

# THE HEIGHTS Excellence and Opportunity

# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



#### **School 90th Celebrations**

We look forward to celebrating our school's 90th anniversary on Saturday (25 November) of this week from 2.00pm - 5.00pm. Classrooms will be open, our Concert and Stage Bands will perform, and our Junior and Senior Choirs will sing the school song. It will be a great opportunity to catch up with friends. Further information is on page 5 of this week's Newsletter.



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#### P&C (AGM)

The next meeting of the P&C Meeting will be held on Monday 27 November at 7.00pm in the library and on Zoom. All parents are very welcome to attend. This meeting will also include the Annual General Meeting. Discussion topics for this meeting include:

- 2024 School Planning
- AGM P&C positions nominations

To register please click <u>here</u>. This link also provides the opportunity for you to detail questions you would like addressed.

A zoom link for the meeting is provided below for parents who wish to participate from another location.

https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/62249953883?pwd=VFY4TERLZFJ4VmQxOHkrNkM5dk9TQT09

Meeting ID: 62249953883 Passcode: 420773

#### **Year 5 Student Leadership Opportunities - House Captains**

Students in Year 5 interested in undertaking a leadership role as a House Captain or Vice-Captain in 2024 will have the opportunity to nominate themselves later this week. A nomination form will be emailed to Year 5 parents. The expressions of interest are due to school by Wednesday 29.11.23.

#### Helpers' 'Thank You' Breakfast

We look forward to holding a Thank You Breakfast for all of the parent and community helpers on Thursday 14 December, commencing at 8.15am. Invitations will be sent home next week.

#### **Christmas Carols (Years K-5)**

Parents and friends are welcome to join us for our Christmas Carols on Thursday 14 December, commencing at 9.15am on the basketball courts. All students in Years K-5 will be performing as part of an item for each grade. The primary and Years 1-2 choirs, Year 1 Dance Group and the Schools Spectacular Dance Group will also be performing.

#### **Year 6 Play**

Parents and friends are welcome to join us for the Year 6 Plays on Thursday 14 December. There will be two performances in the hall at 11.30am and 1.40pm.

#### **Year 6 High School Orientation Days**

Students in Year 6 attending state high schools will participate in Orientation Days on Tuesday 29 November. Further information on these days will be provided by the individual high school.

#### **Premier's Spelling Bee**

Congratulations to Milla Clarke who represented Balgowlah Heights Public School at the State Finals, one of the last 30 students from a starting point of 180,000 NSW primary students.





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### **Talent Quests**

We look forward to our Talent Quests to be held on the dates listed below. A note will be emailed later this week with further information.

GRADE	DATE	TIME
YEAR 6 GRADE FINAL	MONDAY 27 NOVEMBER	12.45pm
YEAR 5 GRADE FINAL	TUESDAY 28 NOVEMBER	12.45pm
YEAR 4 GRADE FINAL*	TUESDAY 5 DECEMBER	12.45pm
YEAR 3 GRADE FINAL	MONDAY 4 DECEMBER	12.45pm
YEAR 2 GRADE FINAL*	FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER	12.45pm
YEAR 1 GRADE FINAL	FRIDAY 8 DECEMBER	12.45pm
KINDERGARTEN GRADE FINAL	MONDAY 11 DECEMBER	12.45pm
SCHOOL K-6 FINAL	TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER	11.30am

<sup>\*</sup> Please note the change in dates for Years 2 and 4.

UPCOMING EVENTS					
	DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME/ROOM		
TERM 4 WEEK 8	MONDAY 27 NOVEMBER	Year 6 Talent Quest Year 2 Transition - Classroom visits P&C (AGM)	12.45pm 2.30pm 7.00pm		
	TUESDAY 28 NOVEMBER	High School Orientation Day Band 2024 Instrument Tryouts Year 5 Talent Quest	7.30am 12.45pm		
	WEDNESDAY 29 NOVEMBER				
	THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER				
	FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER	Summer PSSA Semi Finals Year 2 Talent Quest	11.45am 12.45pm		
TERM 4 WEEK 9	MONDAY 4 DECEMBER	Year 3 Talent Quest	12.45pm		
	TUESDAY 5 DECEMBER	Year 4 Talent Quest	12.45pm		
	WEDNESDAY 6 DECEMBER	Senior Band visit to St James Preschool			
	THURSDAY 7 DECEMBER	School Tour Year 6 Graduation Assembly	9.30am 11.30am		
	FRIDAY 8 DECEMBER	Summer PSSA Finals Year 1 Talent Quest P&C Family Picnic	11.45am 12.45pm 3.05pm		

### **SCHOOL NEWS**

#### **School Band**

# Register to Join our fabulous Band 2024 – Learn more at our information evening and sign up for Instrument Tryouts

We are delighted with the number of enquiries we are receiving about joining band and the excitement we saw from the Year 2s last week at our classroom visits and 'lunch with Band' session. Students from Year 3 – 5 are welcome to join the band.

