

Opportunity Class 2021

Balgowlah Heights Public School

Excellence and Opportunity





English

Reading and Viewing:

Contract work
Novel Studies
Behind The News

Writing and Representing:

Term 1: Imaginative: Description & Narrative
Term 2: Persuasive: Exposition & Discussion
Term 3: Imaginative: Poetry
Term 4: Informative: Information Reports & Factual Recounts

Spelling Program: Sound Waves

Grammar is taught in conjunction with writing and writing programs.

Speaking and Listening: presentations, working collaboratively with peers, public speaking competitions, responding, debating, etc.



Mathematics:

Pre-testing to provide differentiated learning across different strands

BHPS Scope & Sequence – extension & acceleration

Compacting curriculum, enrichment beyond curriculum

Integration of different strands

Multi-step problem solving

Various competitions: Maths Olympiad, AMC, ICAS, etc.

**"Genius is 1% talent and
99% hard work..."**

Albert Einstein



Mathematics



- Year 5: Earth and Space: Solar system
- Physical World: Energy
- Living World: Living Things
- Material World: States of Matter

Science & Technology





History & Geography



History

- Year 5: Expansion of Australian Colonies, Gold Rush & Immigration
- Year 6: Australia as a Nation / Government, Individual Rights & Freedoms / Democracy & Immigration
- Research tasks, Australian History Mysteries, Simulation websites



Geography

- Year 5: Factors that change the Environment / Environmental Management Practices
- Year 6: Australia's Place in a Diverse and Connected World
- Research tasks, hands-on atlas activities, collaborative investigations

Personal Development / Health / Physical Education

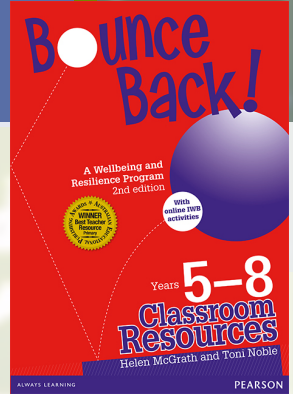
Your
mistakes
are really
just
opportunities
to
GROW.

Personal Development & Health

- Bounce Back – wellbeing and resilience program
- PBL
- Interrelate evenings
- Growth Mindset – Embracing challenge and making mistakes
- Year 5 team building activities

Physical Education

- class fitness, sport and PSSA



Creative Arts



- Visual Arts
- Drama
- Music
- Dance
- Integration with other Key Learning Areas & working collaboratively with other classes



Opportunities for Further Extension & Enrichment



- ICAS competitions
- Maths Olympiad, Australian Mathematics competitions
- Manly Selective Peer Mentoring in mathematics
- Public Speaking – Multicultural Perspectives, Bear Pit & BHPS Public Speaking competitions
- Band & Dance groups
- Writing competitions – Child Writes and various others
- Poetry Writing competitions – Dorothea Mackellar, Red Room
- Debating: Premier's Debating Challenge & before school classes
- Robotics
- Chess club
- Science club



Homework

- Focus: To prepare students for the increasing demands of Stage 3 and high school. To learn to research correctly, write in their own words, present to a high standard and learn organisational and time management skills.

Homework

YOU ARE
capable
OF SO MUCH
more
THAN YOU CAN EVEN
imagine





Camps / Excursions



- Term 1: Sydney Academy of Sport & Recreation – overnight excursion
- Sydney Writers Festival
- Art Gallery of NSW
- Quarantine Station
- Possible overnight excursion related to Gold Rush unit.



Positive Behaviour for Learning



BHPS BEHAVIOURAL EXPECTATIONS MATRIX

EXPECTATION	BEHAVIOURS IN ALL SETTINGS
RESPECT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be polite and kind to others• Be an active listener• Encourage and allow others to learn• Follow instructions
RESPONSIBILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be accountable for your own behaviour• Show leadership by being a good role model• Care for property belonging to yourself, others and your school.• Consider others and behave safely
PERSONAL BEST	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be the best you can• Be an active learner• Have a positive attitude towards challenges• Learn from your experiences

PBL: Merit & Award System

