



TORONTO PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Quality and Excellence.....Learning Together"

25/08/2016



Relieving Principals Message

I am very proud of our school's relentless desire to improve our academic performance and behaviour at school. Students are working very hard to achieve the best they can, staff are constantly engaged in professional learning to improve their practice and the leadership team is always reflecting on ways to do things better and setting the future directions. This is a great school that is working to become even better.

We have a small team of people who regularly assist the school with running the canteen, fundraising and helping in classrooms. We welcome all the support anyone is willing to give. We are very lucky with the people who volunteer their time to assist our school to function. Many hands make light work so if you have a small amount of time available and would like to volunteer, please don't hesitate to see your child's teacher, the office staff, Michelle in the canteen or myself.

Our NAPLAN results were released last week and we are very pleased with our results. We have made significant improvement in many areas which shows us we are on the right track. We are very proud of our students and their academic achievement in that particular test.

We have a Facebook page that is managed by our wonderful P & C. We use this to post about upcoming events and show some of the wonderful things happening in our school. Both teachers and the P & C administrate this page. Please check in and have a look.

We do try and give as much notice as possible to upcoming events. Our school is an exceptionally busy place and our staff work very hard at delivering outstanding teaching and learning every day. On top of that, they organise fabulous community events. We welcome members of our community to be involved in organising these events which may make it easier to provide more advanced notice. In the next fortnight we will celebrate some wonderful events with Grandparents Day morning tea and Assembly, Book Parade, 2017 Kindergarten parent Information Sessions, Father's Day Stall, Father's Day breakfast, Year 5 & 6 Parent meeting regarding Camp. We look forward to seeing our community join with us to celebrate these events.

Our school was very well represented at the Zone Athletics Carnival. We are very proud of the effort students and families made to support the students and the sense of sportsmanship was very strong. Our K-2 students also attended a fabulous excursion to Sydney Powerhouse Museum and their behaviour was fabulous. We also organised an Olympic-a-thon which was a wonderful experience and fundraising exercise. Thanks to all the parent helpers and staff for ensuring all our students had fantastic experiences at these events.

As always, if you have any concerns, please don't hesitate to come and see us. We are all working towards the same goal of providing the very best education we can. We believe all children can be successful.

Amanda Lavercombe



Barkuma Neighbourhood Centre Inc. is based in Kurri Kurri providing services the Hunter Valley, Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, Port Stephens, Central Coast and Upper Hunter. Barkuma Neighbourhood Centre offers the highest quality services in the Hunter today. Since 1994, they have been providing culturally appropriate services to their clients and have assisted them in achieving their goals. Their years of experience and commitment have helped lift the profile of our Aboriginal Community.

EARLY LINKS

NEW SOUTH WALES

What is Early Links?

Early Links is a support program for families with children 0-8 years of age who have been identified as having a challenged ability or are awaiting diagnosis. "Linkers" can help you to learn about and understand your child's diagnosis as well as assist you to build connections to community, mainstream and specialist services and informal supports.



Is Early Links for you?

Is your child aged 0 to 8?
Are you waiting for a diagnosis for your child?

Has your child recently been diagnosed with having a challenged ability?

If you answered **yes** to any of these, call your local

Aboriginal Linker on 4936 4999



Barkuma Neighbourhood Centre
76 Lang Street,
Kurri Kurri 2327



ABILITY LINKS

NEW SOUTH WALES

What is Ability Links?

Ability Links is a short term support program for people with challenged abilities, their carers and their families. "Linkers" work with you to help you develop networks in your community and build on your strengths and abilities.



Is Ability Links for you?

Are you:

A person with challenged abilities aged 9 to 64?
Caring for a person with challenged abilities?

Living with and supporting a person with challenged abilities?

If you answered **yes** to any of these, call your local

Aboriginal Linker on 4936 4999



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EVENT

C I N E M A S



Toronto Public School

Grandparents Day and Book Week Parade

When: 29th August, 2016

9.10am: Assembly in the hall

10.00am: Visits to the Classroom

10.45am: Bring your own picnic lunch to share with your family

11.35am: Book week parade

Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character.



Father's Day Breakfast

Please join us for a lovely Father's Day breakfast hosted by Toronto PS

Friday, 2nd September 2016

7am - 8:45am

The P&C Father's Day stall will be in the library. Items are priced \$3 - \$6.

Hope to see you all there!





Bluey says,
"Look at the TPS
Olympians!"



We are safe, respectful learners!



