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Term 1 Week 3



COMING EVENTS

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Feb / Mar / Apr

Fri 10 Feb— Swimming Carnival

Tues 14 Feb— P&C Meeting, 6pm

Fri 17 Feb— Friday Assembly, 2:30pm

Fri 17 Feb—Fri 31 Mar— Exergames

Mon 20-Fri 24 Feb— School Dental Visit

NOTES & MONEY DUE

Exergames permission note and \$9.50 payment— **Thurs 9 Feb**

Voluntary contribution Fee **\$40**



**NO ASSEMBLY
THIS FRIDAY.**

**ASSEMBLIES WILL
COMMENCE ON
FRIDAY 17 FEBRUARY
AT 2:30PM**

Term 1 Week 3

P&C MEETING

Our first P&C Meeting for 2023 is scheduled for next Tuesday 14 February at 6:00pm. **Everyone is welcome!**

EXERGAMES

Our students will be participating in Exergames for Friday sport this term. Exergames will run for 7 weeks, starting Friday 17 February (Week 4) to Friday 31 March (Week 10).

The cost of this amazing program is \$9.50 and has been subsidised by Sport Schools Grant.

Please return permission note and payment of \$9.50 to the front office by Tomorrow, Thursday 9 February.



MOSQUITOES

**Mozzies are out in force at the moment!
Please remember to pack your ROLL ON mosquito repellent (labelled with your name) and keep it in your bag for when you need it.**

Swim your heart out ♥♥

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

We will be holding our whole school Swimming Carnival this Friday, 10 February, at West Wallsend Swimming Centre.

Please arrive by 9:00am for a 9:30am start.

Private transport is required to and from the pool.

Don't forget to wear your Sport House Colours!!

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SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION

WELCOME TO WEEK 3

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to our Week 3 (long) newsletter!

A reminder that on a Wednesday our extended newsletters will go home in odd weeks this term, with a short 'reminders' newsletter being sent home in even weeks. I would encourage you to take a moment each week to read through our newsletters, as they are a wonderful source of information for all the fabulous teaching and learning, and other activities, happening at our little school!

We have had a great start to the year, with each of our classes already deep into their teaching and learning programs for 2023. Our little Kindies have amazed us with how quickly they have settled into 'big school', as have our new students in other grades. Well done boys and girls!

This year we begin teaching the new K-2 English and Mathematics syllabuses and will be trialing the 3-10 English and Mathematics syllabuses, ready to implement in 2024. Our staff are committed to continuing to improve the literacy and numeracy skills of our children, and have some exciting things planned, which we are

looking forward to sharing with you and having your input!

OUR 2023 CLASSES AND TEACHERS

Again in 2023 we have 4 classes:

**Year K/1 –
Mr Matt Braye**

**Year 1/2 –
Mrs Roleter Lane
(Mon.-Thurs.) and
Mrs Renae Youman
(Fri.)**

**Year 3/4 –
Mrs Liz Pettersen**

**Year 5/6 –
Mrs Emily Lawson**

We are so very fortunate to have each of these wonderful teachers, working with your children each day to improve their learning and wellbeing outcomes. Please reach out to them at any stage if you have any questions or concerns. It is also nice for them to be told of the good things too sometimes, something our parents and carers are very good at. Thank you!

In our Week 5 Newsletter, I look forward to sharing with you some other teachers and roles that we have at our school for 2023.

PARENT/CARER FOCUS GROUPS

Tomorrow afternoon, straight after school we will be having some parent/carer focus groups and would love it if you could stay back for about 30 minutes and join in. A couple of teachers will be leading the focus groups and a couple of teachers will be supervising students in the playground (and will enjoy a free ice block!) The focus groups will be a very informal chat and allow us to get your thoughts on what we are doing well and areas that we could do even better. Please try and stay if you can, even if it is just for 15 minutes. I cannot stress enough how much we value your input and are committed to sharing the educational journey of your child with you.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL – THIS FRIDAY!

Put your swimmers on and pack your goggles and towel! This Friday is our 2023 Swimming Carnival at West Wallsend Swim Centre and the first time in a couple of years that we are able to have our whole school attend. A huge shout out to our wonderful Mrs Pettersen who has done a fabulous job organising our swimming carnival (for the very first time!). Thank you also to Mr

Braye for his help. Please contact us if you have any questions, particularly our new families. Look forward to seeing you all there on Friday morning!

P&C MEETING

Our first P&C Meeting for 2023 will be next Tuesday, 14 February at 6pm. On behalf of our incredible P&C, I warmly invite you to come along, have input or just listen to the wonderful things our P&C have planned for 2023. As one of our committee members said, "What a lovely way to spend Valentine's Day!"

