



# PIGEON POST

Learn ~ Live ~ Lead

## AUGUST

- Mon 13 ~ Bachs Band Music Workshop Day ~ SSC Balmain Campus
- Tues 14 ~ ICAS Mathematics ~ 7:30am
- Thurs 23 ~ Book Character Parade ~ 9am
- Fri 31 ~ Fathers' Day breakfast ~ 8am

## SEPTEMBER

- Wed 5 ~ Kindy 2019 Info Evening ~ 6pm
- Wed 5 ~ P&C Meeting ~ 6pm
- Fri 14 ~ 'Blue Planet' Art Show
- Sat 15 ~ Family Day

## SAVE THE DATE

- 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
- Wed 19 ~ Last day of school

## High Five, Balmain!

A huge 'high five' to all of you out there, as Balmain PS dressed as farmers for the 'Give a Fiver for a Farmer' fundraiser on Wednesday, raising a whopping \$1600 for a very important cause!!!!!!

A huge thanks goes to Alex, Maxim P's mum, who instigated the fundraiser and held onto the big, red bucket before and after school, collecting all the fivers!



Also, thanks must go to Elora B, Ingrid L and Bella T, all from 5/6W and our fundraising ministry, for their efforts in promoting the event and collecting donations throughout the day!

*Maria Lambos ~ Principal*





BPS eventP&C eventTERM 3 @ BPS							
WEEK		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
4	WEEK OF TASTES 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 Book Character Parade ~ 9am	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 6pm - Kindy Info evening 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 Regional Athletics	19 Sep	20 Sep	21 Sep PSSA ends	
10		24 Sep	25 Sep	26 Sep Jump Off - 9am	27 Sep	28 Sep Last day of Term 3	
BPS eventP&C eventTERM 4 @ BPS							
1		15 Oct	16 Oct	17 Oct	18 Oct Sculpture by the Sea - S2	19 Oct	
2	KINDY TRANSITION	22 Oct	23 Oct	24 Oct	25 Oct	26 Oct HALLOWEEN DISCO	2

# LEARN LIVE LEAD

## Awards



# YOU CAN DO IT!

## Awards

### K Crabs

Vivienne B-N - skilful addition of coins during mathematics

### K Dugong

Odin S - confidently and quickly recalling friends of 10

### K Pufferfish

Codi D - an excellent attitude to all learning

### 1/2 Blue Dragon

Isabelle S - letting her personality shine and contributing to classroom conversations

### 1/2 Galapagos

Cormac K - being an environmental leader and cleaning up all the rubbish in the school playground during his break

### 1/2 Megalodon

Demi G - outstanding efforts in reading

### 1/2 Seahorse

Kerttu J - her positive disposition and willingness to attempt all new challenges with a smile

### 3/4 Flameback

Oscar F - improved focus and persistence during literacy groups

### 3/4 Krill

Zoe A - her pure enjoyment to learn and embrace new challenges!

### 3/4 Turtles

Drew K - his improved focus and mature outlook on his learning

### 5/6 Coelacanth

Eva S - her powerful personification of Mother Nature in the sizzling story of a magical, mystical cave

### 5/6 Lasseater's

Henry D - leadership and maturity

### 5/6 Spoggiá ST

Anahita D - being a conscientious class member and looking out for her peers

### 5/6 Wahoo

Ali C-Y - demonstrating a commitment to all learning areas

### 5/6 Yabby

Micah M - his creativity and attention to detail as an artist

### K Crabs

Rosalind C - confidently writing during literacy groups

### K Dugong

Zoe B - a confident start to the new term

### K Pufferfish

Millie O - confident work in reading groups

### 1/2 Blue Dragon

William B - not afraid of making mistakes and trying new things

### 1/2 Galapagos

Nico S - confidently playing the violin in front of his classmates

### 1/2 Megalodon

Billy T - confidence in dance

### 1/2 Seahorse

Ines L - her amazing confidence her writing tasks listening to feedback and applying it accordingly.

Confidence in playing new friends and expanding her social circle

### 3/4 Flameback

Marcella C-H - having the confidence to tackle any problem!

