



PIGEON POST

Learn ~ Live ~ Lead

Dates for the Diary

JUNE

- Fri 30 ~ LAST DAY OF TERM 2

JULY

- Tues 18 ~ Students return
- Weeks 1 - 3 Goal setting meeting with parents and students

AUGUST

- Wed 2 ~ P&C meeting ~ 7pm
- Thurs 3 ~ K-2 Athletics Carnival ~ Gladstone Park

NOVEMBER

- Sunday 19 November ~
Belle Property
Balmain Fun Run



COMING TO A CANTEEN NEAR YOU!

Look out for yummy, healthy snacks and juices in the canteen. Our student panel of taste tasters have made their choices. Thank you to Van and the committee.

A happy and safe holiday to all our students from the staff at Balmain Public School.

Our athletics carnival ...before the rain!



We are as excited as the kids!



If yelling chants could win the carnival, we would be winners!
Go Wattle



Blue Gum have the moves!

The Events



Thank you to all parent volunteers and our staff for braving the cold, wind and rain.



Good bye Ms Mistry



We would like to thank and farewell our dynamic and hard-working Ms Mistry. Ms Mistry has worked energetically, educating our children and being a supportive and friendly colleague since the beginning of last year. Year 1 have benefitted from her consistency and concern for student welfare. Ms Mistry has taken up a permanent position at Kinma School; a school that follows the democratic model of education. We all wish her every success.

Taking Ms Mistry's place, we will be welcoming Ms Jana Smith. She will soon be orientated into the busy world of Year 1 literacy and numeracy, PBL and investigative learning.



Ethics classes at Balmain Public School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Could you be an Ethics Coordinator for Balmain Public School?

Ethics classes have been available for students at Balmain Public School since 2011 thanks to the commitment of parents and local community volunteers. Our current Ethics Coordinator is looking to hand over the reins and we are seeking a parent volunteer interested in making a valuable commitment to our school.

In ethics classes children discuss a wide variety of scenarios and stories, learning how to think about ethical matters through discussion with their peers. Ethics classes are an opportunity for children to develop skills in collaborative inquiry, logical reasoning, critical thinking, respectful disagreement, listening and self-expression.

Children discuss topics such as:

- imagining how others feel
- how do we treat living things?
- being an ethical consumer
- homelessness
- fairness

To accommodate all families who would like the option of ethics classes, we need a volunteer Ethics Coordinator to liaise with school staff and organise the training and background checks for the ethics teachers. This vital role is a great opportunity for a working parent, who might be unable to volunteer during school hours but would like to be involved in school life. The time is flexible, requiring approximately 1 hour per week, predominantly online.

If you would like more information about Primary Ethics and our curriculum, or volunteer for this important role, please visit www.primaryethics.com.au, or contact the Volunteering Manager Maria McCarthy at maria.mccarthy@primaryethics.com.au or 0410 348 574.

YOUR P&C CONTRIBUTION MAKES A **BIG** DIFFERENCE

GOAL - \$25k

Thank You!



ART RESOURCES

STAGE READERS

LIBRARY BOOKS

\$20K

\$15K

\$10K

**2017
GOALS**

**NEW CANTEEN
KITCHEN**

**STAGE 3
PLAYGROUND
UPGRADE**

**It's NEVER too late
to CONTRIBUTE**



\$150

WWW.FLEXISCHOOLS.COM.AU

NOT ON FLEXISCHOOLS YET...?
YOU CAN STILL CONTRIBUTE. JUST CONTACT THE BPS OFFICE

BPS | Parents & Citizens Association

2ND CHANCE UNIFORM STALL

Thank you for supporting the second hand uniform shop this term. We've given **\$300** to the P&C, so the money makes its way back to our kids.

The second-hand uniform shop will not be running for the rest of the term. We have very little winter stock. **We welcome donations!** They may be left at the office. We will be back in the second week of Term 3, Wednesday 8:30am; hopefully, with lots of new stock.

Please note that we almost never have hats for sale, so you shouldn't rely on the second-hand shop to supply your child with a BPS hat. Disappearing hats are a mystery to us too...(see below for supplier details of BPS hats...)

We also hope to run second-hand uniform sessions once or twice a term in the early evening for those parents who can't make it to Wednesday drop-off... stay tuned.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, email **Mel** (meljwilkinson@yahoo.com.au) or **Jane** (jane.williams@gmail.com).

School Uniform



To ensure ALL Balmain Public School students are easily identifiable, we are asking that they are dressed in full school uniform **EVERY DAY**, including Fridays.

