This week:  
**Tomorrow** PSSA Soccer Knockout  
Balzer Park (selected students)

**Friday 12th**  
4/5/6 Assembly

Photo Order envelopes attached. Please return envelope on the day of photographs (next Thursday) complete with payment enclosed.

**Week 9**

**Monday 15th June**  
Yr 6 Waterwatch

**P&C meeting - 6.30pm**

**Thursday 18th June**  
School Photos

**Friday 19th June**  
2/3 Assembly

**Week 10**

**Wednesday 24th June**  
Naidoc day

**Thursday 25th June**  
Grandparents' Day

**Friday 26th June**  
Last Day of Term!

**Upcoming ICAS Competitions**

Monday 15th June (or the week of) - Writing  
Tuesday 16th June- Spelling

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**Crazy Hair Disco**

What a great success! What a turn out! The 2015 school disco was a terrific event enjoyed by all of the students! Thank you so much to Heather Laverick and the 4/5/6 class for their amazing energy and organisation with this event. Thank you also to the many parents who assisted with lights, cooking, decorating and helping with last minute jobs, we are so lucky to have such supportive parents.

Thank you also to Mrs Currie and Ms Collins who helped with supervision on the night.

**Soccer Gala Day**

We have quite a few senior students who are competing in the Dunoon District soccer team’s gala day tomorrow. The students have been training very hard each Tuesday and both Mr Swift and Mrs Currie feel that the students have come together very well as a team. Just a couple of reminders: don’t forget your boots, socks and shin guards and remember to get your orders in early at the canteen.

**NAIDOC Week**

Our plans are coming together for NAIDOC celebrations this year. NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee and this year’s theme is ‘We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate.’ In our local area there are several sites of significance, including Dorrobee grass. Our plan is to visit this site and discuss with local Indigenous people its historical relevance. Back at school, we will be incorporating weaving techniques and storytelling as part of the day. More details soon.

**School Photos**

School Photographs are to be taken next Thursday 18th June. Each student will be given ONE WHITE envelope to take home. This order envelope is attached. Students need to bring back this envelope on PHOTO DAY, complete with payment enclosed. A YELLOW envelope will be given for family photographs. This envelope should not be placed inside the white individual envelope. If a student does not return the envelope by photo day, they will be unable to order photographs later on. Our school photos are now being taken and processed by an outside company so late orders are not accepted. Please return envelope on photo day, even if you are not ordering.

Come with a lovely smile, your full school uniform and your envelopes!

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY,**

**BEN!**

**HAVE A GREAT DAY!**
Blakebrook PS and Community Bonfire Night

Our very first Bonfire night will be held on Friday 12th June, 5.00-9.00pm. Local craft and fresh produce stalls will be on show. Fun activities for the whole family including face painting, glow sticks, competitions, raffles and dancing around the bonfire under the stars.
Blakebrook P&C will be serving a delicious BBQ all evening and a selection of homemade baked goods will be on sale. Non hot food related stall sites are available for booking $25 per site.
Please email louisetate@bigpond.com for further information or to book a stall site.

Community Notices

Laughter, learning, friendship, fun. Come along and find out what **Girl Guides** is all about!

For information about membership for girls or women contact Helen on 6689 5294 or at helenharg@westnet.com.au

Japanese in the classrooms

In Japanese this term, students in Kindergarten and Year 1 have been learning their colours in Japanese as well as reinforcing their greetings from last term. They will be starting to look at seasons and in particular the Spring tradition of viewing Cherry Blossoms (Sakura).

Year 2 and 3 have been concentrating very hard on their numbers and learning to recognise each one written in special Japanese kanji writing rather than just remembering them consecutively. In addition Years 2 to 6 have been gaining progress with remembering and writing their Japanese hiragana alphabet. Year 6 regularly write them out each week and have just completed the whole set of 46 symbols! In addition they are spending time looking at names of animals in Japanese and preparing a draft Japanese manga (comic strip) story involving their chosen animals. All students are coming along well this term and enjoying the experience of learning another culture.

Mrs Spence—Japanese teacher