### 3/4 Krill

Lucas Y - taking risks in his learning

### 3/4 Turtles

Will M - his positive and growing confidence with his science STEM project. Good work

### 5/6 Coelacanth

Sam M - seeking out new and challenging tasks to gain more knowledge and skills

### 5/6 Lasseater's

Leela B - confidence when presenting her work

### 5/6 Spoggiá

Dylan J - demonstrating confidence when asking critical questions and sharing ideas with his peers

### 5/6 Wahoo

Alexandra S - demonstrating growing confidence in herself, inside and outside the classroom

### 5/6 Yabby

Emily M - her improvisation skills and confidence on the stage during Theatre Sports



# POSITIVE PETE

# AWARD GOES TO:

# NIA S 3/4T

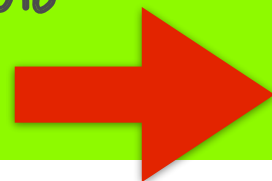
ENROLLING  
NOW...  
KINDY  
2019



IF YOUR CHILD TURNS 5  
ON, OR BEFORE 31ST JULY 2019,  
IT'S TIME TO ENROL NOW  
FOR KINDERGARTEN  
ENROLMENT GUIDELINES

Kindergarten 2019  
Information Evening

Wednesday 5 September 2018  
@ 6:00pm in Library





BPS P&C FUNDRAISER  
**ART SHOW**  
BLUE PLANET

FRIDAY 14<sup>th</sup> SEPT 7PM  
PARENT'S SOCIAL EVENING  
Kids Individual Artworks  
Live Auction of Class Artworks  
Silent Auction of External Artworks  
Tickets \$40pp inc. canapes & 2 drinks

SATURDAY 15<sup>th</sup> SEPT 9AM-1PM  
FAMILY DAY  
Sausage Sizzle  
Bike Blenders  
Photo Booth  
Origami Stall

# Save The Date



TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE ON FLEXI-SCHOOLS FOR THE PARENTS EVENING & PURCHASE OF KID'S INDIVIDUAL ARTWORKS - [www.flexishools.com.au](http://www.flexishools.com.au)

We look forward to seeing the vast majority of the parent cohort and school staff for a fun social night. Encourage all your child's friends' parents along; feel free to include a grandparent or special friend to also enjoy the warmth of our community and what is sure to be a great night. Be part of something spectacular and feel proud for prioritising your child's public education.

Art Show Tickets are available on [www.flexishools.com.au](http://www.flexishools.com.au) for 7pm Friday 14th September.

**Rob Taubman~P&C President**

Balmain Public School Parents strive to provide a diverse and broad education. Our contributions enable enhanced offerings such as Band, Sport, IT, Music, Dance and Art. The breadth of exposure for a child opens opportunities, and widens the lens in which they are able to view the world, friendships and discover their own special talents. Many of these offerings are enabled directly through Parent Contributions. The P & C has put over \$100,000 back into the classrooms and the facility in 2017, to keep BPS a well-resourced, top quartile educational facility. Many parents give enormous amounts of time; supporting them helps drive their enthusiasm.

The Art show is a Major Event, it is a celebration for the Children and of the Parents' success. The evening is designed to offer value for all, a fun up-market night, and also to be a fundraising function. Canapés will be served, Bar operating (two included beverages in Ticket), Music and of course a spectacular formal and professional display of the Children's Artwork.

BPS P&C FUNDRAISER  
**ART SHOW**  
BLUE PLANET

SILENT AUCTION OF  
EXTERNAL ARTWORKS

## Spotlight on an Artist

### LEILA JEFFREYS - 'PEPE NO 3' SPLENDID FAIRY WREN



One of the many fabulous artists that are including works in the silent auction is Leila Jeffreys. Leila is an Inner West based classic bird portrait photographer and artist, exhibiting across Australia, USA and UK. Leila travels widely within Australia and overseas to photograph varying species of birds, having just returned from photographing puffins in Iceland. Her works are found in private collections nationally and internationally.

We are fortunate to include 'Pepe No 3' in our silent auction, a newly released, framed, limited edition print. Pepe is a Splendid fairy wren that Leila photographed in a bird rescue centre. He was rehabilitated and released into the wild. Pepe was tracked when back in the wild and has proudly become a first time Dad!

[www flexishools com au](http://www.flexishools.com.au)



**Ed.  
week**  
Aug 6 -  
Aug 10 '18

Today's  
schools -  
creating  
tomorrow's  
world





# CELEBRATING SCIENCE WEEK:

## GAME CHANGERS & CHANGE MAKERS

A scientist came in, arranged by Miss Pauline, to talk to Stage 3 about CRISPR (Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats) - DNA and how it works.

We further discussed potential modification of DNA to fight off disease, and what this might look like.



Kindergarten did a STEM activity. We completed a design brief without grownups and constructed a 'house of sticks' for our teachers to try and blow down!



STAGE ONE HAD A SCIENCE SHOW ON SOLIDS AND LIQUIDS. SLIME FUN!

A HUGE THANKS TO LIAM R, BESS & MATILDA'S DAD!







3/4 Flameback engineered a Rube Goldberg inspired machine (a machine intentionally designed to perform a simple task in an indirect and over complicated fashion). We had 9 groups so 9 separate machines. Each group had to work with the other groups to join their machine onto the next to create a whole class combined machine. The goal was to ring a bell.



3/4 Krill made cornflour slime, which is solid when it is compressed, but liquid when not. The class had sooo much fun!



