



# Bicton Primary School

Together We Learn.....Together We Grow

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## CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Tues, 17 Feb	Parent Information Sessions – Rm 7, 8, 13
Wed, 18 Feb	Parent Information Sessions – Rm 1, 2, & 3 Early Close 2.30pm Uniform Shop Open 2.15pm – 3.00pm Italian Classes Commence Room 11
Thurs, 19 Feb	Early Morning Swimming Yr 4 – 6 7.15am
Fri, 20 Feb	<b>NUMGUTS BUSH BAND</b> Councillor Assembly 8.45am
Mon, 23 Feb	P&C Meeting 7.30pm (School Library)
Wed, 25 Feb	Parent Information Sessions – Rm 5, 6 & 9 Early Close 2.30pm Uniform Shop Open 2.15pm – 3.00pm Italian Classes Room 11

## PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

Parent information sessions started last week. These sessions are a good opportunity for parents to meet your child's teacher and receive specific information about class routines, homework, behaviour, learning programs and news from the P&C. We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible for the meeting.

DATE	TEACHER/S	ROOM	TIME
Tues 17/2	Mrs Newman	Rm 7	6.00pm
Tues 17/2	Mrs Bonwick	Rm 8	6.00pm
Tues 17/2	Mr Herne	Rm 13	5.30pm
Wed 18/2	Ms Toms	Rm 1	5.30pm
Wed 18/2	Mr Loader	Rm 2	5.30pm
Wed 18/2	Mrs Pettigrew and Mrs Ross	Rm 3	5.30pm
Wed 25/2	Mrs Lorenti Ms Dawson Mr Watts and Mrs Knight	Rm 5 Rm 6 Rm 9	5.30pm

## WELCOME BACK BUSH DANCE THIS FRIDAY AT BICTON PS

Bicton Primary School P&C and Attadale Rotary Club have organised a welcome back to school bush dance with the **NUMGUTS**. It is scheduled for this Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2015 from 6pm. We are really looking forward to seeing the Bicton Community on the school oval. Tickets are \$15 Adults and \$5 Children. Tickets can be purchased by putting cash into the box in the office or direct deposit into the P&C Account: BSB: 066 121 Acc: 00900360. Proceeds will be shared between the Rotary and the P&C. Wristbands will be sent home with the children Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> as confirmation of payment. Wristbands must be worn on the night for entry. It promises to be a great night.



## NEW ITALIAN CLASSES AND TEACHER IN ROOM 11

The ITALO-AUSTRALIAN WELFARE & CULTURAL CENTRE INC is sponsoring the Italian after-hour language and cultural programme at Bicton PS again this year. These courses are of ninety minutes duration after school and are conducted on a weekly basis during the scholastic year. Your teacher of Italian is Signorina Georgia Turco. In 2015 There will be a charge of \$25.00/student/semester (non refundable) payable by cheque or cash to the **Italo-Australian Welfare & Cultural Centre Inc** on enrolment at the first lesson. The Italian after-hour lessons commence on **Wednesday, 18 February** from 2.30pm to 4.00pm and will run for the duration of the scholastic year.

## LIBRARY BAGS

Students must have a library bag if they want to borrow a library book. A plastic bag will suffice on a temporary basis. We have a limited supply of cloth bags available in the library at \$2.00 each.

## LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS

We would really appreciate help in the library with shelving returned books. If you have a spare 10 – 15 minutes on a fairly regular basis please contact Jane, our librarian, in the library on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

## OUR NEW SCIENCE ROOM

"The Room under the Stairs", is currently undergoing transformation into a Science Lab. It is work in progress, but the aim is to create a space all about Science!! This term it's all about life cycles, food chains and adaptations. Watch out for the science questions and quizzes in the windows too.

*How can you help this science transformation?*

We are looking for anyone with a green thumb to transform a small aquarium into a terrarium. There are three of these, for any takers.

Alternatively if anyone would like to donate useful "science items" to this growing lab, please email the office.

## SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Thanks to those families who have paid their school contributions. This year your school contributions are particularly important due to the impact of cuts to education spending announced by the State Government last year.

## NUTS AND EGGS

An on-going risk at Bicton Primary School is the severe reaction to foods such as nuts, eggs and sesame seeds, including anaphylaxis reaction. At present we have many students across the year groups who are anaphylactic and anecdotally the numbers seem to be increasing. We attempt to reduce the risk to students by advising parents, staff and visitors not to provide nuts (all kinds) and eggs in their children's lunchboxes. We understand how difficult this is to achieve as many foods contain these foods, traces, or come from processing that contain traces. However, Bicton parents, staff and visitors have been fantastic in the way you have managed to keep away from the nuts and eggs and still create nutritious and tasty lunches. Thank you to all the 'lunch makers' for doing your bit in reducing the allergy risk for some of our students!

You can check out the complete school policy on our website <http://www.bictonps.wa.edu.au/>

## MERIT AWARDS

Our next assembly will be this Friday, 20 February. Our Year 6 students will be presented with their Leadership badges. All parents are welcome.

## SCHOOL DRESS CODE

The "School Dress Code Policy" is available on the school's website. Parents please familiarise yourself with the school dress code requirements.

## YEAR 4 – 7 SWIMMING TRAINING

There will be swimming training from 7.15am to 7.45am on Thursday mornings commencing 19th February until 12<sup>th</sup> March at Bicton Water Polo Pool at a cost of \$4.50 per child, per session. This is for Year 4 – 6 students only. Ms Dawson and Mrs Morley will meet you at the pool. Parents are to drop and collect children from the pool. If a child makes their own way to and from the pool they must have a letter giving parent permission. Please complete the slip below and hand into the front office.

### SWIMMING TRAINING

I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_  
to attend Swimming Training on Thursdays at Bicton Water Polo Pool.  
Parent \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## P&C NEWS

### UNIFORM SHOP

Open Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> February from 2.15-3.00pm for the sale of pre-loved clothing and new hats. Contact for the Uniform Shop is Sam Osborne & Belinda Doig via email: [bictonuniformshop@gmail.com](mailto:bictonuniformshop@gmail.com)

## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SUPERVISION

If you would like your child/ren supervised after early close on Wednesdays, please complete the slip below. This will be a permanent arrangement unless changed by the parent. Please confirm the details in writing.

### WEDNESDAY SUPERVISION REQUIREMENT

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ 2.30PM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please place in the box marked "Wednesday Afternoon Supervision" in the front office by Tuesday afternoon.

**REMEMBER  
SCHOOL BANKING  
WEDNESDAY MORNINGS  
From 8.30am  
In the undercover area  
Any deposit amount accepted**

### COCKBURN BASKETBALL

"Dear Parents and Families. My name is Scott Harris and I am the Principal of Attadale P.S. and President of the Cockburn 'Cougars' Basketball Association. My own three children play basketball with the 'Cougars' and as much as they have learnt lots about basketball, it is small compared to the very positive life lessons and skills they have developed. Basketball runs 12 months of the year, undercover and on wood floors. There are programs for all ages and the new Board are committed to a quality junior basketball program. You will likely speak to Emma Pass (International Player) who will help you find the right program for your child or for you. Yes all ages!!! Hope to see you at the Cockburn Basketball Association, Phone: (08) 9335 9101 Fax: (08) 9430 6277 Email: [development@cockburncougars.com](mailto:development@cockburncougars.com)

### BICTON NETBALL CLUB

The Bicton Club will be holding their 2015 Enrolment Day on 21<sup>st</sup> February from 9.00am – 12.00pm in the Bicton Primary School Hall. If you interested in joining a team please email [bictonnetball@hotmail.com](mailto:bictonnetball@hotmail.com)