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Important Dates

Governing Council 7pm—
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Reverse Interviews—**

Assembly 9am—**

AGM—7pm—**

Governing Council—
7pm—**



Volunteers required to assist in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden!

We are seeking volunteers (parents, grandparents, friends, neighbours etc) to assist us in the kitchen garden. All volunteers require a Criminal History Screening and will receive the appropriate induction to work in a primary school. If you know someone who enjoys cooking and or gardening and has some spare time, please encourage them to contact the school and register their interest.

Welcome Back

Welcome back to school and the 2016 school year! I hope that you all had a happy, safe and relaxing holiday period and that you are refreshed and rejuvenated for a fun packed and educational school year.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome some of our new staff members.

- In room 7 we welcome Ms Rebecca Chittleborough. Rebecca is currently teaching one of the two Years 5/6 class.
- In room 2 we welcome Mr Steve Lamb. Steve will be teaching in one of the two Year 3/4 classes for 2016.
- We welcome Mrs Jackie Knox as the Assistant Principal. Jackie will be responsible for the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden, students with disabilities and will be teaching the Year 6/7 class on a Thursday.
- Mrs Cassandra Orford will be teaching in Room 6 on a Friday. Mick O'Brien has reduced his teaching days this year and together with Ms Jackie Knox, will share the responsibility of teaching the Year 6/7 students. Whilst some people may have reservations about three teachers teaching the Year 6/7 class, the teachers have been co-planning to ensure the best possible outcomes for the students. We also embrace this model as it will best prepare the year 7 students for high school, where they will be taught by a range of different teachers for different subject areas.

I am sure that the school community will make our new staff feel very welcome. Feel free to introduce yourself and have a chat!

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome our many new students and families to the Banksia Park School R-7 community. We look forward to working with all students and their families this year and for the coming years ahead.

On the reverse side, please find a Term 1 calendar of events which you may like to add to as the term progresses. Additional events / information will be sent out via the Skoolbag App and the School Blog.

Regards

Jason Sheehy

ASSEMBLIES

As indicated in the letter to families sent out in early January, please make note that the 2016 student assemblies will now be held on Wednesday mornings (Weeks 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10 of each school term). Assemblies will start at 9am and will conclude at 9.30am. We

encourage and welcome any parents or family members to stay for the assembly when possible to support your children and get a snapshot of some of the things that have been happening around the school.

COMMUNICATION

This week you will receive a Term 1 overview from your children's class teacher. This would have outlined their rules, expectations and organisational matters so that as parents / caregivers you are aware and can assist your children in being organised.

Once again, we will continue using Skoolbag (make sure that you download this onto your smartphone)

For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
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CANTEEN

Next Tuesday (Week 2—9/2) will be our first canteen day. This year 'Cheeky Monkey Catering' will be our canteen provider. All food will be prepared fresh on site. Please see attached the 2016 canteen order form.

BANKSIA PARK CALENDAR 2016

TERM 1	Monday	 Tuesday	Wednesday	 Thursday	Friday
		Lunch Orders		Banking	
Week 1 Mon 1/2					
Week 2 Mon 8/2			Assembly 9am		
Week 3 Mon 15/2			Reverse Interviews		
Week 4 Mon 22/2			Assembly 9am		Proposed Pupil Free Day
Week 5 Mon 29/2	AGM—7pm***				
Week 6 Mon 7/3			Assembly 9am		
Week 7 Mon 14/3	Public Holiday ****	R-5 Swimming****	R-5 Swimming	R-5 Swimming	R-5 Swimming
Week 8 Mon 21/3			Assembly 9am		
Week 9 Mon 28/3	Governing Council—7pm				
Week 10 Mon 4/4			Assembly 9am		
Week 11 Mon 11/4					