“Students in small schools are known by their teachers and, as a result, discipline problems and dropout rates go down, while attendance goes up.”

**Issue 114 – Term 4 – Week 1**

**Wednesday 7th October 2015**

### What’s on Weeks 2 and 3 In Term 4 at BSPS?

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### Principal’s Report

#### Premier’s Spelling Bee

Congratulations to Brayden who came in the top 6 at the Regional Final before the holidays. A marvellous achievement!

#### Vegetable Garden

Thank you to Toni Maguire for assisting the students yesterday to plant seeds in seed beds to grow plants for planting out in our fruit and vegetable garden.

#### BATHURST EISTEDDFOD

Black Springs’ students performed at the Bathurst Eisteddfod on Monday 14th September last term. Our students were awarded 3rd place in the Small Schools Percussion category and 1st place in the K-6 Entertainment Ensemble category. This achievement is a result of the ongoing successful music program implemented at Black Springs Public School.

### Camp Quality Tractor Trek

At the end of last term the students enjoyed the Camp Quality Tractor Trek and puppet show. By all accounts the P&C afternoon tea organised for the tractor trek participants went well. A big thank you to the P&C.

### SPORTING SCHOOLS

Students will participate in two sports this term – extra swimming lessons and cricket. The students will be involved in 4 cricket sessions at the start of term and extra swimming lessons in the last week of term.

### Newsletter Distribution – Term 4

21st October, 4th November, 18th November, 2nd December

### P&C MEETING

Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 4th November at 3:15. All welcome.

### MULTILIT – Pause Prompt Praise

When your child encounters words that are difficult for them to read the 3Ps technique will allow him/her the opportunity to have another go, self-correct or, if needed, find out (be told) what the problem word is. See the video at:


### Teachers Desk - Free

Free to a good home. We have an unwanted desk measuring approx. 150cms x 90cms. Must be picked up from school. First in first served. Thank you.
K-6 News

BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to Brayden who celebrates his birthday in October. Happy Birthday Brayden!

MILOS

Milos for 50c will be available for recess in Term 4. Children should see Ben before 9.15am and give their 50c to place their order.

ASSEMBLY

Our next assembly will be on Monday, 9th November at 2:45pm.

TISSUES

It’s the season for runny noses! Could each student please bring a box of tissues to school to sit on their desk for their own use. Thank you.

A reminder that lollies, chocolate, lolly pops or chewing gum are NOT to be eaten at school. Please send your child with healthy food items in their lunch boxes.

We have ‘Fruit Break’ each morning. Please ensure your child has a piece of fruit cut, peeled and packed each morning.

HATS

Please remember our rule! No Hat - Play in the shade

All students need a broad brimmed hat.

Some NEW hats are available from the office @ $11.00 each.

As part of sun safety, students are required to wear a hat – preferably broad brimmed or legionnaire style - during outdoor activities.

The school does not provide children with spare hats

School Biz Tips

How much water does your child really need?

Staying hydrated is even more important during the warmer months. Every part of your body needs water to work properly and dehydration can lead to painful kidney stones. Many people don't feel thirsty until they are already dehydrated, so packing a drink bottle with your child's school lunch is a good reminder for them to drink during the day. Sports drinks and juices are popular with kids, but they often contain a lot of sugar. To find out the recommended daily intake of water for your child’s age at http://bit.ly/ZjwUJo

Parents count Too

Helping your child with shapes and objects - things to do at home. Please see the pamphlet attached to this newsletter.

Dates to Remember

Wed 4th Nov P&C Meeting
Fri 13th Nov Gala Day
Mon 16th to 20th Nov Swim School
Thurs 3rd Dec Presentation Night

Pledge

I honour my god.
I serve Australia.
I am loyal to my school, family & friends.
I salute the flag.

School Song

We’re proud of the fact that to Black Springs we go
To add something more to whatever we know.
Lasting friendships will follow and help us to grow,
as people of courage with something to show.

Chorus
Black Springs Public School is the best one ‘tis true
Let’s always remember truth, honour, beauty
And may our motto guide us whatever we do.

Galloping Gumnuts Play Group
At Black Springs

Black Springs Playgroup is held in the school Library. All activities are suitable for families with children aged 0-6 years.

Please encourage friends and family to come along and join the fun. Please bring along a piece of fruit to share, and a drink

When? 10am to 12noon
Thursday, 5th November
Thursday, 3rd December
THE GALLERY

TRACTOR TREK PUPPET SHOW

TOUCH FOOTBALL