Balgowlah Heights Public School



Term 4 Week 3 30 October 2019

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Principal's Message

Kindergarten Orientation

We look forward to our remaining Kindergarten Orientation visits which will be held on the following days:

- Thursday 31 October 9.30am 10.45am
- Monday 11 November 9.30am 10.45am

Native Garden

Students from St James Preschool and many students from our school assisted in the planting of our new native garden this week. Thank you to Kennards Brookvale for their donation of equipment.



Selective High Schools 2021

Applications for students in Year 5 who wish to apply for a Selective High School (Year 7) in 2021 are now open. Applications **close on Monday 11 November** and must be completed online. Late applications **will not** be accepted. An Intention to Apply letter has been emailed to all Year 5 families providing further information.

State Drama Festival

Congratulations to Luke Harper and Toby Reardon for their performances as part of the NSW Public Schools Drama Ensemble who performed at the State Drama Festival last week.

Band/String Group Opportunities

During the next month there are a number of opportunities for students in Year 2 and Years 3 to 5 (who are currently not in the Band or String Groups) to find out information regarding our School Band Program and String Group programs. These opportunities include:

Thursday 31 October – 1.05pm	Year 2 and Years 3-5 (students interested) Band Concert
Thursday 7 November – 1.05pm	Current Band students talk to Year 2 and Years 3-5 (students interested)
Tuesday 12 November – 6.30pm	Band Information Night (Hall)
Thursday 14 November - 6.30pm	String Group Information Night (Hall)
Tuesday 26 November - 7.30am-9.30am	Band Tryouts (Hall)

Principals for the Day

Congratulations to Jake and Kai Allen who this week were Principals for the Day. Jake and Kai visited classrooms, attended assemblies, gave out awards and enjoyed a milkshake for lunch.



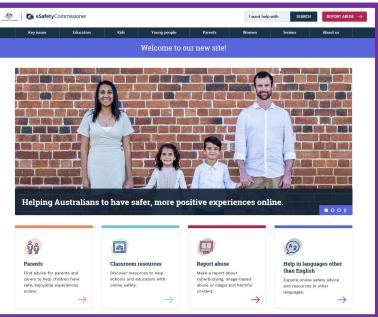
Year 2 Swimming

The students in Year 2 had a successful two weeks swimming program. Thank you to the Year 2 teachers for their instruction and organisation of the program



eSafety

The safety Commissioner has released a new website providing advice, resources and support. The website is: www.esafety.gov.au.



Upcoming Events

Term	Date	Activity	Time
	Monday 4 November	Years 3-6 Assembly	2.00pm
	Tuesday 5 November		
Term 4 Week 4	Wednesday 6 November	Year 5 Leader EOI Presentations State Athletics	11.30am
	Thursday 7 November	School Tour	9.30am
		State Athletics	
	Friday 8 November	Summer PSSA Round 10	12.30pm
	Monday 11 November	Kindergarten Orientation Visit 3	9.30am-10.45am
		Remembrance Day	
		Years K-2 Assembly (including Stage Band)	2.00pm
	Tuesday 12 November	Year 2 (2F,2J, half 2L) Kimbriki Excursion	
		Band Information Evening	6.30pm
Term 4 Week 5 W	Wednesday 13 November	Year 2 (2D,2E, half 2L) Kimbriki Excursion SRC	2.00pm
	Thursday 14 November	P&C Clothes swap	7.00pm-9.00pm
		String Group Information Night	6.30pm
	Friday 15 November	P&C Plastic container sell off	8.30am
		Summer PSSA Semi Finals	12.30pm

Have a great week.

David Shuster Principal

School News

Balgowlah Heights Public School – Kindergarten Orientation 2020

Thank you to all the parents and children who attended the Kindergarten Orientation session on Wednesday 23 October. The next orientation session will be held on Thursday 31 November 9:30cm - 10:45am, Eastern Campus COLA.

