



NEWSLETTER

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Bomaderry Public School's whole school assembly is held every second Tuesday at 12.30pm. All Welcome!

Bomaderry Public School uniforms are available from the school uniform shop, located in the Stage 1 area. Orders may be placed at the school office.

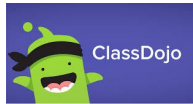


Dear Parents & Carers,

Well, here we are facing the final four school days of Term 1 – our last day will be this Thursday 1st April. One quarter of our school year has disappeared. That must mean we need to ramp up our home reading, stay focused on our learning goals and give everything 100% effort. There are so many things to achieve in a school year and together - we have got this!!!!

LAST NEWSLETTER PRINTING DAY! That means, this is our last paper-based newsletter. Please remember: **Next term we are going DIGITAL!**

Starting next Term, the link to view our newsletter will be provided on the facebook page and the school website each Monday. We can also share it via our class communication apps. If you have not yet joined your child's class SeeSaw or ClassDojo app, now is the time to get on board.



Achieving our Goals

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

Xavier and Kenzie in **5S** were pleased to share that they can complete 2 digit by 1 digit multiplication algorithms.



Aylah in **KB** knows all of the letters and their sounds. She also told me that some letters can be combined to make sounds!

Charlie and Jayden in **5M** both achieved a learning goal last week. Jayden can confidently read level 30 texts and Charlie has progressed to a



higher spelling group.



Kya in **6G** can partition 6 digit numbers and **Chloe** in **6G** can complete 2 digit by 1 digit multiplication algorithms. **Skye** in **6G** can complete 2 digit division algorithms.

'Relay For Life' Walk-a-Thon

Last Friday was such a wonderful, and very worthwhile, community fundraising event for our students, staff and families. Thank you to everyone who participated or supported the event via sponsorships. The Relay for Life event, usually takes place at the Nowra Showground, but this year participants were asked to do their 'walk' during March at a time and place which suits them. Our whole

community got involved in the BPS 'Relay for Life Walk-a-thon' on our very own oval last Friday. Students participated during school hours and then families joined in from 3.10pm until 5pm. We had a successful barbecue and lots of families and staff took the opportunity for an early dinner. There were quite a few tired little people being dismissed on Friday afternoon and a handful who needed some super-duper coaxing near the end, to keep walking for the cause!

Students were provided with sponsorship forms so that they could seek sponsorship for walking their laps. These monies, pledged by neighbours, family and friends are now due back. All forms and funds

raised were due back today. Please return as soon as possible.

Everyone was invited to wear purple/ yellow mufti also. We collected gold coin donations which were all added to the collective fundraising total, along with the bbq profits, raffle tickets and \$5 entry fee for families. We will collate all of the takings once we have all sponsorship money returned and let you know our grand total.

Thank you to all students, staff and families for participating in this Feel Good Friday Event. We loved the positive community vibe which comes from doing something good for others. Congratulations to the winners of the Walk-a-Thon raffle:

- 1st prize - Kathleen Beggs
- 2nd prize - Marcelle Smith
- 3rd prize - Ann-Maree Stewart

Quality Work

At BPS, teachers ensure that the learning intentions for every lesson are made clear to every student so they know what they are learning about and why. The students also understand how to demonstrate high quality learning and work samples. When students demonstrate that 'extra' effort and present high quality work, they are given the opportunity to have this acknowledged by Ms Hanbidge and with our school community in the newsletter.

Congratulations to **Alexis, Lola** and **Ruby** for producing high quality work in their writing lessons in **3/4W**. These learners can tighten the tension in their narrative writing. Their work also showed that they used the success criteria to complete their work as well as efforts in neat bookwork.



Cross Country Carnival

The whole school Cross Country carnival will now take place on Wednesday 21st April. Please be certain to have this date in your calendars as it will sneak up quickly after the school holidays.

Parents & Citizens (P&C)

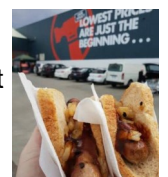
The P&C once again thanks our community for their very generous donations to the Easter Raffle. There are over 20 Easter baskets ready to be drawn at the K-2 Easter Hat Parade and Assembly TOMORROW Tuesday 30th March at 9.30am.

Our P&C are looking for helpers for their upcoming **Bunnings BBQ**

Stall on Saturday 17th of April. We need to sell sausages from around 8am to 4pm. We will need at least 3 people at a time. If you have time available, please let our office know and you will be added to the roster. Thank you, everyone.

Class Breakfast in the Nest

Last Friday was 5M's turn to host their families for a class breaky. Kristen, our NEST Community facilitator, is opening our Nest community room and playground each Friday morning to connect with all of our BPS families.



Each class (along with the teacher of course!) hosts a breakfast by setting up, inviting their parents/carers and pre-school siblings, cleaning up, serving and mingling! 5M's event was really well attended and many visitors explored the playgroup facilities. We hope to see them back next term at some of the Nest programs run especially for our Bomaderry community. Thank you to Mrs Muggleton, Kristen, Aunty Allison and 5M for their efforts.



