

# THE HEIGHTS

Term 1 | Week 3 | 10 February 2021



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**Balgowlah Heights  
Public School**



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Parent | Teacher Information Nights

Parent | Teacher Information Nights will be held next week to welcome you and provide a range of information. The Information Nights will be held on the following days:

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|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| • Kindergarten | Wednesday 17 February | 6.00pm                   |
| • Year 1       | Tuesday 16 February   | 6.00pm                   |
| • Year 2       | Tuesday 16 February   | 6.30pm                   |
| • Year 3       | Monday 15 February    | 6.00pm                   |
| • Year 4       | Thursday 18 February  | 6.00pm (except Class 4E) |
| • Class 4E     | Monday 15 February    | 6.30pm                   |
| • Year 5       | Wednesday 17 February | 6.00pm                   |
| • Year 6       | Wednesday 17 February | 6.30pm                   |

Please note due to Covid-19 guidelines we request a maximum of one parent per household at the Information Nights. If you are unable to attend a session, you are welcome to contact your child's teacher for information.

### Swimming Carnival

We look forward to our Swimming Carnival to be held at Boy Charlton (Manly) Pool on Tuesday 23 February. The students may enter races in freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly. It is also a great opportunity to show our house spirit and support all the students. The students in Years 3-6 will attend the carnival and competent swimmers in Year 2 who turn eight this year may attend. We will be holding novelty events in the smaller pool for students not participating in the competitive events. We apologise but due to Covid-19 guidelines parents will not be able to attend this year.

### Extra-Curricular Activities

Included in this week's Newsletter on page 6 is a list of the Extra-Curricular Activities being offered in our school this year and contact details for these persons/groups. Further information on school activities will be provided in the near future.

# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

## Student Leaders

Congratulations to the following students who will be part of the Student Leadership team for 2021.

<b>School Captains</b>	Jude Hyland	Jaslyn Plummer
<b>School Vice Captains</b>	Alex Burns	Naomi Nichols
<b>School Leaders</b>	Sullivan Grell	Taylor Journeaux
	Jacob Kimball	Eleni Leonov
	Andre Kwok	Elodie Melvin
	Tommy Milcz	Madeline Simmons



## House Captains | Vice Captains

Congratulations to the following students who have been elected as our House Captains for 2021.

House	Captains		Vice Captains		
<b>Bligh</b>	Oscar Rudner	Annabelle Bourgault	James Bousie	Lily Casanova Menou	
<b>Cook</b>	Oliver Howlett	Daria Coleman	Cai Jeffreys	Georgia Gao	Samaya Jones
<b>Flinders</b>	Joe Mercado	Sienna Nowytarger	Luke Larcombe	Audrey Hayes	
<b>Phillip</b>	Luca Snehor	Lyla Singleton	Clyde Sommerville	Gemma Weir	





# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

## Kindergarten

Our 103 kindergarten students have settled into the school year well and commenced full days. Thank you to our parents and staff for making this transition such a positive experience for the students.



## High School Parent Information Session

On Wednesday 17 February, Ms Christine Del Gallo (Principal, Northern Beaches Secondary College Mackellar Girls Campus), and Mr Paul Sheather (Principal, Northern Beaches Secondary College Balgowlah Boys Campus) will be presenting an Information Session for parents of students in Years 4-6 regarding their high schools. The Information Session will commence at 7.30pm in the library and conclude at approximately 8.00pm.

## School Photographs

School photographs will be held on Monday 22 February and Wednesday 24 February. Further information is on page 5 of this newsletter.

## Curriculum Programs

In addition to the quality programs of learning provided by our classroom teachers our students (Years K-6) will benefit from learning programs provided by a number of specialist teachers in the following areas this year:

- Science
- Music
- Physical education
- Japanese

In upcoming weeks we will provide information in the school newsletter on these programs.

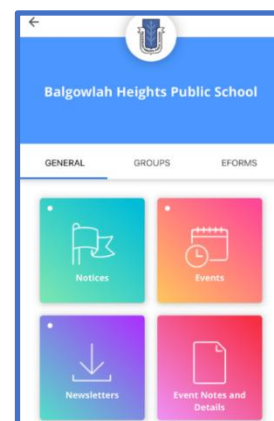
## School App

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

Please remember to change your group settings for the new year.



