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# **B.G.S GAZZETTE**

BRODERICK GILLAWARNA SCHOOL

#### PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

#### **CALENDAR**

#### Tuesday, 22nd July

Information session for the National Disability Insurance Scheme

Thursday, 12th June

**Music Therapy Workshop** 

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Information

Castelino

Term 1 was an extremely busy one and I expect that term 2 will be no different. Our students continue to access a range of activities from Work Experience to Integration and a variety of sporting activities as a result of our involvement in the Active Afterschool Program. It is great to see students engaging in healthy lifestyles that promote fitness and wellbeing to support engagement and on task behaviour.

You will have received notification of a change of date for staff development day, term 3. As a result of an opportunity for staff to attend professional development on the 6th August, 2014, we will need to move our SDD from Monday, 14th July. Please ensure that you forward your response regarding the change to the school so we can clarify all parents are aware of the change and are happy to support it. There will be further information sent home during this term so please look for updates in the newsletters to follow.

On Tuesday, 22nd July, we will be holding an information session on the National Disability Insurance Scheme here at school. The session will be presented by Jill Marshall from Family and Community Services and it will cover the initial information that is currently available on this new funding model. The changes to how you will support your child with a disability in the future are significant and we will endeavor to run a number of workshops throughout the next few years as information becomes available.

Jill Marshall will be available to answer questions at the completion of the session and handouts will be made available. Please look out for an invitation to this workshop in the coming weeks. There will be one session for those whose first language is English and two concurrent sessions for those requiring Arabic and Vietnamese translation. Times will be included in the invitation. Consent forms are being sent home for the National Consistent Collection of Data for students with disability. Attached to the forms are information sheets on the data collection with translations in Arabic, Chinese and Vietnamese. Please take some time to read the information so you can make an informed decision to have your child included in the data. Permission notes are required to be returned to the school by the end of the term. Your attention to this important data collection is appreciated.

Thank you to all those who have paid their school contribution for 2014. Contributions can be paid throughout the year and you will receive a receipt upon payment.

Do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any queries or concerns. I am always happy to meet with you and the front office staff will ensure that an appointment is made to ensure I am available

at the time you prefer.

Karen McDonell Principal



### VISITORS

Visiting Parents & Caregivers are required to make themselves known at the School Office before picking up students early or arriving late to school to obtain an early/late release note.

All Visitors, Parents and Caregivers are required to sign in and out at the Office at all times. This Directive is from the Department Of Education and Communities for the Safety of all Students, Staff and Visitors.

If you would like to talk to your child's Teacher, or visit the classroom, please ring or visit the Office to make an appointment. Teachers are always happy to make an appointment to see parents about any concerns they may have. You are always welcome at our school.

We appreciate your co operation on this matter.

# CLASS ASSEMBLY PERFORMANCES

Every week a class is asked to perform an item on stage at assembly. Below are the dates each class are performing for Term 2. Parents, Caregivers, families and friends are invited to watch their child perform.

Assembly commences at 9.30am and all visitors need to sign in at the office.

23 May 2014 — Junior Nanda

30 May 2014 — Senior Hamilton

6 April 2014 — Primary Grenfell

#### P & C News

# MOVIE NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Notes with order forms for tickets to the movie night have been sent home this week. If you have not received your note, please call the school office and we will send one to you.

Thank you all for your ongoing support.

### S C H O O L C O N T R I B U T I O N S

Recently you would have received an invoice for any outstanding incursions, excursions and/or school fees also known as Voluntary School Contributions.

Due to a computer error some of these invoices were sent to parents who have already finalised their accounts, please accept our apologies and thank you.

For those parents who have accounts outstanding, your earliest attention to this would be greatly appreciated.

These contributions are in addition to moneys provided from government sources. Schools may raise funds from community sources including requests to parents or guardians for voluntary school and subject contributions.

Juniors \$60 Seniors \$ 110

# MIDDLE SCHOOL CASTELINO

There is a shared motto used in the Middle School C classroom...

# "Use Your Voice"

Together we say it, we gesture it and most importantly... WE USE IT! To us, our voice may be speech, picture symbols on our iPads or real objects combined with gestures. We are all individuals working at our own level learning to:

Ask for what we want "I want"

Comment on daily activities "I like"

Share information about our day "Today I...."

