



# Black Hill Buzz

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13 November, 2019

Term 4 Week 5



### COMING EVENTS

#### TERM 4

#### NOV / DEC

**Thurs 14 Nov**— session 1 Kinder 2020 orientation, 8.30am

**Fri 15 Nov-13 Dec**— Swimming

**Fri 15 Nov– 29 Nov**— Lawn Bowls

**Thurs 21 Nov**— session 2 Kinder 2020 orientation, 11.30am

**Fri 22 Nov**— Supercars

**Fri 22 Nov**— Scholastic Book Club Due

**Thurs 28 Nov**— session 3 Kinder 2020 orientation, 1.00pm

**Thurs 28-Fri 29 Nov**—Taronga Zoo Excursion

**Thurs 12 Dec**— 2019 Presentation Night, 7pm, FGHS

**Wed 18 Dec**— Last day of Term 4

#### TERM 1, 2020

**Tues 28 Jan**— Staff Return, 2020

**Wed 29 Jan**— Years 1-6 Students return, 2020

**Thurs 30 Jan**— Kindergarten commences, 2020

### NOTES & MONEY DUE

Taronga Zoo Excursion Final payment— **Fri 15 Nov**

Supercars note & \$10 payment— **Overdue**

Text/Resource & voluntary contribution Fees— **ASAP**

### P&C

School Council Meeting— **Mon 18 Nov, 6pm**

P&C Meeting— **Mon 18 Nov, 7pm**

P&C Membership—**Due asap**



### SAUSAGE SIZZLE

**Clint Forrester & Wayne Aurisch**  
**Friday 15 November**  
**\$1.50**

## Term 4 Week 5

### THIS WEEK

**Friday 15 Nov:** Lawn Bowls continues 5/6  
Swimming continues K/4  
Sausage Sizzle  
Assembly, 9.00am. **Class 3/4 Presenting**

### NEXT WEEK, WEEK 6

**Monday 18 Nov:** School Council meeting, 6pm  
P&C Meeting, 7pm

**Friday 22 Nov: SUPERCARS**



### REMINDERS & OTHER INFO

**LAWN BOWLS**— Lawn bowls resumes as normal this Friday 15 November. *No Lawn bowls next Friday 22 Nov, due to Supercars.*

**SWIMMING**— K-4 students will be leaving school at 1pm by bus. *Please pack a towel, goggles and swimmers in a small bag separate to their school bag! No swimming next Friday 22 Nov, due to Supercars.*

**SUPERCARS**— BHPS are heading to the Newcastle Supercars!! Friday 22 November, 9.00am-3.00pm. Full school uniform & a packed lunch is required!  
**Permission note & payment of \$10 are now overdue, please return to the office no later than Friday 15 November.**

**TARONGA ZOO OVERNIGHT EXCURSION**— Year 3/4 will be Roar & Snoring with the animals at Taronga Zoo **Thursday 28– Friday 29 November**. The total cost of the Excursion is \$90.  
**Final payment is due to the front office by Friday 15 November.**  
**Please return Medical and dietary requirements note ASAP.**

**FRIDAY ASSEMBLY**— *There will be NO assembly next Friday 22 November due to the Supercars.* Please note the change in time for our Friday assembly is now 9.00am in term 4.



**PBL FOCUS OF THE WEEK—**  
**RESPECT- Use your manners and be kind!**

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## SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION

### **SUPERCARS**

Just a reminder that permission notes and money for the Supercars excursion are due back at school. This final date for the return of these permission notes and money has been extended to **this Friday 15 November**, due to the school being temporarily closed yesterday. After Friday we will assess the amount of spaces available for parents, siblings & caregivers. We will then be able to offer extra tickets. These places will cost \$10 each as well. Please make sure you register your interest at the office by this Friday & we will use the names gathered to assign the extra positions. Please refer to the information which has been sent home previously regarding this exciting excursion..

