Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome back for term 3. This term has a number of big events ahead. Next week, popular author and illustrator Cameron Stelzer will be visiting the school on Tuesday. Education week begins 28 July with the senior class singing at the local ceremony on Wednesday, 30 July and school event on 1 August. School Council elections are in August. Disco is planned for 15 August and Fathers’ Day Breakfast will be 5 September. Our Sydney excursion this year is to the Powerhouse Museum and it is planned from 11 September. We also have student reports at the end of term.

**Cameron Stelzer**

Author and Illustrator of “Stroogle” books and “Pie Rats” is coming to Black Hill Public School

**When:** Next Tuesday, 22 July  
**Cost:** Free

Cameron is once again visiting our school and will spend time in each class over the day, explaining story writing, characters and illustration with practical activities. Every second year Cameron has visited our school and we have a great time from his lessons to the lunchtime games.

Wear your Pie Rat T-shirt if you have one from previous visits.

**Power House Museum**

This term there is an excursion to the Powerhouse Museum on Thursday, 11 September, week 9.

The cost of the excursion for students will be $33 per student. Parent cost is $15.

Parents attending will be asked to care for a small group of students when we are at the museum. There are limited places available on the bus for parents and caregivers. Just one adult seat per family will be allocated initially. Other seats may be offered if available. Completion of the form and payment will secure your seat. Closing date for payment and notes is 29 August.

The bus will leave school on the day at 8.00-am. We will leave Sydney at 2.30pm to be back at school by approximately 4.30-5.00pm.

Further information will follow.
School Athletics Carnival

Luckily the wind went away long enough on the last Friday of last term and we had a chance to run our whole school athletics carnival. It was a great day and I was really impressed with every team and the way they represented themselves throughout the day. **Wonarua**, that was a sensational war cry to start the day!

To all the parents who attended and helped on the day, thank you all. Special thanks to the parents who provided refreshments on the day as they were welcomed on such a chilly winter’s day. Amazingly, we have now added the parent tug-o-war to the parent race which was great to see.

Our overall house winner was **Worimi**, congratulations. They stormed home this year and the rest of the teams came in as follows: second Wonarua, third Darkinjan and fourth Awabakal.

Our champions this year are:

- **Junior Girl**      Olivia Wheway  
- **Junior Boy**      Ben Trigg, Lachlan Tresidder  
- **Senior Girl**      Cleopatra McCulloch  
- **Senior Boy**      Zack Jacobs

Well done everyone!

Hot Lunches

Hot lunches will start next week on Tuesday 22 July. Please use the brown bags provided for hot lunch orders **only** and put you orders in the hot lunch box this Friday.

Plain Pies $2.50, Quiche $2.50, Sausage Rolls $2.00, Poppers $1.00, Up & Go $1.50

Pie and Lamington Fundraiser

It is time for our Winter Warmer Pie and Lamington drive. There is a great selection of pies, slices and lamingtons so please pass your order forms around to your family and friends as all funds raised support the school. Your orders and money need to be returned to school by Friday, 1 August and the orders will be ready for pickup on Friday, 8 August.

Community Meeting

Tomorrow afternoon at 3.30pm and ending 7.00pm, Cessnock Council will be conducting a community consultation process at the school regarding the development proposal for land opposite the school on Blackhill Road. Please see attached for details. Representatives will be here to provide information and answer questions. The local community group has also prepared an information sheet that is available in the office and at the meetings. These meetings will be held in the senior classroom (wooden building at the front of the school).

All the action in pictures from the sports carnival on the last day of term 2
3 July 2014

Blackhill Public School
Black Hill Road
BLACK HILL NSW 2322

Dear Sir/Madam

Change to Meeting Date - Community Forum
Planning Proposal No. 18/2011/9/1 – Black Hill
Property: Lot 1131 DP 1057179

Due to a conflict in meeting dates, the community forum to discuss the “Black Hill” Planning Proposal has been rescheduled from Wednesday 16 July 2014 to Thursday 17 July 2014.

The proposed meeting times and meeting sessions remain the same as previously notified on 30 July 2014.

Date: 17 July 2014

Time: 3.30pm – 6.30pm Informal “Drop-in” Information Session
7.00pm – 9.00pm Facilitated Community Session

Venue: Black Hill Public School, 408 Black Hill Road, Black Hill

RSVP: Required, as seating is limited (nominate session/s you are attending). Please contact Strategic Land Use Planning on 4993 4183 by 14 July 2014.

Council regrets any inconvenience that the changes to the date of the community forum to discuss the “Black Hill” Planning Proposal may cause you.

Any enquiries regarding this matter should be directed to Council’s Coordinator Strategic Land Use Planner, Mr Bo Moshage, on telephone (02) 4993 4241 or email bo.moshage@cessnock.nsw.gov.au

Yours faithfully

Bo Moshage
Strategic Lane Use Planning Coordinator
Activity Note

Event: Powerhouse Museum 2014

Destination: Darling Harbour, Sydney

Date: Thursday, 11 September

Depart: 8.00am sharp  Return: 4.30-5.00pm

Dress: Full sports uniform

Cost: $33.00 per head—students, $15 parents/caregivers

Permission Note/Payment: By Friday 29 August

Food Requirements: packed recess/lunch/drinks

Supervision: teachers and parents/caregivers

Transport: by coach

Kindly complete the permission slip below and return it to the school mail box by Friday 29 August. Please do not hesitate to contact the Principal if you have any concerns regarding payment for this activity.

Permission Note—Powerhouse Museum 2014

I give permission for my child/children ____________________________

of class/es ___________ to participate in the excursion to the Powerhouse Museum on Thursday, 11 September at a cost of $33.00 for students, $15.00 for parents/caregivers.

I understand travel will be by coach.

I would like to pay for ___________ students at $33.00 each and one only adult at $15.00.

and enclose full payment of $______________.

Signed: __________________________ Date: _______________

(Parent/Caregiver)
# Black Hill School: Thompson's Pie & Cake Fundraising Order

| Name | Family Plain Meat Pie: $5.50 | Family Bacon & Cheese Pie: $7.50 | Family Steak & Kidney Pie: $7.50 | Family Mornay Chicken & Veg: $8.50 | Family Quiche: $8.50 | Plain Pies: 6pk $10.00 | Bacon & Cheese Pies: 6pk $11.00 | Sausage Roll: 6pk $7.00 | Party Custard Tart: 6pk $7.00 | Party Caramel Tarts: 6pk $7.00 | Apple Slice: 6pk $6.00 | Vanilla Slice: 6pk $6.00 | Finger Bun: 6pk $6.00 | Brownie Slice: 6pk $6.00 | Choc Chip Muffins: 6pk $5.50 | Cream Lamingtons: 12pk $10.00 | Plain Lamingtons: 12pk $10.00 | Total Items | Total $:
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Order form and Money to be returned to School by: FRIDAY AUGUST 1ST

Students Name & Class:

Parent / Contact Name & Number:

Pie Drive Collection Date: FRIDAY AUGUST 8th

* All pies, sausage rolls and lamingtons can be frozen for up to 6 months unfortunately vanilla slices and custard tarts do NOT freeze* as advised by Thompsons Pies