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

## Seesaw Family

Our school will be trialling Seesaw Families this term. This is an app/website to provide you with access to classwork (e.g. photos, videos, work samples, drawings and voice recordings) and classroom information.



### Seesaw makes your child's thinking and learning visible

- ✓ Students complete assignments and post to their journal using the **Class app**
- ✓ Your child uses Seesaw learning tools like photo, draw + record and video to create, reflect and show their learning



### Engage with your child's learning in real time on the Family app

- ✓ See and celebrate your child's growth
- ✓ Leave comments of encouragement
- ✓ Connect to all your children's journals in one place



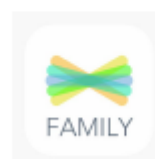
### Form strong partnerships with your child's teacher on the Family app

- ✓ Receive resources and announcements
- ✓ Message one-on-one with the teacher (group messaging is not available)
- ✓ Respond with typed messages or click the (+) to send photos, videos, and more

## Get Connected on Seesaw

Family members use the Family app or log in as a Family Member at [app.seesaw.me](https://app.seesaw.me)

Students use the **Class app** to complete assignments and post to the Journal



Further information will be provided in upcoming Newsletters and our Parent/Teacher Information Nights.

## Upcoming Events

Term	Date	Activity	Time
Term 1 Week 3	Monday 15 February	Year 3 Parent Information Night Class 4E Parent Information Night	6.00pm 6.30pm
	Tuesday 16 February	Year 1 Parent Information Night Year 2 Parent Information Night	6.00pm 6.30pm
	Wednesday 17 February	Kindergarten Parent Information Night Year 5 Parent Information Night Year 6 Parent Information Night High School Parent Information Session	6.00pm 6.00pm 6.30pm 7.30pm
	Thursday 18 February	Year 4 Parent Information Night (Except Class 4E)	6.00pm
	Friday 19 February	Northern Beaches Secondary College Academic Program applications close	4.00pm
Term 1 Week 4	Monday 22 February	School Photographs	
	Tuesday 23 February	Swimming Carnival	
	Wednesday 24 February	School Photographs	
	Thursday 25 February		
	Friday 26 February		

David Shuster | Principal



## 2021 School Photographs

The 2021 school photographs will be taken on Monday 22 February and Wednesday 24 February. Class, individual, sibling and special group photographs will also be taken over these two days.

Monday 22 February	Wednesday 24 February
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sibling photographs</li> <li>Years K, 1, 2, 4B and 4E class and individual photographs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sibling photographs</li> <li>Years 5, 6, 4K, 4S class and individual photographs</li> <li>School Captains, School Vice Captains and School Leaders</li> <li>House Captains and House Vice Captains</li> <li>Monitors</li> <li>Library Monitors</li> <li>Patrons</li> <li>Year 6 Group photograph</li> <li>Student Representative Council</li> </ul>

**ALL students must wear full summer school uniform, including black shoes.**

## Sibling Photographs

Sibling photographs will be available from 8:00am until 9:00am on Monday 22 February and Wednesday 24 February.

Parents will need to:

- Book a sibling photograph appointment** at the website [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) using the code: **tgdwq** Bookings must be finalised by **7:00am Monday 22 February**.
- Collect a sibling order envelope** from the Western Campus Admin office before Friday 19 February or **pay online** at [www.advancelife.com.au](http://www.advancelife.com.au) using the online code: **XW4P5VZN2**
- Parents **escort their children to the Hall** on the day of the appointment. There will be no teacher supervision in the hall between 8.00am and 9.00am

Please note, teacher supervision on the Western and Eastern playground is provided from 8:35am. Parents will need to supervise children before 8:35am.

Please contact Ms Rhodes for further information about school photographs.

## Positive Behaviour for Learning – Celebration Day Wednesday 31 March

Students who are observed being respectful, responsible and demonstrating their personal best during the school day receive a thumbs up token.

