Blakebrook Public School Bulletin
Term 4 Week 10 ~ Thursday 10 December 2015
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Diary dates:

**Week 10**
- **Monday 14/12** Collection boxes for Santa gift and Hamper items located in K-1 classroom
- **Thursday 17/12** MYSTERY TOUR for all students - remember to pack lunch, recess, water bottle, swimmers, towel, hat
- **Friday 18/12** Hamper items need to be at school no later than 9.30am please

**Week 11**
- **Monday 21/12** Awards Presentation 5pm
- **Tuesday 22/12** XMAS TREE 6pm
- **Wednesday 23/12** Last week of term

**2016 T1W1**
- **Monday 25/1** School holiday
- **Tuesday 26/1** Australia Day PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- **Wednesday 27/1** SDD (School Development Day) - STAFF ONLY
- **Thursday 28/1** Students in Years 1-6 return to school
- **Friday 29/1** PLAN Assessments for new Kinder students - Mrs Tate will contact parents with times (2nd day of assessments on Mon 1/2)

Regular P&C days:
- **Tuesdays:** 3-3.30pm Uniform shop
- **Thursdays:** Lunch orders by 9.30am
- **Fridays:** Canteen lunches served (pre-ordered only)

Awards presented at assembly this week, Friday 3pm

**PRINCIPAL’S AWARD:** Erika for being a great role model
**CAPA:** Hannah
**ENVIRONMENT:** Josie P
**SPORT:** Hayden J
**GOOD FRIEND:** Isabel chosen by: Jemelia

**BLUE AWARDS**
- **Amber B, Luke H** Students are awarded a Blue Award after receiving 10 Yellow awards in their class.

**ACADEMIC**
- **K-1** Hayden J for consistent effort in all KLAS
- **2-3** Rorie for sharing with peers how to make your own songs using the Garage Band app
- **Y4** Ivy P-W for solving long multiplication algorithms
- **5-6** Yogi for great work in numeracy

**GO FOR IT**
- **K-1** Amber L for listening intently to instructions
- **2-3** Simon for really enjoying all the Christmas activities (no Scrooge activities!)
- **Y4** Dante for great class artwork
- **5-6** Jack for great efforts in writing

**THINKING SKILLS**
- **K-1** Malakai for positive reflections on peer support
- **2-3** Tristan for sharing lots of helpful hints on the ipad app ActionMovie
- **Y4** Bella D-G for identifying answers for graphing problems
- **5-6** Sam for an improved attitude towards learning

**LIBRARY**
- **K-1** Taj & Baylie B
- **2-3** Riley & Hannah
- **Y4** Jason & Angela
- **5-6** Zac & Millie

**Library News with Mrs McInnes**

Borrowing: has finished for the year. Please ensure you look for library books at home and send ALL back by Friday 11/12
What a great Year!
It has been an extremely busy year for Blakebrook Public School. I would like to say thank you to all our community for their support of our wonderful school. I would like to publically thank the school staff: Louise Tate, Lois Skorjenko, Julie Perren, Megan Curran, Di McInnes, Marion Stevens, Wendy Vanke, Linda Hampstead and Tom Hayes for their hard work and dedication to our school. They make Blakebrook PS a truly unique and fun place to work and for children to learn.
A sincere thank you to Betty McPaul and her P&C committee for their hard work and friendship this year. It is sincerely appreciated.
Farewell and good luck to the following families from BPS - Brayden Batman, Lian Freeman, Isabel Gillies, Leo Morris, Zac Poulton, Rani Silalahi, Luke Stephen, Josh Weir, Nat Ertz, Riley & Luke Harlow, and Cianna McQueen. We wish you all the very best for the future and hope you’ll stay in touch. Good Bye and Good Luck.
I look forward to seeing you all again in 2016. Have an enjoyable, relaxing and safe holiday.

Presentation Afternoon / Xmas Tree Celebration
The annual Presentation Afternoon will be held tomorrow, Friday 11 December starting at 5pm sharp. From 6pm (after the Awards Ceremony) the P&C will be selling food items (eg BBQ steak, sausages & drinks).
After dinner the students will be singing some Christmas Carols. There’s talk that Santa himself will visit if the children sing well enough. Families are invited to wrap a book for Santa to hand out on the night. These gifts should be clearly marked with children's names and left at the school office prior to the event. Gifts for siblings not at our school are welcome to be left as well for Santa.
All families are encouraged to come along for an enjoyable evening. The event should finish at 8pm. I extend a warm welcome to all our families and friends to come along and celebrate the conclusion of another successful and enjoyable year at Blakebrook Public School.
PLEASE NOTE: as this is a Department of Education event no alcohol or smoking is permitted.

