OOSSH Vacation Care.

September Vacation Care applications are now being taken and forms are available from the Oosh office and the school website. December/January Vacation Care

Our last day for 2014 will be Friday 19 December with Thursday 18 and Friday the 19 Staff Development days so we will be operating as Vacation Care days.

We will reopen on Monday 12 January 2015 for an exciting Vacation Care program. If your child is starting kindergarten in 2015 they are more than welcome to start Vacation care on Monday 12 January 2015. Please see Liz for a 2015 enrolment form.

HELPERS NEEDED
Calling all mums, dads and nans and pops, if you have a spare few hours 1 day per month/term please contact the canteen as we are in need of helpers.

Robyn Brunton
Canteen Supervisor

Funny Face Biscuits (Egg free)

Ingredients:
2 cups (300g) icing sugar, 2 tbsp water, yellow food colouring, 1 packet Milk Arrowroot biscuits (oval shape)
small box Smarties, packet Allen’s Retro party mix (it has the teeth and lips), packet jelly beans, sprinkles

Method:
Stir icing sugar into a bowl; add enough water to make a spreadable paste. Add a few drops of yellow food colouring to get the right sunny face colour.
Spread a teaspoon of icing onto the biscuit and then use the lollies to make the faces. When the face is done, use the sprinkles for hair, boards and a moustache.

Notes: These are so much fun! Mine were very boring and ‘normal’, the kids were very creative and added eyebrows, rosy cheeks, big noses and ears – all in fascinating colour combinations!
The biscuits will keep in an air-tight container for a few days if you want to make them in advance.

A great way to combine party food with a party activity.

Canteen News

September 12 is the date for the fabulous night we have planned for all our over 18 year old female parents, carers, friends and family members. Mark your calendars, get a group of friends together and stay tuned for more information.

Canteen News

 Halifax to the rescue!

Let’s get organised early!

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2015 for their 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Austria Japan, the U.S.A and Canada will host the students from France, Germany, Italy, Austria Japan, the U.S.A and Canada. All ages welcome. Email welcome@tahlis.com.au to get organised early!

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER!

Another Star Performance

Last week it was a pleasure to attend the evening performance by Year 4, “Star Flaws”. It was funny, dramatic and extremely entertaining! Every child in Year 4 had the opportunity to be a part of this experience and will definitely have wonderful life long memories. All performances played to a packed house and the audience was made up of proud parents, brothers, sisters, other family members, and friends and staff I would like to thank you all for attending and making these experiences so special.

Many thanks to so many staff members who gave up so much personal time and put so much effort into these performances; without your dedication such an event could never have occurred. A special thanks to the Year 4 teachers, interns and a special thanks to Mr Matt Porter, writer and coordinator of “Star Flaws”.

Central Coast Public Education Awards of Excellence

Last night it was my absolute pleasure to attend the Central Coast Public Education Awards of Appreciation. At this ceremony the Berkeley Vale P&C and School nominated received recognition for their outstanding contribution and dedication to Public Education. The award recipients from this school were:

Mrs Jill Jackson—outstanding contribution to the SASS team at Berkeley Vale Public and Public Education. Her leadership has been exceptional.

Mrs Leonie Thompson—Outstanding contribution to the professional development of staff, and her exceptional ability to provide individual programs for students is valued.

Mr & Mrs Twist—Remarkable contribution to Berkeley Vale Public School’s additional programs and Public Education over many years, including beautification of school grounds.
Congratulations to them all and a very big thank you from all staff, students and parents of Berkeley Vale Public School.

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Carrington Rebelz

COME AND PLAY SOFTBALL WITH CARRINGTON REBELS!

*All ages welcome - from Tballers to Masters - no experience necessary
*October 2014 to March 2015 – all games at Passage Rd Batemans Bay

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Yr 4 E and H class Sirius Knights from Star Flaws

ANOTHER STAR PERFORMANCE

Communications
As we are trying to improve our communication to parents I would like to remind you of the following:
* Newsletters go home fortnightly with the eldest child
* Newsletters are also available from the stand in the front foyer
* The school website—www.berkeleyva-p.schoools.nsw.edu.au is updated regularly and has a copy of all notes sent home
* Skoolbag (school App) has alerts to remind parents of key events
* Major events or messages are updated on our school sign on the corner of Pindari Ave and Henry Parkes Dr
* Berkeley Vale PS DOES NOT have or endorse any Facebook page

Narelle Armour
Principal

Citizenship Awards
Bronze Assistant Principal: Hollie Flack KS, Cadence Foster KA, Sienna Johnston KV, Fletcha Lincoln KV, Brooke Burns KV, Hayleigh Wilton KA, Mason Tandy KS, William Sheld KV, Jarred Pellett KS, Jack Gascrove KS
Bronze Deputy Principal: Evelyn Cumberland 1R, Beau Ludtrey 1L
Bronze Principal: Tahar Farrand 1L, Isa Molony 1H, Gemma Fletcher 1L, Alken Morris 2C, Riley Smith 1/2C
Bronze Outstanding: Renee Montebole 2H, Silver Assistant Principal: Georgie Barber 3T, Olivia Shaw 4P, Isaiah Walter 4P
Silver Principal: Hayley Watt 4P, Joshua Cook 4B, Taylah Armstrong SW, William Mears 4/5/6H, Bethany Kirby 4/5/6H, Broden Barker SW
Silver Outstanding: Anish Kotha 6D, Breanna Nathan 6M
Silver Honour Roll 1: Lillie Alexander SW
Silver Honour Roll 2: Chelsea Tallon 6M

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Comes to a City near you!

