

BELL PARK NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER #22, Tuesday 19th December 2023

Principal: Anthea Lagadinos

Assistant Principal: Christopher Cox







TERM 4

Last Day of Term 4 Wednesday 20th December School finishes 1pm

FROM THE PRINCIPAL.....

Dear Parent / Carers,

It is so hard to believe that our 2023 school year is almost over. It has been wonderful year and one we can all be proud of. Teachers have provided the children with the most valuable learning opportunities possible throughout the

year and children have continued to try their best. I would like to thank them all for that. I would also like to thank all of you for your continued support you show myself and Mr Cox, our staff, and our school and for the assistance you have offered staff and students throughout each year. You continue to be amazing. On behalf of all of our staff here at BPN I wish you all a safe and happy Christmas with your families. Please enjoy the break, stay safe, stay healthy and we look forward to working with you in 2024.



Grade 6 Graduation

The Year 6 Graduation events were held yesterday with the children, Year 5/6 Staff, Mr Cox, Mrs Thomas, Rosalie Scott, Mrs Kirk, Miss Sue and I attending a sit-down lunch at the Novotel and in the evening we held the presentation ceremony. It was wonderful to see so many family members in attendance. What a great day it was. It took a great deal of organisation from both children and staff. Congratulations to them all. As the Principal of BPN I continue to remain so proud of the children and staff in our school.

Many thanks to the Year 6 staff, children and parents. A special thank you to all of the Year 5/6 staff for all the organisation and hard work to ensure the night was a success. A big thank you to all staff who assisted.



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<u>Congratulations to all of the following award recipients</u> Principal's / SC Technologies Outstanding Achievement Award: Mamdouh Badr Richard Marles Outstanding Leadership Award: Jake Balaz Ella George Outstanding Community Member Award: Sonny Stokoe

School Council Scholarships for Excellence

P.E./Sport: Abbas Hussani LOTE: Mila Budimir Visual Arts: Shanvi Shanvi STEM: Matilda Taylor -Anderson

School Council Scholarships for Endeavour and Achievement Cody Weymouth Jack Vale Damien (Deej) Bracken

Cloverdale Cleaning Contractor's Classroom Teacher Encouragement Awards

Ali Reza Rasouli Caleb Saunders

To all of our exiting Grade 6 children we say farewell and good luck for your future. Take with you your special memories of Primary School while you leave us with wonderful memories of you all.





School Captains for 2024

Children in Grades 4 and 5 presented their speeches for school and house captain positions in front of their peers and teachers last week. Shortlisted applicants were interviewed. Congratulations to all of them for the work they have put in to prepare their speeches.

Congratulations to the following children who have been elected as our School Captains for 2024 School Captains: Josh McKay and Rhianna Serasinghage Don Vice Captains: Kanishk Mandhan and Anja Budimir

House Captains will be announced at the start of 2024.

Families Leaving

I would like to acknowledge those families who will no longer be at our school as their youngest child graduates from Year 6 today. These are the Badr, Baniwal, Carter, Cocking, Day, Gumba, Hinson, Hussaini, Lokas, Mina, Price, Rasouli, Robertson, Saunders, Servello, Shanvi, Taylor-Anderson, Uwale and Vale families. Other families leaving are the Dunstan/ Kelly, Lecena, Lundin and Mousavi families. We thank you all for being a special part of our BPN family over the years and wish you all the very best.

Thank You Rebecca Hunt

Rebecca Hunt has been on School Council for the past seven years and has been the School Council President for five of those years. As Bec's last child at BPN graduates this year we will also be losing her from our School Council. This will be quite disappointing for all of us. Bec has been an amazing School Council member and President ensuring that she is always positively and proudly representing our school and the school community. We thank her for her efforts over the years and for her continued support. She will be missed and we wish her and her family well.

Thank You Lisa Osborne

A very big thank you to Lisa Osborne, parent in our community, who has worked tirelessly over the year and in particular this term to look after the lost property. Lisa has consistently assisted by washing , ironing and sorting uniform items as well as by washing out drink bottles, lunch boxes and other items that have been sitting there for a while. We have appreciated Lisa's hard work and support.

Staffing Update

A few updates to our staffing situation since my last newsletter.

Miss Selina Roosje will be taking personal leave for all of the 2024 school year. We wish Selina all the very best with her travels and look forward to seeing her back in 2025. She will be missed.

> We have another two new staff members starting at BPNPS. Mr Warren Pedersen will be one of our new teachers in the Year 5/6 area for 2024 and Miss Juanita El Hout will be starting at our school next year as an Education Support Staff Member. We welcome them and hope they enjoy their time as part of our team.

Last Day of School Dismissal

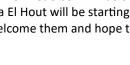
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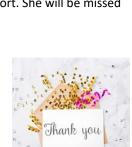
Tomorrow is the last day for this school year. The school day will begin for children at 8:50 a.m. and they will be dismissed at 1:00 p.m. There will be a short recess break and no lunch break. Please ensure that you make appropriate arrangements for children to be collected on time if they attend this last day.

