



PIGEON POST

Learn ~ Live ~ Lead

NOVEMBER

- Mon 6 ~ Chess Championship
- Tues 7 ~ 2018 OC Orientation
- Wed 8 ~ Cupcake & Cookies Stall
- Mon 13 ~ Selective High Schools applications for Year 7 2019 CLOSE
- Sun 19 Nov ~ Belle Property Balmain Fun Run



DECEMBER

- Fri 1 ~ 'Whizz Around the World' ~ Creative & Performing Arts ~ TBA
- Mon 11 ~ Year 6 Graduation
- Wed 13 ~ Celebration of Learning
- Fri 15 ~ Last day of Term 4

On your marks...



Yay! Our t-shirts have arrived!

Maria Lambos ~ Principal

Apologies to Asha Sutton (3/4C) and Emily Brewster (6EN), who were inadvertently omitted from last week's issue of Pigeon Post.

4 November 2017

These girls also represented Balmain Public School, at the Ultimo Directorate Primary Schools Public Speaking Competition 2017 Port Jackson Network, on Monday 23 October.

CONGRATULATIONS!
We are very proud of you!



Public Speaking

belle 2017
PROPERTY

BALMAIN FUN RUN

2KM

5KM

10KM

CALLAN
PARK



*Proudly
supporting*

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**BATTEN
DISEASE**
Support and Research Association

SUN 19TH NOV

Balmain/Rozelle
Community Bank
Branch  Bendigo Bank

OE FOOD
STORES

RS RUNNING
SCIENCE

 **HM FINANCE**
MORTGAGE SOLUTIONS

CANADA BAY CLUB 

Orangetheory
FITNESS



iMOVE
PLAY & LEARN



healthspace



UrbanGrowth
NSW

**INNER WEST
COUNCIL**



WATER SLIDE

**FUN 4
ALL**

AWESOME
FOOD



STALLS

**LIVE
MUSIC**

BOUNCY CASTLE



BALMAINFUNRUN.COM.AU



VOLUNTEERED?

A HUGE THANK YOU TO:

Adi Firth
Andrea Smith
Angela Argent
Angela Curry
Anna Fife
Anne Irvine
Antony Perkins
Aoife Sweeney
April Murdoch
Ariana Davis
Arthur Graves
Barnaby Jenkins
Barry Cole
Belinda Gogos
Belinda Salumbide
Biddy McDermott
Blake Nuto
Brenton Anderson
Ed Tyson
Brett Curtis
Cath Chatterton
Charissa Patacsil
Charlotte Herring
Christine Brown
Claire Talbot
Claire West
David Finlay
David Scott
Dimity Maybury
Doug Talbot
Emma Dunwoody
Emma King
Emma Weir
Fiona Curley

Gary Salumbide
Georgina Perkins
Graeme Edwards
H&M Finance
Jane Williams
Louise Booth
Jason Ockerby
Jen Parkes
Jeff Gilbert
Jennifer Stanley
Jeremy Butler
Johanna O'Shea
Justin Dunwoody
Justine Lambert
Justine Lambert
Kate Buckell
Kate Davies
Keith Hong
Kim Janson
Lauren Burke
Lauren Goodridge
Laurence Curson
Leila Alem
Linda Parnell
Liz Timson
Luana Ferrara
Lyndal Rutgers
Lynn Collins
Mags Tyson
Malcolm Day
Marcus Fry
Maria Lambos
Mark Janson

Mason Davies
Matt Platts
Matt Wilkinson
May Ellwood
Michael Johnstone
Michelle Cramer
Mieke Fairhurst
Anja Tyson
Mike Fairhurst
Natasha Foster
Nyree Morrison
Oddette Harvey
Paul Foster
Petra Ratnavadivel
Priscilla Pun
Roal Hamilton Smith
Rob Bennett
Rob Taubman
Robert Smith
Rod Pryor
Sarah Braund
Simon Gilson
Sophie Parsons
Steph Sandbrook
Tate Fairhurst
Themi Karakaidos
Jacqui Roberts
Trudy Crawford
Van Allen
Vanessa James
Phil Rutgers
Sonia Luton
Josie Simpson



WE STILL NEED MORE HELPERS!

