

# THE HEIGHTS

Term 4 | Week 7 | 25 November 2020



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Balgowlah Heights  
Public School



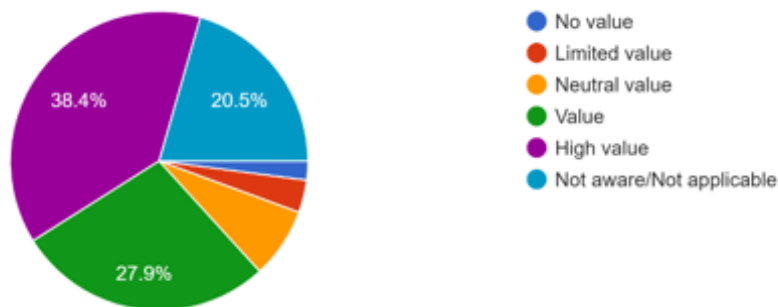
## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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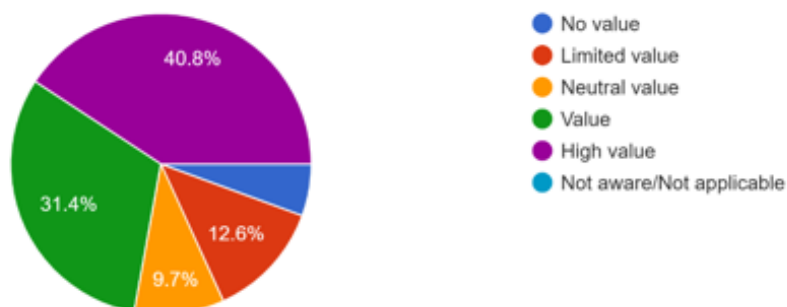
During the next month we will provide information from our School Survey which 341 parents kindly completed. If you would like a full copy of the survey, which includes comments, please contact the school. Detailed below are the results of special programs our school operates and proposed programs for 2021.

### Current Programs

Music - Years K-2

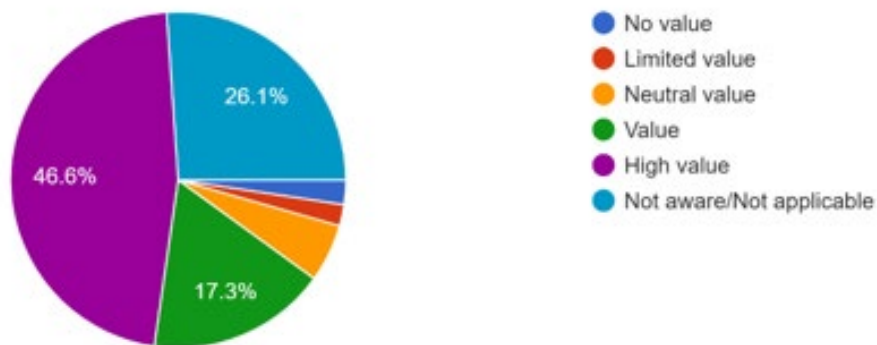


Japanese - Years K-6

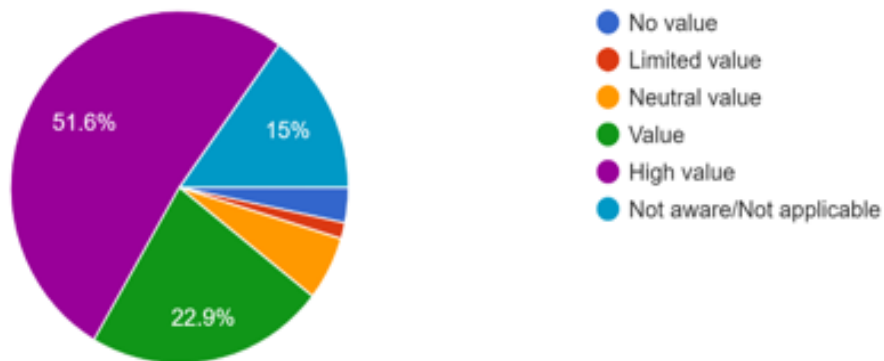


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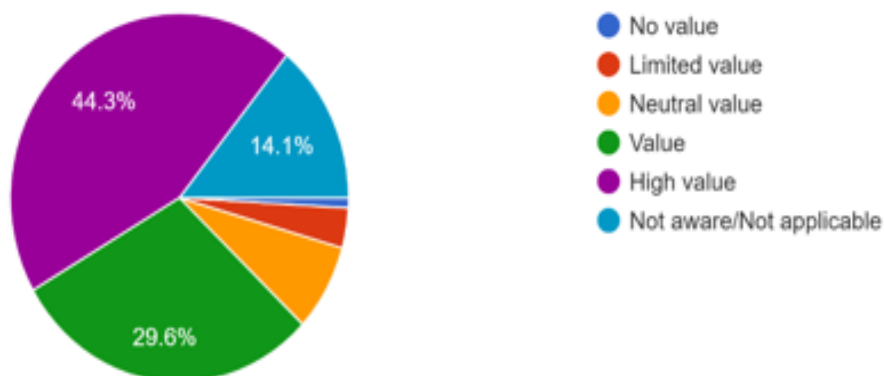
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Mathematics Enrichment (P&C funded)



