

PIGEON POST

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JULY

- Tues 31 ~ ICAS English ~ 7:30am

AUGUST

- Wed 1 ~ P&C meeting ~ 7pm
- Mon 6 - Fri 10 ~ EDUCATION & SCIENCE WEEK @ BPS
- Wed 8 ~ Open Morning
- Mon 13 ~ Bachs Band Music Workshop Day ~ SSC Balmain Campus
- Tues 14 ~ ICAS Mathematics ~ 7:30am
- Fri 31 ~ Fathers' Day breakfast ~ 8am

SAVE THE DATE

- Fri 14 Sep ~ 'Blue Planet' Art Show
- Sat 15 Sep ~ Family Day
- Fri 26 Oct ~ Halloween Disco
- Sun 18 Nov ~ Belle Property BALMAIN FUN RUN
- Mon 17 Dec ~ Yr 6 Graduation
- Tues 18 Dec ~ Celebration of Learning



IT'S ALL GREEK TO ME...

HERACLITUS (C. 535 BC - 475 BC) WAS A GREEK PHILOSOPHER (NO, I DIDN'T KNOW HIM...SLIGHTLY BEFORE MY TIME), WHO MAINTAINED THAT CHANGE IS THE ONLY REALITY IN NATURE.

HE WAS KNOWN FOR HIS DOCTRINE OF CHANGE BEING CENTRAL TO THE UNIVERSE, AS WELL AS ESTABLISHING THE TERM 'LOGOS' (λόγος) IN WESTERN PHILOSOPHY AS MEANING BOTH THE SOURCE AND FUNDAMENTAL ORDER OF THE 'COSMOS'.

CHANGE IS UPON US...

MARIA LAMBOS ~ PRINCIPAL

**BPS
event**

**P&C
event**

TERM 3

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BPS

WEEK		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
1		23 Jul Staff Development Day	24 Jul Students return	25 Jul	26 Jul	27 Jul State Cross Country	
2	Parent- Teacher meetings	30 Jul	31 Jul 7:30am ICAS English	1 August 7pm P&C meeting	2 Aug	3 Aug	Sat 4 Aug NATSI Children's Day
3	EDUCATION WEEK Parent- Teacher meetings	6 Aug Miss Tamplin returns	7 Aug	8 Aug Education/ Science Weeks Open morning	9 Aug	10 Aug	
4	SCIENCE WEEK	13 Aug Band Workshop Day - Bachs	14 Aug ICAS Mathematics	15 Aug	16 Aug District Athletics	17 Aug	
5	BOOK WEEK - Find Your Treasure	20 Aug	21 Aug	22 Aug	23 Aug	24 Aug	Sun 26 Aug NSW Band Festival - Bachs
6		27 Aug	28 Aug	29 Aug	30 Aug	31 Aug 8am Fathers' Day breakfast	Sun 2 Sep Fathers' Day
7		3 Sep	4 Sep	5 Sep 7pm P&C meeting	6 Sep	7 Sep	
8		10 Sep	11 Sep	12 Sep	13 Sep	14 Sep 'Blue Planet' Art Show	Sat 15 Sep 'Blue Planet' Family Day
9		17 Sep	18 Sep	19 Sep	20 Sep	21 Sep PSSA ends	
10		24 Sep	25 Sep	26 Sep	27 Sep	28 Sep Last day of Term 3	