**CAN YOU SPARE A FEW HOURS ON 19 NOVEMBER?
ONE OF THESE ROLES HAS YOUR NAME ON IT!**

- 22 marshalls**
- 4 finish medals (great job for year 6 kids!)**
- 2 waterslide helpers**
- 1 jumping castle helper**
- 1 BBQ-er**
- 1 face painting cashier**
- 1 photographer**
- 2 meet and greet/toilet queue helpers (yes, really!)**
- 3 registration helpers**
- 3 drink stand helpers**
- 2 presentation helpers**

**Can you help? Please contact volunteer coordinator
Kate Melber ASAP at katemelber@gmail.com.
She's anxiously waiting for your email.**

**We can't run this incredibly important community
event without the help of our community.**

**As Balmain Public School's major fundraising
event, Belle Property Balmain Fun Run generates
\$40,000+ in cash to help your child's education.**

Keeping it REAL...becomes a REALity!

From our 2015-2017 School Plan - Strategic Direction One -
ENHANCING QUALITY TEACHING & LEARNING:

At Balmain Public School, we aim to enhance a love of learning, through our 'Keeping it REAL' initiative (Rich Engaging and Active Learning), which includes innovation such as flexible learning spaces, PBL (Project-Based Learning), SOLE (Self-Organised Learning Environments) and investigative learning.

<http://www.balmain-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/documents/53630275/53637643/School%20Plan%202015-2017.pdf>

This week saw the culmination of the Stage 3 Semester One PBL (Project-Based Learning) Science unit around 'Built Environments'. And what a successful culmination it was, with the P&C fully funding the students' designs for a Year 6 area! That's \$10,000!

By running the Stage 3 Built Environments Science topic as a PBL unit, Stage 3 students were able to work on a real world project, with learning embedded in the process.

Students were given a design brief: they started out by working in research teams, which investigated the environmental impact of materials, logistical requirements of the site, appropriate plants, landscape design impacts on wellbeing, the physical safety of materials and examples of modern playground design.

After this research was presented and shared across the stage, students formed design groups and began to develop their designs for the space. Each class nominated one or two designs from their class, which were presented to the whole stage.

From there, a selected group of students combined elements of all the class' chosen designs and prepared a pitch for the P&C, with the guidance of Mr Nuto.

It's been a big process for Stage 3 to go through and we are so proud of their work on this project!

Stage 3 teachers -
Mr Nuto, Miss Stanley, Mrs Edwards, Ms Lovett and Ms Ellwood

Congratulations to Paul B (5L), Darcy F (5E), Luca G (5L) and Isaac Y (5/6S), for an outstanding presentation of their proposal to the P&C on Wednesday evening!

A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR EVER-SUPPORTIVE P&C!!!!

Project-Based Learning (or PBL)



P&C Minutes 1 Nov 2017



CUPCAKES & COOKIES STALL

FOR NEW SPORTS EQUIPMENT

08 NOVEMBER 2018 • BREAK A

@ BALMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL



DIFFERENT VARIETIES OF CUPCAKES & COOKIES

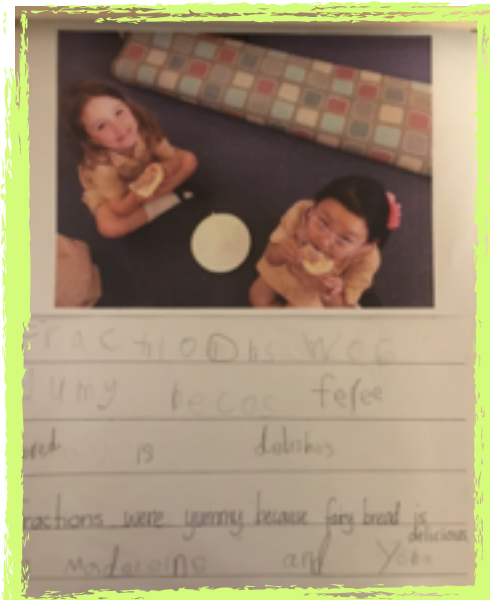
PRICES: \$1:00 - \$3:00 EACH

Kindergarten Rainforest...