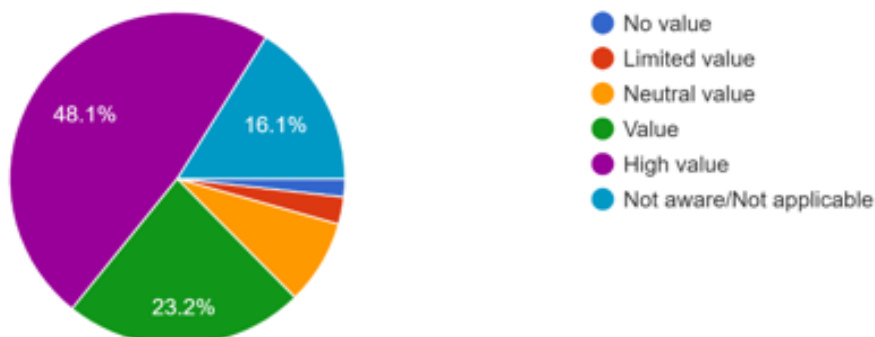
Wellbeing Teacher (School and P&C funded)



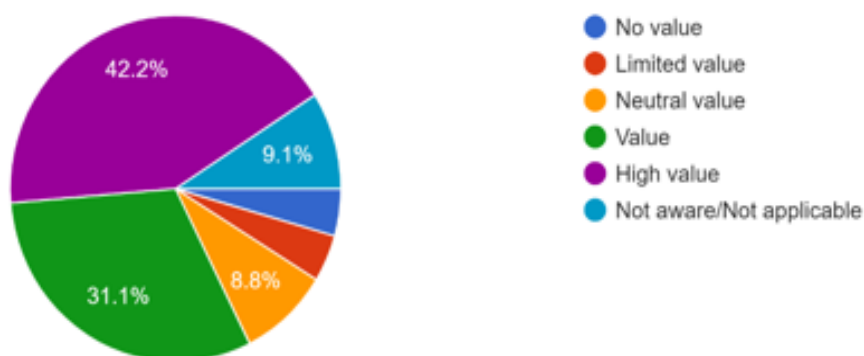
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## Proposed Programs





PE Teacher - Years K-6



Music Years 3-6 (\* in addition to K-2)



## Special Programs Analysis and Recommendations

-  Music, Japanese, Learning Support, Mathematics Enrichment and Wellbeing Teacher programs highly valued
-  P&C funded programs to be reviewed
-  PE teacher Years K-6 highly valued
-  Music Years 3-6 highly valued



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

## Kindergarten Transition Program

This week we are continuing our Kindergarten Transition Program with the children attending for a second visit this week.



## Term 4 Invoices

School Invoices were recently sent home detailing program contributions which covers educational programs, sports programs, teaching/learning materials and the P&C Voluntary Contribution. Further information is provided with the invoice.

**It would be appreciated if invoices could be finalised by end of this week.**

## Year 6 Mini Fete

We look forward to the Year 6 Mini Fete on Friday (27 November) of this week. All students K-6 will have the opportunity to be involved in this event. An email has been sent home providing further details on donations that are requested and the Fete. A reminder the students are welcome to wear mufti on this day.

## Year 5 Student Leaders

Congratulations to the students in Year 5 who presented School Leader speeches last week. The speeches were excellent. Students in Year 5 interested in a House Captain/Vice Captain role in 2021 will be provided with information later this week.

## Year 6 Play

We look forward to Year 6 presenting their plays on Thursday 10 December. We are filming the plays which will be sent home to all families. The students will view the plays at the following times:

- Years K-2 – 11:30am
- Years 3-4 – 1:45pm

## Band Instrument Try-outs

Over 50 students took the opportunity to try out instruments this week. We look forward to our Band Program commencing early in the new year for new students who are interested.



