



GEORGE BASS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 9 Term 3 2014

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Trivia Night

George Bass School trivia night on Friday the 12th of September at Yagoona Public School promises to be a huge success. Thank you to all of the parents and staff who contributed to the running of this event. A special thanks to Toulia and the trivia night committee as well as the P&C for their organisation and support of the event.

I would also like to pass on my thanks to Yagoona Public School for their support in allowing us to host our event at their venue so that we can cater for our large numbers.

Bankstown Public School Program

Weekly, over the last two terms, a group of students have been attending Bankstown Public School to engage in a social skills program. The students who have been attending this program were selected by staff nomination on this occasion and a Learning Support Team. The program has been a fantastic success for students of our school and their peer support partners at Bankstown PS.

Thank you to Courteney for organising this program with colleagues from Bankstown and thank you to Hayley, Aaron and Sarah for helping to support the program each week.

George Bass Olympic

Each week George Bass Olympics is a program that teaches our students discrete skills relating to sports and physical activity. Thank you to Victoria for organising this program and ensuring its success. This program is supported by Bass high students who come each week to provide our students with additional support, modelling and social opportunities. I would like to congratulate each of these students on their outstanding efforts each week. Particularly in the way they are able to engage our students with positivity and enthusiasm.

George Bass School Going Digital

One of the priorities of George Bass School is linking with our school community. In order to do this more effectively and to celebrate our school's many achievements George Bass School is now on twitter. All parents and community members are welcome to follow George Bass School @georgebschool .

There are rules for staff and social media within the Department of Education and Communities Code of Conduct so don't be surprised if you are not able to follow individual staff members on any social media platform. I have advised staff that the appropriate way to connect with families on the internet is via their DEC email address.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Trivia Night this evening.

KIRRAWE CLASS

Kirrawe class is one of the newest classes starting in term 3. Currently we have three high school students in our class.

The students are settling in really well and are adjusting to the new school, making new friends and following routines.

Kirrawe class is a very sporty and active bunch. We love playing soccer, jumping on the trampoline, swimming, George Bass Olympics and gardening which includes watering, weeding and planting new vegies.

This term we were lucky to experience various school based cultural and social events which allowed us to be involved in different activities including Education week, Trivia Night Artwork and NAIDOC Day.

Kirrawe class also helped raise funds for the School Spectacular by cooking the sausage sizzle.

Toula Finka (our RFF teacher) comes to our class twice a week with loads of exciting and engaging activities.

For our Accelerated Literacy (AL) we are reading a book called 'Flood' which is a true story about the Brisbane flooding. In relation to this book we have been learning all about floods and heroes in our community.

Wishing everyone a safe two week break!!!
Abhi, Violeti & Mat



LIBRARY BAGS

Borrowing from the Library will start next term –
Hooray!

It is essential that all students have a library bag
for borrowing as it ensures the safety of our
library resources.

Bags can be purchased from our school office
for \$8.



WALI CLASS

This term Wali have been busy reading a very exciting book called 'The Magic Hat', by Mem Fox. We have our own class 'magic hat' which helps us read and understand the story. It travels home with our students on the weekends. We enjoy retelling our magical weekend adventures through a journal which we use to show our friends each Monday morning during journal time. We have been discussing lots of other types of hats and we performed a cowboy/girl dance at last week's assembly.

Our new library is fantastic! We have started our weekly class library lessons and love reading in our beautiful learning space. We are excited to start borrowing soon!

This term, Wali are learning about our local spaces. We have started by looking at our school and discovering all of the natural and built features within it.

Every Monday afternoon we have music in the hall. During this time Matt and Abhi teach us various drumming rhythms and help us when using the ipad band. We look forward to continuing this program and learning some new skills through the integration of ipad technology.

Term 3 2014: Last day of school Friday 19 September 2014
Term 4 2014: First day of school Tuesday 7th October 2014
Term 4 2014: Last day of school Friday 19th December 2014

Term 1: Thursday 29 January 2015 – Thursday 2 April 2015
Holidays: Friday 3 April 2015 – Friday 17 April 2015
Term 2: Monday 20 April 2015 – Friday 26 June 2015
Holidays: Monday 29 June 2015 – Friday 10 July 2015
Term 3: Monday 13 July 2015 – Friday 18 September 2015
Holidays: Monday 21 September 2015 – Monday 5 October 2015
Term 4: Tuesday 6 October 2015 – Friday 18 December 2015
Holidays: Monday 21 December – Wednesday 27 January 2016

***School Development days occur at the beginning of terms 1, 2 & 3 and the last 2 days of the year.**