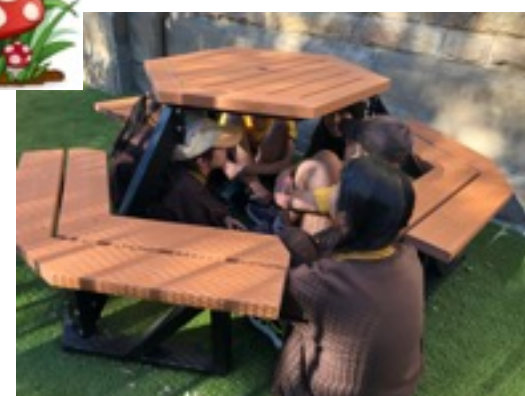
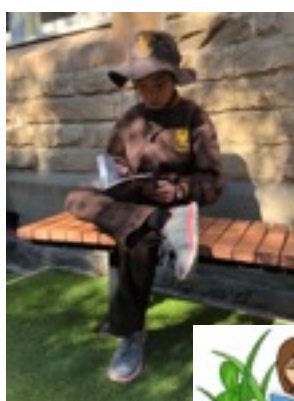
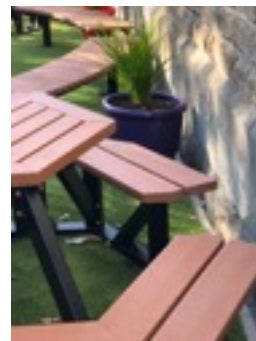
MY BIG FAT GREEK THANKS...

...GOES TO THE **BALMAIN PS P&C** (FOR THEIR FINANCIAL SUPPORT) AND **SCOTT FEENEY** (FOR CHANGING A VISION INTO REALITY), ALEXANDRA'S DAD, FOR THE **TRANSFORMATION** OF AN UNSIGHTLY, DESOLATE PART OF THE PLAYGROUND (HIGHLY VISIBLE FROM GLADSTONE PARK), INTO AN AMAZING, VISUALLY PLEASING YEAR 6 SPACE.

A SPECIAL VOTE OF THANKS MUST GO TO THE **STAGE 3 KIDS TEAM**, WHOSE WINNING DESIGN FROM LAST YEAR'S PBL UNIT HAS FINALLY COME TO FRUITION! A HUGE SHOUT OUT TO **MEL**, HENRY D'S MUM, WHO COORDINATED THE PROJECT!

WATCH THIS SPACE TO FIND OUT ITS NAME...





'ART CLUB'!

Tuesdays: 3-5pm

\$34 per class from 24/7/18

This class is for kids in years 2-6, who especially LOVE to draw! A safe, fun & nurturing place for kids to hang out and gain creative confidence.

Like to try a class out? No worries!...
...casual classes can be arranged at \$35 each



MATERIALS & SNACKS

are provided at all classes and workshops.

Where?

**BALMAIN PUBLIC
SCHOOL.**



[Facebook.com/youngatartsydney](https://www.facebook.com/youngatartsydney)

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ART

To make a booking or for more details:
please email **Sally** at

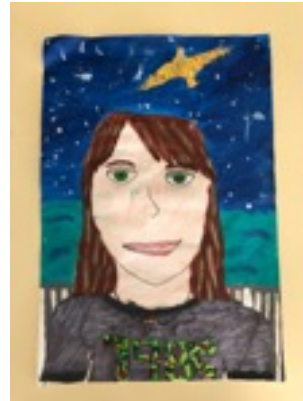
youngatartsydney@outlook.com

Art for arts' sake...

The results of the recent **artwork competition** were announced this week, with the winners for each category:

- ES1-S1 ~ **Nicholas C 1/2M**
- S2 ~ **Asha S 3/4K**
- S3 ~ **Aiden P 5/6L**

A huge **THANKS** to **Toby C 5/6C** from the Arts Ministry, and his crew, Beth McC 5/6W, Charlie H 5/6Y and Milly E 5/6S, for showing **outstanding initiative** and leadership! **Congratulations!**



Reminder: **ICAS English - 7:30am Tuesday July 31st 2018**

If you have registered your child for the **ICAS English** test, please remember to bring your child to school on **Tuesday 31st July at 7:30am** (please do not drop your child off earlier than this, as there will be no supervision before 7:30am).

The test will take place in the 5/6S, 5/6Y, 3/4F, 3/4K classrooms and will begin at 7:35am SHARP.

The test classrooms are on the top floor in the main building. Miss Karstrom, Miss Weaver, Miss Weston and Miss Yau will be supervising the tests.