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

## Northern Beaches Baha'i Community | World Teachers Day 2020 | Appreciation Award

World Teachers Day has been celebrated internationally since 1994 and the theme this year was "Teachers: Leading in crisis, reimagining the future" which our community recognises to be very relevant to the efforts and support by teachers in Northern Beaches schools.



*Mr Hooman Zahari (Bahai Temple), Mr Shuster, Mrs Lockhart, Ms Rhodes*

Upcoming Events			
Term	Date	Activity	Time
Term 4 Week 8	Monday 30 November	Year 5 Talent Quest Final	12:45pm
		Year 2 Play visit to Western Campus	12:45pm
	Tuesday 1 December	State High Schools Orientation Day	
		Year 4 Talent Quest Final	12:45pm
		Year 2 Play visit to Western Campus	12:45pm
Term 4 Week 9	Wednesday 2 December		
	Thursday 3 December	Year 4 Waste Audit	
	Friday 4 December	Year 3 Talent Quest Final	12:45pm
		Year 2 Play visit to Western Campus	12:45pm
	Monday 7 December	Recognition Assembly <b>(Virtual)</b>	9:30am
Term 4 Week 9		Year 2 Talent Quest Final	12:45pm
	Tuesday 8 December	Year 1 Talent Quest Final	12:45pm
	Wednesday 9 December	Thumbs Up Celebration Day	
	Thursday 10 December	Year 6 Play	11:30am & 1:45pm
	Friday 11 December	Student Semester 2 Reports home	
		Kindergarten Talent Quest Final	12:45pm

**David Shuster | Principal**



## Waste Free Wednesday Winners | Week 6

Congratulations to our Years K-2 and Years 3-6 class winners for being Waste Free in Week 6. Well done to the rest of our school. Let's keep working on having zero waste.

**Years 3-6 Winner | 4B**



**Years K-2 Winner | 1J**



**Rosie Caruso | Sustainability Coordinator**

## School Banking

We would like to thank all of the students who have participated in the CommBank School Banking program this year and extend a huge thank you to the parents who have volunteered their time on Tuesday mornings.


The last day to order school banking rewards will be **Tuesday 1 December**. Any Dollarmites that have not been redeemed this year can be used in 2021. Our final school banking day for 2020 will be **Tuesday 8 December**.

**Billy Anderson | School Banking Co-Ordinator**




# WELLBEING CORNER

Each week students learn how to be respectful, responsible and try their personal best as part of our positive behaviour for learning program (PBL). This week students will learn how to use reflection to achieve their personal best.

Personal Best	
Learning Intention	Success Criteria
<p>We are learning to use <b>reflection</b> to achieve our personal best.</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have a <b>positive attitude</b> towards our learning.</li> <li>• <b>Reflect</b> on our learning.</li> <li>• <b>Listen and respond</b> to feedback.</li> </ul>

## Positive Behaviour for Learning 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 Silver Award acknowledges students who have received a total of 7 mini merit awards this year and have exceeded Bronze Award level.

Silver Awards			
Kindergarten	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Callum Knife Estelle Duggan Ella Kennedy Charlie Sexton Amelia Harrison Sophia Willson Sebastian Contreras Thomas Ellett Bella Smith Evie Mellen Madeleine MacLeod Savannah Martin Orlando Princi Luca Williams Venice Simpson-D'Alessandro	Charlie Walker Scarlett Felsman Louise Larkin Sadie Aranchikov Hannah Edwards Gabrielle Jones Jake Valerio Riley Dutton Declan Fryday Beatrice Crossley Indiana Thompson Cameron Carruthers	Rafael Richmond Barney Neal Louis Lalauze Sam King Seth Jeffreys Mia Walker Sophia Vacopoulos Sophia Salmond Ellen Clasie Charley Fowler Lauren Polson Joshua Quinn Amelia Bousie	Jemma Wilsher Ryder Keay Fletcher McGregor Charlotte Bourgault Maisy Sanderson Chloe Cocks Sara Arckless Brigitte Bowes Lucas Panagakis Stanley Charlton Maddie Horton
Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Jack Reid Lucy Johnson Angus Griffin Ruben Bokegard	Clyde Sommerville	Fintan Badell Helen O'Neill Felix Hamilton Sophia Bannister Byron Cahill Chloe Liu Zarina Nestel Zoe Humel Rufus Hunter Sienna Kaill Thomas Stevens	

Emily Rhodes | Deputy Principal



# LIBRARY NEWS

Thank you to all our school community for your support of our school library. It's that time of the year when we ask for all books to be returned.

This week is the last week for borrowing so can I please ask that all books be returned next week (**Week 8**).

Don't worry if they are long overdue, the most important thing is that the books find their way back to the library so they can be cleaned, re-shelved and included in the stocktake.