We have been given a very exciting opportunity this term to attend the Students on Track Supercars (Coates Hire Newcastle 500) **next Friday 22 November (Week 6)** in at Newcastle Foreshore. The Supercars Students on Track program is a great opportunity for teachers and students to spend a day trackside at a local Virgin Australia Supercars Championship race

event to learn about one of Australia's top sports up close. The Students on Track program includes free access to the circuit and Supercars paddock on the Friday of a race weekend where students can witness the action of the team garages. Unlike any other sport, students will be close enough to watch the drivers, engineers and team owners run through their paces and get the cars ready for racing. Then.....there's the thrills of the watching the Supercars practice sessions, the support category sessions and the on and off-track entertainment. We will be away from school most of the day. Students will need to bring recess, lunch and water. The cost of this excursion is \$10. Please return your child's permission slip and payment to the office as soon as possible, however no later than Friday 15 November.

You can find further information about this event through the link below:

<http://www.supercars.com/newcastle/>



### **2020 KINDERGRATEN ORIENTATION PROGRAM**

We are looking forward to welcoming our 2020 Kindies and their families tomorrow, as part of our Kindergarten Orientation program. Mrs Lawson has done a wonderful job organising these sessions and I know our new Kindergraten children and their families will find them most valuable.

***Our Kindergarten Orientation program this year will run over three Thursdays - 14, 21 and 28 November.***

Please contact the school if you require further information about this.



### **GATEWAY LEARNING COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE**

Just a reminder about our GLC Food Drive happening at the moment. Our school is joining other local schools in the GLC (Gateway Learning Community) Food Drive. Please support this if you can. A flyer containing further information is included in today's newsletter. Any

donations can be left at our office and will be distributed by St Paul's Anglican Church Beresfield to families within our community.

***This food drive finishes this Friday, 15 November.***

Any donations at all would be so very much appreciated. Thank you for your support!

### **REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE**

On Monday our school proudly acknowledged Remembrance Day with a minute's silence at 11am. Our school Presidents, Leisy and Cooper, also represented our school at the Remembrance Day Service, held at Maitland. Both Leisy and Cooper have been the most amazing Black Hill PS Presidents this year. The leadership and commitment they have shown to our school, the students and their learning has continually inspired us all. Cooper and Leisy were also chosen at the Remembrance Day Service to do the flags. A very special privilege indeed at a most special Ceremony.



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### PRESENTATION EVENING

Our annual Presentation Evening will be held on the evening of **Thursday 12 December, 7.00pm** at Francis Greenway High School. Please lock this date into your calendar and come along and celebrate the wonderful achievements of our students throughout 2019!

Enjoy the rest of your week!

*Kylie.*

Kylie South  
Principal



### FAMILY FUN NIGHT EXTRAVAGANZA

The P & C Family Fun Night Extravaganza was held recently and it was an amazing night! Thank you to the P & C for running such an awesome event for the Black Hill community, you really did a brilliant job. There were some great games played and prizes handed out on the night and there were some very happy winners. The Squidditch title was picked up by a student team this year, defeating an adult team to take the victory. Look out for the community night when it is held next year, you won't want to miss it!



### CANBERRA EXCURSION SCHOOL BASED REBATE

Students from our school have undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students have been given the opportunity to participate in a variety of education programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards these costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion. The rebate was calculated into costings and taken off the excursion total.

## KINDERGARTEN 2020 ORIENTATION DATES

**Thursday 14 November**

**8:30am—11:00am**

**Thursday 21 November**

**11:30am—1:25pm**

**Thursday 28 November**

**1:00pm—2:45pm**



### OUR SCHOOLS UNITE FOR OUR COMMUNITY!



**WHEN? - from November 4 to November 15**

**HOW? - Food items can be left at any of the following schools:**

Francis Greenway High, Beresfield, Blackhill, Tarro and Woodberry Public Schools

- |  |                                      |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| Chunky Soup (approx. 500g cans)                  | 2 Minute Noodles                     |
| Baked Beans (420g cans)                          | Longlife Full Cream Milk (1litre)    |
| Spaghetti (approx. 420g cans)                    | Peanut Butter (375g or larger)       |
| Tinned Fruit (approx. 410g cans or plastic jars) | Jam (approx. 500g)                   |
| Pasta (approx. 500g)                             | Biscuits eg SAO, Jatz, Cruskits etc. |
| Pasta Sauce                                      | Preferably tins to have a pull tab.  |



Food items are distributed by St Pauls Anglican Church Beresfield to families within our community.