Regards
Miss Karstrom ~ ICAS Coordinator

If you have yet to book in for your Parent-Teacher meeting, please click on the following link:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code?code=2hejj>

Athletics Carnival ribbons will be handed out at morning lines, during Week 2. Please see below for days of when specific ribbons will be handed out.

Monday 30 July:
Discus, Shot Put, Long Jump

Tuesday 31 July:
100m

Wednesday 1 August:
200m

Thursday 2 August:
800m



The **District Athletics Carnival** will be held on **Thursday 16 August**, Week 4. Students who have qualified for this exciting event will be informed by Miss Weston.

Further information regarding the District Athletics Carnival will follow, once the school has been notified of these details.

Sarah Weston – Sports Coordinator

Staff Development Day...

Monday 23 July, saw all Balmain PS staff, along with staff from Annandale, Birchgrove, Bridge Rd, Forest Lodge, Nicholson St and Rozelle, as part of CoLAS (Community of Leichhardt Area Schools), participated in professional learning on:

- authentic student engagement
- using design thinking to enrich student learning

INSPIRED!!!

BELL TIME **CHANGES**...

BREAK A ~ Mondays-Thursdays:

K-2 ~ 10:40-11:20am

3-6 ~ 11:10-11:50am

BREAK B ~ Mondays-Thursdays:

3-6 ~ 12:50-1:30pm

K-2 ~ 1:20-2:00pm

P&C MEETING

WEDNESDAY 1 AUGUST

7PM

CONNEXION HUB
(STAFFROOM)

State Cross Country

Congratulations to Luca G (5/6W) and Matisse L (5/6W), who took on the State Cross Country Carnival on Friday 27 July.

Both students represented Balmain PS with pride and ran their hearts out. Fantastic effort from Matisse, who placed 14th in her heat!

Well done to Luca G, who came first in his race and will compete at the National Cross Country Carnival. WOW! We are looking forward to hearing of your successes.

Sarah Weston - Sports Coordinator



PSSA

NETBALL

JUNIORS

It was a nice sunny day. We played against Nicholson Street and it was a victory! The score was 7 to 1. We are so proud, but we couldn't have done it without our fantastic teachers - Miss T and Miss Weaver.

- Logan P

SENIORS

Our three senior teams had some very tough competition this week. The A and C teams played first and worked hard the whole time. Then our B team played with the full support of the other three teams and were bolstered by the cheers of their fellow netballers. Unfortunately, our senior teams lost this week, but they are more than ready to get back at it next week!

SOCCER

SENIOR DIV A

The Balmain A's had a great game. Matthew, Ethan and Julian scored the goals that won us the game. We put up a good fight against Kegworth and we are all happy that we won.

-Alexia K

SENIOR DIV B

The Balmain B's had a spectacular game against the likes of Annandale North PS. Taking an early 1-0 lead, our team displayed exceptional sportsmanship and teamwork, leading to the fabulous final score of 5-0, a great start to PSSA Soccer for Term 3.

Team Captain - Henry D

- Paul B, Esq.

JUNIORS

We played our very best. It was an unfortunate match because it was the first time we lost, but overall we did well. The score was 2-0. They were a good team, but we still had fun.

- Leo S



PROPOSED UNIFORM COLOUR CHANGE...

Dear Parents/Carers

There has been a proposal for a change in the colour of our BPS uniform. We are seeking input from all our stakeholders - students, parents/carers and staff.

WHAT WOULD THE CHANGE BE?

The change of uniform would consist of **REMOVING BROWN** from the uniform and replacing it with navy blue, so the uniform would become **GOLD AND NAVY BLUE**. All shirts and sports shirts would remain the same.

The school logo and school mascot will remain the same. These will be screen printed in navy blue onto our shirts, when current stocks run out with our school supplier.

WHY ARE WE CONSIDERING A COLOUR CHANGE?

We have found from Pickles (current school uniform supplier) that sourcing brown fabric has become difficult and certain items are more expensive. Currently for a pair of boy's brown winter pants, we are paying \$10 more than schools with navy blue through Pickles.