In 3/4T, our aim was to identify the main components of a chosen product - **the bicycle**.

We identified that there were over eight main parts and how are they designed to work together. The students choose their groups and what part they wanted to research.

**Joke: Why do bicycles fall over?**

Because they are two-tired!



This week, Stage 3 prepared to go to Mars. We formed small mission crews and used a design process to plan for our trip. We were told that our Mars mission would last 2.5 - 3.5 years. Though our food, water, clothing, shelter and warmth would be provided, we needed to decide on what else we might take to keep ourselves occupied for such a long time - and we only had a 1cubic metre box for our whole crew. We were shocked to find out that there is no Wi-fi on Mars! So we considered bouncy balls, books, board games and batteries (for portable DVD Players, of course). We had a great time building our items and look forward to our trip to Mars!



# FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

8AM - 9AM, FRIDAY 31ST AUGUST



**COME & ENJOY A BBQ BREAKFAST, COFFEE, JUICE & CROISSANTS**  
JUST A GOLD COIN DONATION [PER ITEM]: MUMS, KIDS & EXTENDED FAMILY ARE WELCOME, TOO !!



## BPS CANTEEN

**BPS** Parents & Citizens Association



[www.flexischools.com.au](http://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

*Cafe Berlin*

Sept 7

Penne Napoletana

*Cafe Berlin*

Aug 17

Beef & Rice



Sept 14

Butter Chicken

*maharajas*

Aug 24

Spaghetti Bolognese

*Cafe Berlin*

Sept 21

Dumplings





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Hello to all of our Members,

Eaton Street Centre has had a number of recent staff changes and we would like to take this opportunity to welcome Matthew Tichelaar as our Nominated Supervisor of Eaton Street Centre and we welcome back Jackson Findlay in the role of Assistant Coordinator of Eaton Street Centre. Both Matt and Jackson are on short-term contracts and those roles will be competed; once filled, we will be sure to communicate the permanent leaders of ESC. In the meantime, Jackson will be responsible for our vacation care programs. In Matt's absence, please have Jackson address any of your queries or concerns.

Whilst we welcome them to their roles, we also want to acknowledge Isabelle Kim and Shaswati Ghosh for their service to the Centre and we wish them the best of luck in their future endeavours.

We would also like to introduce ourselves as the new Eaton Street Centre Parent Management Committee as of 25 June 2018.

Kate Murphy: President  
Moira Keane: Vice President  
Justin Stokoe: Treasurer  
Kerry Large: Secretary  
David Sidman: Public Officer  
Victoria Lush: Staff Liaison  
Christopher Yardin: Fr John Therry Liaison Officer  
Anne Irvine and Sarah Linhart: Balmain Public School Liaison Officers

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to share email addresses for your different enquiries, concerns or feedback in general (*Note: phone contact remains as above*).

Enquiries	Email address
To contact Centre Coordinator Matt Tichelaar directly	<a href="mailto:coordinator@eatonstreetcentre.com.au">coordinator@eatonstreetcentre.com.au</a>
To inform the staff at Eaton Street that you require an extra booking or that your child will not be attending the service	<a href="mailto:care@eatonstreetcentre.com.au">care@eatonstreetcentre.com.au</a>
Vacation care and booking enquiries	<a href="mailto:vacationcare@eatonstreetcentre.com.au">vacationcare@eatonstreetcentre.com.au</a>
Financial statements and accounts <i>Our bookkeeper, Sammie, will endeavour to answer your queries as soon as possible.</i>	<a href="mailto:accounts@eatonstreetcentre.com.au">accounts@eatonstreetcentre.com.au</a>
To contact the Eaton Street Centre Parent Management Committee	<a href="mailto:oneeatonstreet@gmail.com">oneeatonstreet@gmail.com</a>

Thanking you all,

Eaton Street Centre Parent Management Committee



# Rock & Water

The beginning of Stage 3's  
Rock & Water journey  
has begun!



Looking forward to  
working with this term's  
*Rock & Water crew*

Just casually supporting a 102kg  
man. Looks like someone found  
his centre. A very strong rock  
dose.



## This Week's Focus

*Standing Strong* – standing strong in our “rock”  
stance gave us a feeling of strength. Some were  
surprised as to how strong we really are.

## Key Words

Centre  
Focus  
“Rock” (meaning)  
“Water” (meaning)  
Rock & Water Salute

Reflection time!

“I respect you, and I will not hurt you”  
See you all next week!

**Mr Baumann**





Get your grip... Get in your  
rock stance... Get the  
tension... Get focussed...  
3... 2... 1... Go!



The final two

### This Week's Focus

Standing Stronger – remembering that whilst we are strong, it is important to remember that our focus and centre is within ourselves, not based off of the opposing forces around us.

