Dates for your diary

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Presentation Day

2015 Presentation Day is an important day in our school calendar as we celebrate the achievements of our students. We would like to invite our families to join us for our 2015 Presentation Day on Tuesday 8th December in the school hall.

Date: Tuesday 8th December
Time: Years 3 – 6 at 8.45am and K – 2 at 11:15am.
We hope that you will be able to join us.

School Leaders 2016

Last Tuesday 17th November our prospective school leaders for 2016 from Year 5 delivered their speeches to students in Years 2-6 so that the students can vote to elect our school leaders for 2016. Congratulations and well done to our Year 5 students, who all did a fantastic job giving their speech.
Acknowledgement of Country

Last Thursday afternoon teachers took part in an Acknowledgement of Country workshop run by Sharna Bowmen and Kelly Godden from Area Office. The workshop was a great opportunity for teachers to expand their understanding of the meaning of Acknowledge of Country and also write their own Acknowledgement of Country.

School organisation and Enrolments 2016

It is at this time of year that we are beginning our organisation for the 2016 school year. If you are moving out of the area and leaving our school please inform the office of your intentions. Similarly, if you are aware of any students moving into our area who will be attending our school in 2016 please ask the families to make contact with the school.

We are currently looking at classes for 2016. If you have a request for your child in terms of classes for 2016 please send in a letter / email to the school or alternately call the school and discuss this with one of the executive staff.

Great work at Blue Haven

On Friday our Kindergarten students had a wonderful day at the Hunter Valley Zoo. Thankfully the weather was a little bit cooler at the zoo with them enjoying the cool breeze. Our Kindergarten teachers reported that the students were Safe, Respectful and Responsible. Well done, Kindergarten, we are very proud of your excellent behaviour on your first school excursion.

Hot weather at Blue Haven Public School

The weather last Friday was very hot and to ensure that our students kept safe and cool they stayed inside in their air conditioned classrooms for recess and lunch breaks. Now that the weather has started to become warmer please make sure that your child has a hat for school every day and that they also bring a bottle of water.
Blue Haven Christmas Gift Appeal

The giving tree gives our students an opportunity to bring a great deal of happiness to underprivileged children in our area at Christmas time. An Unwrapped gift can be left under the giving tree in the school foyer each morning before 8.30am until Friday 4th December.

A HUGE thankyou to the families who have already contributed to our Blue Haven Giving Tree.

White Ribbon Campaign

The White Ribbon Campaign is Australia Campaign to prevent men’s violence against women so all women live in safety.

As part of the Australian White Ribbon campaign Blue Haven Public School will be hosting a White ribbon Walk on Friday 27th November.

Students will walk laps around the oval and participate in an appropriate class activity to raise awareness.

All students are asked to wear a white T-shirt on the day in recognition of the campaign.
Introduction of the School Opal Card

Transport for NSW has recently introduced the School Opal Card to replace paper bus and train passes for school students. Parents will now need to apply online for new bus passes at transportnsw.info/school-student, print, sign and date the completed application and submit it to the school for endorsement. The school will then forward the endorsed application to Transport for NSW. The School Opal Card will then be posted to the address provided on the application.

Most students who already have a bus or train pass will not need to apply for the School Opal Card as it will be sent to the school for distribution at the start of the new school year. However we have been advised that the following students will need to complete an online application to obtain a card. If the student:

- Has not had a travel pass before
- Is moving from Year 2 to Year 3
- Is moving from Year 6 to Year 7
- Is changing schools
- Is changing addresses.

An School Opal Card brochure is available from the school office.

Have a great week of learning,
Blue Haven.
Ruth Goodwin
Principal (Relieving)

Northlakes High School Uniform Shop
The Northlakes High School Uniform shop is open every Friday from 10:00 till 12:00pm

“Laughter is timeless, imagination has no age, and dreams are forever.”

Walt Disney
Stage 1 Rumbalara Excursion

Last week we went to Rumbalara. We went on a bushwalk first. Then we played games and went on a hunt in one of the games. My class and I went with Year Two and we found facts about birds then we made bird nests. We got to go in an old classroom that looked like it was a high school room. We saw Broken Bay at the start of the bushwalk. At Rumbalara we met two men called Kevin and Ross. We went in a cave and I saw a spider. I saw amazing things like hollows, caves, trees and cliffs. I didn’t get to build shelters because it was getting late. We loved the trip on the bus there and back. I never wanted the fun to end but it did. I learnt lots of different facts about shelters and how they are made. It was more fantastic than the last trip and even longer. I left with a very big smile.