Look what
Kindergarten
Rainforest have
been up to.

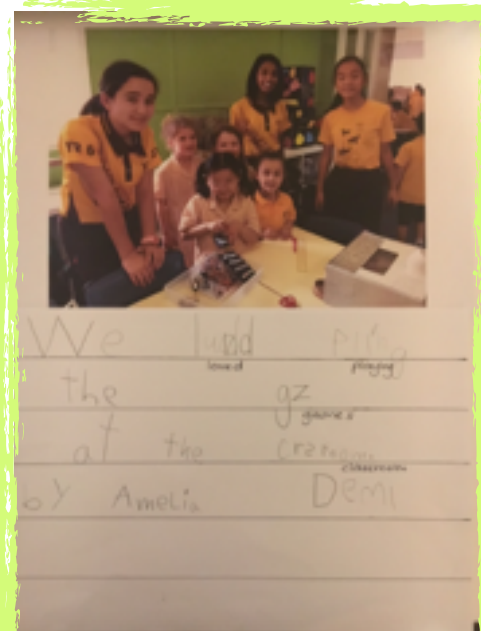
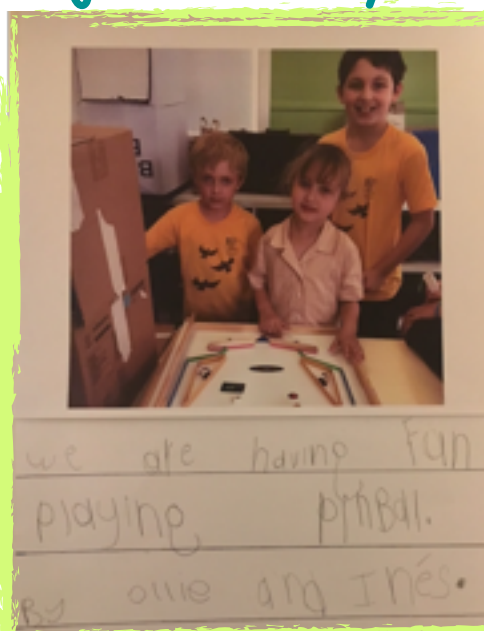
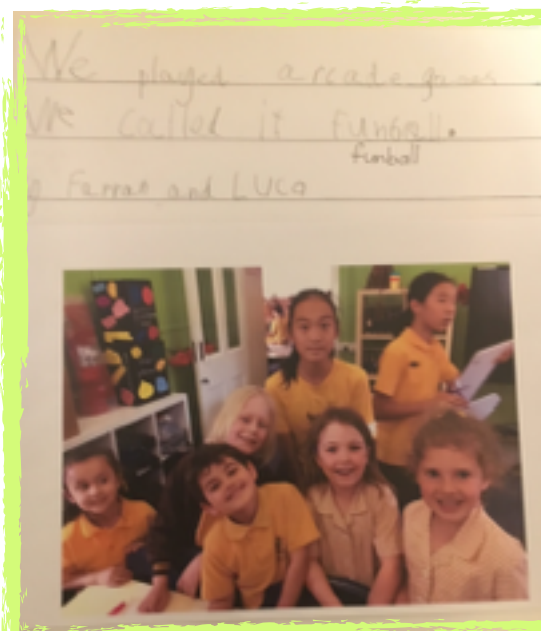
They are very
clever and wrote
their own captions...

MATHEMATICS...



BUDDIES...