**Roslyn Elliott**  
Teacher | Librarian



# P&C NEWS

## P&C Meeting Highlights

Thank you to all those who attended Monday's AGM and P&C meetings in person and virtually via Zoom. If you did attend online please let us know any feedback you have about Zoom via email to Tam at [bhpsvpcomms@gmail.com](mailto:bhpsvpcomms@gmail.com). We will share the full minutes next week but highlights are:

- P&C Executive Team nominations were confirmed with the main roles filled as follows:
  - **President:** Billie Ristoski
  - **VP Events:** Diana Worman
  - **Treasurer:** Ptolemy Patrick
  - **VP Services:** Nicole Larcombe
  - **VP Communications:** Tamsin Maguire
  - **Secretary:** Vacancy
- David Shuster presented the results of the school planning survey which was completed by 68% of school families. The P&C team will be reviewing the results specific to our responsibilities and will keep you updated.
- Many activities that would normally involve parents coming to school will be recorded and a link sent home e.g. Christmas Carols, Year 6 Farewell Party at Balgowlah RSL, Year 6 Play, Recognition Assembly.
- The school is funding an extra teacher for next year to keep all BHPS classes below the recommended 30 student per class threshold.
- BHPS needs to spend \$100k on 180 new iPads to give teachers and students better access to technology applications such as SeeSaw. The P&C may look at fundraising to help.
- Volunteers will be allowed back in the canteen soon.
- The first P&C meeting of 2021 is in Term 1, Week 3 on Monday 8 February.

Thank you to Nicole Larcombe, Yvonne Phokos and Alison Pignon, who have all stepped down from their P&C Executive roles this year, and we welcome Tamsin Maguire and Ptolemy Patrick to the P&C Team.



Nicole has dedicated herself tirelessly to the P&C as Treasurer for the past five years and we cannot thank her enough for everything she has done and for her unwavering passion and commitment. We are delighted that she is staying on for one more year as VP Services where her knowledge and experience will be highly valued.



## Last orders for Gingerbread House Kits

Grab a Gingerbread House Kit on the [Flexischools homepage](#) by end of day this **Thursday 26 November** and help raise funds for the school with \$8 from every kit going to the P&C. Each kit includes the Gingerbread House pieces (egg, dairy and nut free), a base board, piping bag with icing, cellophane, ribbon and lollies. To avoid kits being damaged at school, kits will now be available for pick up or delivery from Felicity Stevens, please contact her at [felicity.stevens.aus@gmail.com](mailto:felicity.stevens.aus@gmail.com).



## Win a Bally Bolt Manly Surf 'n Slide Pass

We have six Manly Surf 'n Slide passes up for grabs which were kindly donated to the Bally Bolt. We thought it might be a nice way to end the school year by encouraging the kids to take part in a bit of exercise to have a chance of winning a pass.



To enter:

- Do any kind of exercise (jump on the spot, do a Joe Wicks workout, a yoga session, a meditation session, ten press-ups, jog with the dog, etc)
- Send an email to [ballybolt@gmail.com](mailto:ballybolt@gmail.com) with a very brief description of what you did, a photo if you like, and your child's name and class.
- Do this by Friday 4 December.

The winners will be drawn at random and announced on Monday 7 December. Every child that enters will have an equal chance of winning. Fancy dress is always encouraged! We will put an album of photos of our intrepid athletes on our private P&C FaceBook group when we announce the winners so only send photos if you are happy with this option. Happy exercising everyone, and thanks again to everyone that supported the Bally Bolt!

## P&C Secretary - Vacancy

We are looking for a parent to join the exciting and interesting world of the P&C in the role of Secretary. This voluntary role involves a few hours a month to:

- Prepare P&C meeting agendas, advertise the meetings and take and distribute the minutes (twice a term).
- Maintain official records of the P&C Association such as the constitution, by-laws, rules of subcommittees, Incorporation Certificate, ABN details, list of financial (voting) members and Attendance book.

It's a great opportunity to be more involved in the school and to make friends within the great P&C Team and the wider parent community. If you are interested in finding out more please contact Billie at [bhpspresident@gmail.com](mailto:bhpspresident@gmail.com).

If you have any questions about the P&C or would like to be involved in any way, please feel free to contact Billie at [bhpspresident@gmail.com](mailto:bhpspresident@gmail.com) or Tam at [bhpsvpcomms@gmail.com](mailto:bhpsvpcomms@gmail.com). Like the [BHPS P&C Facebook Page](#) and join the private [BHPS Facebook Group](#) to keep up to date with P&C news and events.