Students use their token to vote for a PBL Celebration Day. This term the selected 3 Celebration Day options include:

- Extra buddy time
- Mufti-day
- Outdoor learning session

The event that has the most tokens will go ahead in Week 10, Wednesday 31 March, to celebrate student learning and our school expectations.





## Extra-Curricular Activities 2021

School Provider			
Groups	Year	Day/time	Teacher
Stage 1 Choir	Years 1-2	Tuesday 1:15pm	Ashlee Wyngaard
Stage 2 (Junior) Choir	Years 3-4	Thursday 8:00am	Megan Cronin
Stage 3 (Senior) Choir	Years 5-6	Monday 8:00am	Megan Cronin
Recorder Ensemble	Years 3-6	Tuesday 12:55pm	Megan Cronin
Junior Dance Group	Years 3-4	Tuesday 12:55pm Monday 8:15am	Claudine Allan
Senior Dance Group	Years 5- 6	Monday 12:55pm Thursday 8:00am	Emily Donlan, Lauren Campling
Senior Drama Ensemble	Year 6	Tuesday 12:55pm	Sue Musgrove
Robotics	Year 6	Wednesday 12:55pm	Jenn Cartwright
Coding Club	Year 3-4	Monday 12:55pm	Rachel Keeling
Tech Club	Year 2	Tuesday 1:20pm	Hayley Fleming, Hannah White
Guitar Club	Years 5-6	Thursday 12:55pm	Hamish Gardner
Tournament of the Minds	Years 5-6	TBC (Term 3)	Lindy Chester
<b>Summer PSSA</b>			
PSSA Cricket	Years 4-6	Thursday 8:15am	Isaac Smith
PSSA AFL	Years 4-6	Friday 8:15am	Steph Weller, Sue Palmer
PSSA Eagle Tag Girls	Years 4-6	Thursday 8:15am	Kim Santer, Sarah Butcher
PSSA Eagle Tag Boys	Years 4-6	Friday 8:15am	Neil Jensen, Bella Bonadio
PSSA Newcombe Ball/Volleyball	Years 4-6	Friday 8:30am	Rosie Chirillo, Michelle Cruickshank
<b>Winter PSSA</b>			
PSSA Boys Soccer	Years 4-6	TBC	TBC
PSSA Girls Soccer	Years 4-6	TBC	TBC
PSSA Rugby League	Years 4-6	TBC	TBC
PSSA Netball	Years 4-6	TBC	TBC
<b>P&amp;C Providers</b>			
Junior Band	Years 3-6	Wednesday 12.55-1:45pm Thursday 3.05—3.50pm	Ray Hampton Email- <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
Senior Band	Years 3-6	Wednesday 7.45-8.50am Friday 7.45-8.50am	Emma Clain Email- <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
Concert Band	Years 3-6	Tuesday 7.45-8.50am Thursday 12:55-1:45pm	Ray Hampton Email- <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
Stage Band	Years 5-6	Tuesday 7.20-8.50am	Ray Hampton Email- <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
Strings-Beginner	Years 1-2	Tuesday 8.00-8:50am	Fiona McVicar
-Ensemble (TBD)	Years 1-2 Years 2-6	Friday 8:00-8:50am Wednesday 8.00-9.00am	<a href="mailto:bhpsstrings@gmail.com">bhpsstrings@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
<b>Outside Providers</b>			
Chess	Years 3-6	Tuesday 12:55-1:40	Sydney Academy of Chess <a href="mailto:admin.sydneyacademy@gmail.com">admin.sydneyacademy@gmail.com</a>
Science Club	Years K-6	Monday 7.30-8.30am	Alana Wyle- Eye Heart Science <a href="mailto:alana@eyeheartscience.com.au">alana@eyeheartscience.com.au</a>
The Music Bus	Years K-6	Tuesday 3.10 -5.45pm	Kristie Simmonds <a href="mailto:admin@themusicbus.com.au">admin@themusicbus.com.au</a>
Masters Academy- Debating	Years 5-6	Term 2 TBC	Tristan <a href="mailto:team@mastersacademy.com.au">team@mastersacademy.com.au</a>
Balgowlah Physical Culture		Saturdays & some Sundays	Belinda Clare-Nazer <a href="mailto:bin010@bigpond.com.au">bin010@bigpond.com.au</a>
Spanish Class	Years K-6	Tuesday 3:10-4:00pm	Patricia Carter-Australia Language Program <a href="mailto:australialanguageprogram@gmail.com">australialanguageprogram@gmail.com</a>