Friendly Reminders

- Children must be picked up at 1:00 p.m. NO LATER on Wednesday (tomorrow)
- The first day of school for all children in Years 1-6 is Wednesday 31st January. Children will start at 8:50 a.m.
- The first day of school for Foundation students will be Thursday 1st February starting at 9:30 a.m. unless children have been rostered on Wednesday 31st January for testing.
- For all of Term 1 Foundation children will be dismissed at 2:30 p.m. Children in all other year levels will be required to remain at school until the usual dismissal time of 3:10 p.m.

Anthea Lagadinos Principal











A note from our School Council President

As the year closes in and the term comes to an end I would like to take this opportunity to thank all BPN Staff, Students and Families for the amazing opportunity and support I've had being apart of the school council for the past few years.

It is with a heavy heart as my young man graduate's this year my role as school council president is up.

I have really enjoyed my years here and will certainly miss the faces I've met along the way. I wish you all the very best for the future.

Have a Happy and Safe Holidays and a Happy New Year!

Thank you all very much again.

Rebecca Hunt School Council President



WEEKLY AWARDS

Week Ending 8th December 2023

Grade	Student	Reason for Award	
Foundation C Mr Cleeland	Elijah Hopkins	For his increased engagement during learning time. Elijah has been attentive and involved during class discussions and focussed during his independent learning. Congratulations Elijah!	
Foundation M Miss Maddocks	Mansirat Kaur	Mansi has been working extremely hard when practising for our upcoming school concert. She always has a smile on her face, sings along and encourages others. I can't wait to see you on the big stage Mansirat, congratulations!	
Foundation R Miss Roosje	April Mitchell	For becoming a conscientious worker, taking more care in he work. April has been taking her time to ensure she is getting her letter sounds correct. As always, she is a great helper in the classroom. Keep it up April!	
1/2 B Mr Greenwood	Noah Kelly	Noah is always striving to do his best work in all subject areas. He has shown growth in all learning areas. He has been a kind, polite and conscientious class member. Well done on a fantastic year Noah!	
1/2 G Mr Gear	Amelia Singh	For her enthusiasm and engagement during our school concert rehearsals. Amelia has brought a wonderful energy to these sessions and has been highly committed to memorising the choreography. Keep up the positive vibes Amelia!	
1/2 O Miss O'Dea	Wasi Hussain	For having such a positive attitude towards his learning and always trying his best! Keep up the awesome work Wasi!	
1/2 P Miss Pither	Hara Lecena	For consistently having a positive attitude towards all areas her learning. Hara takes her time to make sure she comple her work to the highest possible standard. Keep up the amazing work Hara!	

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3/4N Ms Neale	Siennah Watkinson	Being an outstanding member of 3/4 N. Siennah has worked extremely hard this term building on her skills and knowledge for Reading, Maths and particularly in Writing. Her work has shown excellent voice and great imagery for her reader to visualise. Keep working hard Siennah!	
3/4P Mrs Pfeiffer	Scarlet Tingate	Scarlet has continued to flourish with her learning this year with some impressive results in her English and Maths work. She is reading far more challenging texts and makes sure that she has fully understood these. Scarlet's maturity, strong sense of integrity and responsibility were highly valued by all her classmates. Well done Scarlet!	
3/4S Mr Stoop	Lily Baker	For her ability to consistently show the school values on a daily basis. Lily has shown tremendous effort in finishing the term strong in her learning and friendships. Well done Lily.	
5/6C Mrs Climpson	Hasnain Zaidi	For working hard to produce convincing reasons for the grade 5/6 debate as to 'Why everyone should own a pet'. He worked well in his group and spoke clearly when delivering his part of the debate. Well done Hasanin!	
5/6D Mr Hassall	Deej Bracken	Deej has been organised and an active voice of 5/6D, not only this week, but the whole term. He is always prepared to learn and takes tremendous care of his own belongings. Congratulations Deej!	
5/6H Mr Harmon	Dakota Smith	Dakota consistently upholds the school values and is a great role model for her peers. She is hardworking and a great team player. Well done Dakota, keep up the fantastic effort!	



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PE Mr Gibson	Elijah Hopkins	For the improvements he has made with his listening and focus in class. Elijah is beginning to work effectively with other students and is showing great progress with his hand and eye coordination.	
Media Arts Mr Gibson	Anna Mykhailova	For her attention to detail and outstanding sketching technique she uses in her drawings. Anna is drawing at a level well above her age, her application of colours and precise lines truly sets her artwork apart. Great work Anna!	
STEM Mr Lundstrom	Lorah Nicholls	For working hard to achieve her personal best each session. Lorah has continued to practice her focus during class instruction and is working effectively on her tasks during the STEM lessons. Keep up the great work Lorah!	
PE Mr Lundstrom	Dakota Smith	For working effectively with a partner this week. Dakot enjoyed working collaboratively to challenge herself in range of volleyball activities. You should be very proud your efforts this year Dakota! Well Done!	
JAPANESE Mrs Matthews	Celia Ibrahim	For her enthusiasm every week in Japanese. Celia is an eage participant in class discussions and activities and was able to recall the colours when asked. Excellent effort Celia, keep it up!	
GREEN TEAM Mr Stoop	5/6C	The weekly improvement of reducing plastic in their class and having conversations about how to reduce, reuse and recycle.	



