Principal’s Message

NAPLAN
Last week parents of students in Years 3 and 5 who sat for the NAPLAN test this year would have received their reports. I cannot be more proud of how well our students performed in this state wide test. The school overall had some excellent results both in Literacy and Numeracy, often outperforming similar schools and reaching state expected results. It is a testament to the cumulative efforts of all the teachers at our school that support our students from their very first day in Pre-school and Kindergarten. NAPLAN is only a snapshot of what students understand in a test situation and as such should never replace a more holistic look at what students are capable of achieving at school level.

OPTUS ROCKCORP VOLUNTEER PROJECT
A huge thank you to all the volunteers and staff that helped clean our school on Sunday. It is this type of support that helps to enhance the learning and playing environment of our students. I look forward to the next phase of our school improvement project.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL
We have an increasing amount of children coming to school before 8:30am and not being picked up at 3pm. The office and playground are not supervised outside of these times and this is an ongoing issue. I ask for your assistance in not sending your child to school too early and being prompt in picking them up. Work commitments are not an appropriate reason to send your children to school to wait in an unsupervised environment.

5/6F
This week we welcome back from leave Mrs Karen McElroy. She will be taking 5/6F whilst Ms Fiso goes on leave from Monday to Thursday and Ms Fillipi will take them on Fridays. Both teachers are familiar to the students so this should be a smooth transition with no interruption to their learning. We wish Ms Fiso the best of the luck as she looks forward to the birth of her first child.

K/1 FARM EXCURSION
Under the threat of rain, on Tuesday 25th August Kindergarten and Year 1 visited a farm to enjoy the learning experiences of spending a day with baby animals. Our children and their teachers reported many positive experiences from the day and they all got to write about what they saw and learnt upon their return to school the next day.

AUTHOR VISIT
On Wednesday we had a visit to our school by children’s author Toula Papadam. She shared her stories with all the students and brought the characters to life with her animated readings. Students had the opportunity to purchase these books and there will be copies of them available for borrowing from the library.

Miss Hatzidimitriou – Principal

Upcoming Events
- Week 8 – Tuesday and Wednesday 1st and 2nd September, Father’s Day Stall 9.30am – 12.00
- Week 8 – Thursday 3rd September, Footy Colours Day Fundraiser
- Week 9 – Tuesday 8th September, 2H and 2BF excursion
- Week 9 – Wednesday 9th September SWS Regional Athletics Carnival
- Week 9 – Wednesday 9th September Year 6 Fun Day. Parents invited to attend
News, Reminders and Events

Kindergarten and preschool enrolments for 2016 are now being finalised. Please enrol at the office.

Principals Awards
Congratulations to the following students on achieving a Principal’s Award

Alice Khau 5/6F    Adam Raad 4/5LH    Joshua Va 3/4B    Joshua Tang 4/5LH    Adrian Lim 2BF
Hairara Saleemi 5/6W

P & COMMITTEE – Father’s Day stall

We are holding a Father’s Day Stall at school on Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd September. Gifts include pen sets, key rings, coffee mugs etc and will cost from 50c to $10. Students wanting to purchase gifts are to bring in their money on these days.

Also, we will be running a Father’s Day raffle that will be drawn on Friday 4th September. Ticket prices are $1ea or 6 for $5 and will be sold in the breakfast club area, before and after school from Mon 31 August.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN STICKERS

This promotion finishes on Tuesday 8th September, don’t forget to send your stickers in. The stickers are counted and we are able to spend that amount on educational items for classrooms. Make sure you put your child’s name, class and Bonnyrigg Public School on every card. Loose stickers (without cards), even if you only have a few, can also be placed in the collection box and I can finish off cards that are not full.

ZONE ATHLETICS

On Wednesday the 26th August, 40 students represented Bonnyrigg Public School at the zone athletics carnival. Every student tried their hardest and displayed outstanding behaviour. There were some outstanding results on the day with many students making finals across a variety of events and a number of students going on to finish in the top 3. Shayla, Pita, Quang, Oscar, Kayla and Sanaila will go on to represent Green Valley Zone at the South West Sydney regional carnival. Congratulations to all students involved.

A big thank you to all the children and teachers that dressed up for book week. You looked FABULOUS!!! Thanks for supporting book week.

Mrs Santa-Maria
Where does milk come from? Kindergarten and Year 1 found out at the farm.
Take a look at our farm photos on the School website.