Tuesday December 15	Cessnock Library	10.00 – 11.00	FREE
Wednesday December 16	Kurri Kurri Library	10.00 – 11.00	FREE

Christmas themed storytime with a very special visitor!

Christmas Craft – ages 5-12

Monday December 21	Cessnock Library	4.00 – 5.00	FREE
Tuesday December 22	Kurri Kurri Library	4.00 – 5.00	FREE

Come along to this free craft session and make some special Christmas decorations

Movies @ the Library – ages 8+

Monday January 11	Cessnock Library	2.00 – 4.00	FREE
Wednesday January 13	Kurri Kurri Library	2.00 – 4.00	FREE

Monday January 18	Cessnock Library	2.00 – 4.00	FREE
Wednesday January 20	Kurri Kurri Library	2.00 – 4.00	FREE

These holidays, we'll be attending a very well-known school for wizards in the first week, then shooting off to a galaxy far, far away in the second week!

Wizards Workshop – ages 5-12

Thursday January 14	Kurri Kurri Library	10.00 – 11.00	\$3.00
Friday January 15	Cessnock Library	10.00 – 11.00	\$3.00

All aspiring young wizards and witches welcome – learn to cast a spell or two and take home your own magic wand!

Wii and Board Games – ages 7+

Thursday January 14	Kurri Kurri Library	2.00 - 4.00	FREE
Friday January 15	Cessnock Library	2.00 – 4.00	FREE

Bored? Join us for an afternoon of board games and battling it out on the Wii!

Mad Scientist Workshop – ages 7+

Thursday January 21	Kurri Kurri Library	10.00 – 11.00	\$3.00
Friday January 22	Cessnock Library	10.00 – 11.00	\$3.00

Explore scientific principles in this hands-on, seriously messy kitchen science workshop. Warning – wear old clothes!

Jedi Beginner's Workshop – ages 5-12

Thursday January 21	Kurri Kurri Library	2.00 – 3.00	\$3.00
Friday January 22	Cessnock Library	2.00 – 3.00	\$3.00

Begin your Jedi training and make a light sabre – may the force be with you!

Our regular Rhymetime and Storytime sessions will continue as normal throughout the holiday break, except when the library is closed over the Christmas break – last Story time will be on Wednesday 23rd December at Kurri Kurri. Sessions will recommence with Rhymetime on Monday 4th January

Please ring Cessnock Library 49 934399 or Kurri Kurri Library 49 371638 to enquire, or visit our website at www.cessnock.nsw.gov.au/library.

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