



Blacksmiths Public School



DIARY DATES

Wed 17 Oct	Yr 5/6 Science Day
Thu 25 Oct	Debating
Fri 26 Oct - Fri 30 Nov	Kinder Orientation 9.15-11.30am Fridays
Wed 31 Oct	Yr 5/6 Teen Talk
Wed 7 Nov	Galgabba Soccer
Thu 8 Nov	Remembrance Day Ceremony
Wed 14 Nov	Yr 5 Leadership Speeches
Thu 15 Nov	Yr 6 Mini Fete
Tue 27 Nov	Leadership Voting
Tue 4 Dec	Yr 6 Hello High School
Tue 11 Dec	Christmas Carols
Thu 13 Dec	Presentation Day

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

WELCOME BACK FOR TERM 4!

We are looking forward to one of the busiest but most rewarding terms for 2018. It is lovely to see the children revitalised after the holidays and happy to be back at school. As usual our Bulletin will be issued fortnightly, however I thought it imperative to have a small welcome feature with upcoming dates, including:

SCIENCE & ENGINEERING CHALLENGE - YEAR 5 & 6 EXCURSION

Our Stage 3 class will be attending St. Mary's Catholic College this Wednesday 17 October to participate in a day-long competition designed to promote a positive experience of science and engineering. Students need to bring a pen, recess and lunch and be wearing full school uniform. Prior consent for permission to attend the excursion occurred last term.

GYMNASTICS

Gymnastics for K-6 begins Friday 26 October. Notes were sent home at the end of last term. Please be aware that the program cost has been reduced considerably with the Sporting School Program grant, with \$15.00 per student due before this Friday 19 October. This is a six week program.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

Our gorgeous new Kindergartens will be joining us on Friday 26 October from 9.15-11.30am. They will join us every Friday for 6 weeks. They too will be participating in the gymnastics sessions and meeting the current Year 4 buddies in readiness for 2019.

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS

Mrs Clark and 2 school representatives (notes to be sent home today) will be attending the Environmental Awards. Blacksmiths PS is already a leader in this field and continues to inspire surrounding schools in our region.

SKOOLBAG APP

SkoolBag are aware of a small number of iPhone users having issues accessing the new SkoolBag App. This can be caused by having larger font sizes enabled on your device. If you are experiencing issues, please temporarily switch off this setting by following these steps:

On your Apple device > Settings > General > Accessibility > Larger Text - OFF. Then try to open the Skoolbag App and log in.

The SkoolBag team hope to have this problem solved in the next week.



In the interest of all children who attend Blacksmiths PS we encourage parents & carers not to send nuts, or products containing nuts, to school. Thank you.

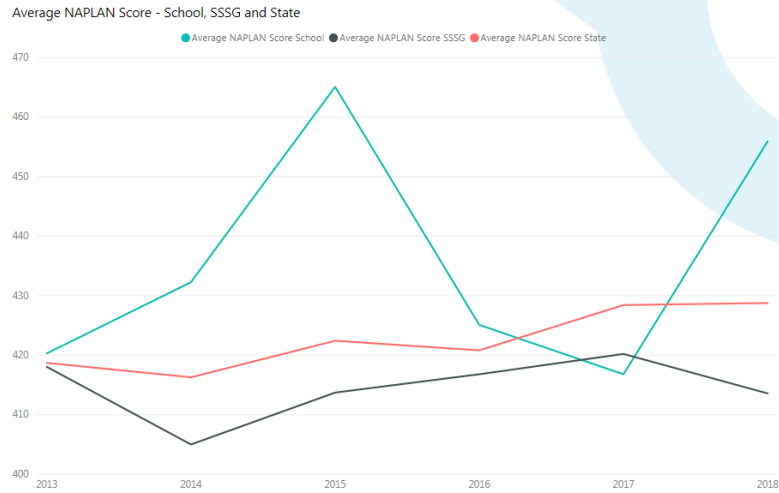
YEAR 6 MINI FETE - JAR STALL

The Year 6 Mini Fete will be held on Thursday 15 November. Each Year 5 and Year 6 student is required to send in two filled jars for the popular 'Jar Stall' and donations of one filled jar from all other families would also be appreciated.

