Term 4 – Week 3

On advice from The NSWRFS and DEC, Blaxland Public School will be closed Wednesday October 23, 2013

Permission Notes and Payments Due

Voluntary Contribution - $40 student or family $60
Textbooks – $40 per student

Please note these amounts can be paid off in instalments

What’s Happening

Term 4

Week 3
21st Oct. Swim Scheme begins

Week 4
31st Oct. Kinder Orientation

Week 6
12th Nov. Teddy Bears’ Picnic
Value of the Week - Cooperation

I am practising cooperation when I:

- work well with others;
- offer my help and ideas freely;
- follow the rules;
- ask for help when I need it and
- help keep a safe, happy environment.

Swimming Scheme
Special swimming begins on Monday 21st October. Ends Friday 1st November

Kindergarten Orientation
Children beginning Kindergarten 2014 are invited to school for an orientation morning on Thursday 31 October.

P&C meeting for Term 4
P&C arranged for a change to their meeting to Monday 28th October. Unfortunately, I arranged for a meeting on Thursday, 24th October due to a change in circumstances and the need to finalise uniform arrangements as time is paramount if we are to have uniforms in place for 2014. I take responsibility for the change and offer apologies to the P&C and the school community for the confusion. It would be appreciated if we could have a P&C forum on Thursday morning where we could discuss the school uniform.

E. Jamieson

Rotary
Rotary is a wonderful organisation and has played an active role in the school life at Blaxland. They are key to many programs that support and recognise the achievements of young people. We were very lucky to be able to nominate a student to receive a ‘Service Above Self Award’. Parent nominations were invited and staff reviewed the nominations. It was a very hard choice. The caring nature of our students meant we had another candidate, one of our girls, who was also very deserving of the award. We did approach Rotary to consider a second nomination, however, while they very much wanted to be able to accommodate us, guidelines were very clear; one per school. Dylan has been instrumental in fund raising in and out of our school and has consistently supported students and his family over many years, above and beyond what could be expected of any child his age. Congratulations Dylan.

It was a night where the wider community could celebrate student achievement, and Dylan was thrilled to be nominated.

Office
Payments may be made at the office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. We ask that parents adhere to this request as Deb is on her own on Monday and Friday and juggles student needs, print room requirements and administration tasks. While receiving payments is not so much the issue, the financial documentation, counting money and banking is time consuming.

It would be appreciated if outstanding accounts could be paid as the Department requires all 2013 office accounts finalised by 29th November. From December 2nd Deb does not have access to those accounts. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Year 6 Mini Fete
The children are collecting donations for the White Elephant Stall such as books, games, toys. All donations are gratefully received and we ask if they could go to Mr Ellwood please.
Student Awards

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Mrs Lees
Christopher S – excellent thinking in Maths
Isabella M – excellent thinking in Maths

APs Award
Kiara E

VIPs
Rachel L, Myles P

Mr Zoglmeier
Eli P – Reading well in literacy groups
Erin O – being focused and engaged in class learning

APs Award
Lillian M

VIPs
Rhys C, Claudia K

Mrs Ellwood
Austin L – trying hard in all subjects
Ethan H – excellent work in Maths

APs Award
Woody S – considering others’ feelings

VIPs
Jack W, Samantha E

Mrs Hayes
Kael L – Settling into 2H so nicely
Lilly N – Trying hard to get work finished

APs Award
Mikayla A – Being a considerate friend

VIPs
Natalia M, Declan M

Mrs Shaw
Isobel O – Wonderful attitude and application to all tasks
Georgia H – Always giving her best

APs Award
Isabella M – Always being a considerate friend

VIPs
Cooper H, Lily S, Freya C, Hamish B

Mrs Palmer/Mrs Connors
Brad B – Wonderful focus on his work
Shanee R – Wonderful efforts in writing

APs Award
Jack W - Consideration

VIPs
Geordie S, Chloe S

Mr Ellwood
Tristan G – Being helpful and co-operative
William M - Being helpful and co-operative

APs Award
Callum W

Tuesday, 22 October 2013
Boys and Girls, 9 – 16 years
are invited to join

Blue Mountains
Youth Choir
to sing in its next performance, for
Springwood Music Club
on Sunday 10 November

If you love to sing, please join us!
No auditions.
Applications close 23 October.

For further information and to register, visit
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