Dear Parents and Carers

**Kindergarten Orientation**
Wednesday 9th September will be the first orientation session for our 2016 kindergarten students and I am looking forward to meeting them and their parents.

Mrs Clegg and Miss Newton have been very busy organising fun activities for all the girls and boys to do whilst they are at ‘big’ school.

Parents are invited to attend an information session while their children are in the classrooms.

**2016 School Organisation**
If you know you will be leaving the school in 2016, could you please let the office know as we are already making plans for the 2016 school year.

**P & C Meeting**
Our next P & C meeting will take place on Monday 7th September at 7.00pm in the staffroom.

**Southern Stars**
I had the pleasure of watching the Southern Stars performance last Saturday and it was a ‘spectacular’ show.

Our students performed brilliantly and I was very proud of all the students who performed and everyone who was associated with the show. Special mention must go to Mrs Newton for all her hard work, ensuring dancers and costumes were organised, but also to all other staff who contributed their time to supervise students during performance days and nights, and also to teachers who helped supervise at school.

**SAS Staff**
Every year we acknowledge the tremendous effort our SASS team do in our School.

We have a very talented and dedicated group of employees who often do a large amount of work above and beyond their job descriptions.

School Administrative and Support Staff, whether they work in the office, the library, on the school grounds or in the classroom setting, are important contributors to the success of the school and children’s education.

This week is SASS Recognition Week and it is an opportunity for the school community to acknowledge the important role that SAS staff plays in our school. Berkeley Public School would not run as effectively as it does without our Special SAS Staff.

Our dedicated SAS staff is:

- **Wendy Oldfield** School Admin Manager
- **Leigh Wakeford** School Admin Officer
- **Sharon Stephenson** School Admin Officer/SLSO
- **Elizabeth Claydon** School Admin Officer/Library
- **Glenn Coomb** General Assistant
- **Angie Edwards** SLSO’s
- **Karen Ryan**
- **Michelle Clifford**
- **Hal Edgar**
- **Luke McKay**
- **Jarrad McKay**

**Respect**
Respect means caring for and valuing yourself and sharing kindness and consideration for others.

**Responsibility**
Responsibility means being trustworthy and accountable for your behaviour.

**Safety**
Safety means protecting the well-being and security of everyone in our school.

**Cooperation**
Cooperation means getting along by working and playing together.

**School Events**
This Fortnight…

- **Monday 7th September**
  Assembly 11.45am
- **Tuesday 8th September**
  K-2 Excursion
- **Wednesday 9th September**
  Kindergarten Orientation
- **Thursday 10th September**
  Song Room Program
- **Monday 14th September**
  Assembly 11.45am
- **Tuesday 15th September**
  Kindergarten Orientation
- **Wednesday 16th September**
  Fun Day 10am – 2pm
- **Thursday 17th September**
  Song Room Program
- **Friday 18th September**
  Last Day of Term 3
- **Tuesday 6th October**
  Term 4 Resumes
**Term 3 Planner**

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ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Be “ON TIME” to get a great start!

- Students have a chance to unpack their belongings and to play with their friends.
- Students are ready to start school with the class without being rushed or feeling frustrated.
- They are present to hear important morning announcements and the day’s routine.
- Teachers and students who have already begun work are not interrupted.
- Students get into the habit of punctuality, which is important in all aspects of life.
- Arriving 20 minutes late to school each day, is the equivalent of missing 11 school days in a year.

Sportathon

This year our major school fundraiser for 2015 will be a Sportathon. The money raised will go towards buying resources for the school.

On Monday the 17th August your child/children will bring home a sponsorship form so they can begin collecting sponsors and money. Students will be sponsored on the activities completed at the Sportathon.

Students need to collect the money from the sponsors as they sign them up. Students will be asked to bring their sponsorship forms into school every Tuesday. Money will be collected, counted, lucky draw tickets issued and forms returned to students to continue raising more money.

Students SHOULD NOT door-knock or ask people unknown to you to sponsor them.