Kindy loved visiting their Year 6 Buddies to see their
electrical circuit projects. They were **AMAZING!**





Facepainting
is fun at the
Yr 6 Fun Fair
By Astrid and Elin

Last week, at the Year 6
Fun Fair, kindly had so much
fun!
They loved the food, games,
throwing sponges at teachers
and FACE PAINTING!

INVESTIGATIONS...

SPORT...



Playing sport is fun!
Look out Jodel!

By Soren and Jodel

Too exhausted to
do any more work!



We are good at making
necklaces
By Zoren
We are good at making necklaces.



We were Zombies
after Halloween because
we had too much sugar!
by Anika and Lachen

Water Polo champ, Jacob...

**Jacob attended the
Sydney East region
Water Polo trials on
Monday.**

**It was extremely
competitive and only
students who play at
a high club level were
allowed to trial.**

**Jacob impressed the
selectors and was
successful. He's in the
team!**

**Congratulations,
Jacob!**



Thanks to our P&C for the Marquees...



THE 2017 BALMAIN PUBLIC YEARBOOK

ONLY \$30

Due to quick turnaround, NO ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER
17TH NOVEMBER.

All yearbooks will be delivered to your child's classroom before
the last day of school.

Order ASAP, so you don't miss out!
any questions, please contact Tiffany (Charlie Huebscher's mum)
heyzehnal@gmail.com



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THE INAUGURAL ST JOHN'S
HALL TALENT SHOW AND DISCO

BALMAIN'S GOT TALENT

Tickets \$15

Saturday 11th Nov
5.00pm to 8.00pm

St John's Hall, corner
of Cove Street and
Thomas Street
Birchgrove

Includes pizza,
food and talent!

All money raised
directly goes to
works to improve
the condition of St
John's Hall.

Want to register an act?
Email: stjohnshall@gmail.com or
ballettquedance@gmail.com to
register by Saturday November 4



Supporting parents and carers of children & teens with
ADHD, learning difficulties, and co-existing conditions

ADHD and Co-Existing Conditions

Dr Patrick Concannon
Developmental Paediatrician

Dr Concannon will discuss emotional and social issues in children with
ADHD and co-existing conditions, particularly those with learning
difficulties, Oppositional Defiance Disorder and Aspergers.
He will also cover behavioural therapies for this group of children.
A practical presentation with plenty of time for questions.

WHEN Thu 16 November, 2017

TIME 7.00pm - 9.00pm

VENUE Dunmore Lang College, (adjacent Macquarie Uni)
130-134 Herring Road, NORTH RYDE, NSW 2113
Public Transport: Macquarie Uni train station, Off-road and street parking.

RSVP www.trybooking.com/260975

DONATION \$5.00 for catering at the door.

ALL WELCOME!
Stay for supper to meet the speaker
and other parents and carers.

ADHD Centre Helpline
Ph: 02 9889 5977 / 0416 111 036
Email: info@macquarieadhd.org.au



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CANTEEN**

www.flexischools.com.au

**DON'T FORGET TO GET YOUR ORDERS IN
BY THURSDAY 9AM!**

TERM 4 MENU

Oct 20 Dumplings

Oct 27 Poached Chicken Wrap

Nov 3 Pork & Rice

Nov 10 Pulled Pork Wrap

Nov 17 Beef & Rice

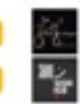
Nov 24 Sushi Hub

Dec 1 Butter Chicken

Dec 8 Panna Napoletana

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Participation is **FREE**, just download everything you need from our website.

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develop a greater appreciation for our diverse community and extend their communication skills.

2017 Screenings 1st November - end term 4
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Bring along...

- your imagination and enthusiasm
- your laptop
- your project buddies
- your parent or guardian (a must for U13)



**When: Every Saturday from 21 Oct - 9 Dec
2 to 4 pm**

370 Darling Street, Balmain NSW 2041 - Town Hall - Upstairs in the ballroom

WEB: trybooking.com/260975 Email: balmain.au@codersdojo.com.au

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