

# Barham Banter

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Term 4 – Week 8

25<sup>th</sup> November, 2013

*Vacations may put you in the pink, but probably leave you in the red.*

### Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2013 Term 4 Week 8

Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	4/5/6 Excursion –Barham Avocados
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>No</b> K-2 After School Sport
Thursday 28 <sup>st</sup> November	<b>No</b> 3-6 After school Sport

### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2013 Term 4 Week 9

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Swimming Lessons Commence.
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	K-2 After School Sport
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	3-6 After school Sport
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	School Assembly
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	P&C Shopping Spree

## Swimming

As you are aware, our intensive swimming program commences on **Monday, 2 December** for all students. In an effort to streamline the lessons and ensure maximum benefit from the time in these classes, we are proposing that students in years 3 to 6 utilise this week's sports time to travel across to the pool in Koondrook, on **Thursday 28 November** for some initial testing. This will allow teachers to allocate students into instructional groups prior to lessons commencing. Students in K-2 will be assessed on the first Monday.

As permission notes have already been distributed, we will use these to also cover swimming on Thursday, unless parents advise the school otherwise. It is important that these forms be returned to school immediately. Pool entry of **\$2.50** will need to be brought in for the year 3-6 students on Thursday, unless they have already purchased a family season membership to the Koondrook pool. Bus transport costs will be covered.

## Class Awards

Congratulations to these students, who received yellow, red and blue certificates at last week's assembly.

Special congratulations to Trinity Burger and Mason Laursen on receiving their gold certificate!

Those students who have received a gold certificate will be attending the Principal's Gold Lunch on Friday 13 December.



## School Fees & Kitchen Levy

Many thanks to those families who have made these payments. It is greatly appreciated. Unfortunately, many families continue to have outstanding invoices. As previously indicated, we especially need to ensure that the kitchen levies are paid, as the budget for the kitchen was calculated much earlier in the year and financial rollover is at the end of this month.

## Active After School Sport

Please take special note if your child/ren participate in this program. It **will not be operating this week (Tuesday or Thursday)**, but will resume for weeks 9 and 10.

## Cookbook

The photographs of your children in this cookbook are exceptional! Many parents have been in to the office to have a sneak preview. They have been very impressed and understand that the final one will be even 'glossier'! Please consider grandparents and other family friends who, we are confident, would appreciate a souvenir copy for Christmas. An order form is attached. Remember, there is only one print run!

### Barham Primary School Cookbook Order Form

Name : \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Books \_\_\_\_\_

@ \$30 = \_\_\_\_\_

Money to accompany this order  
Cheques made to Barham Primary School P&C.

## Swimming

Thank you to all the people who have indicated that they will be able to assist with our Learn to Swim program. This means that our group sizes can be kept quite small and we should be able to pair people who have had more experience teaching swimming with those who wish to help out for the first time. As some people have asked for another information session to outline the basics of teaching swimming, we will be holding another one, **this Thursday after school, commencing at 3pm**. We look forward to seeing anyone who can make it.

## Avocado Awareness

Today our 4/5/6 students travelled out to Barham Avocadoes with Mrs McConnell and Ms Fyfe. Watch this space in next week's newsletter for a report and photos.

## Creative Catchment Kids

Last Friday, Mrs Radywonik accompanied our CMA, *Creative Catchment Kids* to Deniliquin for the launch of the biography they wrote on Phil and Pam O'Neill, who also travelled across for the big event. Congratulations to Hannah Membrey, Sophie Disher, Tammika Thompson and Elle Petrascu on their first published book!

A report from the girls:

*Launch of our book. "Local Lovers of the Environment: Pam and Phil O'Neill."*

*When we arrived at St Michael's Catholic School we discovered we were the first of 11 schools to arrive for the launch of their books.*

*When it started, we volunteered to present our book first. We stood in front of the crowd with Pam and Phil and explained why we chose them for our champions.*

*We were presented with 40 copies of our book, and a poster for our school.*

*We had a great day and our book turned out to be even better than we had thought. We are very proud of the results.*

If anyone would like to read a copy, they are in the office.

## Aspire Me Sydney

Safe and happy travelling is wished to Ellie Disher and Tessa Fasham, who are travelling to Sydney this Wednesday, representing our school in this year's program. These girls will join other students from south-west Riverina schools for the 4-day experience enjoying the sites of Sydney, visiting Government House, the Opera House, Darling Harbour, the Museum of Contemporary Art, plus more! The finale of this excursion will be attending the 2103 School Spectacular at the Sydney Entertainment Centre. We shall look forward to reading their report in next week's newsletter.

## School Readers

As with library books, now is the time we ask all families to check everywhere at home to ensure any readers belonging to the school are returned. These small books, usually taken home by students in K-3, are a very valuable resource and full sets need to be maintained for them to be useable by future years. Your cooperation in looking for and returning books to school in the next couple of weeks is greatly appreciated.

## Calendar Changes & Final Assembly

A reminder to parents and community members that the next scheduled whole school assembly is on **Friday, 6 December** and will commence at **11.30 am**. (Please note this is one week later than initially advised). This assembly will feature the speeches of our aspiring leaders for 2014, as well as class awards, etc. This will be the final assembly of the school year and will be followed by our Christmas bookfair in the library.

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov			S.Martin	
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	J.Ibbs		L.Gleeson	L.Gleeson
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	R.Jones			
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	N.Patten		K.Knight	K.Knight
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	K.Black	G.Allitt	G.Allitt	G.Allitt

**P&C Xmas Shopping Spree**

P&C are running a Xmas Shopping Spree leaving Barham Public school at 10.00am on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December.

Lunch provided, cold meat and salads.

Drinks available.

Prizes

\$25 per ticket.

Great bargains just in time for Christmas.

Contact Leonie 0429656662

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**Book Fair**

Yes – it's on again. The bookfair is a great opportunity to purchase fantastic books and support the school.

The bookfair will be held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec, 3.00pm – 5.00pm and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec. 8.30am – 10.00 am, then 1.00 - 5.00pm in the Library.

All classes will have a chance to look at the books prior to the bookfair and will be given the option of taking home a wish list. If you wish to purchase a book, but can't make it in, please send the title and payment and we will forward it on to you in a secret sealed envelope.

**Canteen**

Slushies this week are Cola and Fruit Punch..

**Wakool Art Show**

This annual event, showcasing wide variety of children's art, is on display at the Wakool Memorial Hall from 7pm, tonight

**Thank you from the P&C**

The last P & C function of the year was held on Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup> November at Barham Hotel with a casual dinner and get together with fellow P & C members from Barham High School.

Thank you to all the parents and teachers for attending and Barham Hotel for providing a wonderful meal and surrounds.

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WK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	18	19	20	21	22
8	25 Wakool- Burraboi PS Art Show	26  No AASS	27  Aspire me - Sydney	28 No AASS  Aspire me - Sydney	29  Aspire me - Sydney
9	2 December  Swimming.	3  Last Swimming Last AASS	4  Swimming	5  Swimming Last AASS	6 Assembly Leader's Speeches  BOOKFAIR
10	9  Swimming .....	10  Swimming	11  Swimming	12  Swimming	13
11	16 Infants Frolic Xmas Decorations  Yr 6 farewell Dinner	17 Presentation Day 9.30 am  Reports Home Class Parties	18 Last Day Students Pool Party 10 - 1.30	19 School Development Day	20 Last Day Staff School Development Day
	<b>Term 1</b>	<b>2014</b>			
1	February	4  Staff Return	5 Student's K-6 Return	6	7
2	10	11	12	13	14 School Swimming Carnival
3	17	18	19	20	21
4	24	25	26	27	28