The prefects take over Balmain PS...

Where have all the teachers gone? Lucky for us, Principal Drew was at Balmain Public School to keep things under control...

Maria Lambos  Head Prefect

(I hope Principal Drew doesn’t mind!!!
Nothing like a good selfie...)
Our Education Week Open Morning, on Wednesday, was lots of fun! Principal Drew addressed the assembly, Kindergarten performed a cute little dance called ‘Gummi Bears’, the Balmain Bachs entertained us, the senior choir sang so beautifully and 4/5 M danced to the indigenous sounds of the ‘Funky Forest’...

All our community were invited to visit the classrooms and participate in the learning afterwards. The only problem was that we couldn’t find any teachers!!! Lucky we have responsible Year 6 prefects, who assisted Principal Drew!

More Education Week photos are in our foyer.
Dates for the Diary...

Week Four...
• Tuesday 4th August ~ Banksia Concert ~ Strings Ensemble ~ Opera House
• Wednesday 5th August ~ P&C Meeting ~ 7pm
• Thursday 6th August ~ Stage Three ‘Quarantine Station’ excursion 4-8:30pm

Week Five...
• Tuesday 11th August ~ ICAS Maths
• Wednesday 12th August ~ Kindy 2016 Info Evening

Week Six...
• Monday 17th August ~ Expanding Horizons Concert ~ Opera House

Week Seven...
• Friday 28th August ~ LUMINOSITY ~ Balmain PS Art Show ~ 7pm ~ Grown Ups Evening

• Saturday 29th August ~ LUMINOSITY Art Show ~ all welcome ~ 11am-2pm
You’re invited to
LUMINOSITY - The BPS Art Show
Opening Night - Friday 28th August 7pm

A grown-ups only night out for parents. Enjoy delicious canapés, drinks, music and view amazing artworks by every child in our school, professionally framed and hung.

BPS will be transformed into a gallery for the night, with glowing sculptures decorating school grounds, as this year’s theme is LIGHT.

Collaborative works by each class will be auctioned on the night with proceeds going towards resources for BPS students. Support BPS and purchase tickets now at www.flexischools.com.au

Tickets $40 – includes canapés and two free drinks
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Starting School in 2016?

ENROLLING NOW FOR 2016

Information Night for parents/carers

Wednesday, 12th August 2015 @ 6:30PM

The meeting will be held in the Kindergarten rooms.
Can you please help us get ready for the Art Show??

The art room is a VERY busy place at the moment, due to our BPS Art Show preparations. We would love some parents to come and help out K - 2 students in class with set-up, painting and pack up.

If you are interested in helping out in your child's art lesson time, or with any other art lessons, please come and chat to Miss Parsons at lines or email the office…balmainps@gmail.com

Infants art lesson times are...

**Tues:**
9 - 10 1 Rainbow
10 - 11 2 Electro

**Wed:**
11.20 - 12.20 K Suns

**Thurs:**
10 - 11 K Moons
11.20 - 12.20 2 Brightsparks
Learning about volume and capacity. We measured the volume of objects by using Displacement.

We have been enjoying the Balance Rhythm Movement program.

What has 3/4 Convex been doing?

We had lots of fun on Wednesday - can you spot the extra student in class?! We played maths games with our visiting parents.

Busy planting seeds for the garden.

Working on maths investigations.
Balmain Public School is participating in the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy NAPLAN Trialling Test.

Each year a representative national sample of students participate in this trial. The purpose of the trial is to determine whether the trial questions are of sufficient quality for future NAPLAN assessments.

The trial will take place on Monday 3rd August, involving Year 5 students from 4/5 Moonlight and 5/6 Dawnbreakers, as well as all students in 3 Bioluminescence.

Belinda Mikhail Gogos (Assistant Principal)

Balmain Public School was welcomed back to PSSA with a warm sun and bright blue skies. They took to the fields and courts with exuberant energy, ready for fun competition.

The Balmain netball teams dominated the courts, winning all of their games with great skill. Thank you to our team captains this week, Jane, Emma and Sam, as well as assistant coach Ellery, for rallying the teams together and demonstrating superior organisational skills.

Balmain soccer teams, despite being several players down, put up amazing performances. Balmain B fought hard for their 2-1 victory. Balmain A, however, set out on a mission to try to get everyone to score. They came so very close with only one player missing out in their 12-0 victory.

Huge congratulations to all Balmain players. Well done!
Recycling Update

by Dr Pauline Jensen

We are gradually decreasing the amount of waste going to landfill, thanks to everyone’s efforts. However, some students are still putting plastic wrappings from bars, chips etc. and plastic bags in the yellow co-mingle bins. We are also now giving raffle tickets to students who are seen placing their waste in the correct bin, as an incentive with prizes to be won.

Launching Our Purple Bins Week 4

The small purple bins are for food waste from the playground. Although we encourage students to eat all their food, waste food inevitably ends up in landfill. We now will be composting it. If your child is a recycling representative, he or she will be given the extra job of either feeding our worms once a week, or emptying the purple bin into our compost bin.
Balmain Public School is participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program 2015. This program gives us the opportunity to get new educational resources.

From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. For every $10 spent at Woolworths will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker. At the end of the promotion, we will be able to get some great new equipment.

You can find collection box near the office. If you would like to help, simply drop any collected stickers off in one of the collection boxes.
CALLING ALL ATHLETES
come and join the
BALMAIN LITTLE ATHLETICS CLUB

Get your running shoes on and come and register for a fun filled season of friendly competition and personal bests. Tiny Tots (4 years) to under 17 all welcome!

SEASON COMMENCES
AFTER WINTER SPORT FINISHES!

Saturday 12 September 2015 at 8:30 am and continues till mid March 2016

REGISTRATION
www.balmainlac.org.au register online through our website now! THEN come down to KING GEORGE OVAL, MANNING STREET, ROZELLE Saturday 22nd or 29th August from 2-4pm to pick up your REGISTRATION PACK AND UNIFORM. Please note: proof of age for all NEW athletes has to be sighted for all registrations so bring your child’s passport or birth certificate with you.

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