

# Opportunity Class 2022

## Balgowlah Heights Public School

Excellence and Opportunity







# English

## **Reading and Viewing:**

Contract work

Novel Studies

Behind The News

## **Writing and Representing:**

Term1: Imaginative: Description & Narrative

Term 2: Persuasive: Exposition & Discussion

Term 3: Imaginative: Poetry

Term 4: Informative: Information Reports & Factual Recounts

**Spelling Program:** Sound Waves

**Grammar** is taught in conjunction with writing and writing programs.

**Speaking and Listening:** presentations, working collaboratively with peers, public speaking competitions, responding, debating, etc.





## Mathematics:

Pre-testing to provide differentiated learning across different strands

BHPS Scope & Sequence – extension & acceleration

Compacting curriculum, enrichment beyond curriculum

Integration of different strands

Multi-step problem solving

Various competitions: Maths Olympiad, AMC, ICAS, etc.

**"Genius is 1% talent and  
99% hard work..."**

Albert Einstein



# Mathematics



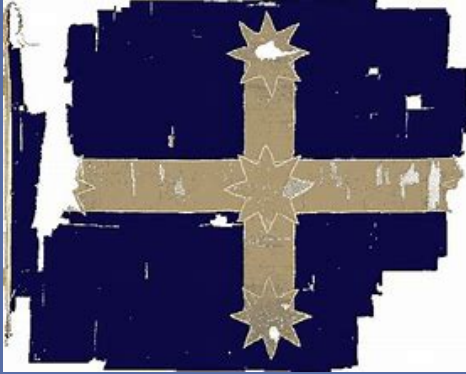


# Science & Technology

## Year 5:

- Earth and Space: Changes to Earth's surface
- Physical World: Forces and energy in products and systems
- Living World: Growth, survival and adaptations of living things
- Material World: States of matter. Properties of materials determine their use





# History & Geography

## History

- Year 5: Expansion of Australian Colonies, Gold Rush & Immigration
- Year 6: Australia as a Nation / Government, Individual Rights & Freedoms / Democracy & Immigration
- Research tasks, Australian History Mysteries, Simulation websites



## Geography

- Year 5: Factors that change the Environment / Environmental Management Practices
- Year 6: Australia's Place in a Diverse and Connected World
- Research tasks, hands-on atlas activities, collaborative investigations



# Personal Development / Health / Physical Education

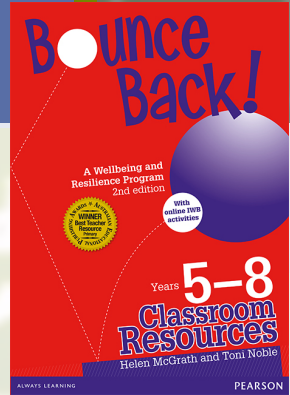
Your  
*mistakes*  
are really  
just  
opportunities  
to  
GROW.

## Personal Development & Health

- Bounce Back – wellbeing and resilience program
- PBL
- Interrelate evenings
- Growth Mindset – Embracing challenge and making mistakes
- Year 5 team building activities

## Physical Education

- class fitness, sport and PSSA





# Creative Arts



- Visual Arts
- Drama
- Music
- Dance
- Integration with other Key Learning Areas & working collaboratively with other classes



# Opportunities for Further Extension & Enrichment



- ICAS competitions
- Maths Olympiad, Australian Mathematics competitions
- Manly Selective Peer Mentoring in mathematics
- Public Speaking – Multicultural Perspectives, Bear Pit & BHPS Public Speaking competitions
- Band & Dance groups
- Writing competitions – Child Writes and various others
- Poetry Writing competitions – Dorothea Mackellar, Red Room
- Debating: Premier's Debating Challenge & before school classes
- Robotics
- Chess club
- Science club





## Homework

- Focus: To prepare students for the increasing demands of Stage 3 and high school. To learn to research correctly, write in their own words, present to a high standard and learn organisational and time management skills.

## Homework

YOU ARE  
*capable*  
OF SO MUCH  
*more*  
THAN YOU CAN EVEN  
*imagine*







# Camps / Excursions



- Sydney Academy of Sport & Recreation – team building focus
- Sydney Writers' Festival
- Art Gallery of NSW
- Quarantine Station
- Overnight excursion to Hill End related to Gold Rush history unit





# Positive Behaviour for Learning



## Behaviour Expectations



Respect

- Are polite and kind to others
- Demonstrate the skills of active listening
- Follow instructions



Responsibility

- Are aware of the impact of our behaviour
- Make safe and sensible choices
- Take care of all property



Personal Best

- Try my personal best
- Have a positive attitude towards challenges
- Learn from our experiences

# PBL: Merit & Award System