CLASS WELCOME

Instead of our usual beginning of year class meetings, our teachers have decided that we will all be at the "Stay and Play" afternoon on Friday 24 February. This will allow us to speak with you informally and answer any questions you may have. Each teacher will be sending home a welcome to class newsletter, containing lots of information about the year ahead. In addition, we will be having our Semester 1 Learning Goals Meetings (student/teacher/parent) in Week 6 of this term. Mrs Pettersen and Mrs Lawson will be having their meetings on

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Wednesday 1 March,
with Mrs Lane/ Mrs
Youman and Mr Braye
having their meetings on
Thursday 2 March.

Like last year, bookings
will be made through the
School Interviews App.
Further invitation will be
given next week,
including when the site
will be available for you
to book your timeslot.

Enjoy the rest of your
week Black Hill!
Take care of each other
and yourself!

Kylie and Staff

P&C NEWS

SAVE THE DATE P&C MEETING

Our first P&C Meeting for 2023 is scheduled in for Tuesday 14 February at 6:00pm (week 4). At this meeting, we will be setting out our goals for 2023 and scheduling in our events for the year. If you are unable to attend the meeting but have any suggestions please touch base with a P&C member, email the school or drop a note in the P&C box in the office. We would love to hear your suggestions. Everyone is welcome!

STAY & PLAY

On Friday 24 February, this is a casual after school meet and greet for our entire school community PLUS our teachers will be joining us too. The playground will be open and everyone is invited! This is a great opportunity to meet other families, talk with the teachers and for the kids to have some extra time to play after school. Please bring a plate to share for afternoon tea. We look forward to seeing you then!



LIBRARY CORNER



Tuesdays
3/4 & 5/6
With Mrs Prosser

Wednesdays
K/1 & 1/2
With Mrs South

***Please ensure library bags are packed on these days.**



You Are Invited To
STAY & PLAY @ BHPS

Stay back after school to play for the afternoon.

Friday 24 February

Meet other families, talk with our teachers
AND
Extra time to play after school.
From 3pm, everyone welcome.
Please bring a plate to share for afternoon tea.



WELCOME TO K/1

The K/1 class has already experienced so much in such a short space of time in 2023! We welcome the new Kindergarten students and their families into the Black Hill PS community! Thanks to the great work of our Year 6 buddies and the guidance of our Year 1 leaders, the Kindies have settled into school life with ease! We can't wait to see how the year progresses. For now, enjoy some pictures of what a day in the life of a K/1 student has looked like so far this year!

GOOD JOB!



You're AWESOME!



Well done!





WELCOME TO 1/2

"A new school year means new beginnings, new adventures, new friendships, and new challenges. The slate is clean, and anything can happen."

The students of 1/2, are off to a flying start. From using math and number literacy to create a Math About Me masterpiece, to reading the beautiful story, *The Kissing Hand*, all about a young raccoon, named Chester, who was anxious about leaving home and going to school.

Mrs Lane and Mrs Youman are so excited for the year ahead and promise that we are going to have a fantastic, fun-filled year packed full of learning, laughter & kindness.





WELCOME TO 3/4



Year 3/4 have enjoyed a wonderful start to Term 1, 2023!

We got to know one another, played games, had some fun and interesting learning experiences, and even got to meet a 4 week old puppy! We can't wait for what's next!





WELCOME TO 5/6



Stage 3 have had a mature, responsible and settled start to the year. Already we are setting up our classroom economy, learning about human rights, audience and purpose of texts, Australia and its Asian neighbours, Chinese willow art and are working hard on our times tables, additive strategies and problem solving. Everyone has really impressed me with their dedication to their leadership roles.



COMMUNITY NEWS

POP ONLINE PAYMENTS

This payment option is available on our school website.

Access the website <https://blackhill-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/> and the **MAKE A 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.

***Note: Payment Ref as indicated on our permission note must be quoted.**
If you are paying school fees – just put the Payment Ref – SCHOOL FEES.

Also write your POP receipt number on the signed student permission note if the payment is for an activity and return to school.

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process, please contact the office.

**** PLEASE NOTE: P&C PAYMENTS ARE NOT TO BE MADE VIA POP PAYMENTS.**
CASH OR CHEQUE ONLY MADE OUT TO- BLACK HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION.

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SCAN THE CODE TO REGISTER NOW

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:
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MORPETH J.R.L.C.

BERESFIELD FOOTBALL CLUB

REGISTRATION DAYS
will be held at
Beresfield Bowling Club
on
Saturday 11th & 18th February, 2023
from 10:00am to 1:00pm

If you would like to become active, have lots of fun and learn a little about the game of soccer

PLEASE register online at
www.playfootball.com.au

Or phone Denise- 0419 642 733 or Sue- 4966 4018 for any further information.

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