Children will participate in classroom activities. The parent information session will focus on school readiness, Kindergarten routines and learning programs, Best Start Assessment and tips for preparing your child for a successful start to school.

School uniforms can be purchased directly after collecting your child on:

- Thursday 31 October 10:45am 11:45am (School Hall)
- Monday 11 November 10:45am 11:45am (Uniform Shop)

Or during the school term: every Tuesday 8.30am – 9.30am and Thursday 2.30pm – 3.30pm.

PBL News

Each week students learn how to be respectful, responsible and try their personal best in specific areas of our school. This week's focus is learning to use reflection to achieve our personal best.

Personal Best		
Learning Intention	Success Criteria	
We are learning to use reflection to achieve our personal best.	 Reflect on our learning Use feedback and provide others with feedback 	

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved their Silver Awards for demonstrating the school values of respect, responsibility and personal best. The following students will receive their **Silver Awards** at the following assemblies:

Monday 4 November 2:15pm: Years 3 to 6 Students

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Angus Griffin Sally Reardon Charlie Faircloth	Joe Mercado	Finley Vaughan Jessica Mace-Smith Annalise Khan	Amelia Murray Tamsin Gillam

Monday 11 November 2:15pm: K to 2 Students

Year 1	Year 2
Hugh Young	Brigitte Bowes
	Mia Allen
	Lewis Humphrey
	Camilla Ellis
	Maeve Auchterlonie
	Fletcher McGregor
	Sara Arckless
	Lucas Grant
	Maddie O'Driscoll



Student Achievement

As part of the Australian team competing at the New Zealand Martial Arts Titles last week, Chase McLean scored a 1st and 3rd place against some stiff competition. A great effort Chase.

Year 2 Swim Scheme

It was a very busy start to the Term for our Year 2 students, who participated in The Department of Education Swimming Scheme. During weeks 1 and 2, students travelled daily to Manly Boy Charlton Swim Centre and undertook an intensive learn to swim program designed to develop students' water confidence and deliver key messages about water safety.



Students listened carefully to safety talks by the swim instructors and enthusiastically participated in survival swims and rescues. The Year 2 teachers were impressed with the progress students made in their swimming skills, such as floating, treading water, back scull, freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke.

We would like to thank all the Year 2 parents who helped to prepare and organise their child each day for the program. It was an exciting and worthwhile experience for all who participated. **The Year 2 Teachers**

Band News

Join the Band 2020 – Invitation to Years 3 to 6 Students

Students in Years 3 to 6 are invited to join our wonderful band program next year. Experience the joy of playing an instrument and the fun of being in a band with your friends. Apart from the sense of pride and accomplishment that comes from playing an instrument, there are many other benefits including improved literacy and mathematical skills, better coordination, social development, organisation skills and much more. Learn more about those benefits on our Band Blog - https://www.bhpsband.com/blog.

Make a diary note to come along to the Band Information Evening on Tuesday 12 November at 6.30pm. In the meantime, go to the Band website to learn more about how you can become a Band Member - <u>https://www.bhpsband.com/joiningband</u>.

Strings Information Evening – 2020 Year 1 and 2 Students



An information evening is being held on Thursday 14 November at 6.30pm in the Hall. Balgowlah Heights Public School currently has two string ensembles - Beginner Strings and a String Ensemble which is made up from students who are also having private instrumental tutoring. Some of the more experienced students recently had the opportunity to perform in the Festival of Instrumental Music at the Sydney Opera House. Students may join the String Ensemble after a year in Beginner Strings or after having had at least 6 months of private lessons. If you have a child interested in learning Violin, Viola or Cello, please come along to the information evening or for more information please email <u>bhpsstrings@gmail.com</u>.

Ethics Classes 2020

Our ethics classes continue to be very popular, and we are on track to have 3 Kindy ethics classes next year, provided we have enough volunteer teachers. We will also need some new teachers for the older students as several of our volunteers will be moving on next year- so please have a think about whether you can spare half an hour on a Tuesday morning to teach ethics at school. Teachers arent confined to parents or carers - they can also be grandparents or community members too.