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Bluey says,
"T3 Wk6 Assembly
The award goes to..."

Australia medals



Sport

Sport	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Swimming	3	4	3
Sailing	1	3	0
Rowing	1	2	0
Rugby sevens	1	0	0



Class Trophy K/IJ



Weekly Merit Awards



Reading Awards



100% Attendance Awards



PBL Awards

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Dates to For Your Calendar

August

29th Grandparents Day
29th Book Parade

September

2nd Fathers Day Breakfast
2nd Father's Day Stall
19th to 21st Great Aussie Bush Camp for Yrs 5 & 6
23rd Last Day of Term 3

October

10th First Day of Term 4

November

21st to 1st Dec Intensive Swimming Scheme

December

6th Presentation Day
7th Year 6 Farewell

Please Note: it is an offence to park in the no parking/drop off zone at the front of the school in Renwick Street.

A "**No Parking**" sign means you can't park, but you can drop off or pick up passengers or goods without leaving your vehicle (i.e. you must be within three metres of your vehicle). You must attend to your business promptly (within two minutes of stopping your vehicle)

Westlakes Zone Athletics Report

On Friday the 19th and Monday the 22nd of August, 26 students represented Toronto Public School at the Westlakes Zone Athletics Carnival. The students competed against students from 20 different schools with over 400 students competing over the two days. Our students showed great sportsmanship and excellent behaviour while competing, cheering on all competitors. All students tried their best with some getting a personal best. We had a number of students get a placing in their event. We will publish their achievements when we receive their official result. A huge mention to Chloe Hill-McCartin and Kyla Bussey who sacrificed personal glory to ensure their relay team was able to run. Chloe hurt herself in a heat and missed her 200m final so that she was able to run in the relay. Kyla was also injured and decided to sit out of her 100m race to ensure she was fit to run in the relay. Well done girls and well done to the entire team.

Mr Murphy

P & C NEWS

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Olymp-a-Thon fundraising. Please remember the fundraising form and money this due back Friday 26th August. This will enable us to get the children's prizes organised and back ASAP.

Grandparent's Day and the Book Week Parade is next Monday 29th August. The canteen will be selling jelly and ice-cream for \$2.00 and cakes for \$2.00. Come along and enjoy these treats.

Remember the Father's Day stall is on next Friday 2 September. There will be presents to buy from \$3.00 to \$6.00. We will need some dedicated helpers to wrap these presents after the children have purchased them. If you can spare some time on Friday after 9.00am please drop into the library.

We are still desperately in need of parents for the canteen roster for Thursdays and Fridays. Your assistance would be appreciated as the canteen cannot operate smoothly without the goodwill of parents. Please support the canteen and help us support the school. Please call in and see Michelle if you can help. **The canteen will have to close more often if we cannot get some volunteers to help out, it would be a shame if our canteen had to close for 2 or more days every week as it provides a great service to our students and their parents.**

Remember to have a look at the Toronto Public School P&C page on Facebook. We hope this page will keep you up to date with events and information from the P&C.

Our next P&C meeting will be on Tuesday 23rd September. Please come along and join us. We welcome all ideas.

P & C



and



Jelly & Ice Cream and Cakes

Monday 29th August is
Grandparent's Day and the Book
Week Parade.

The P & C will be selling Jelly and
Ice Cream for \$2.00 and Cakes
for \$2.00
at lunch time in the canteen.



THANK YOU TORONTO PUBLIC
SCHOOL P & C

FATHER'S DAY STALL 2016

**The P&C will be having a
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Friday 2nd September,
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**Thank You.
P & C**

**Urgent.....
please help!!!**

Our canteen is in
desperate need of
helpers. Just one day a
month, fortnight or every
week. We need you from
8.30am to 12noon &
your lunch is provided.
Come along, help our
school & meet some
new people. Mums,
Dads, Grandparents are
all welcome.

MovieTime

Week 7 Monday 29th August K/1J & 5/6G

NB: also Grandparent's Assembly

Week 8 Monday 5th September 2L

Week 9 Monday 12th September 2/3D

Week 10 Monday 19th September 4M



This year, Education Week was celebrated from 1st – 5th of August. The theme for 2016 was '*Shared stories, better learning, stronger communities.*' Students have engaged in creating iMovies around the Education Week theme. These were presented to our families and friends at our Look @ Learning last Thursday. Our iMovies were such a success we are going to have a viewing each Monday during assembly over the coming weeks to show case the amazing work we are doing.