Balmain Public School sweatshirts and jackets are available for purchase online <https://www.picklesschoolwear.com/shop?school=balmain-public-school>. You may also be able to purchase at the 2nd Chance Uniform stall each Wednesday morning.

Plain bright yellow skivvies and long sleeve polo shirts may also be purchased at places like Target, K-Mart and Lowes.

As of next term, only BPS hats will be permissible. These may be purchased online, through Pickles <https://www.picklesschoolwear.com/shop?school=balmain-public-school>. The 3 types of hats available are \$15 each.

Proud to be part of Balmain Public School.

BAYRUN

SUNDAY 6 AUGUST 2017



2km Primary School Challenge

Run or walk with your friends and family.

Every child receives a cool medal for taking part
and goes into a raffle to win a **Garmin Vivofit 3!**

[There's two up for grabs]

Proudly sponsored by **primaryOSH**Care 
OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CHILDCARE SERVICES

www.bayrun.com.au



Book Week is our favourite time of year at Inner West Libraries, and we're so excited to bring you our new, expanded, Inner West Libraries Book Week 2017 drawing and reading competitions.

Council are inviting local school children to celebrate Book Week with us with two competitions open to children from K- 6. Last year we had over 1000 entries, and the buzz around the competition was great, and we hope to build the momentum this year, across all 8 locations of the Inner West Library service.

The theme for Book Week 2017 is ***Escape to Everywhere*** and we invite children to use their imagination to explore this idea.

Drawing Competition

Open to children in grades K-2. Children are asked to draw a picture of a place they would go if they could escape to anywhere in the world.

Writing Competition

Open to children in grades 3-6. Children are asked to write a short story about a place they would go to if they could escape to anywhere in the world.

You can find the competition page on our website here:

<http://www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/art---events/events-and-festivals/book-week>

How to Enter

The competition is open to all children from ages K-6. Entry forms can be picked up at any Inner West Council Library or you can download an entry form on the website.

<http://www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/art---events/events-and-festivals/book-week>

If entrants need extra space, additional sheets of paper can be attached to an original entry form.

We think this competition is a perfect way to connect with local schools, and for our community to connect with us.

At least ten winners are selected per year group, and presentation afternoon is always a lot of fun.

There will be a special presentation afternoon at Ashfield Library on the 25 August where children will receive their prize and see a selection of entries. Prizes are a secret until the presentation day. Schools will be notified if any of their students are competition winners, and teachers and parents of winners are more than welcome to join us at the presentation.

If you have any further questions, the main contact for the competition is Emma Suyasa, Children's and Youth Services Librarian at Ashfield Library. She can be reached here:

emma.suyasa@innerwest.nsw.gov.au

School Holiday Workshops

Board game making, Collage, Jewellery making for boys & girls,
Sewing, Lantern making, "Art Camp Day" and more.....

July 4th, 6th, 7th
10th & 11th 2017

years
2-6
or with adult

Morning workshops - 10.00am-12.30pm

Afternoon workshops - 1.30pm - 4.00pm

Or ALL DAY options available: 10am-4.00pm or 9-5pm

AT
BALMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL

Next term:

ART CLUB!

Wednesdays

3-5pm

years
3-6

Why not come along first
to try out a casual class

YOUNG AT ART

For more details, please email Sally at
youngatartsydney@outlook.com





AUSTRALIA'S LEADING CHILDRENS SOCCER PROGRAM

Minis Program

For boys and girls
aged 2.5 - 3 years

Preschool Program

For boys and girls
aged 3 - 5 years

Junior Program

For boys and girls
aged 6 - 8 years

Birthday Parties

Celebrate with a soccer
themed birthday party!

REGISTER NOW

www.soccajoeys.com.au | 1300 781 735

228 Darling St Balmain - **25% off** Balmain Public School **uniform alterations**...just mention this ad

Precision

Alterations and Tailoring

FAIRPLAY SPORTS

School Holiday Sports Camps at Balmain High

/ **TENNIS** / **SOCCER MULTISPORTS**
/ **SOCCER** / **TENNIS MULTISPORTS**
/ **AFL** / **BASKETBALL**
/ **OZTAG**

July 10-14

Ph: 1300 765 659

coaching@fairplaytennis.com.au



NAIDOC WEEK AT OUR HOUSE

Tuesday July 4, 2017
10 am - 3 pm
Parliament of NSW

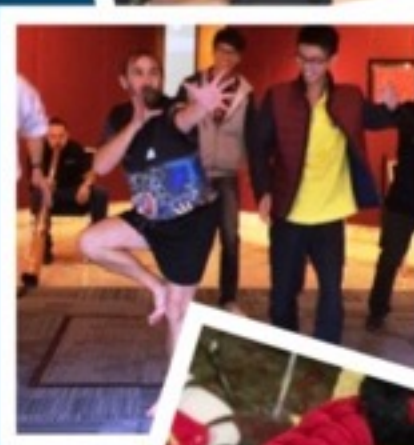
FREE FUN ACTIVITIES! ALL WELCOME!