EXCELLENCE & ENCOURAGEMENT AWARDS 2023 TERM 4

Year Level Excellence Encouragement Sydney Page Lama Jamil Foundation Yuvi Singh Gedeon Baguma Year One **Dexter Collins-Dunford** Ivy Antonac Year Two **Danijel Peric Douglass Spence** Year Three **Year Four Charlee Amos** Miah Young Joshua McKay Lacey Dagg Year Five Jake Balaz Cody Weymouth Year Six Noah Kelly Mansirat Kaur LOTE Masha Gogic Adam Marjanovic **Physical Education Charlotte Ashcroft** Anna Mykhailova Arts **Billie Lockwood** Hasnain Zaidi **STEM Boston Tucker** Mason Whitney **Physical Education**

Social, enjoyable 6 fun experiences Develo	p creativity, life 6 confidence rough play	Love to be! Primdry Schoo . caring &	g & Healthy & Yummy fully food provided
Before School Care (BSC)	Monday - Priday Hours of Operation 6:45 AM to 8:45 AM	NOW OPEN! 🗲 Pres before Child Care Subsidy* 520.81	Out-of-pocktt ftes after Child Care Subsidy** \$2.08
After School Care (ASC)	3:10 PM to 6:00 PM	\$28.47	\$2.85
Pupil Free Day	6:45 AM to 6:00 PM	\$71.18	\$7.12
Holiday Program***	6:45 AM to 6:00 PM	\$71.18	\$7.12
Cancellation Fees No Child Care Subsidy applied to Cancellation Fee BSC/ASC within 24 hours of Sess Holiday Program within 5 days Same day cancellation fee is Late Booking Fres (Child Care Subsidy is applied to Late Booking Fees BSC/ASC within 24 hours of Sess Holiday Program: book less that the session start time fee is \$10,0	ion start time: \$4.00 of session start time: \$10.00 out-of-pocket session fee. ion start time: \$4.00 in 5 days from	L	Service Phone number ONBLE 213 682 our service Coordinator will be evailable during session times.
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TheirCare support team is available between 6.30am - 9pm weekdays (Eastern Standard Time) on 1300 072 410 or info@theircare.com.au





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We acknowledge the Traditional owners of the land, the Wadawurrung Peoples of the Kulin Nation and pay our respect to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

The past couple of weeks we have enjoyed lots of Christmas craft! We have designed our own Christmas bags, Christmas baubles and santa cups. We have also created lots of new paintings for our art wall!

We've had a fantastic year and look forward to the upcoming holiday program and what next year will bring!





HOLIDAY PROGRAM Holiday program bookings are now open! We will be running a program on the 21st and 22nd of December, then return on the 8th of January for some more holiday fun!

Check out <u>https://theircare.com.au/holiday-</u> <u>programs/</u> for more information or collect a flyer from the service!

SESSION TIMES

BEFORE SCHOOL CARE: 6:45AM - 8:45AM AFTER SCHOOL CARE: 3:10PM - 6:00PM PUPIL FREE DAY 6:45AM - 6:00PM HOLIDAY PROGRAM: 6:45AM - 6:00PM Check out what's happening December at your local TheirCare!



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> From as low as 10.68* Full fee 71.18**



It's festive time! Embark on the 'Polar Express-tacular' adventure! Join the festive fun with Santa's Reindeer Scavenger Hunt, craft dazzling Salt & Watercolour Snowflakes, witness the Exploding

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*With the maximum CHILD CARE SUBSIDY. **Without the CHILD CARE SUBSIDY.



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More exciting activities happening throughout January! Go to the website to find out!





ALLAY OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY **GROUP PROGRAMS - INDIVIDUAL - EDUCATION**

SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Skills for School 4-6 year olds getting ready to start primary school.

Constructing Connections 9-11 year olds games for team work and communication.

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Circle of Security Parenting program to support raising secure, resilient kids.

Foodies 3 to 5 year olds pre schoolers helping fussy eaters and positive mealtimes.

JANUARY HOLIDAYS 2024

Join Allay today!

03 5201 0527 (ask for Intake)

Skills for School 4-6 year olds getting ready to start primary school.

Jumpstart! For High School Getting ready for high school, with Grade 6 kids.

PAEDIATRIC OT

Allay has a team of paediatric OTs providing individual therapy in sensory, feeding, motor, parent support, regulation and more.

EDUCATION

Allay educates and trains teachers and parents to support us and our kids. Topics such as Sensory, Regulation, Challenging Behaviours, Play, Emotions and more.



UPCOMING OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY GROUP PROGRAMS

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JANUARY HOLIDAYS

Jumpstart! For High School Getting ready for high

Skills for School 4-6 year olds getting ready to start primary school for Grade 6 kids. school.



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Join an Allay Group today!

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