Dear Parents,

Congratulations to the following children who received Merit Awards last week:

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<th>Kindergarten</th>
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**Student of the Week**

SAMANTHA

**P&C ASSOCIATION MEETING**

Thank you to all our parents who found the time to attend the P&C meeting last Tuesday night. There was a brief run down on this year’s school priorities and general discussion about P&C events for the year. A more detailed report will be found in the yellow P&C newsletter. Welcome to our newly elected office bearers for 2015. The next meeting of the P&C will be held on Tuesday 10th March at 7.00pm.

If any parent would like to be added to the P&C email list to receive the minutes you are most welcome to contact the office or one of the P&C representatives. Copies of the minutes will continue to be attached to the school newsletter – on yellow paper.

**CALENDAR REMINDERS**

- **Thursday** – Sports Uniform to be worn during Term 1
- **Friday** – Milk Day $1.00
- Footsteps Dance 19th February to 1st April
- Meet & Greet Monday 16th February 7 – 8pm
- Cake Day Friday 20th February
- Year 1 Hospital Explorer Excursion Tuesday 24th February
- Clean Up Australia Day Friday 27th February
- Sausage Sizzle Friday 27th February
- Slinky Week 2nd – 6th March
- Bandaged Bear Day and Teddy Bears Picnic Friday 6th March
- P & C Meeting Tuesday 10th March 7.00pm
- Harmony Day Orange Mufti Friday 20th March
- Footsteps Disco Friday 20th March
- Best Start Interviews Tuesday 24th March 2pm – 7pm
- Stewart House bag collection Thursday 26th March
- School Photos Monday 30th March
- Egg a Thon and Sausage sizzle Thursday 2nd April

**MONEY & NOTES**

- Footsteps Dance Money
- School Requirements
**BEST START KINDER ASSESSMENT**
This week all Kinder students will be taking part in the Best Start Kinder Assessment in literacy. This is an individual standardised assessment completed by all students entering Kindergarten. A letter explaining both the literacy and numeracy assessment was sent home last week. After in the term, on Tuesday, 25th March, there will be interviews with parents to explain the results of the assessment and ideas on how to enhance your child’s learning.

**COMMEMORATIVE PAVING**
We are providing another opportunity for you to buy a commemorative paving as a long-lasting memory of the school. To see samples of past pavings, have a look around the flagpole. If you would like to order a commemorative paving please see Mrs Maclean in the office for an order form. We will only be ordering them this term and not again this year.

**MILK DAY – FRIDAY 20th FEBRUARY**
Thank you to Mia for coming along on Friday to sell milk to the children for us.

**MEET AND GREET TONIGHT AT 7PM**
It is important for all parents to read carefully the class booklets that were distributed last week and to attend the “Meet and Greet” night with each teacher tonight at 7.00pm. Parents will be made aware of the specific way each class operates and how the timetable across all three classes works. If you have a Kinder child as well as an older child in another class, you may like to come to the Kinder room at 6.30 for a quick run-down of routines.

**CAKE DAY – FRIDAY 20th FEBRUARY**
Thank you to Pamela Georgia and Luisa who will be baking for us on Friday 20th February.

**SYDNEY CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL – HOSPITAL EXPLORER EXCURSION YEAR 1 STUDENTS – TUESDAY 25th FEBRUARY**
An excursion has been arranged for Year 1 to attend the Hospital Explorer Program at Sydney Children’s Hospital, Randwick on Tuesday 25th February. The aim of the two and a quarter hour program is to take the mystery out of going to hospital, so children will be less anxious if needing hospitalisation. This visit supports topics covered in the school curriculum as well. A free healthy morning tea of fruit, cheese and water is provided by the hospital for the children. Students will be transported to the hospital by bus.

**CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY FRIDAY 27th FEBRUARY**
Our children will be participating in Clean Up Australia Day on Friday, 27th February. The children will clean up the immediate area of the school yard, Crewe Lane and Charles Daly Reserve. Your child will need to bring their own gloves and a plastic bag to join in on the day. Each child will receive a certificate for helping to keep Australia clean.

**OUR FIRST SAUSAGE SIZZLE FOR THE YEAR – FRIDAY 27th MARCH**
The parents who have so kindly offered to be cooks for our first sausage sizzle are Jodi, Mark and Lenore. Thank you mums and dad. Please see the order form at the end of the newsletter to order your child’s lunch.

**SCHOOL EXPENSES AND INVOICING TO PARENTS**
The school invoices parents for requirements and activities. The invoices are a friendly reminder of any outstanding monies. These will be issued in Week 5.
Thank you to all those fantastic parents who have already sent along their monies for Learning Materials, scripture books and the voluntary contributions for the school and the P&C Association. These voluntary contributions go directly to your children by providing wonderful additional resources for your children to use.

Over the past years we have been able to purchase large items such as air conditioners, photocopier, sun shade, and the constant upgrading of guided readers, big books and take home readers. Our special Reading Program is another worthwhile initiative supported by both the school and the P&C funds. Without your parental support these items would not be able to be purchased.

SCHOOL WEBSITE
Our school website http://www.bardwelpki-p.schools.nsw.edu.au is available for your perusal. School photos and term calendars are regularly updated. Please take a look and let us know what you think, and how we can improve the site.

ADVERTISEMENTS
Every now and then we receive flyers from companies and individuals wishing to advertise in the school newsletter. These companies are not endorsed by the school but are included for your information.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE ORDER FORM

CHILD'S NAME: _________________________ CLASS: ________

I would like to order _____ sausage sandwiches ($2.50 each) and I enclose $_______