## Express our feelings "I feel"











Here are some of our photos and communication boards.

You will have to excuse us though; some of us are a little camera shy!



# 2013-2014 **Family** Energy Rebate

### DON'T MISS THE DEADLINE!

Apply before 5pm Friday 13 June 2014



### 2 MINUTES TO FILL IN A FORM

https://applications.fer.trade.nsw.gov.au/

\* eligibility criteria apply

#### WHAT IS THE FAMILY ENERGY REBATE?

The Family Energy Rebate helps to cover the costs of energy bills for NSW households with dependent children. In 2013 - 2014 the rebate

- · A \$125 credit against electricity bills for eligible applicants who receive electricity from an electricity retailer.
- · A \$137.50 direct payment to nominated bank accounts for eligible applicants who live in a caravan or mobile home park and receive electricity from the park operator.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE

PHONE Service NSW 13 77 88

EMAIL fer.program@trade.nsw.gov.au

www.resourcesandenergy.nsw. gov.au/info/familyenergyrebate

### AM I ELIGIBLE FOR THE FAMILY **ENERGY REBATE?**

To be eligible you MUST:

· Be eligible for Family Tax Benefit A or B during 2012- 2013 and have received a relevant payment; and

**APPLY** 

ONLINE

NOW!

· Be the primary account holder of an electricity retailer, OR a long-term resident of a caravan or mobile park home, whose name appears on the electricity bills supplied by the park operator.

### YOU CHOOSE HOW YOU WANT TO APPLY FOR THE FAMILY ENERGY REBATE

- · ONLINE it takes a few minutes to submit and processing starts immediately.
- · PAPER download a form from the website, complete and submit by email, fax or post.



# Dance & Drama Classes

for children and adults with disability STARTING MARCH at



**Dutton Centre** 

48 Augusta St STRATHFIELD **BOOK NOW** 



### No Cost, siblings welcome

Recreation Sports and Aquatics Club in partnership with Strathfield Council BOOK with Jenny Phone: 9790 5001 email: rsaclub@bigpond.net.au



# **Hip Hop Dance**

for children and adults SATURDAYS 12:30-1:30pm



STARTING 1st March



**FRIDAYS** 

5-6pm children

6-7pm teens and adults **STARTING 7th March** 

for teens and adults THURSDAYS 5:30-6:30pm **STARTING 6th March** 



# Over 21's Next Holiday Expressions of Interest

RSAC are planning their next Over 21's Holiday – either November 2014 or February 2015. Suggestions so far are a Cruise either Pacific Islands or New Zealand North Island, or Sea World Gold Coast.

If you are interested let Jenny know and we can chat and perhaps meet up as a group to make a decision. BUDGET? Again the group will decide!

