

Term 4 Week 7

23 November 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Kindergarten Orientation

We welcomed our newest BPS Kindergarten students to their orientation today. They will enjoy some activities in the 2021 Kindergarten classrooms with the teachers we have pencilled against the classes for next year. This opportunity is a fantastic time to increase familiarisation, build confidence, make connections and have some fun!

We extend a particular thank you to all of the families who have been so organised and also very trusting with our staff; dropping off the prospective Kinders in this strange COVID landscape and missing out on the more intimate 'getting to know you' activities we would usually enjoy. We hope they all benefit from the extensive information packs provided and are pleased with the very generous vouchers for a free school hat – provided by our amazing P&C committee.

Orientation continues tomorrow and we will share some photos of the fun in next week's newsletter.

Year 6 Leaders

Our Year 6 school leaders for 2021 will be decided in the coming weeks. At present, the Year 5 candidates, who are keen to 'run for office', have been meeting with all of the executive staff to discuss their reasons and hopes for leadership. When Ms Hanbidge signs off on their application, they prepare a speech to present to the student body and then there is a vote.

We look forward to making the announcement about the four new leaders during our on-line Presentation Day Assembly, (all virtual this year).

Achieving Our Goals

Every BPS student has individual learning goals and they strive to achieve these everyday.

Alexis in 3B achieved her goal of using punctuation more consistently in her writing. **Lyra, Jack** and **Rebecca**, also from 3B achieved a numeracy goal. Lyra can round numbers to the nearest 10. Jack and Rebecca can both skip count by 3s and 4s.

Amy and **Jason** in 1/2Y also achieved a learning goal last week. Amy uses descriptive language in her writing and Jason can fluently read a level 24 text.





BPS Annual Christmas Raffle

Every year our school community participates in a Christmas raffle. Each child has the opportunity to sell/buy raffle tickets to be in the running for a wheelbarrow filled with 'gifts'. It is one of our annual fundraisers and all monies made are put towards purchasing teaching

and learning materials for students. Thank you once again to our P&C for supporting this fundraiser. They have volunteered to prepare all of the raffle ticket books.

Raffle books will be sent home with each child on Tuesday 24th November. These MUST BE RETURNED (sold or unsold) by Friday 4th

December. If you would prefer not to take part in the raffle, please return the tickets unsold, no problem. Good luck participants, we hope the winner can use all of the goodies towards their Christmas gift list!



End of Year Events and Dates

Please keep up to date with our end of year celebrations dates, events and calendars! It is not as busy for families this year due to the inability to attend most in-school events. However, we are endeavoring to keep the significance of each event at the usual excitement levels for our students. Our Year 6 students will celebrate their **Year 6 Farewell** event on the 8th December, here at school. We have decorations, celebrations, music and food organised, and the students and staff are getting excited about this fun evening.

Our **Presentation Assemblies** (K-2 and 3-6) will be virtual, much like the recent NAIDOC event. We will complete the filming and award presentations in the days leading up to the calendar date of the 8th December. When we have the video edited and ready to share we will give families plenty of notice — maybe you can all plan a special evening where you sit down to watch it together and celebrate the year that was! Keep up to date on this special presentation via the newsletter and school facebook page.

EOY Class Celebrations have now been confirmed. Please return permission notes and any associated payments by the DUE DATE.

Student Reports will be sent home on **Monday November 30th** and the last day of school for 2020 is on **Wednesday December 16th.**

Aim high, achieve high and have another great week – remember to be sun safe. There are more hot days forecast. *Slip, slop, slap, seek and slide* – if you don't know what each of these mean you might need to do some research! (HINT – something to do with shade and sunglasses.)

. Ms Dionne Hanbidge Principal

PBL Student of the Week

Last week our PBL focus was 'Seeking Attention Effectively'.

A Student of the Week from each class was chosen to receive a yellow merit for demonstrating safe, respectful learner

for demonstrating safe, respectful learner behaviour in the classroom and playground. Well done and congratulations to all these recipients!





Literacy Adventure in K-6 Poland

The book of the week in Poland was 'Wombat Stew' by Marcia Vaughan. After reading the book a couple of times, we wrote a procedure for our very own Wombat Stew. We recapped the steps in the story and

then set out on our own adventure to make it. We included things like feathers, creepy crawlies, rocks, leaves and grass. We had so much fun turning our dirt to mud and stirring all the ingredients. When we got back to the

classroom we sequenced the steps into correct order for anyone else who would like to make Wombat Stew.