Here are some important dates:

#### Wednesday 22 November - Band Program Parent Information Evening 6.30pm

It's the parents turn to learn about band at the Parent Information Evening. Join us tonight from 6.30pm in the Hall. Our Concert Band is putting together a special presentation where you will enjoy their performances, learn about the instruments from the players themselves and hear from our Director of Bands about the opportunities and positive experience your child can have as a member of the band. Plus there will be plenty of time to ask questions. Please bring your future band member/budding musician along also.

#### Tuesday 28 November - Try An Instrument 7.30am in the Hall. Registration required

Bring your child along to tryout some instruments to see which instrument they are best suited to play. Experienced tutors will look at factors, such as mouth shape, stature, teeth, hands, balance of the band and your child's preferences to advise the instrument that will give your child the best chance of success and enjoyment. Register to participate in the instrument tryout via the <u>Band Registration Form</u>.

More information about our band program can be found on www.bhpsband.com

#### Is Strings Your Thing? Year 1 and 2 students can learn an instrument too

Is your 2024 Year 1 or Year 2 child interested in playing a string instrument? If so, learn more about our string program at an information session at 8.15am on Friday 1 December in the AV Room (next to the library).

Further information can be found on the website under Strings - www.bhpsband.com



### **P&C UPDATE**



#### **P&C News**

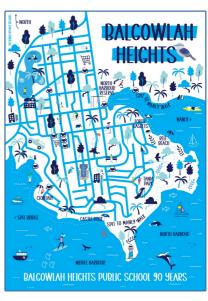
To keep up to date with all our news and events, please join our private <u>BHPS P&C Facebook Group</u>. Also check out our P&C Noticeboards on Radio Avenue and Lewis Street. We'll be posting events, P&C information and community activities on a regular basis.

#### **Balgowlah Heights Turns 90**

#### Have you bought your commemorative tea towel yet?

Designed by parent Nat DeGaris the tea towel features a unique design that marks the school's 90 years and celebrates the suburb of Balgowlah Heights. The tea towel is not only a unique memento but also a great Christmas present for family and friends!

If you're interested in purchasing one, you can order it through Spriggy on the Uniform page (last day to order is *Saturday 9 December at midnight*) or purchase in person at the Uniform Shop on Tuesday 12 December (8.30am - 9.30am). Additionally, they will be available to purchase this Saturday at the 90th Celebration Event at school (2pm - 5pm). Retail price is \$22 with all profits going towards P&C projects around the school.



#### **Alumni Tile**

At the event on Saturday, there will be an opportunity for Alumni and current families to order a tile with family name and dates which will then be placed on the walls outside the Library.



#### **Program**

2pm onwards: School opens to Alumni (entrance on the Western Campus, Lewis Street).

**2-4pm:** Open classrooms and hall exhibition.

4pm: Band & Choir performances and speeches on Area C.

#### Homemade goodies

If you would like to contribute some home baked goodies for the 90th Celebration Event this Saturday, please drop them at the canteen on Friday 24 November from 1-3pm.

#### Help

Any current BHPS families wanting to help on the afternoon and act as a tour guide to any alumni are welcome to be involved - contact Diana at bhpspresident@gmail.com

### **P&C UPDATE**



#### P&C Meeting and AGM - Monday 27 November, 7pm

Please join us for the P&C Meeting and AGM next Monday.



### BALGOWLAH HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

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#### BALGOWLAH HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

27th November 2023 at 7.00pm **BHPS Library/Zoom Meeting** 

The 2023 Annual General Meeting of the Balgowlah Heights Public School Parents and Citizens' Association will be held on Monday 27th November 2023 commencing at 7.00pm.

Following acceptance of the minutes from the 2022 AGM and the tabling of the Audit Report for the year ended 31 December 2023 (YTD), all current office bearer roles will be declared vacant and nominations called for the following positions:

- President
- Treasurer
- Vice President Communications
- Vice President Services
- Secretary

Additional nominations for the following:

- Executive 1
- Executive 2
- Executive 3

No other business may be entered into at the AGM.

All current P&C members are encouraged to attend the AGM to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions on the executive and sub-committees.

For more information concerning any aspects of the P&C including the conduct of the AGM, and the roles of executives and sub-committees, please go to the NSW P&C Federation website: http://www.pandc.org.au/fag.seo

The AGM is open to all parents and carers who wish to attend, however only financial members are eligible to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions.

At the completion of the AGM the November general meeting will be held where the incumbent committee will present 2023 end of year Reports.

Yours sincerely, Lisa Rosenquist **BHPS P&C Secretary** 







# **CANTEEN**





A huge thank to all the Millin's Meat Monday helpers - it was an outstanding effort and the day ran smoothly.

Next week is **3W's** turn to volunteer. And the week after (from Mon 4 Dec) it's **KF's** turn.

Remember, you can sign up any time you have spare time - book your spot today.

The volunteer schedule for the remainder of the term is as follows:

SCHEDULE				
WEEK	DATE	CLASS		
T4 WEEK 8	Monday 27 November - Friday 1 December	3W		
T4 WEEK 9	Monday 4 December - Friday 8 December	KF		
T4 WEEK 10	Monday 11 December - Friday 15 December	KD		

We look forward to seeing you in the canteen soon.