# RSAC SOCIAL CLUBS CALENDAR 2014

| Month   | SW Social Group  | Friendship Group   | City Networkers   |
|---|--|--|---|
| Coordinator:  | Ellen 0417 250198  | Elyse 0417 024462  | Ralf 0488 556728  |
|   |  | Day John Mountford Reserve Bev<br>e \$10 fee plus travel costs apply.                                    | rerly Hills FREE day. 11am-3pm  |
| APRIL   | Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup><br>EASTER SHOW   | Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> 9am-6pm<br>EASTER SHOW Cost: tba   | Sunday 13 April, <b>Manly</b> 10:45 Meet QVB<br>Statue Town Hall or 11:20 Manly Ferry<br>Wharf (Wharf 3) Circular Quay<br>\$10 + spending money Back by 4.30pm  |
| MAY   | Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> TENPIN<br>Bowling and Lazer Tag<br>@ Campbelltown<br>Macarthur Square<br>Cost approx. \$40 | Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> May<br>1pm-4pm<br>GO KARTING Wolli Creek<br>Cost approx. \$60                    | Sunday 18 May Cockatoo Island / Biennale www.cockatooisland.gov.au 11am QVB Statue (Town Hall) 11:30am Circular Quay Wharf 4 - Parramatta Rive \$10 + spending money. Ferry leaves for Cockatoo Island at 11.45am. Back Circula |
| JUNE ALL: Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> 12-5pm<br>RSAC Annual Presentation Day Lunch,   |  | Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> June<br>11am-4pm   | Saturday 21 June Katoomba Winter Magic Festival   |
| Presentations and Disco Cost \$35.  If you meet and travel with Social Club the \$10 fee, plus travel costs apply                                   |  | IMAX Darling Harbour<br>Cost approx. \$30  | www.wintermagic.com.au 8:30am QVB or 09:00am or Hungry Jack. at Central Stn (upstairs near the Intercity Platforms) \$10 +sp money Bring warm clothes. Train leaves Central 9.18am. Back at approx. 4.30pm                      |
| JULY  | Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> July MOVIE<br>& LUNCH @ Liverpool<br>Westfields Cost ap. \$40                                | Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> July<br>11am-3pm Cost approx. \$20<br>Mini Golf Miranda                        |   |
| AUGUST  | Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> August<br>9am-5pm Taronga Zoo<br>Cost approx. \$35 bring<br>lunch or lunch money             | Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> August<br>9am-5pm Taronga Zoo<br>Cost approx. \$35 bring lunch<br>or lunch money | Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> August, IMAX Darling H www.imax.com.au MEET 11am QVB Statue (Town H) \$10 + spending money. Tickets for a feature film \$32  |
| SEPTEMBER   | Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept. Putt Putt Golf @ Liverpool Catholic Club   | Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept.<br>10am-4pm<br>HORSE RIDING Centennial<br>Park Cost tba                   | Sunday 14 September, Movie on George<br>Street 11:00 QVB Statue (Town Hall) \$10<br>+ spending money. Movie tickets approx<br>\$20  |
| <b>OCTOBER</b> Long Weekend ALL: Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> -Monday 6 <sup>th</sup><br>SOCIAL CLUB CAMP Katoomba YHA Cost approx. \$350 all inclusive |  |  | Sunday 19 October Sydney Tower/ The Rocks www.sydneytowereye.com.au 11:00 QVB Statue (Town Hall) \$10 + spending money. Tickets for towe \$26. Lunch at pub at The Rocks.   |
| NOVEMBER  | Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov.<br>GO KARTING @ Minto   | Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> 10am-5pm<br>LUNA PARK Cost approx. \$60<br>bring lunch or lunch money            | Sun 30 Nov Luna Park  www.lunaparksydney.com  11:00 QVB Statue (Town Hall) \$10 +  spending money. Unlimited ride pass is \$45. Individual ride tickets \$10  |
|   |  | Party – Dinner and Disco ALL: at<br>I travel with Social Club the \$10 f                                 | RSAC Clubrooms 11 Greenfield Pde  |
| DECEMBER  | End of year party  | Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 6pm-<br>10pm Christmas Dinner tba                                      |   |

To Book Contact Jenny @ RSAC 97905001 or email: <a href="mailto:rsaclub@bigpond.net.au">rsaclub@bigpond.net.au</a> EMERGENCY Contact : Jenny 0425 203 891





6 and 7 August Rose Hill Gardens Sydney BOOK ONLINE

Australia's Largest Learning Difficulties Event

Choose from 30 one hour PD seminars
... over two days ... under one roof!

Free entry to exhibition hall, free workshops within the exhibition hall, free stress balls, free parking, free interactive & accessibility technology!

Dip into seminars.....overseas speakers... research...
universities....explore the exhibition hall with loads of
resources ..... links to vital charities ... and more!

An event for anyone in need of help with Learning
Difficulties

www.learningdifferenceconvention.com

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# **CADBURY CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER**

The P&C Chocolate fundraiser is underway and we would like to thank all those parents and carers who are participating for their support. All monies and unsold chocolates are due back by Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> of June. There are still some boxes of chocolates left to be sold so if you would like to help sell a box or two, please call the school office on 97731255.

# **WOOLLIES BBQ**

The P&C held the first BBQ fundraiser for term 2 at Woollies Revesby on Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> of May. A massive thank you to all those that kindly donated their time to make this fundraiser a great success. The P&C raised \$769.30 on the day. Thank you.

A reminder that the P&C is holding the second fundraising BBQ at Woollies, Revesby this Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup> of May from 8am to 4.30pm. Your participation would be greatly appreciated.