## The P&C Team



# CANTEEN NEWS

Parents, please note that the canteen will be **closed this Friday 27 November** in support of the Year 6 mini-fete. Flexischools service has been switched **off** for that day.

**Sanja Vidaic | Kathrine Baulderstone**

**Canteen Managers**

[healthycanteenbhps@gmail.com](mailto:healthycanteenbhps@gmail.com)



# UNIFORM SHOP NEWS



## Opening Hours

**Tuesday:** 8:30am – 9:30am

**Thursday:** 2:30pm – 3:30pm

**CLOSED: SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

**Last classroom deliveries of Flexischools and Online Orders** - Tuesday 8 December (orders taken until midday Monday 7 December)

**Last shop open day of Term** - Thursday 10 December 2:30-3:30pm

**Closed** - Tuesday 15 December

**RE-OPEN – Tuesday 2 February 2021 – 8:30-9:30am**

**Uniform Shop Entry** - Please go to the Administration Office for a **Uniform Shop Pass and sign In**

**YEAR 6 Leaver Bears** - Available to order now on Flexischools or in the Uniform Shop.

**Kindergarten 2021** - Please make sure you have all your uniform requirements for your Kindergarten start by December 10 2020! The Uniform Shop is closed during School Holidays and re-opens Tuesday 2 February 2021.



**NEW IRON-ON PATCHES** are back in stock, come check them out at the Uniform Shop! Don't lose your hats and fleeces - pop them on!

**Label Your Uniforms** - Remember to use **"Stuck on You"** for all your school labels to earn \$\$ for BHPS! [www.stuckonyou.com.au](http://www.stuckonyou.com.au) Code: **BHPS NEW**

**Uniform Donations** - If you have any summer uniforms that no longer fit, please drop them off at the Administration Office. Seeking size 4's.

**Returns Policy** - Within **28 days** of purchase for refunds or exchanges, together with a copy of the receipt. Returned goods will only be accepted in resale condition: unworn, unwashed, unmarked with tags attached in **original packaging**, not the classroom delivery packaging. Socks and hosiery must be unopened. There are no returns or exchanges on hats, hair accessories and second-hand items.

**Loretta Mykityshyn | Uniform Shop Manager**

[bhpsuniformshop@gmail.com](mailto:bhpsuniformshop@gmail.com)





**30 days until Christmas**

## **Summer Vacation Care | out now**

Booking forms are available on our website from **today**. Please note our office is closed from the Wednesday 23 December to Tuesday 5 January 2021. If you need bookings for the first week of January, please get your booking form in **before Wednesday 23 December**. Our early bird cut off is **Wednesday 9 December**.

Kindergarten 2021 children can be booked into the Arabanoo Vacation Care Program from Tuesday 5 January. Children moving into Year 3 in 2021 will be counted as a Year 3-6 child from the 5 January, they will be booked in as a Year 2 child for the December program. Children going into Year 7 can attend Arabanoo in the January school holidays.

## **Another Farewell | staff changes**

Another Arabanoo legend is flying the nest. Will has secured a fantastic new role as Assistant Director at a small OOSH. After 5 years with us we are so pleased to see him progress to this role. We wish him all the best and will miss his booming energy and how much of a connection and empathy he had with the children.

## **Enrolments for 2021 | check your email**

Mariah has been sending out spots for 2021, keep an eye on your email and respond so we can offer other families places if you no longer require care.

## **Changes to contact details | QK enrol**

If you have changes to contact details you can edit these by logging into QK Enrol with your My Family Lounge log in details. Please note, if you wish to delete an authorised person, this can only be done via emailing us.

## **Parents | Carers onsite - sign in | out**

We are continuing to keep pick up and drop off at the main school gate and appreciate your patience while we get the children from their activity and bring them down to you for pick up. If there isn't a staff member on the gate please call the office and someone will pop down. The juniors will continue to spend the afternoon on the senior campus for the time being.

## **Rowan Friend | Centre Director**

### **Contact Us**

**T - 0299 486 722**

**M - 0421 014 308**

**E - [admin@arabanoo.com](mailto:admin@arabanoo.com)**





## GIANT BOOK FAIR

**Brookvale**  
St Augustine's College  
Federal Parade

**December 10-13**

Thursday 11-7, Friday 9-7,  
Saturday 9-5, Sunday 9-3



## TENNIS AND COMBINED SPORTS CAMP



[www.barenatennis.org.au](http://www.barenatennis.org.au)

**PRIZES!!!**

Phone: Oliver 0403 833 293

CAMP 1: 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021

CAMP 2: 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2021

CAMP 3: 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan. 2021



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