## Extra-Curricular Activities 2021

Outside Providers continued			
Flute	Years 3-6	Thursday 3.15-5.45pm	Michael Garlick <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
Trombone	Years 3-6	Monday 3.15-4.45pm	Nick Loye <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
Trombone/ Baritone/ Euphonium/ Tuba	Years 3-6	Tuesday 3.15-5.30pm	Jacob Gross <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
Trumpet	Years 3-6	Tuesday 3.15-6.10pm	Nathan Milliner <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
Flute	Years 3-6	Wednesday 3.15-5.00pm	Donna Greig <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
Clarinet/Saxophone	Years 3-6	Monday 3.15-7.15pm Wednesday 3.15-7pm	Adrian Tuero <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
Clarinet/Saxophone	Years 3-6	Tuesday 3.15-5.30pm	Ray Hampton <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
Alto/Tenor Saxophone	Years 3-6	Tuesday 3.30-5.30pm	Kieran Tart <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
Percussion	Years 3-6	Wednesday 3.10-7.00pm Friday 3.10-7.00pm	Patricia Borrell <a href="mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au">bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au</a>
For more information regarding Band at BHPS please go to <a href="http://www.bhpsband.com">www.bhpsband.com</a>			

## Band Program News

Our bands are back at rehearsals this week. The students are excited to be playing their instruments again.

If you are interested in joining a band please find information on the website – [www.bhpsband.com](http://www.bhpsband.com) or contact [bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au](mailto:bhpsconcertband@optusnet.com.au).



## Waste Free Wednesday | Week 3

As part of the school's initiative to become sustainable and reduce our waste, we are continuing Waste Free Wednesday for 2021. This will start in Week 5 on Wednesday 17 February. Each week on Wednesday, we ask that students come to school with no waste in their lunch boxes. This includes having recess and lunch without snack wrappers, plastic wrap, foil and ziploc bags.

Every Monday, the winner will be announced and the winning classes from K-2 and 3-6 will receive a certificate and one of the Waste Free Wednesday mascots, Chad the Octopus and Sparkles the Fish. The classes will also be announced in the school newsletter every week with a photo of them with their mascots.

At the end of the term, the classes that have done the best job in having as little waste as possible will also get a special reward! This will be announced later in the term.

Thank you for your continued support and looking forward to seeing less waste in our school!



## Certificate Competition for Waste Free Wednesday

Next week we will be commencing Waste Free Wednesday! As part of this initiative, we are opening a competition to the students to create certificates for the weekly winning classes. Five certificates will be chosen for the rest of the year.

Your entry must contain the following;

- A4 piece of paper (not smaller or bigger)
- Space for writing the class name
- Space for writing the date
- Artist name and class
- Design must feature the environment and sustainability in some way.

All entries must be in to your classroom teacher by the end of Week 4, Friday 19 February.

The winners will be announced in the Week 5 newsletter with their certificates for all to see!

We are looking forward to seeing all the fabulous entries!

**Rosie Caruso | Sustainability Coordinator**



Welcome back to 2021 at Balgowlah Heights Public School library! We are beginning the year with a different format of co-teaching K-6. Classes will come to the library for lessons with their class teacher and the teacher/librarian. Lessons will include quality literature appreciation, browsing and borrowing, library processes and protocols and information literacy based on key learning areas.

This Sunday is Library Lover's Day.....yes, the same day as Valentine's Day. There is nothing better than discovering a book that may make a difference to your life after reading it.



