



Term 1 Week 11
8 April 2020

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Principal's Message

School Holidays

I trust you and your family are well and are establishing new routines that assist your family. It is a very different holiday period we are going into. We hope for your family it is safe and enjoyable. The arrangements that have been in place at school for the last two weeks, at this stage, will be continuing for next term. The students will resume their remote learning programs on Tuesday 28 April.



Admin Team



General Assistants



School Website

The school website has all of our home (remote) learning materials. This includes modules of work, how to guides and our resource packs.



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Remote Learning Activities

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Resource Pack

We have put together some resources that you can print at home to assist with learning.

[Click here to access the Resources pack.](#)

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Learning from home (online) - Stage 2

Student how to guide for Google Classrooms

Week 10 March 30

Framework for teaching (non-digital) - Stage 2

Home (Remote) Learning Delivery

The primary online learning platforms we will be using are:

Years	Platform	Suggested Operating Platform
K to 3	Seesaw	iPad
Years 4 to 6	Google classroom	Laptop

Teacher availability

An email has been sent home which provides teacher email addresses relevant to your child's class. If you need to email a teacher it would be appreciated if you could do so between 8.00am to 4.00pm (Monday to Friday). These will also be the hours teachers respond to emails.

Teachers will be involved with online learning during the following hours on school days:

Monday to Thursday:

Times	
9.00am	Morning check-in with students.
9.05am - 1.45pm	Teachers will be providing feedback to students. Usual breaks such as morning recess and lunch will be taken.
1.45pm - 2.45pm	Teachers will be collaborating and planning with colleagues. Students continue with learning programs but feedback will occur later in the day.
2.45pm - 3.05pm	Teachers will be providing feedback.
3.05pm	End of school day check-out.

Friday:

Times	
9.00am	Morning check-in with students.
9.05am - 12.45pm	Teachers will be providing feedback to students. Usual breaks such as morning recess and lunch will be taken.
12.45pm - 2.45pm	Teachers will be collaborating and planning with colleagues. Students continue with learning programs but feedback will occur later in the day.
2.45pm - 3.05pm	Teachers will be providing feedback.
3.05pm	End of school day check-out

New home (remote) module of work

A reminder that a new module of work will be available on the school website at 8.00am on each Monday. If you require a printed copy you are welcome to collect one from the school office.

How to Guides

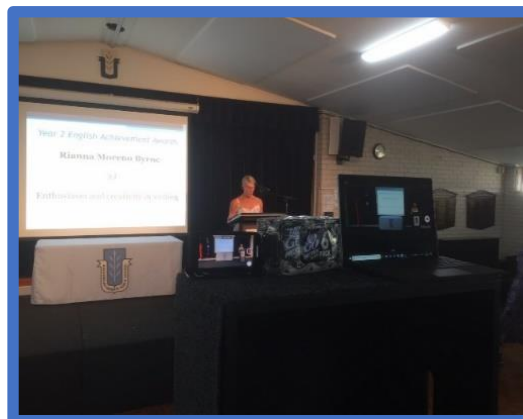
On our school website are our 'How to Guides' for Seesaw and Google classrooms.

School Development Day

The school staff will be involved in a School Development Day on Monday 27 April. Areas for professional development include mathematics and child protection.

Recognition Assembly

We held our virtual Recognition Assembly this week. Nothing can replace a hall full of students, parents and teachers celebrating the achievements of our students but we hope the video we sent the link to provides appropriate recognition for our students. The photographs below are some of the behind the scenes happenings.



2021 Kindergarten Enrolments

If you have a child who will be attending BHPS Kindergarten in 2021 could you please request a ghosted enrolment by emailing the school office at balgowlah-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au with the following information: Student Name and Date of Birth.

Band

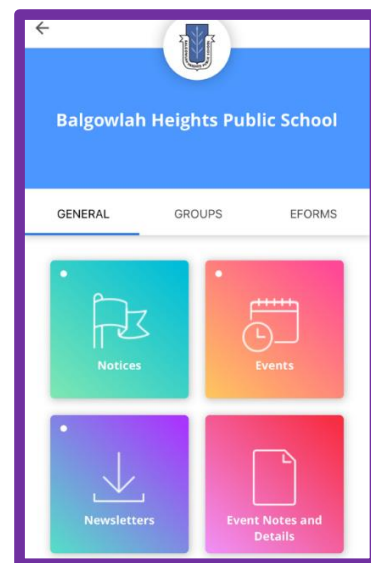
We are currently investigating models of operation for the school band program. See further information in the School News section.

School App

Our School App is available free of charge and will provide you with information on school events. The app is SkoolBag and is available through the Apple or Android App stores.

The app will provide you with the following information:

- Calendar of Events
- Push notifications on reminders for upcoming events
- Push notifications advising you on changed circumstances e.g. PSSA sport cancelled
- School Newsletter
- Canteen link to Flexischools
- Notes
- School Policies



David Shuster
Principal

School News

Band Rehearsals

Our Band Conductors have been working hard to devise a program that will give band members a 'band rehearsal' experience until we can all be back together. It's really important both musically and socially that band members continue to interact through band sessions on a regular basis.

The online sessions will be a different format to rehearsals, taking the form of sectionals with some follow up tasks for the Band members to complete. All of this will be delivered by our talented band conductors, Ray Hampton and Emma Clain as an independent initiative until rehearsals can start again. You can read more about the program and register to be part of the Band Online community [via this link](#).

