Principal’s Report

As I write this message I am in complete disbelief that we could be up to Term 4!!

I hope you have all had a wonderful holiday break and are ready for what will be a fast and furious 11 weeks! Please make sure you keep up with everything that is going on via the newsletter and website.

You may have noticed that there has been much activity in the school over the holidays. The personalised pavers have been laid, new air conditioning units have been installed and more work on the playground equipment has been carried out. Unfortunately the installation of the equipment is taking a little longer than anticipated due to the fact that we want to be sure that the construction of the surrounds meets with safety standards. I thank all the students for their patience and I feel confident that we are only weeks away now!

I would like to congratulate the staff and helpers at the HRCC for the incredible organisational efforts that went into the planning of the Brooklyn Spring Fair. It was an enormous success even though it wasn’t your typical spring day! The rain did not stop anyone from having a fabulous time. Well done Karina and team!

Next week the school choir will perform at their last community event at the Hornsby RSL at the Hornsby District Music Festival. There will be a matinee performance on Monday 12 October at 12.00 and an evening performance on Wednesday 14 October at 7.00pm. Definitely worth a look!

I must also commend the students and their families for their incredible commitment to the school band! Many of them negotiate unique travel arrangements and weather conditions to attend rehearsals and performances and must be congratulated for their many successes this year! The school is a much richer learning environment for having such programs in place. It must be noted, also, that our very own Kayla Huang won first prize in the talent quest recently held at Erina Fair. Well done, Kayla!

We welcome Gabriel Bell to the school staff as he takes up the temporary role of GA until the position is advertised later in the term.

We are all looking forward to the Extraordinary Science Fair to be held next week. Many of the students have been busy over the holidays working on some exciting experiments they will display next Thursday for our judges to view. Please make sure your child returns the note to Mrs Sistrom to let her know what experiment they intend to enter in the Science Fair.

This week is Mental Health Week which is a great reminder to us all to be mindful of how others are feeling and to be supportive of those around us. It is an imperative for department employees to be vigilant in caring for the members of our school communities who may be suffering silently coping with difficult circumstances. The wellbeing of students in our schools is quickly becoming the most important responsibility we have as teachers and staff members. The national ‘Are you ok?’ Day was last month but this is a question we can ask anytime!

The Estuary Restaurant has very kindly offered to support us with fundraising for our school. Members of the P&C are currently organising a fabulous evening of great food and entertainment planned for Saturday 7 November. Please mark it on your calendars and watch this space for more details!

It is now the time of the year when we welcome our new kindergarten children to the school. We will be planning four transition mornings for new students over the coming weeks. They begin Thursday 15 October at 9.30am. Please pass this information on to families that you know who have children ready to start school in 2016.

It is truly amazing that we are now in the last term of the year. It will be a very exciting one and please make sure you watch out for important dates and times so as not to miss a thing!

All for now!
Diana Aitken

Important Dates

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Brooklyn Public School
Term 4 Week 1

From the P & C Desk

Save the date Saturday 24th October.

The P & C will be running a BBQ at Hornsby Mall (near the fountain) on October 24th. This is a great way to help the school and raising money for your kids. We have 5 x 2hr shifts we need filled with 3-4 people at each. It will be lots of fun!!

We also need someone with a tow ball who can pick up / drop off the loan BBQ to the Hornsby Council yard in Thornleigh. Please Text or Call Lissy with a time you are available to help. 0435 604 577

Time slots will be: 8am, 10am, 12pm, 2pm & 4pm.

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From the Uniform Shop

Changes to Uniform Shop opening days

This term we are trialling different opening weeks for the shop to cater to the busiest times. The Uniform Shop will NO LONGER be open every week. The shop will be open the following dates ONLY:

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Shop hours are still 8.45-9.30am.
At all other times please just send your order with payment to the school office. We will fill your order within a week and deliver it to your child’s schoolbag.

Regards—Erika and Jane from the Uniform Shop

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.

VACANCY FOR GUITAR TUTORING

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.

F.A.B.

F.A.B. resumes on Wednesday October 14th. Come prepared for an afternoon of fun, craft, games, food and learning about our great big God. This term we welcome Kindergarten students.
If you haven’t been before and would like to come along, just grab a registration form from the school office, complete it and bring it along on the first week.
For more information, please phone Annette 0408 659 575

Berowra Pet Show Colouring Competition—entries due Tuesday 13th October to Brooklyn School Office.
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)