Tug-o-war – this fun quick game develops the rock stance. Learning how to be strong. This development is great for the development of the course and allows the students to have a good foundation from which to progress.



Ready...Set...Go!



It's not cheating, it's strategy!



"I respect you,  
and I will not hurt  
you"  
See you all next  
week!  
Mr Baumann





# What's in a name?



The former 5/6 Spoggia (sponge in ancient Greek) has a new name...they will now be known as 5/6 ST, or **5/6 Sponge Tethya**.

The Tethya is a genus of sponge, belonging to the family Tethyidae. Members of this genus all have a spherical body form and some are known to be able to move at speeds of between 1 and 4 mm per day.

Luckily the Tethyas from 5/6 ST move at much greater speeds and distances!

## Reminder: ICAS MATHEMATICS - 7:30am Tuesday August 14th 2018

If you have registered your child for the ICAS MATHEMATICS test, please remember to bring your child to school on Tuesday August 14th 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, Ms Tauia and Miss Yau will be supervising the tests.

Regards  
Miss Karstrom ~ ICAS Coordinator

**If you missed out on buying a bouncy ball on Tuesday, never fear...we have ordered more!**

**So far, we've raised \$360 for Stewart House! Thank you!**



# PSSA

## NETBALL

### JUNIORS

Today, the junior team played Fort St and we won 5-2. The game was tough because it was really hot. We drank lots of water and ended with a treat.

- Lexie B and Greta R

### SENIORS

Today A team played Annandale North and won 5-3. Our team played well, with great defense in the second half and good team work the whole time. In our second game of the day, we played Nicholson St and won 2-0 in a friendly match. Although we were all hot and tired, we managed to pull through and we all had a great time!

- Phoebe M

Our B team had their best game this season against Kegworth. Because of their fantastic teamwork and offence, they won 17-0! The team is very proud of this achievement and they look forward to next week's game.

The C team played Birchgrove PS today and won our first game! The score was 3-0 and we were extremely happy! We hope to win more games in the future. We had an awesome time and we can't wait for next week!!

- Zoe V

## SOCCER

### SENIOR DIV A

The Balmain Senior A Team had a stunning game today against Birchgrove A. Although a bit of miscommunication left Birchgrove stranded on the field at the start of the game, Balmain played a spectacular game, overcoming the fact that they had no subs! Great sportsmanship and teamwork emanated from our team, however, the odds were against us today, ending in a 2-1 loss. Nevertheless, we all enjoyed ourselves!

### SENIOR DIV B

Our spectacular B Team had a fantastic match today against Kegworth B. With an early 1-0 lead for our team, our perseverance and skill lead us to the great final score of 4-1 (after a controversial Kegworth penalty). Goal scorers today were Aiden P, Henry D, Thea G and Nelson L.



# *Jump Rope for Heart kicks off this term*

**Jump Rope for Heart** is a fantastic physical activity and fundraising program that has been run by the Heart Foundation for 35 years. It's a great way for your child to keep fit and learn new skills, but it also helps raise funds for vital heart research and education programs.

Since **Jump Rope for Heart** started in 1983, schools like ours have raised more than \$75 million for the Heart Foundation's lifesaving work.

It's important you **register your child online**, so they can receive the full benefits of the program and participate in online fundraising, simply follow the link below to get started.

[https://jumprope.heartfoundation.org.au/2018/Balmain\\_Public\\_School\\_-\\_BALMAIN\\_NSW\\_-\\_137305?utm\\_medium=Email&utm\\_source=ExactTarget&utm\\_campaign=](https://jumprope.heartfoundation.org.au/2018/Balmain_Public_School_-_BALMAIN_NSW_-_137305?utm_medium=Email&utm_source=ExactTarget&utm_campaign=)

or <https://jumprope.heartfoundation.org.au/register>

Students will be skipping throughout the term in PE lessons/break; during this time you can share their online fundraising page with family and friends to help raise money for this great cause.

We will hold our school **Jump Off Day** on **Wednesday 26 September, 2018**. This will mark the end of the program and is a chance for everyone to come together to skip and show off their newly learned skills.

Thank you for supporting the **Jump Rope for Heart** program!

Miss Morris



Heart Foundation  
*Jump Rope for Heart*



## Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

**MyCareSpace** is presenting a free webinar to help parents who have children that have been diagnosed with ADHD and are struggling to understand how to deal with it and what their options are.

**Topic:** ADHD - Navigating your way through the Maze

**When:** Thursday 16 August 12:30pm

**Cost:** FREE

Please find information here:

<https://mycarespace.com.au/adhd-navigating-your-way-through-the-maze>

**MyCareSpace** also had a wonderful school therapist write this article to help parents who have just received a diagnosis and feel completely shell shocked and don't know where to start:

<https://mycarespace.com.au/resources/my-child-has-been-diagnosed-with-adhd-now-what>