Easter Celebrations at BPS

Our Infants classes (K-2) will have their annual Easter Hat Parade, as mentioned above. It will commence soon after school starts (9.30am) **TOMORROW Tuesday 30th March in the infants quadrangle. This gathering will also incorporate our INFANTS ASSEMBLY.** It was scheduled for later in the day, but we have decided to amalgamate the two events so visitors can enjoy both. 2E will host the assembly. (More information below).

Our Primary classes (3-6) will participate in the much loved 'Egg-sibition' again this year. We look forward to seeing them on display in the hall on Tuesday and Wednesday this week.

Infants Assembly

As mentioned above - the next school assembly for Infants (Years K-2) will be held **TOMORROW Tuesday 30th March** along with the hat parade, at 9.30am in the Infants quad.

Parents are invited to attend the assembly, but will need to:

- **QR code** on the front fence before entering the school and then;
- **sign-in** when arriving at the quad. Our seating will be spread out to;
- **comply with social distancing** requirements. Please limit contact with others and follow all sign-in requests. Thank you in advance.

ANZAC Day 2021 – Save the Date: 8.45am Sunday 25th April

ANZAC Day is commemorated every year on 25th April. The local Bomaderry ANZAC March is on Sunday 25th April (after our first week back of school next term). Please put this on your calendar so that you can make plans to be outside the Bomaderry RSL at 8.45am that morning.



Our school will march in the local parade from the RSL to Walsh Memorial Park. We always have a healthy number of staff and students at this march, which shows great support for the history of this event and the servicemen and women of our great country.

Please note, we encourage all BPS students to take the opportunity to attend an important local event as part of their school group. And, all students who have been given the responsibility and privilege of a representative role at our school

(Leaders, SRC Class Reps, Sports House Captains or Library Monitors), are asked to attend the



march as representatives of their student cohort. Full school uniform and badges are expected.

Another reminder will be provided after the school holidays, but we would like families to have this date on their calendar so arrangements can be made for attendance. Thank you.

10.00am Tuesday 27th April

Bomaderry PS will hold our annual Whole School Assembly to commemorate ANZAC Day. We extend an invitation to all families and community members to join us for this special gathering in honour of our Australian Defence Forces both past and present. We will have students and class groups running the assembly, presenting speeches, songs and poems. We will also have a speech by a visitor from the Bomaderry RSL Association.

A very special invitation is extended to our Defence Force families. We would be especially pleased if members of these families could join us and stay for a small morning tea following the assembly. An invitation will be sent home in the coming weeks.

Aussie Animals Trivia Night - BPS Fundraiser: Friday 27th August

Start letting your friends and family know that you will need a team of trivia buffs (or just fun people!). Teams will consist of parents, community members, public, staff and friends. A great night for adults to spend time together strengthening our awesome ties as a school community. **We have a theme – Aussie Animals – inspired by our class names for 2021. Open to some great interpretations too!**

Special Event - Nanga Mai Awards



Congratulations to **Reibey, Kayde** and **Shanley** for being chosen to take part in an extra special opportunity. These three students were filmed here at school for a Department of Education broadcast coming up this Wednesday.

The NSW Department of Education present the *Nanga Mai Awards* each year celebrating the outstanding achievements of Aboriginal students, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal teachers, other Departmental staff, Aboriginal community members and schools demonstrating excellence across a diversity of areas. This year celebrates the 15th anniversary of the *Nanga Mia awards* with a virtual live-stream event on Wednesday 31st March.

Bomaderry Public School had the privilege of being a part of this event. Kayde, Reibey and Shanley proudly represented our school, appearing in a short clip introducing the Nanga Mai Encouragement Award. The ceremony will be live-streamed via the Department of Education website at 10am on Wednesday 31st March.

Grandparent's Day

Last week was so busy – it seemed like we did an equal amount of learning and celebrating! One of the very special events we hosted was our much-loved Grandparents Day for K-2. The



attendance was huge! We had grannies, pops, omas, nannies, pas, pappies, g-nans and more. They enjoyed classroom visits, cuppas, chats and cuddles, all over the infants end of the school!

Thank you to everyone who came along and spent some time visiting our school. We loved having you all.

Have a fabulous final week of Term 1 everyone. Stay safe and happy in the upcoming holidays. Have a wonderful family time during the Easter celebration time and the school break. **We will return for Term 2 on Tuesday 20th April.** Staff will be onsite on Monday 19th April, engaged in Professional Learning activities and administration.

We look forward to Term 2 as we continue to *Aim High, Achieve High*, and enjoy our newsletters online!

Ms Dionne Hanbidge
Principal

UNIFORM SHOP

The BPS Uniform Shop will be **closed during Week 10** due to stocktake. Orders can be placed online for the start of Term 2.



Monday 19th April is a Staff Development Day, however the uniform shop will be open from 9.30 - 10.30am.

Normal trading hours resume from Tuesday 20th April:

Tuesday 8.30am—9.15am
2.30pm—3.15pm
Thursday 8.30am—9.15am
2.30pm—3.15pm

Please bring any pre-loved uniforms to the Uniform Shop in Term 2.