Year 6 Farewell
This prestigious event will be held on Monday 14 December. Year 6 have decided to go Ten Pin Bowling from 4:30 to 5:30pm then return to school to have pizza for dinner, watch their commemorative DVD and cut their farewell cake. Year 5 and 6 students and parents are invited to attend however bowling has only been booked for the students. Parents are to make their own arrangements if they wish to have a bowl. A separate information note has been sent to 5/6 students this week.

Last Assembly
The last weekly assembly for 2015 is tomorrow, Friday 11 December at 3pm. Week 10 awards will be presented. Parents and guests are encouraged and welcome to come along.

End of Term and 2016 return dates
The last day for students for 2015 is Wednesday 16th December. If you are leaving prior to this date, please inform the school with a note detailing the reasons.
Students return on Thursday 28 January 2016 with our Kindy students commencing on Tuesday 2nd February 2016.

GENERAL NEWS

Collection Boxes are in the K-1 for:
- Santa book presents
- Hamper items - deadline is Friday 11/12/15 9.30am

The staff at Blakebrook PS wish our families and community a happy & safe Christmas and best wishes for the new year.
Blakebrook Public School P & C Newsletter
Thursday 10th December 2015 – Week 10 Term 4

This is our last P&C Newsletter for 2015. Thank you everyone, especially the Weir, Morris and Freeman families, for all for your volunteering, assistance at functions and being apart of our Blakebrook Public School P&C committee. Your valued support is greatly appreciated, Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays! Anyone wishing to join our P&C please come along and have some input into your child’s school at the next meeting week 4 of term 1 2016.

**CANTEEN**

Thank you Ali Poulton for taking on Canteen during Term 4 - awesome job, much appreciated!

Also our wonderful volunteers, because without you we would not be able to run the canteen.

Thank you and see you in 2016!

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<td>Week 10</td>
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<td>Work (9.30am - 1pm)</td>
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**Alternative Lunch Menu**

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Any enquiries with canteen please contact Ali 0420 946407
Canteen will commence week 3 of Term 1 if anyone would like to volunteer contact Betty on 0415 394354

**FUNDRAISING**

**Christmas Tree Night is on Friday 11th December, 2015.**

The man in red will be there to hand out gifts to the children. Books to the value of $10 can be purchased for your child. Please wrap and place your child’s name on it and drop into the collection box located in the K-1 classroom in the days leading up to the event. Thank you to all who supported the Christmas hampers by donating non-perishable goods.

**Shopping Bus Trip – last Saturday 5th December, 2015.**

Thank you to all the lovely ladies who came on the shopping trip last Saturday. Everyone enjoyed their day. Our raffle winners were $50 voucher-Leanne Saunders, Chemist skin care pack–Verla Youngberry and face washer set - Kate Scully.

**Masters BBQ - last Sunday 6th December, 2015.**

HUGE thank you to our wonderful teachers Alan, Louise, Louis and Marion for coming and helping the P&C on Sunday for the Masters BBQ. Numbers of volunteers were low, so we really did appreciate your help. Thank you also to Sharon, Karl, Suzie, Nicole, Sophie, Jodie, Sharon, Nicole, Mick, Kim and Ali.

A HUGE Congratulations and THANK YOU Shane Cooper of Casino who won the 100 club at the Masters BBQ and has kindly donated it back to the children at Blakebrook Public School.

**ANY P&C QUERIES - please contact Betty to assist on 0415 394354 not Wendy in the office thank you!**
The Channon Village Christmas Carols and Bush dance by Sunset - Friday 11th December at The Channon Tavern from 5:30pm

Join 'The Ragged Blossoms' and your local community at The Channon Butter Factory Tavern from 5:30pm Friday 11th December for an evening to celebrate the festive season with friends, carol-singing and bush-dancing. Relax on a rug on the grass, sing with gusto and dance the night away. Santa will be there just after local kids perform a well-rehearsed set of contemporary and traditional Christmas carols.

See you there!