All students who were waitlisted for ethics this year and remained in non-scripture will automatically gain a place into ethics in 2020. If we dont have enough teachers, we will have to ballot some students out of existing classes and back onto the waiting list in 2020 so please consider volunteering! All children of ethics teachers will be placed in a class. For more information, please contact the schools ethics coordinator, Jo Reardon, on 0466 831 773 or email <u>bhps.ethics@gmail.com</u>

Debating Workshop

There will be an introduction to a Debating Workshop for Year 4 students starting this Thursday 31 October, 1st half of lunch in classroom 4S with Mrs Santer.

Veggie Garden West Campus

We are trying to re-establish the vegetable gardens on the West campus. If any families who have collected the Woolworths Discovery Garden seedlings, would like to donate them to the school, we would love to have them. Please leave them on either table outside the Stage 2 Science Room (near the Uniform Shop).

Clothes Swap Evening and Community Event - Thursday 14 November

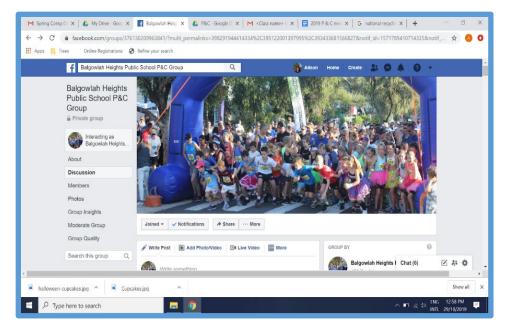
Did you know that clothing waste is the second biggest contributor to climate change in the world? Please collect and donate your lightly worn clothing, shoes, hats, bags and accessories in aid of a sociable school Clothes Swap event for the grown-ups.



It's during National Recycling Week on **Thursday 14 November from 7pm to 9pm in the School Hall**. Come and try on nice clothes, drink wine and maybe even have a bidding war on a coveted item! We're asking for just \$10 on the door as a donation towards the P&C.

All clothes and accessories donations can be dropped off to the school office. Please contact <u>felicity.stevens.aus@gmail.com</u> if you can lend clothes racks and/or donate any unused clothes hangers for the event also need some helpers to prep for the evening. Please <u>click here</u> to register your interest in attending and/or helping.

Have you joined our new, interactive P & C Facebook Group?



<u>Click here</u> to join our new private and moderated Facebook Group for all BHPS families to share school community and P&C related information. Please answer the two questions so we can ensure that Group members are connected to the school. This Group will eventually replace the current static P&C page.



Walking Bus - Drivers Wanted

Want to be a part of our amazing walking bus? If you have a few minutes to spare in the morning, then the BHPS Walking Bus is a great way to get involved with your local community. We are currently looking for drivers for:

- Tuesday morning from the corner of White/Wanganella to school.
- Wednesday morning from the bottom of Ernest Street to school.

Of course, if you are keen to have your child participate, or want to start your own route, please dont hesitate to get in to uch. Check out more information on our website <u>here</u> or contact Diana with any questions on <u>bhpswalkingbus@gmail.com</u>



- Gingerbread-Making Evening (adults only) Friday 29 November. Tickets on Flexischools soon!
- End of Summer Drinks Friday 21 February 2020 at the Middle Harbour Skiff Club.
- Bally Bolt Fun Run- Sunday 22 March 2020

P&C Role Vacancies for 2020

- Band Treasurer Working with Caroline Fechner (Band Manager) and Nicole Larcombe (P&C Treasurer) you will oversee all Band accounts.
- *P&C Secretary* Prepare P&C meeting agendas and minutes, manage the filing on the shared drive and perform ad hoc secretarial duties.

These roles should only take a few occasional hours of your time and would be a huge contribution to the school P&C. Please contact Alison at <u>bhpsvpcomms@gmail.com</u> for more information.

