Hi everyone. Week 2 and we are right into the swing of things!

Teachers and students are settling into the term and all the exciting programs that will take us to the end of the year. It truly is a great time of the year with much to learn and enjoy.

The playground equipment has finally reached completion and once we have final certifications this week, the children will be playing on it! It is an absolutely fabulous addition to the school. We are also currently in consultation with department and public works staff members to finalise the very best location for the Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA) for which funds have been approved. This will require a great deal of thought and serious consideration.

The Extraordinary Science Fair is to be held this Thursday and we will be displaying the fabulous experiments that the children have come up with to investigate interesting scientific phenomenon. We have some guest judges visiting the school to judge the experiments and to share their knowledge and expertise with the students. It is going to be a great opportunity for the students to share their love of the physical world and all its mysteries!

This week we will be welcoming new students and families at our Kindergarten Transition day. It is always an exciting time when we get to introduce new students to our fabulous school. The morning starts at 9.30am this Thursday.

Please make sure that you mark the date of our ‘Hot Summer Night’ dinner dance on your calendars! This is our P&C fundraiser for the term and it is going to be a fantastic evening! Tickets are available from the school and The Anglers Rest. Don’t miss out! Details follow later in the newsletter.

How fortunate we are here at Brooklyn to be able to order our lunches from two great providers! Please be aware that parents can sign up for the Tuckshop newsletter which informs you of the menus available each week. Details are on the website. Amanda Gonzalez has also started up a craft group at the Tuckshop which meets each Thursday. Sounds terrific to me! Give her a call if you are interested in joining.

Please take note of the major dates this term. There are many of them and it is important that you have your calendars up to date. Of course, there may be modifications as staff adjust and add programs that we believe are valuable for the students. It will also be the case that some events that have happened in the past may not be scheduled this year. Please understand that teachers spend a great deal of time discussing the best way to use teaching time and which activities are most valuable for the students.

Last week we received $1494 from the proceeds of the Prawn and Oyster Tent at Spring Fair. A big thank you to Noddy, all his assistants and the wonderful community of Brooklyn who all contributed to the stall.

The personalised pavers have been laid. They look great. Why not stop past and look at all the wonderful drawings and named pavers!

And finally, well done to Mrs Sistrom and Mrs Broome for preparing our school choir for the Hornsby District Music Festival.

All for now.
Diana Aitken

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Assembly 11/9/15

KS Merit Awards: Tyson Lawler, Amelie Dupres
Star of the Week: Samantha Mussett

1/2 Merit Awards: Sari Bell, Sarah Jaggs
Star of the Week: William Andrews

2/3 Merit Awards: Alex Nickolls-Ward
Star of the Week: Samuel Wilson

3/5 Merit Awards: Kayla Huang
Star of the Week: Seb Nickolls-Ward

4/5W Merit Awards: Kayla Huang
Star of the Week: Bethany Rayner

5/6A Merit Awards: Brooke Bettenson
Star of the Week: Erin O’Donnell

Tidy Bag Award: 5/6 Yay yay yay !!!

Library Awards: Jazmin Head, Jack Freeman,
Jake Bettenson, Katie Apperley
Amelia Townsend

HIP keys: Maya Glenn, Cash Milner,
Ashleigh Barrett

Badges: Harry Lawler, Mikey Featon

Happy Birthday to: Ashleigh, Ines, Seb, Maddie, Harry,
Ella, Jack F

New Look School Website!
We have been busily upgrading our school website, making it more accessible and up to date. Please take the time to view the new site. There are new photo galleries, a newsletter section, an online payment option and updated information regarding school programs. We have introduced a new tab at the top of the page for latest notes. All school based notes that are sent home will now be stored on the website to download, view and print. If you misplace a school note or would like a duplicate copy, please refer to the website to download a new note.

Saturday 24th October: Hornsby Mall BBQ Fundraiser
Make sure you email your class rep and tell them your availability for the day.
We need as many helpers as possible. Remember the shifts are only 2 hours long.

Now is the time to learn guitar
Calling all budding rockstars, we have space on Wednesday afternoon to learn guitar. You can borrow a guitar ($50 per term all inclusive) to get you started, beginners welcome. Half hour private tuition is $30. Please call Jodi on 0413 999 107.

Brooklyn School Training Band
Come and join the Brooklyn School training band!
All levels and all instruments accepted.
Rehearsals are every Tuesday at lunchtime ..... Contact Steve for more details on sfitzmaurice@hotmail.com or 0411 150 590
Brooklyn Public School invites you to:

**Hot Summer Night**

**Estuary Restaurant**
Saturday November 7th
6:00pm-11:00pm
Dress - Smart Summer Casual

Live music for you to dance the night away!

Includes a bountiful variety of canapés, dessert and a drink upon arrival

Tickets $50pp available at the School office or The Anglers Rest
All proceeds go to our school!
PARENTING ANXIOUS CHILDREN

A seminar for parents of children aged 4-10 yrs discussing:
The nature of anxiety and the different ways it may present in children, risk factors and potential implications for parents and children, as well as identification of practical strategies & resources to assist. Phone 9485 6155. $10 charge.

STORY TIME
@ MOONEY MOONEY LIBRARY

Resumes Monday October 12, 10:00 am

Story Time is run by a professional Librarian from Gosford Library. It is a great opportunity to meet other parents/ care givers in the area. Just come along … it’s FREE.

(located in the Old School Building of Mooney Mooney School—Point Road)

Bar Island Floating Bushcare

Join us for a bush regeneration day at Bar Island, Tuesday 20 October
Leaving from Derubbin Reserve Mooney Mooney at 8.30am & return at 2.30pm
Council will supply tools & morning tea
BYO lunch, water, hat
To book your place visit http:// www.trybooking.com/JBTF to book in
Bookings essential