



School Newsletter

Honour, Pride and Achievement

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IMPORTANT DATES:

APRIL 2016

Start of Term 2 Tues 26th

MAY 2016

Assembly Mon 2nd

NAPLAN Tues 10th-Thursday 12th

Year 6 Camp Mon 16th – Fri 20th

BPS Cross Country Tues 24th

Narrogin Cross Country Fri 27th

JUNE 2016

Interschool Cross Country Fri 3rd

WA Day Public Holiday Mon 6th

MSP School Photos Mon 13th

Principal's News

Welcome back to a new term, one in which the focus is on student learning and the collection of information and data to support staff in their reports to parents at the end of the semester. There will also be a continued focus on community involvement, with an evening P & C meeting scheduled for this term and parent information sessions on Early Maths learning and Writing being scheduled. We will also be sending out the Parent Opinion Survey this term.

Our school ANZAC service was held at the school on Friday April 9th, the last day of Term 1, and was impressively hosted by our Year 6 School Leaders.

I would like to acknowledge the work undertaken by the school staff and in particular Ms Aylmore, for her work in organising the students and also the preceding research and classroom experiences that supported the ANZAC assembly. The students who read with confidence recounts from their research into ANZAC soldiers, were a highlight of the ceremony and emphasised the quality of students that we have attending our school.

Well done and thank you to all involved.

NAPLAN

Students in Years 3 and 5 will be undertaking NAPLAN testing from the 10th to the 12th of May this year. This year will mark the ninth year of the NAPLAN testing regime throughout Australian schools. Braeside Primary School students have been involved in the necessary preparation for these upcoming tests, but our school has never overplayed the occasion. During that time, Braeside Primary School students have performed very well in relation to like schools – which is very pleasing. This positive trend in NAPLAN testing continues to reinforce the focus on explicit teaching and the establishment of clear school wide practices undertaken by staff and students at the school.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE REMINDER

When your child is absent from school, a written or verbal explanation needs to be given to your child's teacher or via SMS on 0438 926 37. When absences occur, they must be explained. within three (3) days of the start of the absence. This is a compulsory requirement of the Department of Education.

If your child misses...	that equals...	or...	From Kindy to year 12 that adds up to...	Which is the equivalent of attending until:	Attendance rate
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	1 month per year	nearly 1 ½ years	part-way through year 11	90%
1 day per week	40 days per year	2 months per year	over 2 ½ years	part-way through year 10	80%
2 days per week	80 days per year	4 months per year	over 5 years	the end of year 7	60%
3 days per week	120 days per year	6 months per year	nearly 8 years	the end of year 4	40%

Principal's News continued...



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1235

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Banking Details

Account Name:
Braeside Primary
School
Bank: Bankwest
BSB: 306 014
Acct: 452 151 8

We're on the Web!

<http://braasideps.wa.edu.au/>

Friday the 8th April was Braeside's ANZAC commemorative assembly. The assembly was ably run by School Councillors' Anthea, Ira and Xu.

During the assembly, Aaliyah, Braydon, Jack and Melanie shared with the school information about an Anzac soldier that they had researched during History lessons. The students were able to access the soldier's original records using the internet and then create a commemorative certificate incorporating the information that they found. The upper school students involved in this learning activity found it of great interest to investigate a soldier who came from the same area as them or shared the same surname. Many commented on how it made the soldiers seem more 'real' and were very touched by the soldiers stories. Some of these commemorative certificates will be displayed on the school notice board.

The wreaths were laid by Mya, Jonah, Tallara and Ashton. The wreaths were made of handmade poppies on which students had written messages of thanks to all of those who had died or been injured in the service of their country.

After the Ode of Remembrance; Braydon, Izabella and Kaiden shared their thoughts on why the ANZACS should be remembered. This came from work that the junior school students had done investigating the Katanning War Memorial. Using information from newspapers from the time, students discussed why the war memorial was built and why it was placed in the park. They then discovered some interesting facts about the memorial itself. A selection of the student's reports will be placed on the school notice board.

The whole student body is to be congratulated on the way that they engaged in investigating the traditions and meaning of ANZAC Day. Their interest and the respect demonstrated during the assembly, was a great source of pride for all involved.

Braeside Primary School would like to extend a special thanks to **Ray Ford** and **Jodie and Travis Menghini** for the loan of the model tank which added a special interest to the day.



Staff Profile



Hello Everyone,

My name is Sharon Poett and I am the Associate Principal at Braeside. This school and I go back a long way, as Braeside was the first school I was ever posted to way back in 1987! Back then I was Miss Anning and was fresh out of university. I got married in January of 1988 and came back as Mrs Poett. I taught at Braeside until June of 1994 when I left to have my first son, Regan. Trent arrived in 1995 and Madelyn in 2000. In between time I have taught at KPS, St Pats, KSHS and Woodanilling. I am really pleased to be back at Braeside now – I always think of this as “my school” and look forward to working with parents, students and teachers in 2016.

Community

Katanning Junior Squash

Welcome new and old members.

Commencing Tuesday
3rd May

Venue: Katanning
Country Club (Round
Drive)

Years 4 to 6 - 4pm to
5pm

Years 7 to 12 – 5pm to
6pm

Cost \$40.00 for Term
2. (Kidsport available)
Racquets provided.

Contact Ashley Clarke
on 0421974350

Katanning Historical Society

Celebrating 100 years of the FH Piesse Memorial Statue

May 2016

Schools are invited to participate and assist in celebrating this event by

- 1) Laying of floral tributes. Sunday 29th May 12.00am
- 2) Art-Craft. Any media depicting life and work of FH Piesse in Katanning
- 3) Essay Competition – Life and Work of FH Piesse

NB: Must be Handwritten

Categories Yrs P – 3

Yrs 4 – 7

Yrs 8 – 12

Prize \$50 voucher for each section winner.

Katanning Auskick

Season commences on Saturday 30th April from 10-11am at Quatermaine Oval. Auskick is for boys and girls from K- Year 4 and will run for all of term two. Fixtures will be distributed at the first session.

Register and pay online at aflauskick.com.au cost \$60. If your child is eligible for KIDSPORT funding please register online and bring along a completed form (available from the rec centre) and copy of your current card.

Keep informed with the latest news on facebook - join “Katanning Auskick”

Enquiries: Sheldon Kowald 0427 211167

Tim Fitzgerald 0439 555089

EVENING MEETING FOR P&C

The next meeting for P&C
is Thursday 12 May at 7pm
in the School Library.

Nibbles & Refreshments
provided

(Tea, coffee, wine & beer)