# CANBERRA EXCURSION REPORT

## STAGE 3 CANBERRA EXCURSION REPORT

The Stage 3 Canberra Excursion was last week and it was a fantastic experience for staff, students and parents who were involved! The staff would like to congratulate the students for their behaviour as it was excellent at all times and an amazing reflection on our school! Our tour guide and driver, Matt, was equally impressed and I think it will take a while for him to have a more enjoyable trip.

The days were action packed and Mrs South did an awesome job organising the excursion with Annette from Port Stephens Coaches. Unfortunately, Mrs South didn't get to enjoy the lead up work by going on the trip and Mrs Lawson (thank you Mrs Lawson!) stepped in to take her place.

We stayed at the Capital Country Holiday Park in the Pee Wee Lodge and it was brilliant accommodation with a great range of meals provided to students on a daily basis.

Some of the highlights of the trip were Parliament House, Questacon, the Australian Institute of Sport and the War Memorial, where the students were lucky enough to be a part of a Last Post Ceremony.

Here are some of the things the students liked the most...

**Sienna-** My favourite part was the Geoscience and the glow in the dark dinosaur building.

**Emily-** I liked all of it.

**Luella-** Questacon was the best part.

**Ben-** The Questacon slide was the best part.

**Emma and Savannah-** The Royal Mint stairs were awesome because some were marked and some weren't.

**Seth-** I liked Questacon and hanging out with my friends.

**Blake-** Questacon was the best.

**Tammy-** Hanging out with my friends and everything really.

**Troy-** The cabins were awesome and so was Questacon.

**Harry-** The slide at Questacon was the best.

**Cooper W-** The big slide from Questacon was really cool.

**Odin-** The cabins were really fun and we had fun on the bus with the bus driver Matt as well.

**Julian-** The cabins were awesome because they had their own television.

**Nate-** Questacon was really fun and the jumping pillow at camp was great.

**Aleisia-** Our bus driver was really nice and I think that everyone got along really well.





# COMMUNITY NEWS

## BUSH FIRE SAFETY

NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE

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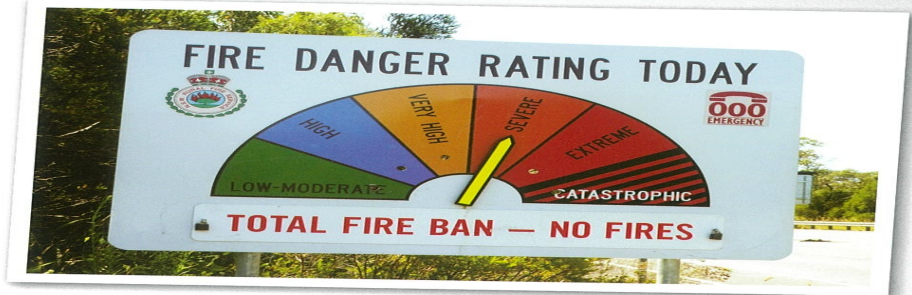


# Total Fire Bans

IF YOU IGNORE A TOTAL FIRE BAN, PEOPLE MAY DIE

### IN A TOTAL FIRE BAN:

- No fire may be lit in the open
- All fire permits are suspended  
This includes incinerators and barbecues (BBQ) which burn solid fuel, e.g. wood, charcoal or heat beads
- No general purpose welding, grinding, soldering or gas cutting can be done in the open.



### When is a Total Fire Ban announced?

During the Bush Fire Danger Period, the decision to issue a Total Fire Ban is usually made in the afternoon for the following day.

A Total Fire Ban may be issued on the actual day if weather conditions get worse. A Total Fire Ban usually starts at midnight and lasts for 24 hours.

### To find out where Total Fire Bans have been declared:

- Visit [www.rfs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au)
- Check the weather forecast at [www.bom.gov.au](http://www.bom.gov.au)
- Call the Bush Fire Information Line on 1800 679 737
- Monitor weather reports on the radio, television and in newspapers.