Students will also have the opportunity to participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge. Last year, students in K-2 completed it in class and during library lessons. Students K-6 were offered an optional participation. However, students are unable to drop in and out if they wish to achieve the coveted platinum certificate at the completion of Year 6. The Premier's Reading Challenge begins on March 1 with the end date being August 20.

The following quote sums up a philosophy that I have held for my whole teaching career and family life. It is powerful.



The Library will be open on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 1st half lunch for quiet reading, borrowing and returning and board games. We still have COVID health guidelines applicable to the library such as sanitising hands and quarantining returned books for 24 hours before re-shelving.

The library team consists of Mrs Nicola Skinstad (Library Technician), Ms Kirsty Hall (Wednesday) and Mrs Roz Elliott Teacher | Librarian (Monday-Friday).

Happy Reading!

**Roz Elliott**  
**Teacher | Librarian**

# UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

**OPEN Tuesday:** 8.30am - 9.30am **Thursday:** 2.30pm - 3.30pm

**UNIFORM SHOP ENTRY - A Uniform Shop Pass is required to enter the Uniform Shop!**

**Please Sign in and collect a Pass at the Administration Office.**

**FLEXISCHOOLS** - Online Uniform Orders are available via [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au) or download the App.

**SECOND HAND FLEECES - SALE** Buy one get, one 1/2 price! **Save \$10!!!!**

## EXCHANGES AND RETURNS

\*As a reminder please take care when opening uniform packages!

**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. Size exchanges can also be made via the Administration Office, just attach a note with the size to swap to and your child's Name & Class. All deliveries to classrooms are Tuesday only.

**Loretta Mykityshyn | Uniform Shop Manager**

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

# P&C NEWS

## P&C News

To keep up to date with all our news and events, please join the private [BHPS Facebook Group](#).

## P&C Meeting – Monday 8 February 2021

Thank you to all that joined us for the first P&C Meeting of 2021. The minutes will be shared in next week's newsletter. Top 3 highlights are:

- Canteen is now open for counter service – if you would like to volunteer as a helper – sign up now!
- To deepen student learning and allow better communication with school and home, SeeSaw Family will be trialed in Term 1. More details from the school will follow.
- Treasurer update: Despite the challenges of 2020, parents came together and supported the P&C through generous contributions last year. This fantastic effort helped buoy the P&C in a year when traditional fundraising, such as the Bally Bolt and Trivia Night, were not available to us. 2021 will hopefully see some of these events return. At the same time, family contributions remain the key pillar of support. This year the P&C will continue to support several major school programs including the Wellbeing program and technological upgrades.

## Uniform Review Committee

- Following some parent enquiries regarding the current uniform options, the Committee will review the current range and look at any opportunities to potentially streamline. If you would like to be part of a Uniform Review Committee, please contact Nicole Larcombe [bhpsvpsservices@gmail.com](mailto:bhpsvpsservices@gmail.com) or Billie Ristoski on [BHPSpresident@gmail.com](mailto:BHPSpresident@gmail.com).



## Put your hand up.....go on!

### Class Communication Coordinators

Thank you to all those wonderful parents who have already signed up to be a Class Communication coordinator for Semester 1 (Terms 1 & 2) – it is truly appreciated. We are still needing a few (listed below), so if you're keen, please [click here](#) to put your name down.

Class	Number of class coordinators needed	Class	Number of class coordinators needed
KRA	2	4E	1
KD	1	4K	2
2E	1	5J	2
2F	1	5V	1
2R	1	5W	2
3C	1	6C	2
3G	1	6L	2
3KC	1	6M	1

## Trivia Night

Which country produces the most coffee in the world? What is the painting 'La Gioconda' more usually known as? About how many taste buds does the average human tongue have?

We are hoping to run our fabulously fun Trivia Night in 2021 and are looking for a parent or group of parents to take the lead in organising this popular event. Maybe some Year 3 parents would like to give it a go?! We welcome all volunteers, no matter how big or small your contribution. If you are interested, please contact Tamsin on [bhpsvpcomms@gmail.com](mailto:bhpsvpcomms@gmail.com) or Billie Ristoski on [BHPSPresident@gmail.com](mailto:BHPSPresident@gmail.com).

