What’s on Weeks 4 and 5?  
In Term 4 at BSPS?

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Principal’s Report

I am currently conducting interviews for prospective parents and new Kindergarten enrolments for 2016. Time to tell your friends and neighbours.

Smart Transition to School

I have been the School Administrative Manager (SAM) at Black Springs School for four years. My role is to support the students and staff with tasks such as excursions, resources, correspondence, newsletter etc.

It has been my experience that the school encourages students to be reliable citizens both in school and in the community. The success of this is clearly demonstrated by the attitude of all students. They are polite, friendly, ready and willing to help and support both staff and each other. As well, the school provides programs and resources which allow them to excel in their learning. It is a pleasure to come to work each day at Black Springs Public School. Jennifer Stewart – SAM

Burraga Public School I.T. Day

Students will be with Burraga Public School on Wednesday, 11th November to participate in a day of technology activities. Transport will be by staff car. Please complete the attached permission note.

Leaving and/or Knowledge of New Enrolments for 2016

If you are aware of any students possibly enrolling with us next year, please let me know. Likewise, if your child/children will not be returning to Black Springs in the New Year could you please let me know so that we can indicate to the Department the actual number of students we anticipate having next year. This will help us plan staffing for 2016.

P&C Update

With fundraising going well in the last couple of months the P&C is looking forward to catering for the rally in Black Springs on Saturday, 31st October 2015. We would also like to thank Mawhoods Super IGA of Oberon, Oberon Meats, Oberon Pies and Pastries, Bunnings of Bathurst and Masters Hardware of Bathurst for their generous donations to our fundraising activities!

Thank you to Racheal Maher, Annemarie Scorgie, Hendricks Scorgie and Alan Dumbleton for sterling efforts this year.

P&C Meeting

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

Students aged 8 – 13 will be attending the Small Schools Gala Day at Charles Sturt University on Friday, 13th November 2015. Thanks to special funding CSU will be providing lunch. Transport will be by teacher and parent car.

Please complete the attached permission note and return to school by Friday, 30th October 2015. Thank you.

PRESENTATION NIGHT

Presentation Night costume:
Parents need to provide an over-tunic for their child’s cat costume for the Presentation Night Play “Cats”. A very simple design is attached to this newsletter which can be made very quickly, particularly if fabric that doesn’t fray easily is used. If no suitably patterned fabric can be found the children can paint their costume tunic in fabric paint to suit their masks.

The tunic is the only thing that parents are required to provide for the play this year. A copy of the script for the play is also attached.

Thank you for your help!

SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

Week 7 sees us off to the Bathurst Aquatic Centre for ‘Learn to Swim’ lessons. All children attend, even children who are capable swimmers. Students who are able to swim the length of the pool do squad training which develops all strokes. Mrs Blackburn will be accompanying the students assisted by either Mrs Turek or Mrs Peard.

The Black Springs P&C have also kindly agreed to contribute to the cost. More information will be available soon.

REQUEST FOR ITEMS FOR PLAYGROUP

If parents have any unwanted items that would be suitable for use in a play group (toys, books etc.) we would be grateful to collect them at school. Please leave any items at the office. Thank you very much.

MATHS TIPS

For tips on helping your child with their mathematics homework have a look at the video at the following link.


K-6 News

MILOS

Cold 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

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, 12th November
Thursday 19th November
Thursday, 26th November
Thursday, 3rd December

Newsletter Distribution – Term 4

4th November, 18th November, 2nd December
STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Liam – for contributing in Literacy lessons and writing great sentences.

David – for working consistently well in HSIE.

School Biz Tips

Helping your child with Measuring length and area
Children learn when they play. They can learn about length and area through trial and error, playing with things such as blocks, ribbon, modeling clay and construction toys.

What can you do at home?
Use modeling dough to roll out two ‘snakes’ of different length. Talk about one snake being ‘shorter’ and the other ‘longer’. Roll two snakes that are the same length from modeling dough. Turn one into a zig-zag or curved snake. Ask your child, which snake is longer? Roll a toy car down a ramp and measure how many car lengths it travelled. Walk around objects and talk about how many steps it takes. Record your child’s growth on a height chart.

For more ideas go to:

Dates to Remember

Wed 4th Nov P&C Meeting
Thurs 5th Nov Playgroup
Mon 9th Nov Assembly
Wed 11th IT Day at Burrara PS
Fri 13th Nov Gala Day
Mon 16th to 20th Nov Swim School
Mon 30th Nov Assembly
Thurs 3rd Dec Presentation Night

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.

Pledge

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

V8 SUPERCARS SPECIAL SCHOOLS DAY
V8 SUPERCARS STUDENT REPORT

We went to the race track at Bathurst to see the V8 supercars race. I went for Red Bull. After we saw the V8’s we went back to school. As soon as we got back to school we went home.

It was lots of fun.

Anthony

EISTEDDFOD STUDENT REPORT

Before the holidays we went to the Bathurst Eisteddfod. We went on a bus to get to the Eisteddfod with our music gear. We met Anthony and Rob there.

When we got there we had to wait for other schools to finish. Once we got on the stage we sang a short version of the Lion King. After that we started our song ‘Black Springs Mash-up’. Then we bowed and went off stage. They called out names for 3rd and 2nd places and last they called our school name for 1st place with 95 points from the judges!

Then we had to hurry to get to do percussion. After we were done the judges said our school came 3rd.

It was great for my last year.

Ben
TRACTOR TREK STUDENT REPORT

After school before the holidays we went to see the Tractor Trek. There were lots of tractors at the Tractor Trek. They were passing through Black Springs on their way to Oberon. They were raising money for cancer for kids.

After we saw the tractors they went to the hall for afternoon tea. We went to the hall as well and then we went home.

It was the best.

Liam and Anthony

PLANTING SEEDS STUDENT REPORT

At the beginning of last week Toni Maguire brought some seeds to the school for us to plant. I planted three corn seeds. Toni told us that we need to water them two times a day, in the morning and at lunchtime.

We look forward to watching them grow and being able to eat the corn and other fruit and vegetables!

It was cool!

David
On the last day of school last term the Tractor Trek Puppets Show came to Black Springs Public School.

We went into the library and sat down. The people from Tractor Trek told us about the people in the puppet show. The names of the main characters were Kylie and Dave.

They performed the play. It was about a girl called Kylie, she had cancer. Her friend Dave helped her to figure out a super power to show her class. The real cure for cancer is laughter. I learnt that you don’t catch cancer from anyone.

I found the puppet show very interesting.

Mary

Before the holidays I went to Millthorpe for the Premier’s Spelling Bee. I made it into the top six but I got out when I spelt ‘acne’ with a ‘y’ at the end.

I was very proud of how I did.

Brayden