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Skateboards
Some of our students are bringing skateboards to school and, to be blunt, they are more trouble than they're worth. We would appreciate parents encouraging their children to leave the skateboard at home. Thank you.

Darrell Keirnan
Deputy Principal

School Council Meeting
A reminder to all members that the next School Council Meeting is Tuesday 19 August at 6:00pm sharp in the staffroom.

Fun and Fitness at Year 1 Sport
If the weather is fine tomorrow, Year One sport will go ahead as usual. All the Year One boys and girls and teachers love having our wonderful mums, dads and grandparents there to help.

Sandra de Gruytz
Deputy Principal

Central Coast Drama Festival
Students from Years 5 & 6 have been given the opportunity to attend the Central Coast Drama Festival being held at Niagara Park. This is a great workshop which builds on our students’ performing art skills. Students who are interested in attending need to return their notes asap.

Koori Choir
Congratulations to our Koori Choir who performed at the National Children’s Day for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders on Tuesday 4 August. The event was held at the Entrance Community Centre where our Choir once again sang beautifully. Thank you to Mrs Julie Carpenter who attended with the children on the day.

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Families
All Aboriginal & Torres Strait families will be receiving a letter regarding PYPs and feedback sheets for you and your child to complete so PYPs can be implemented for the students.

Student Leadership Conference
On Tuesday 19 August Mr Bauer and I will be taking twenty Year 5 & 6 students to our Annual TLLC Student Leadership Conference. This year the conference will be held at Mingara and all students are to make their own way there. Students received a pre-conference booklet to help them in preparation for the conference. We hope you all have a fantastic time and learn some great leadership skills.

Batrurst Excursion - Year 5 (Tuesday 26 – Thursday 28 August)
Year 5 will be going on their annual Year 5 Bathurst Excursion in Week 7. All money and notes are due now. Please make sure you fill out your child’s dietary requirements if need be. We are looking forward to another wonderful excursion. Staff attending camp will be Rachelle Wright, Simon Bauer, Darrell Keirnan and myself. All students who are not attending camp will be expected to come to school. Mrs Jan Hawkins will be taking those students.

Janelle Chapman
Assistant Principal/Aboriginal Coordinator

Leaders Breakfast
On Friday 1 August our school held our annual Leaders Breakfast. The breakfast showcased accomplished and valued members of the community, to the young leaders of our school. We had 50 men and women from our local community attend the breakfast. Special guests included MP Karen McNamara, Senator Scott Ryan, Central Coast Mariner Josh Rose, NRL referee Shayne Hayne and Black Hawk helicopter pilot Daniel Rube who brought along his helmet which the students loved. This great day could not have happened without the help and assistance of the amazing staff at BVPS.

Special thanks go to Robyn Brunton, Narelle Armoire, Darrell Keirnan and the selfless members of staff who worked tirelessly on setting up the hall and cleaning up after the breakfast.

The Leaders Breakfast Committee

Karen McNamara MP, Yr 4 student Brayden Kepey-Pilson and Daniel Rube

Assembly of Excellence
Congratulations to the Berkeley Vale students who received an award at the prestigious Tyggehalas Learning Community Awards Ceremony on Wednesday 6 August.

The Leaders Breakfast Committee

Community Forum
As part of our next four strategic plan we are holding a Community Forum in the school library next Wednesday 20 August from 6.30 – 8.30pm. The forum will be split into four main areas for discussion: Numeracy/Literacy; Community Participation; Technology; and Student Wellbeing. Two families per class have been invited at random to attend the forum and participate in one of these areas. We will also invite community members and staff to participate in the forum. This is a great opportunity to have your say about our school direction for the next 3 years. If you miss out and wish to write a short note to express your views then please pass this on to your child’s teacher for consideration.

Staff Development Day Variation
We have an opportunity to exchange our last day of the year, which is a Staff Development Day (no students), for two evening sessions. This allows us to engage qualified instructors for important CPR and Emergency Care updates at more suitable times. Therefore, school staff will be attending two evening sessions from 3.00 – 6.00 p.m. to undertake this training during term four instead of attending on Friday 19th December. This will not affect students as no students are scheduled to attend school on the last Thursday (18/12) and Friday (19/12).