(A: Brazil | The Mona Lisa | 10,000)

## P&C Secretary - vacancy

We are still looking for a parent to join 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 Tamsin 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





The canteen is committed to providing your children with fresh, healthy home-made food. We make most items from scratch, and to this end rely on our volunteers for assistance. The COVID restrictions have meant we have been unable to open the service counters to offer the children the opportunity to buy snacks at recess and lunch. We are hoping to be able to re-open this term with your help!

We will be asking each class to provide volunteers for the canteen for one week during the year. The next 4 weeks we are asking for Year 4 parents to help out. This week, (week 3) we are asking for volunteers from 4B and next week (week 4) from 4E. Grab a friend and come and help!

Week	Date	Class
3	8 - 12 February	4B
4	15 - 19 February	4E
5	22 - 26 February	4K
6	1 - 5 March	4S
7	8 - 12 March	1W
8	15 - 19 March	1G
9	22- 26 March	1J
10	29 March -1 April	1M

We are using SignUp.com to organise our volunteers.

### Here's how it work in 3 easy steps:

1. **Click this link** to go to our invitation page on SignUp.com: <https://signup.com/login/entry/736993151735014093>
2. **Enter your email address:** (You will NOT need to register an account on SignUp.com)
3. **Sign up!** Choose your spots - SignUp.com will send you an automated confirmation and reminders.

If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact us at [healthycanteenbhps@gmail.com](mailto:healthycanteenbhps@gmail.com) and we can sign you up manually. Thanks for your continued support and we are looking forward to meeting you.

**Kathrine Boulderstone | Sanja Vidaic**  
**Canteen Managers**

## **PMC Meeting - 24th February**

Our termly PMC meeting is being held Wednesday evening 24th February, 7pm. All association members are encouraged to attend.

## **Extra-curricular activities - NOT organised by Arabanoo**

If your child is booked in for extra-curricular activities NOT organised by Arabanoo (Karate, Netball, Band, Music Bus etc) during their time at Arabanoo, an onsite extra-curricular authorisation form is needed. Those activities are separate from Arabanoo and unless we have this form we don't know the details of your child's class. Booking forms are attached and available on our website under the 'Forms' tab. Please note that there is a parent form and a child form.

We require new forms for 2021. All 2020 forms are now invalid. Without a form your child will not be able to go to their activity.

## **Extra-curricular activities - Organised by Arabanoo**

We have some exciting activities organised for the afternoons in term 1. Your child can attend these activities if they have a permanent booking with Arabanoo for the session the activity takes place. The activities are partly subsidised by Arabanoo but still do cost a little bit extra on top of the afternoon price. Booking forms are available on our website.

Monday - Yoga and Mindfulness (Waiver required) 4:15-5pm

Tuesday - Tinker Tank 4 - 5pm

Wednesday - Rolling Coaches (Waiver required) 3.45-4.30pm Kindy and Year 1, 4:30-5:30pm Yr2+ **FULL**

Thursday - Eye Heart Science 4.15-5.15pm

Friday - Karate. Karate is available for children who have a Friday afternoon booking at Arabanoo. Please book in through Key Martial Arts 1300 304 532. If you book your child in for karate please make sure to notify Arabanoo by completing the onsite extra-curricular permission form.

## **Parents | Carers onsite - Sign in/out**

We're 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 on the senior campus from 4pm.

## **Contact Us**

T - 0299 486 722

M - 0421 014 308

E - admin@arabanoo.com

W - www.arabanoo.com

## **The Arabanoo Team**



## Ethics Program | Coordinator and Teacher Vacancies

The ethics program at BHPS now teaches over 300 students the Primary Ethics curriculum thanks to our wonderful volunteer teachers. Our coordinator is going back to work and we need someone to coordinate the ethics program. It's a simple job, essentially acting as the conduit between Primary Ethics and the school. It would likely suit someone who has an interest in the ethics program but is unavailable to teach on Tuesdays. We also need a teacher for one of our Year 2 classes, it would be a shame to have to start a waitlist again! For information about either role please contact Jo Reardon on 0466 831 773 or email [bhps.ethics@gmail.com](mailto:bhps.ethics@gmail.com)



## OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIGH POTENTIAL AND GIFTED STUDENTS

### Year 7 High Potential & Gifted Education Academic Placement Test 2022 Intake

Placement in the Year 7 High Potential & Gifted Education classes at NBSC Balgowlah Boys, NBSC Cromer and NBSC Mackellar Girls Campuses is subject to the child's eligibility to attend the school, submission of an application form and based on supporting evidence including the results achieved in the NBSC Academic Placement Test.

Please Note: Students eligible to enrol at NBSC Cromer Campus will be required to sit for the Peninsula Community of Schools (PCS) external academic test.

Placement at NBSC Manly Campus is based on a student's performance in the NSW Selective Schools Test.

**APPLICATION FORMS:** Download from the Northern Beaches Secondary College website - <http://www.nbsc.schools.nsw.edu.au/> - go to Curriculum Opportunities/Year 7 High Potential & Gifted Education Academic Programs. These are also available on each campus website.

### CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS

Friday 19 February, 2021 by 4.00pm

Students are required to sit the test at the NBSC Campus designated as their local school  
(Refer to *NSW Public School Finder* to confirm designated local school)

NBSC Balgowlah Boys Campus - 27 Maretimo St, Balgowlah  
NBSC Cromer Campus - 120 South Creek Rd, Cromer  
NBSC Mackellar Girls Campus - 11 Campbell Pde, Manly Vale

**HP&GE ACADEMIC PLACEMENT TEST DATE: Thursday 18 March 2021 at 9.00am**

Further information regarding the Academic Placement Test, please contact:

NBSC Administration Centre	Sandra Bonello	T : 9939 6942
NBSC Balgowlah Boys Campus	Melinda Smith	T : 9949 4200
NBSC Cromer Campus	Jane Dean	T : 9981 1155
NBSC Mackellar Girls Campus	Wendy Mailey	T: 9949 2083

### Other High Potential & Gifted Education Programs offered at NBSC

For information regarding other talented programs, visit the relevant campus websites:

NBSC Balgowlah Boys Campus <https://nbscbalgb-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/> (Talented Music Program)

NBSC Cromer Campus <https://nbccromer-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/> (Talented Music Program)

NBSC Mackellar Girls Campus <https://nbscmgirls-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

(Talented Athlete, Dance, Music and Visual Art Programs)

**NOTE: Enrolment into High Potential & Gifted Education programs is subject to the child's eligibility to attend the school and the school's ability to accommodate the child.**







## 2021 Balgowlah Boys and Mackellar Girls Open Days and Evenings

Open Day for both schools: Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Open Evening for both schools: Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2021

### Mackellar Girls Campus



Year 6 students are invited to attend Open Day from 9.15 – 11.15 am. Year 5 students may also attend if individuals wish.

There will be conducted tours of the school for the girls, a meeting in the Hall to learn what the school offers, morning tea and then activities under the guidance of the Year 11 Peer Support Leaders.

Students can be dropped off at the School Hall in Campbell Pde, Manly Vale by 9.15 am, and collected at 11.15 am from the front of the hall.

For parents, the meeting in the Hall will be livestreamed to you from 10.00 – 11.00 am.

The link to the livestream will be on the School Website from 9.30 am.

Open Evening will be only a recording of the livestream of the Open Day meeting, from 6.00 – 7.00 pm.

We look forward to introducing you and your daughters to our amazing school.

### Balgowlah Boys Campus

Students are invited to attend Open Day from 9.15 – 11.30 am.

There will be conducted tours of the school, mini lessons in a range of subject areas, and a BBQ

Students can be dropped off at the School Hall on Maretime St Balgowlah, by 9.15 am, and collected from 11.30 am from the front of the hall.

For parents, there will be a presentation from the principal at an Open Evening in the Hall on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February from 6.00 to 7.00 pm. (Due to Covid health protocols, parents will need to reserve a seat, please contact the school on 99494200)