If you have any questions about P&C events or initiatives, or would like to find out how you can get involved (we are always happy to welcome new volunteers and members!) please contact Billie, Alison or Diana on <u>bhpsvpcomms@gmail.com</u>.

The P&C Team

Like us on Facebook at Balgowlah Heights Public School P&C

Uniform Shop

Thank you to all the wonderful Volunteers who helped out at Kindergarten Orientation last week.

Opening Hours: Tuesday 8.30am - 9.30am Thursday 2.30pm - 3.30pm

The Uniform Shop will be <u>Closed</u> Tuesday 17 December due to Stocktake.

All new students 2020, please make sure you have all your uniform items by last day Thursday 12 December. School Holidays - <u>Closed</u>.

NEW - Girls Navy Summer Shorts - to be worn with the BHPS White Polo Shirt.

Loretta Mykityshyn Uniform Shop Manager <u>bhpsuniformshop@gmail.com</u>

Arabanoo

Pick Up Contacts – Authorisation

A friendly reminder to please inform us if you have someone collecting your child who isnt listed as an authorised person in your enrolment. Please email us their name and phone number and also ask this person to bring their I.D. when collecting your child. We cant let your child leave with someone who isnt authorised in our system as a pick -up person.

2020 Bookings - Current Families

You will receive an email in November asking if you want to rollover your current booking to 2020 or if you want to give up any sessions in the new year. If you want to add any sessions for 2020 please email the Arabanoo office so that we can add you to the wait list.

2020 Bookings - New Children

If you have a child needing care at Arabanoo in 2020 and havent enrolled them and added them to our waitlist yet, please email the Arabanoo office for further information. We will start allocating spots to children on the 2020 waitlist early December.

Halloween – Absences

If your child is booked in to come to Arabanoo but isnt attending due to Halloween please make sure to mark them absent in the My Family Lounge app or email the Arabanoo office so we can mark them absent. We will be running Halloween activities at Arabanoo on Thursday 31 October and all children are encouraged to dress up.

PMC Meeting - 13 November

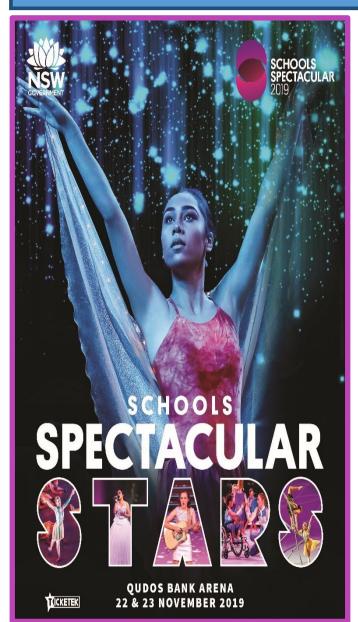
Our termly PMC meeting is being held Wednesday evening 13 November at 7.00pm at Arabanoo. All association members are encouraged to attend. A huge thank you to our current voluntary committee for their continued dedication, energy, time and support this year. Many hours are spent behind the scenes by these members contributing to all aspects of the centre. Thank you, Kate Sellick, Holly ODriscoll, Jack Grundling, Sarah MacLeod, Claire Daniel, Scott Griffin, Martin Budd and Carl Petch for their continued support.

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Hannah Goodeve Acting Centre Director

Community



Lifeline Saving Crisis Support. Suicide Prevention. GIANT **BOOK FAIR** Brookvale St Augustine's College **Federal Parade** November 22-24 Friday 2-8 Saturday 9-5 Sunday 9-2

Community



BALGOWLAH SUNS (GIRLS) AUSKICK CENTRE Tuesdays 19th Nov - 10th Dec | 4-5pm Balgowlah Oval, Balgowlah

Join the awesomeness at our NAB AFL Auskick girls 4 week program for only \$51 PLUS you'll receive an awesome Auskick pack including pink football, bluetooth speaker + more **REGISTER NOW** visit play.afl - search your suburb