A fun day with activities for the whole family including storytelling, Aboriginal art & crafts, playing didgeridoo and learning Aboriginal dances, as well as Dharawal Language workshops.

Sausage sizzle on the day! (\$3 per sausage sandwich)

Phone: (02) 9230 2047

Email: dps.education@parliament.nsw.gov.au



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Our Languages Matter
2-9 JULY 2017



THE SYDNEY INNER WEST

COMMUNITY A FAIR

FREE School holiday
special event

Jumping castle
Games
Kids' activities
Free BBQ lunch
Community services
The Food Pantry
Music & more!

Wednesday 5th of July
10am to 1pm

Gumbramorra Hall
142 Addison Rd,
Marrickville

Parking on site
& 428 bus
stops outside



Addison
Road
Community
Centre

(02) 9569 7633
arcco.org.au



KIDS AT THE ARTHOUSE

TERM 3 ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN!

BALMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL EVERY MONDAY 3PM TO 5PM

The Kids At The ARThouse presents a Visual Arts Program to inspire your child's creative spirit. It is designed to develop and enrich skills in a variety of mediums while allowing children to express themselves individually in the art making process. Kids At The ARThouse provides afternoon tea and each term there is a new art program. Taught by an experienced and qualified Art Teacher!

CONTACT: SABINA CARNEY m: 0403768282

e: sabina@kidsatthearthouse.com

Students Achievements:

STUDENTS CHINESE NEW YEAR EXHIBITION AT THE CHINESE GARDEN OF FRIENDSHIP (DARLING HABOUR) "DREAM" EXHIBITION - 2014, 2015 & 2016

WINNERS: CHILDREN'S BOOK COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA POSTER COMPETITION 2015

FINALIST: AUSSIE ART COMPETITION 2014

WINNER: AVANT CARDS "CALLING ALL ARTIST'S" COMPETITION 2013 & 2010

FINALIST: AUSSIE ART COMPETITION 2013

WINNER: SYDNEY PORT AUTHORITY POSTER COMPETITION 2012

WINNER: SYDNEY PORT AUTHORITY PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION 2011

THE AUSTRALIAN NUMERACY AND LITERACY FOUNDATION 2013

THE TAFE ULTIMO SCREEN PRINTING DEPARTMENT 2011

"Logic will get you from A to B. Imagination will take you everywhere." - Albert Einstein

Kids' Disco

IS BACK WITH MR BAGOOMBA

Party
Packages

\$25 per child

*Minimum of 10 children.

Every second Saturday

from 1pm – 3pm

- Entry only \$7-

Book early to avoid disappointment

In the "DISCO"TORIUM at 4 William Street FIVE DOCK NSW 2046

Disco Dates

July 1st, 15th & 29th

August 12th & 26th

September 9th & 23rd

October 7th & 21st

*School Holidays

COMIC CON-VERSATION



Leichhardt Library - Sunday 16 July 10am-4pm

CODING DIGITAL COMICS WITH PATRICK CATANZARITI

A workshop with a professional crazy inventor showing how to code digital comics using Scratch
Previous Scratch coding is essential
Time: 1.15 - 3.15pm
Ages: 12-16 years Limited spaces
Bookings essential via the website

MATT LIN SUPERHEROES WORKSHOP

Draw your favourite Superheroes and Villains
Time: 10.15am-12.15pm
Ages: 10 and up Limited spaces
Bookings essential via the website



LIFE DRAWING WORKSHOP

Try your hand at this drawing workshop with comic characters Harley Quinn and Poison Ivy
Time: 1.30-3.30pm All ages
No bookings required

COMICS LAB WITH MATT LIN

Check out this graphic illustrator at work at his mini studio in the library
Time: 1.30-3.30pm
All ages



BADGEMAKING WORKSHOP

Time: 1.30-3.30pm
All ages

MOVIE VIEWING

Superhero movie viewing
Time: 1.30-3.30pm
All ages

TATTOOS AND FACE PAINTING

Time: 10.30am - 12.30pm All ages

SUPERHERO DROP IN CRAFT

Time: 10.30am - 12.30pm All ages

LEICHHARDT LIBRARY

Phone 9367 9266. Or book online
www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/news-and-events/what's-on



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COUNCIL**



