Date: 25 November 2016   No: 39

Date Claimers:

Saturday 26 November 2016
Sausage Sizzle @ new Hardware Store RIBS from 8am

Monday 28 November 2016
Bake Sale — 1st Break

Tuesday 29 November 2016
Uniform Shop 8.30 – 9.30am
Basketball 2.45 – 3.45pm

Wednesday 30 November 2016
Final After School Soccer for 2016

Thursday 1 December 2016
Swimming Carnival
Including P&C Sausage Sizzle
Uniform Shop 2-3.00pm

Friday 2 December 2016
Tuckshop Open
Final Day for Banking

Friday 9 December 2016
Last day of term
BICS Christmas Karaoke — Community Centre
NO TUCKSHOP

From the Principal’s desk...

Booklists — these will be sent home next week. Class lists for 2017 have been posted on the school noticeboard so you will know which list is appropriate for each child. In 2017, all students will be expected to have everything on the list. It is your choice to either use the supplier listed on the booklist or a combination of purchasing of the items from the list and either, buying the rest of the items somewhere else or using items you already have at home. All text books on your child’s class list must be provided by you for your child. These are essential items that support your child’s learning. Thank you for supplying your child with the ‘tools’ they need to complete the job.

Website - have you been to Russell Island State School website lately? Please go have a look at all the information and photos. So much is there...class lists, booklists, calendar events, parade and other school photos, contact information, uniform shop, policy documents and so much more!

Uniforms - In 2017 there will be a strict uniform policy. When buying new items such as shoes and socks please be aware that children are expected to have black closed in shoes and white socks. Shoes can either be leather or sandshoe/jogger style but they must be black. If your child cannot tie their own shoelaces, please consider Velcro closing shoes. See the newsletter or the website for Uniform Shop opening hours etc.

Newsletter 2017 - is going digital! From next year Newsletters will be emailed to families and placed on the website. Families who do not have access to technology can collect a paper copy from the office on Friday afternoon or Monday morning. Paper copies will Not be sent home to each family.

Updating ALL family information - in week 1 of 2017, all families will receive a letter asking them to update their information (addresses, phone numbers, email addresses etc). It is vital that we have UP TO DATE information in case of emergencies, illness or to relay important information. This year there have been several instances where parents have been uncontactable. Please remember, you can contact the office staff anytime on 3400933 and inform the school of any change.

Soccer: Wednesday 30 Nov will be the final After School Soccer.

Bake Sale:
Year 6 will be holding a Bake Sale Monday 28th Nov in the upper undercover area to raise money for the costs of the recent Mission Cup Netball Excursion. Prices $1-$2.00!!

P&C News:
VOLUNTEERS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED for the following events, please contact Bill on 0438253629:

Sausage Sizzle @ the RIBS Hardware Store Opening
Tomorrow Saturday 26th Nov from 8.00am

Sausage Sizzle @ the Swimming Carnival
Thursday 1st Dec—also drinks $2 and Icy Poles $1

Carols by Glow Stick
To be held on Tuesday 6th December here at the School from 6-7.30pm—Sausage Sizzle, drinks and P&C Stall with glow sticks and Christmas gifts items

Tuckshop
Please note all orders are to be made at the Tuckshop window ONLY on Friday mornings from 8.15am. For any completed orders handed in not containing the correct amount, change will be supplied in the lunch bag. Please note: NO TUCKSHOP LAST DAY OF TERM.
Breakfast Club
It has been a fantastic year for our Breakfast Club, with massive community support and a group of wonderful volunteers who have made it possible to provide a healthy breakfast for students **five days a week!!!** Donations have been made by: Safe Harbour Family Church, Russell Island Community Christian Church, Russell Island Singers, Giggle and Craft Group and The Kiosk. Staff at the school have supported us as well by purchasing hot beverages every Thursday with all profits donated to Breakfast Club. We have managed to raise enough funds to continue well into term two next year! Thank you so much to all involved.

BICS – Christmas Carols Family Karaoke!!!
After the success of the Halloween Karaoke night, BICS would like to invite families for an afternoon of Christmas Carol Karaoke fun! Come along to the Community Centre, Jackson Road on **Friday the 9th December 4–6pm.** Children will need to sign in/out and will receive a free drink and snack (further drinks and snacks available for purchase). All the kids can sing along for the first hour and then we would like to encourage families to sing together until finish. Come along dressed up in some creative Christmas cheer and win some prizes!

School Gardening Club – RSL Project
Our students involved with the school Gardening Club recently began a project in conjunction with our local RSL. Children are participating every Monday and Wednesday at the RSL helping to maintain, extend and beautify the gardens. They are learning many new skills and having fun participating in this ongoing project. The RSL have generously contributed all transport, volunteer input, equipment and gardening supplies for the children to utilise.

Hello Everyone,
I year has past. Students have had fun being taught Japanese and culture! For 2017, I would like to increase students learning of the Japanese language. Also, to encourage all the schooling community to teach everyone the language and participate in Japanese cultural activities. From Sensei Barnes, Have a safe and happy break. See you in 2017!

PARADE PHOTOS