Library Matters

It's that time of the year again when students need to have a big search for their library books and return them to the library. Have a look under the bed, in the car, on the bookshelf, etc. Thank you to parents and carers for your support with finding library books.



Books make fabulous Christmas gifts and there are some great ideas in the current

Book Club brochure. All orders are due back to school by Thursday 26 November. Please note online orders need to be completed by the same date to ensure they are processed with the school order.

Mrs Urquhart – Teacher Librarian

HAT REMINDER



A timely reminder as we head into warmer weather that students require a hat to play out on the school oval.



Hats are available to purchase at the Uniform Shop which is open:

Tuesdays & Thursdays 8.30am -9.15 am & 2.30pm - 3.15pm

Also the hats are available for purchase at the Canteen.

National Skin Cancer Action Week

Many Australians, will remember the 'Sid the Seagull' campaign from the 1980s which launched the 'Slip, Slop, Slap' message.

Some things have changed since then but our sun is still the same. By using sun protection and preventing sunburn and skin damage you are reducing your risk of skin cancer.



Protect your skin in 5 ways when UV levels reach 3 or higher:

- Slip on sun-protective clothing
- Slop on SPF30 or higher sunscreen 20 minutes before going outside and reapplying every two hours
- · Slap on a broad-brim hat to protect your face, head, neck and ears
- Seek shade
- Slide on sunglasses make sure they meet Australian standards

www.sunsmartnsw.com.au



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P&C News

Let the Bomaderry P&C take away the hassle of catering just before Christmas with a



'Deli on Perry' Grazing Box.

The boxes come in a Sweet or Savoury The small boxes feed up to 4+ adults whilst a large can feed up to 10+ adults.

Order now online at

http://bps-grazing-platters.square.site/

or complete the form in todays newsletter and return it to school no later than Monday 7th December.

Pickup will be Week 9 - Thursday 10th December at the front of the school middle driveway gates.





UNIFORM SHOP

The **LAST** day for the uniform shop this year will be 1st Dec 8.30 - 9.15am

2.30 - 3.15pm

Any orders placed after the 1st Dec wont be filled until next year.

The shop will re-open on the Staff Development days 2021:

Wed 27th Jan 10am - 11.30 am Thur 28th Jan 10 am - 11.30 am Frid 29th Jan 8.30 - 9.15 am

If you are unable to make it to the uniform shop during these hours orders can be made through My School Connect at www.myschoolconnect.com.au



GOLD AWARDS	
K-6P	Braydon, Elliot, Tyson, Dominic, Xavier

BIG BLUE AWARDS		
K-6P	Alex, Jacob	
1/2F	Amelia	
3B	Benjamin, Grace, Lyra	

Have Your Say Survey - Before and After School Care (BASC)

We want to offer families more flexibility with their work commitments and child care arrangements and to create more opportunities across the whole community. Having Out of School Hours Care available at local schools is a great way to achieve this.

As part of the NSW Government's \$120 million Before and After School Care (BASC) commitment, parents at all NSW schools were recently invited to complete a Have Your Say survey. The survey asked parents to tell us how they are using Out of School Hours Care, how much it costs them, whether they plan to keep using it, and what difficulties they experience in accessing it. The survey results have helped us to better understand the needs of families and what's important to them.

We are now asking all parents to complete a quick follow-up survey by Friday 27 November 2020. You can access the survey at https://surveys.education.nsw.gov.au/s3/
OSHCParentSurvey. This information will help us to target the rollout of more Out of School Hours Care services in the right areas

If your child does not require Out of School Hours care, we ask that you please still complete the first section of this survey as it gives us important information about the level of demand at your school.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Bomaderry Public School 4421 6577 or the BASC Program team by phone on 1300 244 145 or email at: BASCReform@det.nsw.edu.au

COMING	SCHOOL EVENTS
23rd & 24th Nov	Kindergarten Orientation Days
Fri 4th Dec	Year 6 Spider Drink Fundraiser
Tues 8th Dec	Year 6 Farewell
Wed 16th Dec	Last day of Term 4
	HOLIDAYS
Fri 29th Jan	Year 1-6 Students first day
29th Jan-3rd Feb	Best Start sessions for Kinder students by appointment
Thur 1st Feb	Kinder Students first day



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