This is where we used tweezers instead of our fingers to build a nest like a bird. We put an egg in the nest to test how strong it was.

We tried to make a traditional Aboriginal gunyah using branches and bark.

Report was written by Mikayla 1T.

Commonwealth Bank Banking News.

As the end of the school year draws near, a big congratulations goes out to all of our student bankers. Many of our students achieved bronze, silver and gold awards for consistently making deposits throughout the year. Our school receives a commission for all new accounts and deposits, and the total this year is $812.35. Well done.

The cut-off date for reward orders is Thursday 2nd December. Orders received after this date will be held over to 2016.

The final week for banking this year, will be week 10, Wednesday, December 9.

Please note the invisible ink pens are now low in stock also.

Happy Banking,
Banking Co-ordinator.
Supporting Students – Hard Surfaces

PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning)

At Blue Haven Public School, we take pride in being:

• Safe
• Respectful
• Responsible

This week’s lesson is based upon when students are spending time on Hard Surfaces. Having a PBL lesson on Hard surfaces is important to ensure that all students are being Safe, Respectful, and Responsible when playing on Hard Surfaces. During recess and lunch, Blue Haven has a lot of students enjoy playing in Area B and Area C. It can be very busy and students need to be reminded on what is expected of their behaviours when playing in these areas. Classroom teachers will be referring to the Hard Surfaces poster on a regular basis to reinforce the concept of what it is like to be Safe, Respectful, and Responsible. The students will be very entertained by the videos of the students and teachers, demonstrating the importance of following the PBL rules on Hard Surfaces. Please discuss these expectations with your children.
San Remo/Blue Haven Community Christmas Celebration

Wednesday 2nd December 2015
5pm to 8pm
Blue Haven Public School
Visit from Santa!
ENTRY - GOLD COIN DONATION
Food, Fun Activities, Carols, Performances, Community Stalls, Lions BBQ & More!

Santa Photos
Santa’s helpers will take a photo
for a gold coin donation
No skateboards, bikes or scooters!
Enquiries: 4390 7888
San Remo Neighbourhood Centre
This is a drug & Alcohol Free Event
Rain, Hail or Shine

Wishing Tree Appeal
donate a gift to local families in need
this Christmas. Gifts are distributed through the San Remo Neighbourhood Centre Emergency Relief Christmas Program

Sluggo the Community Bus will circulate between
San Remo & Blue Haven, Stops: Wills Rd (closed end), Camp Breakaway, San Remo lakeside Shops, Blue Haven Community Centre, Blue Haven Shops, Redgum Hilltop Park (Roper Rd)
Can Saver Plus assist you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to $500 for educational costs including:

- school uniforms and textbooks
- computers, laptops and tablets
- excursions and camps
- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
- music tuition and instrument hire.

You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner), such as full-time, part-time, casual or seasonal work, and have a child at school or study yourself.

Contact Geoff Hynd your local Saver Plus Worker:
(02) 4333 8061 / 0428 282 900
or geoffrey.hynd@thesmithfamily.com.au

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Is your child starting school next year? Would $500 assist you with education costs?

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Expression of Interest: - Mannering Park Public School’s P&C Canteen Supervisor Position

Position Criteria
- Trained, experienced canteen supervisor or willingness to undergo training at TAFE.
- Flexibility to work different hours to cater for school needs up to 15 hours per week paid position with voluntary hours. (Canteen will be open on Mondays to Fridays).
- Maintenance of confidentiality with a commitment to the school community.
- Good interpersonal skills with the ability to increase and maintain volunteer numbers to assist in the canteen throughout the year.
- Responsibility for ordering goods and overall organisation of the canteen.

Regular liaison with the Canteen Convenor and P&C President and adherence to job description.

Contract will be for the 2016 school year, with the canteen committee and P&C Executive monitoring progress throughout the year.

Applications due Monday, 30 November 2015.

Apply in writing to
CONFIDENTIAL: Canteen Supervisor Application
Mannering Park PS
PO Box 7286
MANNERING PARK NSW 2259

For further details contact Cheryl on 43591184