*Lighting a fire on a Total Fire Ban day can result in fines of up to \$100,000 and/or 14 years imprisonment.*

### Can you still have a BBQ?

You may use a gas or electric BBQ, but only if:

- It is on a residential property within 20 metres of the house
- It is in a designated picnic area and the BBQ is approved by Council, National Parks or State Forests
- It is always attended by a responsible adult
- The ground within two metres of the BBQ is cleared of all materials which could burn
- You have an immediate and continuous supply of water available.

PREPARE. ACT. SURVIVE. | BUSH FIRE INFORMATION LINE | 1800 679 737



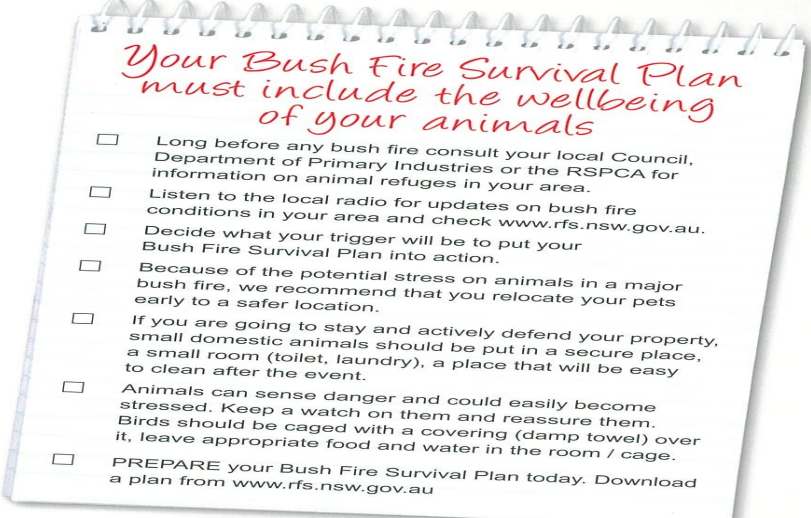
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# Fire Safety for Your Pets

WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH YOUR PETS IN THE EVENT OF A BUSHFIRE?

### What ever you decide to do, you should have your property prepared and a current Bush Fire Survival Plan:

- Do not tie animals up during a major emergency, it could be fatal for them.
- In bush fires, move animals to a well grazed or ploughed area, preferably around the home and sheltered away from the winds.
- Check your property insurance for (animal) related items.
- Remove all covering from stock e.g. rugs and veils as these can burn animals if they come into contact with embers.
- If it is your decision to relocate your animals, this MUST be done long before the bush fire is in your area. Make sure your animals are clearly identifiable with your contact details on all labels and tags.
- Do your animals have any special needs or require medicines or vet assistance. Make a note of these requirements and put it with your relocation kit.
- Before you leave your property check that your chosen place to relocate your animals is accessible.
- Do not leave at the last minute, this is the most dangerous option for you and your animals.



*The safety of your pets and animals in a bushfire is YOUR responsibility.*

PREPARE. ACT. SURVIVE. | BUSH FIRE INFORMATION LINE | 1800 679 737





## SCHOOL INFO

### TEXT FEES

Fees have remained the same as last year. The text/resource fee, which covers texts and online subscriptions etc is set at \$70. per student. Families experiencing genuine financial hardship can apply confidentially to the Principal for assistance with the **text/resource fee**.

**POP PAYMENT OPTION: Subject Contributions**  
**DESCRIPTION: Texts 2019**

### VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Voluntary School contributions are set at \$40. per student. POP Payment Codes when paying online using POP.

**POP PAYMENT OPTION: Voluntary School Contribution**  
**DESCRIPTION: VC 2019**

### POP PAYMENTS

This payment option is available on our school website.

Access the website ([www.blackhill-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.blackhill-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)) and the payment tab at the top of the page. When you access the \$Make a Payment you must enter:

#### STUDENT'S NAME & DATE OF BIRTH

Only enter the fields that have an asterisk beside them.

These details are entered each time hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner and are not passed back to the school. You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed at the time of payment. Payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child's account. A further receipt will not be issued by the school. For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process, please contact the office.