NAPLAN

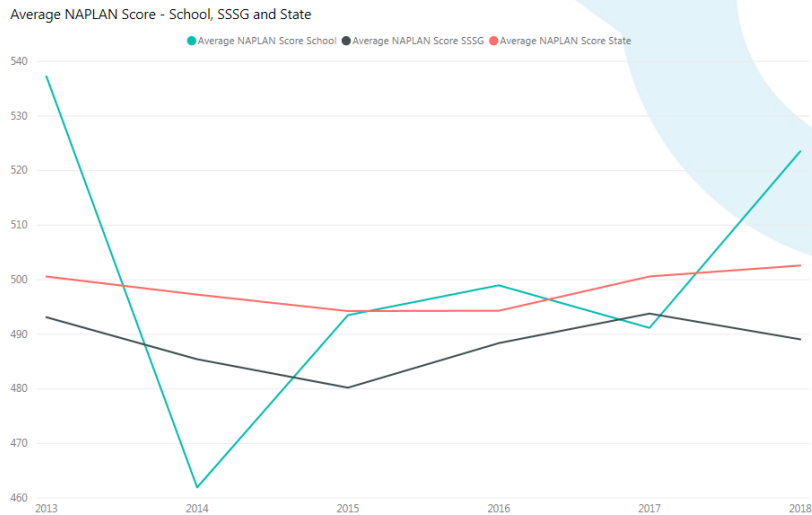
NAPLAN results for Year 3 & 5 were distributed at the end of last term. The results indicate vast improvements for Blacksmiths PS. Specific grade results will be posted in our fortnightly Newsletters. Congratulations and well done to our students.

Reading Results - Year 3



If there is no line for your school, check the NAPLAN Assessment slicer to ensure it is filtered for an assessment that is done in your school.

Reading Results - Year 5



BUNNINGS

A huge thank you to Alana (horticulturalist and Educational Officer) from Bunnings Belmont for donating seedlings to assist with the beautification of our front garden beds. Your generosity is very much appreciated. They are currently gaining strength in new pots in our greenhouse.



ENROLMENTS FOR 2019

Enrolments for Kindergarten for 2019 are now being finalised. If you have not completed and returned your enrolment forms, we would appreciate that this is done as soon as possible, so that we can have all students on our system ready for our Kinder Orientation days.

Kim Harris - Principal

ASSEMBLY AWARDS Term 3 Week 10			
K/1	Damon M.	Seth K.	Jesse L. Isabel P.
2/3	Maili P.	Sam W.	Cruz R.
3/4	Sienna K.	Madison H.	Joshua T.
5/6	Tegan H.	Coran O.	Ella P.

HOME READING AWARDS

50 Nights:	Bailey F.
75 Nights:	Taylan M. Seth K.
100 Nights:	Lily M.
125 Nights:	Maddison B.
150 Nights:	Maddison B.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Swansea Public School Canteen Co-Ordinator

Swansea Public School P&C Association requires an enthusiastic and well organised Canteen Co-ordinator 4 days per week. The School Canteen Co-ordinator plays a vital role and efficiently manages the daily activities of the school canteen, whilst providing fresh, healthy food to 240 students. To be successful in this role ideally you will have:-

- A passion for food with a high focus on delivering fresh, healthy and tasty food preferable to children;
- Experience in planning, organising and monitoring the day to day operations of a canteen including daily record keeping.
- Experience in dealing with suppliers and preparing orders, maintaining stock and other duties relevant to the day to day running of the canteen
- An understanding of the NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy
- A valid working with children check or ability to obtain one.

Fast Food Industry Award 2010 wages apply. Email your application to swanseapspandc@gmail.com



Seasons for Growth

COMPANION TRAINING
for the
Children and Young People's Program

Seasons for Growth is an innovative education program for children and young people in Primary and Secondary schools which explores the effects of change, loss and grief.

Facilitated by trained Companions within a small 'peer' group, the participants explore feelings, memories, loss and grief in a safe and creative way.

Seasons for Growth is an education program. It does not provide counselling or therapy.



DATE: 7 & 8 November 2018	TIME: 9.00am to 3.30pm
VENUE: Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle Toohey Room 841 Hunter Street, Newcastle West NSW 2302	
COST: \$610 per person (includes Companion manual, journal, morning tea and lunch)	
TRAINER: Jennie Nolan	
ENQUIRIES: Karen Muir Phone: 0428 620 264	Good Grief Office: 02 8912 2700 Email: karen.muir@goodgrief.org.au
REGISTER ONLINE AT: www.goodgrief.org.au/product/468	TRAINING CODE (SKU): YN181103



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- Savings plans for camps and excursions
- Regular information updates in newsletters
- Annual Awards Ceremony
- All volunteers are NSW Working with Children Check compliant

If you'd like to learn more, visit an operational Squadron or call us today!






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Term 4	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
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8	3 December	4 December Hello High School - Yr 6	5 December	6 December	7 December	8 9 Dec
9	10 December	11 December Christmas Carols	12 December	13 December Presentation Day	14 December	15 16 Dec
10	17 December	18 December	19 December Last Day for Students & Staff	20 December	21 December	22 23 Dec
Hols	24 December	25 December Christmas Day	26 December Boxing Day	27 December	28 December	29 30 Dec