Any questions, please contact bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au.

P&C

Virtual Easter Hat Parade on Facebook

As the popular Easter Hat Parade has had to be cancelled this year, we wanted to make sure the kids wouldn't miss out on the chance to see each other's creations. Check out the [BHPS Facebook Group](#) this week where we've launched a Virtual Easter Hat Parade!

So get creative, using only recyclable materials or things you find around the house and upload a picture of your child's hat to the [Facebook album](#) by Easter Monday (13 April). If you're not yet a member of this private Group for school families only, see below for details on how to join.

Stay connected with your school community via Facebook

Make sure you join the private [BHPS P&C Facebook Group](#). Once you have requested to join and become an approved member you can post and comment (posts will be approved by a BHPS P&C moderator). When you request to join, please just remember to answer the questions to confirm that you are a parent/carer of a child at the school and please specify your child's name and class.

This is a great way to share fun online resources, stories about how to keep busy at home, keep up to date on info from the school, or take part in our online school community activities like the Virtual Easter Hat Parade.

Our P&C Executive Team is here to help during these challenging times. If you have any questions or concerns about anything please feel free to contact either Billie (bhpspresident@gmail.com), Alison (bhpsvpcomms@gmail.com), Diana (bhpsintheloop@gmail.com) or Nicole (bhpsstreasurer@gmail.com).

Wishing everyone a safe and hopefully relaxing Easter Holiday break.

The P&C Team

Join our Facebook Group at [Balgowlah Heights Public School P&C](#) 

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is now **closed until further notice**. The Uniform Shop will **re-open** when school returns next Term, dependent on Department of Education advice, with extra opening days so everyone can get their Winter Uniform requirements.

Winter Uniforms

Girls Years K to 2:

- winter tunic or navy long pants
- winter blouse
- grey tights
- navy jumper or zip fleece
- navy BHPS tracksuit pants for sport

Girls Years 3 to 6:

- winter skirt or navy long pants
- winter blouse
- grey tights
- navy jumper or zip fleece

Boys Years K to 6:

- long sleeved polo
- long grey pants
- navy jumper or zip fleece
- navy BHPS tracksuit pants for sport (Years K to 2)

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Arabanoo

Well, that was a very strange end to Term 1. Thank you for your continued support and communication throughout this period. As mentioned, we are honouring all Term 1 bookings when we return to normal and no one will lose their booking. Please find below Arabanoo's latest information.

Vacation Care - Fully Booked

Our vacation care is now fully booked for the Autumn holidays, please contact us to be added to the waitlist.

Staying Safe - Stay at home

To keep our staff and attending children safe and healthy we recommend that unless you are an essential worker or single parent family you keep your children at home during term time and vacation care. If you have already booked your child in and wish to cancel, please note there will be no charge for cancellations.

Billing - Free Childcare

Due to the announcement regarding the new free childcare funding which came into play on Sunday 5 April you were not billed on Monday 6 April as we were unsure how this would impact billing. Please find below how billing will work moving forward and assessed by the government on a month by month basis.

1. Childcare fees including before and after school and vacation care from the 6 April are being subsidised by the government. **All parents/carers automatically qualify and nothing is required by you to action it.**
2. You will receive your statement today (Wednesday 8 April 2020).
3. Any outstanding balance will be taken tomorrow (Thursday 9 April 2020).
4. If you had any non-notification fees, late fees or a casual booking from the previous fortnight (23 March - 5 April 2020), these will be charged at our normal fee rate.

5. Late fees, non-notification fees and hat hire fees are not covered by the emergency credit relief and will be billed as normal.
6. Our next billing period will be Monday 20 April – Sunday 3 May.

Communication - Check emails

As you can appreciate, we are managing operations day-by-day and as we will do our best to give you notice of a closure, change to our program or opening hours, this may be out of our hands and be at short notice. Please keep a close eye on your emails.

No Parents On-site- Sign in/out

To reduce the amount of people on school site all sign in/out will be conducted via the main entrance to the school. Staff will continue to sign your child in/out via the iPads. Please speak to the staff member on duty for assistance.

Temperature Checks- 37.5 or above

In order to keep children and staff as safe as possible, temperature checks are carried out on all children before they enter the centre. If your child's temperature registers 37.5 or above you will be required to take your child home if in the morning or you will be contacted and required to collect your child as soon as possible if in the afternoon. Temperature checks of staff will continue before every shift.

Does your child have asthma – Recommend to stay at home

If your child suffers from asthma, we strongly advise keeping them at home during this period.

Will I get me spot back if I cancel? - Yes

We will be honouring all current permanent family bookings when we open back up normally and will not offer places to new families until we hear from you, e.g. if you have a Tuesday afternoon booking in Term 1 and you decide to cancel in Term 1 you will be offered that Tuesday afternoon slot when we open back up normally (hopefully in Term 2 sometime). An email will be sent out confirming further details closer the time.

Absences - An extra 20 days

If you are receiving CCS and are worried about the amount of absences you've had recently, the government have announced they will be allocating an extra 20 absences to all parent's accounts, this is in addition to the already allocated 42. As far as we know this will be added automatically.

Stay positive and we'll get through this together.

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Community



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