**Note: Payment Ref as indicated on our permission note must be quoted.**

**Also write your POP receipt number on the signed student permission note and return to school.**

<https://quickweb.westpac.com.au/OnlinePaymentServlet>

### STUDENT ABSENCE

**A reminder that if your child is absent from school, please notify the office between 8am and 9.15am.**

If the office is unattended you can always leave a message on the school's Home Messagebank.

This would help us with the timely marking of our rolls and maintenance of our records.



### SCHOOL MOBILE PHONE

**Our school mobile phone, which will be used for excursions, etc.**

#### THE SCHOOL MOBILE PHONE NUMBER IS

**0476 293 214.**



#### NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

To receive our school newsletters by email, please send an email to: [blackhill-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:blackhill-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) with NEWSLETTER in the subject.

## IMPORTANT

### EMERGENCY CARDS

Thanks to those families who have returned the **GREEN** Emergency Cards so promptly.

Please complete and return to school asap if you haven't already done so, to enable us to have up to date records.

### P&C PAYMENTS

**PLEASE NO POP ONLINE PAYMENTS FOR P&C. CASH OR CHEQUE ONLY**

### FRANCIS GREENWAY HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

You will find the Francis Greenway High School newsletter on the following link:

<https://francisgreenway.schools.nsw.gov.au/newsletter.html>

### TEXT BOOK & VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION FEES

**Text Book/Resource Fees & Voluntary Contributions Fees are due ASAP.**

**Text Book/Resource Fee— \$70.00**

**Voluntary Contribution Fee— \$40.00**

## ASSEMBLY REPORT FROM WEEK 3 & 4

|                                 |                               | WEEK 3    | WEEK 4  |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|---|
| <b>Mrs Lawson's Awards</b>      | <b>Merit</b>                  | Izaac     | Maddon  |
|                                 | <b>Merit</b>                  | Maddon    | Gemma   |
|                                 | <b>English</b>                | Indi      | Rosie   |
|                                 | <b>Mathematics</b>            | Riley     | Myah  |
|                                 | <b>Quality Learning Award</b> | Brinley   | Audrie  |
|                                 | <b>Citizenship Award</b>      | Eli       | Riley   |
| <b>Mr Braye's Awards</b>        | <b>Merit</b>                  | Kobi      | Jack  |
|                                 | <b>Merit</b>                  | Zara      | Alexis  |
|                                 | <b>English</b>                | Alexis    | Jack  |
|                                 | <b>Mathematics</b>            | Jaida     | Zara  |
|                                 | <b>Quality Learning Award</b> | Brielle   | Brock   |
|                                 | <b>Citizenship Award</b>      | Sophie    | Kayd  |
| <b>Miss Gardoll's Awards</b>    | <b>Merit</b>                  | Mackenzie | Ruby  |
|                                 | <b>Merit</b>                  | Alecia    | Alexia  |
|                                 | <b>English</b>                | Zachariah | Jordan  |
|                                 | <b>Mathematics</b>            | Mackenzie | Lily  |
|                                 | <b>Quality Learning Award</b> | Joel      | Manaia  |
|                                 | <b>Citizenship Award</b>      | Eden      | Emi   |
| <b>Mrs Adamthwaite's Awards</b> | <b>Merit</b>                  | Reina     |   |
|                                 | <b>Merit</b>                  | Sean      |   |
|                                 | <b>English</b>                | Cooper    |   |
|                                 | <b>Mathematics</b>            | Troy      |   |
|                                 | <b>Quality Learning Award</b> | Claudia   |   |
|                                 | <b>Citizenship Award</b>      | Savannah  |   |
| <b>Prefect's Report</b>         |                               |           | We hope everyone is enjoying swimming and learns something new. |
| <b>Prefect's Awards</b>         |                               | Harmony   | Claire– Random acts of Kindness                                 |
| <b>Principal's Award</b>        |                               | Seth      | Harmony   |
| <b>House Cup</b>                |                               |           | <b>Wonarua</b>  |



# TUCK SHOP ITEMS AND PRICES



## Tuck Shop



60c



60c



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60c



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## Tuck Shop



Twisted Frozen Yoghurt \$1.50



Moosies \$1.00



Jucies \$1.00



Ice Cream Cups \$1.00



All items comply with the Star Ratings **6 Star or Above!!!!**

These items will change to comply with the Star Ratings