Thanks for your continued support

Sportathon Committee
Stage 2 and Stage 3 Students

In Term 4, we will be running Athletics sessions on a Thursday afternoon as part of the Sporting Schools program, formerly known as Active After School Communities. Students in Stage 2 and Stage 3 will be invited to participate in the program which will run between 3.30 and 4.30pm, from Thursday 8th October to Thursday 26th November. The sessions will be run by a qualified coach and supervised by a teacher. Notes will be handed out in Week 8. Places are limited, so please return your note to Miss Khoury as soon as possible.

Year 5 Update - Leadership Positions for 2016

In Week 5 next term, we will begin the nomination process to elect our school leaders in 2016. An information letter will be sent home to students in Year 5 who express an interest in becoming Captain or Vice Captain at the end of next week. This letter outlines the timeline of the nomination and voting process, and also the expectations we have for our leaders. It would be appreciated if you could discuss these with your child as both students and parents are required to sign the nomination form. Leadership roles can be a demanding, but rewarding role for students to undertake. Best of luck to all our prospective candidates!

Second Hand Book Stall

Year 6 students will be setting up a Second Hand Book Stall at the Fun Day on Wednesday, Week 10. We have collected a large range of books for babies, kids and adults. Book prices will range from 20c through to $5. Buy 3 get one free! Come and see us for a bargain!

Stage 2 Market Stall

As a special activity for their Term 3 HSIE focus, 'Who Will Buy?', all the Stage 2 students will work as a group to provide, organise and make some goodies to be sold at LUNCH 1 next Thursday, 10th September. The students will be selling some delicious fresh treats priced from 50 cents to $2.00. There will be jellies, chocolate crackles, fresh fruit cups, popcorn, drinks …
On Wednesday 2nd September our students were rewarded for their good behaviour with a special disco in the school hall during school time. Two sessions were held – one for Early Stage 1 and Stage 1, and Stages 2 and 3. We were lucky enough to have one of our kindergarten students’ parents come along and act as DJ for the event. A big thank you to Mr Taahi, father of Temanu in KB, for volunteering his time and equipment to help out, everyone enjoyed the music and had a great time.
**Bragg Box**

Well done to Zac Ford of 5/6H on gaining selection in the South Coast Boys Softball team. Zac will be travelling to North Curl Curl from Tuesday 15th September to Thursday 17th September to play in the State Softball Championships.

Well done Zac on a great performance and Good Luck.

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**ILLAWARRA DRAGON BOAT CLUB**

**JUNIORS 12 – 18 yrs**

**COME & TRY DRAGON BOATING**

Dragon boating is a fun and accessible sport for all ages and fitness levels. If you are a team player and enjoy being on the water this could be just what you are looking for!

- Good Fun Activity
- Great for Fitness
- Make New friends
- Adrenalin Pumping

**WHY NOT GIVE IT A GO!!!!**

**When:** Saturday 10 October 2015

**Where:** Illawarra Rowing Centre, Northcliffe Drive, Warrawong

(adjacent to Illawarra Yacht Club)

**Time:** 10am – 11.30am (BBQ after paddling)

**RSVP to:** Helen on 0403 844880 or illawarradragonboaters@y7mail.com

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**What’s On at Berkeley Sports Club**

**KIDS DISCO**

12 yrs & under
Friday 18th September 6-9pm
FREE ENTRY

**THE SPY WHO LOVED HER**

**KIDS MOVIE NIGHT!**

Friday 25th September
FREE ENTRY
Movie starts 6:30pm
BYO bean bag

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**KMS Fitness**

GET ACTIVE THIS SPRING

Are you looking for a Personal Trainer?
Do you have a specific goal you want to reach?
Or do you just need that extra bit of motivation?

KMS offers One-on-One Personal Training along with 4 Group Sessions per week:

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1 x 30 minute PT Trial session
OR
2 x Group Training sessions
FREE WITH THIS FLYER

** If you are interested in a Group Session of a Tuesday or Thursday morning from 9.00am, please contact me directly **

This is your chance to make a better YOU!

Contact Karlie Smith today on 0432 292 972!
ABN: 40 767 216 345