# **UNIFORM SHOP**

# **Tuesday 8.30-9.30am Thursday 2.30-3.30pm**

LAST DAY to purchase uniforms: 8.30am - 9.30am | Tuesday 12 December 2023

**CLOSED:** Thursday 14 December 2023 for stocktake **OPEN 2024:** 2.30pm - 3.30pm | Thursday 1 February 2024



#### **DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

#### UNIFORMS 2024 - Grab your 2024 Uniform now!

The Uniform Shop reopens after the holidays on the first day of school at 2.30pm.

YEAR 5 - YEAR 6 2024 LEAVER JACKETS - please have your orders in this week for early delivery!

**YEAR 6 - GRADUATION BEARS** are now available to order via Spriggy or instore at the Uniform Shop. \*Bears are delivered to classrooms in December.

90TH BIRTHDAY TEA TOWEL is now available to order via Spriggy for \$22.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Tuesdays and Thursdays Term 4!**

Meet other parents & earn FREE Second Hand uniforms. Please sign up here.

**UNIFORM ORDER DEADLINE - SPRIGGY** cut off is **Saturday midnight** for Tuesday delivery (during term time). There is no instore pick-up for Spriggy Orders.

**USED UNIFORM DONATIONS** - Please donate your outgrown uniforms to the uniform shop for Second Hand Sales. Current uniforms in good condition. **Please no 'Old Style Uniforms**'. Just drop, in a bag, in the tubs provided outside the Administration Office or at the Uniform Shop during opening hours. **NO hats, socks, tights or hair accessories or non-BHPS items**.

#### **EXCHANGES AND RETURNS**

Please remember items will only be Returned or Exchanged WITHIN 28 DAYS OF PURCHASE with a receipt.

- Folded in original packaging with inclusions eg: clips etc (intact not ripped open).
- Tags attached.
- Refunds are only available in store at the Uniform Shop.
- No returns or exchanges on hats, hair accessories, socks & hosiery or second hand items.

#### Loretta Mykityshyn | Uniform Shop Manager | <a href="mailto:bhpsuniformshop@gmail.com">bhpsuniformshop@gmail.com</a>



# **COMMUNITY NEWS**





#### **PROGRAMS**

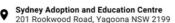






#### Sessions include:

- Fun interactive activities that teach about animal care.
- Behind-the-scenes tour of our shelter.
- # Help our Animal Carers with their daily responsibilities.
- Meeting a variety of shelter animals.
- Learn how to be an animal advocate in your community.
- Learn about animal career pathways





#### **RSPCA NSW Education Team**

€ 02 9782 4478 ■ education@rspcansw.org.au https://events.humanitix.com/host/rspca-nsw



# KIDS GIVIND BACK

The next generation of generosity

# SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS



WANT TO KEEP YOUR CHILD BUSY DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS WITH INTERESTING ACTIVITIES THAT ARE ALSO FUN AND MEANINGFUL?

Our school holiday programs are the perfect chance to introduce your child to the world of volunteering – and empower them to give back in an age-appropriate way.

- COOK4GOOD LITTLE HELPERS 5 7YRS
  - preparing easy meals for the homeless community
- HELPING HANDS FOR THE HOMELESS 8YRS+
  - making meals & essential items for vulnerable people

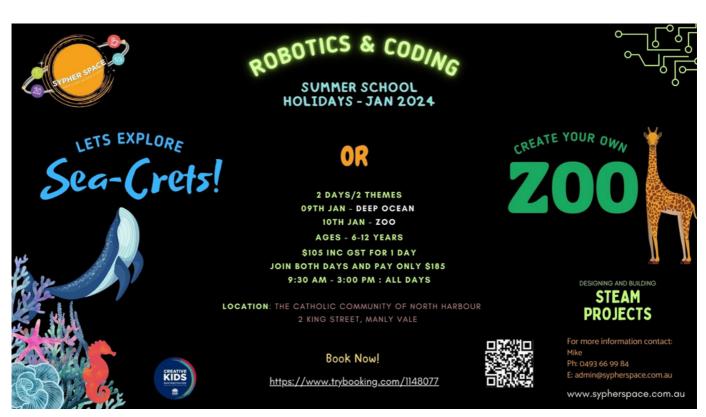
#### **BOOK NOW:**

WWW.KIDSGIVINGBACK.ORG/SCHOOL-HOLIDAY-PROGRAMS/ **LOCATIONS - PADDINGTON & PARRAMATTA** 

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**







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Camp on Sale 1st December Program Tickets on Sale Monday 15th January, @ 9 am







kids aged between 5 and 10 years,

boys and girls. The participants

are broken up into small groups

according to age and ability. This

program is suitable for beginners.



\$160 with training top.

Northern Beaches Indoor

Sports Centre, Jacksons

Rd, Warriewood,

Venue:

To book go to:https://www.trybooking.com/CMZFD