It’s hard to believe that this will be our last newsletter for the year! We’ve had a fantastic year. I’d like to congratulate all of our students for their great efforts. I enjoy reading the teacher’s comments in the student’s reports and seeing the great improvements and successes that they have experienced throughout the year.

**BIG THANK YOU**

I would like to thank our amazing teaching staff who work extremely hard and go above and beyond what is expected of them so that the children are immersed not only academically, but are also provided with opportunities to participate in activities in the Arts and across many different Sporting Codes.

We thank our hard working P&C and parent helpers for the time and effort they have put in to contribute to our great school.

**STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS**

The last day of school for the students is next Wednesday. We have some exciting new programs to implement next Year. We will be going to Waniora Public School for Professional Learning next Thursday for the first half of the day. We will be looking at Formative Assessment and giving positive feedback to students. Thursday afternoon and Friday we will be here at school. We will be looking at a social welfare program called Kids Matter and also the new History and Geography Syllabuses.

**PRESENTATION DAY**

Our Annual Presentation Day will be held Thursday, December 10, starting at 9:30am. This is a celebration for all students to celebrate
their many achievements throughout the year, regardless of whether they are getting an award or not. We would love to see you there.

**Talent Show**
Our rehearsals are well under way and this year’s show looks to be one of our best. We have a record number of performers this year who can’t wait for next Monday Show Day.

**Dragons Visit**
On Wednesday we had a visit from the Dragon’s Development officers and a number of players. They are promoting their 2016 Diary as well as the importance of a Healthy Lifestyle.

**Sporting Schools**
Stage Three will be visiting the Wollongong Golf Course on Wednesday as a part of their 5 week golf program. Thanks to Aaron and Darius from Wollongong Golf Club who have been working with both Stage 2 and 3 this term.

Hopefully we will have some budding golfers in the near future.

**Teachers Vs Students T.Ball Game**
On Wednesday, December 16 we will have our annual Year 6 Vs Teachers T.Ball Game. This will begin at 9.30am on the back oval. Parents are welcome to attend. Go Teachers!!!!!

**Need - A - Feed**
If you would still like to make a donation we will be taking donations until Friday. Thank you to all those families who have supported Need-A-Feed this year.

**KIdsMatter Parent Surveys**
Thank you all those families that have already completed the parent survey. If you still need to complete the survey it would be greatly appreciated if it could be finalised by the end of term.

**Thank You**
I would just like to say a “Big Thank You” to our School Community for their support with our sporting activities, garden and kitchen program, Archibull, Need-A-Feed and just for supporting our school. Hope to see you all on board next year for another exciting school year. Mrs Devlin

**Library News—Return All Books**
*Urgent!* Please check that your child/children have *returned* all library books as we cannot lend them over the holidays. Thank you Mrs H.

**Bus Pass—Parents Please Note**
Changes to the Student Transport Scheme gives eligible students free or subsidised travel between home and school, on the approved bus, train or ferry services.

From Term one 2016, Transport NSW will be issuing School Opal cards to students eligible for travel under the School Students Transport Scheme.

Most parents, guardians and students won’t need to apply for a School Opal card as they have already been given a school student travel pass and will automatically receive a School Opal card. However, parents, guardians and students will need to apply if the student:

- Is just starting school and has not had a bus pass before.
- Is in transition year (i.e. Year 2 to 3 or 6 to 7).
- Is changing schools, including going between primary and secondary school.
- Or if the student’s personal details have changed (e.g. address).

To apply online visit [transportnsw.info/school-students](http://transportnsw.info/school-students) and complete the application forms.
**AWARDS**

Congratulations to the following students

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| 3/4K    | Brinley | Lukas | Maryam | Migtba | Molly |
| 3/4M    | Odette | Radin | Riley | Shi-Lee | Sienna |
| 3/4M    | Adam | Bucha | Christian | Sheryl | |

Complete Tennis Beaton Park
Christmas Holidays Junior Tennis Clinics.

Dates:
Monday 21st - Wednesday 23rd December 2015.
Monday 11th – Thursday 14th January 2016.

Ages: 4 – 14, Beginners to intermediates.
Coaching, games, fun. New Tennis Australia Hot Shots Program.

**BUCKET SCOCER**
TRY YOUR NEXT PARTY!
For Ages 8 - 80

- Birthdays *Bucks *Hens
- Corporates Team Building
- Casual Groups
- or a Bunch of Mates

To book call: 42288322 or eightfoxveue.com.au
School Holiday Program
17 December 2015—27 January 2016

Big Fat Smile Fun Club contacts:-
Email: westwollongong@bigfatsmile.com.au
Phone: 4225 9520
bigfatsmile.com.au/5-12-centres to enrol

ACTIVITIES
17/12 Belmore Basin
21/12 Christmas Cooking
23/12 Fun Club Cinema
4/1 New Yr Hawaii Party
6/1 Hollywood is Calling
8/1 Wet & Wild Water
12/1 Maritime Museum
14/1 Big Day In
16/1 Artrageous
20/1 Beach Games…..
22/1 Super Soaker Battle
27/1 Jamberoo

18/12 Candle Making
22/12 Christmas Craft
24/12 Secret Santa & Disco
5/1 Lets Bowl & Park Play
7/1 Park to Park Bike Ride
11/1 Minecraft Day
13/1 Craft Kids
15/1 Wheels Day
19/1 Putt Putt Golf
21/1 Beat the Drum
25/1 CLOSED

Bring hat, water bottle and lunch

Yoga for the whole FAMILY In GWYNNEVILLE!
Strengthen family bonds and celebrate together with a FUN, Christmas themed family yoga class
Date: Wednesday 16th December
Time: 5:30 - 6:30pm
Where: St Brigid’s School Hall Gwynneville
Cost: $10 per person or $30 per family
Bookings Essential

Benefits of Family Yoga
Strengthens family connections
Builds on your own unique family identitys the whole family skills to relax and be happy!
It’s FUN!

For more information or to book please call Simone on: 0428 90 98 95 simone@yogabears.com.au
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