Brown items such as shorts, skorts, pants and tights are becoming difficult to purchase at mainstream stores such as Target and K-Mart, whereas navy blue is highly accessible and will provide parents with an alternative and more affordable option to a school supplier.

HOW WILL THE CHANGE HAPPEN?

The change of uniform is proposed to take several years to take full effect. You do not need to rush out and purchase new clothing. When you are looking to purchase a new item for size reasons, this would be a good time to purchase the new items.

If the change does go ahead you are welcome to make the change earlier if you wish. Items such as school bags, which are typically not purchased more than once in a student's school life, will phase out over a longer period of time.

WHAT ABOUT THE SECOND CHANCE UNIFORM STALL?

The second chance uniform stall has developed into a well-established school community initiative. It will still continue to run and will stock second chance shirts and dresses.

Additionally, it will also sell navy blue items from Target - shorts, skorts, tights etc. with a small donation added that will continue to go to the P&C. Orders will not be taken, it will be on a first come, first served basis. You are welcome to give money to your children and get them to purchase before school on Fridays if you are unable to make it.

Navy blue items will be on display at the school office and will be brought out into the playground before school commencing Thursday 26th July for your consideration.

Thank you for taking the time to answer the following quick survey (available until Friday 3 August):

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/UNIFORMCOLOURCHANGE>

Students will be surveyed separately.

Kind regards

Maria Lambos~Principal





BPS CANTEEN

BPS Parents & Citizens Association



www.flexischools.com.au

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

TERM 3 MENU

Aug 3	Dumplings		Aug 31	Pork & Rice	
Aug 10	Chicken Napoletana		Sept 7	Penne Napoletana	
Aug 17	Beef & Rice		Sept 14	Butter Chicken	
Aug 24	Spaghetti Bolognese		Sept 21	Dumplings	

WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU EMBRACE CHANGE?

- PERSONAL GROWTH:** We learn new things every time we make a change. We can discover new insights about life, learn life lessons, and grow. Every change is a step closer to where we wanted to be.
- FLEXIBILITY:** When we make changes often, we learn to easily adapt to new situations, new environments, and new people. As a result, we adjust to unexpected changes with ease.
- IMPROVEMENTS:** We'd all love to improve our lives, whether it's finances, career, partner, house, etc. We already know that nothing improves on its own. Doing things differently will make that happen. If we don't make changes, we can't improve.
- THE SNOWBALL EFFECT:** We often give up because the thought of making a huge change is too daunting, and we are afraid we can't accomplish it. That is when small changes come in handy. One small change at a time will eventually lead to the desired outcome.
- STRENGTH:** Not all changes we make are good. Sometimes, bad things happen too. It's overcoming the challenges that make us stronger.
- OPPORTUNITIES:** We never know what each change will bring. When you stray from your usual path, new opportunities are waiting for you around the corner. Changes will bring new choices for happiness, progress, and bring us closer to our goals.
- A FRESH START:** Each time we make a change, we are turning the page on one chapter, and starting a new one. Changes bring fresh excitement to our lives.

[HTTPS://WWW.LIFEHACK.ORG/451316/THERE-IS-NOTHING-PERMANENT-EXCEPT-CHANGE](https://www.lifehack.org/451316/there-is-nothing-permanent-except-change)

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AN EVENING OF
VISUAL ARTS AND MUSIC
PERFORMANCES

Tuesday | July 31st |
4:30PM-7:30PM

School Hall



COME AND PLAY
GIRLS 'TIGER' TAG
U8 U10 U12 Girls



GIRLS LEAGUE TAG

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6 week comp kicking off **SUNDAY 22 JULY**

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Meet The
Orchestra



The conductor started with a tap-tap-tap and the strings began to sing la-la-la. Then the flutes joined in with a tootle-toot-too and the sound of the drums shook the room with a boom-boom-boom!

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MONDAY 3 - 5 PM



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ALL Students K - 6

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