Students of the Week

Congratulations to the students who have been chosen by their teacher for consistently demonstrating our school values in and out of the classroom. We love seeing such positive behaviours from our BPS students every week!



PBL Team

Positive Behaviour for Learning 2021

In preparation for the holidays, our PBL lesson this week focuses on how we can follow our SAFE, RESPECTFUL, LEARNER values while at home.

Behaviour Expectations:

We follow our three school values of safe, respectful, learner at home during the holidays.

- We follow instructions of adults.
- We stay safe when walking outside and riding our bikes, scooters and skateboards.
- We do our best at all the activities we try.

To support our students being active and social during the Easter break, the PBL team has set a holiday challenge for every BPS family. Student's will mark off any activities they complete, and return to their class teacher at the start of Term 2 to start a class discussion about who did what in the holidays. All staff are so excited to hear all the holiday news when we return in Term 2.

We wonder what will be your favourite activity to complete?

PBL Team

Awesome Attendance

Congratulations to our wonderful classes who have achieved 10 days of 100% attendance! We have so much to look forward to this week, including the Easter Hat Parade (K-2), Eggs-hibition (3-6) and our whole school PBL picnic celebration! Do not miss out and have major #FOMO.

Mr Sipple

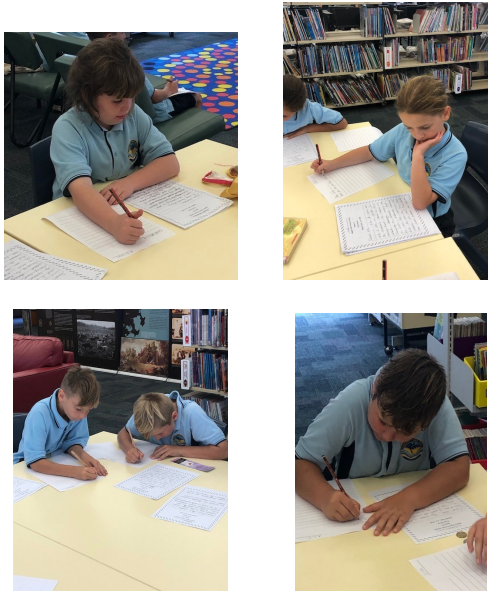


BIG BLUE AWARDS

2E	Sharleah
3/4B	Skyla, Maddison, Honour, Ben, Libby, Paul
3/4S	Mila, Isabella
5M	Elijah
5S	Hannah
6G	Kya, Pab
6T	Jaiiden

Library Matters

This term, Stage Two have been learning about letter writing and are currently participating in the Australia Post Penpal Club. It has been an exciting time for the students to receive and respond to their penpal, who is the same age from a class in an interstate school.



I am currently waiting for some orders from the first Book Club issue for 2021. As soon as the items on backorder arrive, they will be distributed. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Mrs Urquhart
Teacher Librarian

Home Reading Levels

Bomaderry Public School rewards efforts with Home Reading. Our level system promotes reading at home, motivates readers with special reading gifts and helps students aim for improvement.

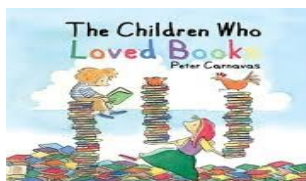
Congratulations to the following students who have reached these levels in Home Reading:

20 BOOKS

Stage 1: Grace, Alexander, Blake, Cameron, Hannah, Arya, Kyron, Leeanne, Amelia, Rhianna, Hamish, Ryan, Gabriel, Loki

Stage 2: Lyra, Mila, Riley, Alexis

Stage 3: Blake, Logan, Skye, Charlie, Jacob, Hannah, Josephine, Skye, Chloe, Kya, PAB, Eva, Dekoda, Chloe



Punctuality

The importance of arriving to school on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

We would like to remind parents, carers and students of our bell times:



Bell Times

8.40am	Children to playground
9.05-9.10am	Children to class
11.00-11.10am	Eating time
11.10-11.40am	Lunch duty
1.30-1.40pm	Eating time
1.40-2.10pm	Recess duty
3.10pm	Home time



ROBO Camp



Students (aged 7+) learn to design, build and program LEGO MINDSTORMS robots. Hosted by the University of Wollongong (Shoalhaven Campus).

Intro to Robotics: 12th-13th April \$140 (incl GST)

Brick Hunter: 12th-13th April \$170 (incl GST)

Bookings essential by email: coach@projectb.net.au

COMING SCHOOL EVENTS

Mon 29th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last Paper Copy of Newsletter • Relay for Life Sponsorship Forms due back
Tue 30th March	Infants Easter Hat Parade, Assembly and Raffle Draw
Thur 1st April	Last Day Term 1
	School Holidays
Tue 20th April	Students Start Term 2
Wed 21st April	Whole School Cross Country at Wilandra
Sun 25th April	ANZAC Day March
Tues 27th April	Whole School ANZAC Day Assembly



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