



# PIGEON POST

## 2019

### SEPTEMBER

- Sun 8 ~ ASBOF School Band Festival
- Wed 11 ~ PEP
- Thurs 12 ~ R U OK? Day
- Thurs 12 ~ PEP
- Thurs 12 ~ Big Band Bash
- Thurs 26 ~ Year 6 Balmain Bazaar
- Fri 27 ~ LAST DAY OF TERM 3

### OCTOBER

- Mon 14 ~ Back to school today for all students and staff!

### NOVEMBER

- Sun 10 ~

**Belle Property  
BALMAIN  
FUN RUN**

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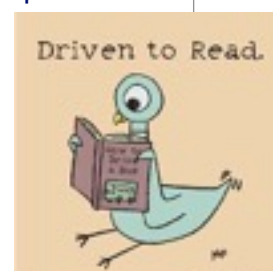
## We are so grateful...



...to these two fabulous volunteers and Mums - Felicity and Arabella - who helped Ms Whelan in the library during our 3-day Book Fair this week.

Our community has **donated an incredible 190 books**; each with an acknowledgement book plate, a photo of the student with their donated book, as well as the opportunity to borrow their donated book first!

THANKS to all of you for your support!!!






**ONLINE UNIFORM ORDERING**



# School Calendar

P&C  
event

BPS  
event

2019		TERM 3 @ BPS					
WEEK		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
8	8 September ASBOF School Ban Festival	9 September	10 September	11 September PEP	12 September PEP  BIG BAND BASH	13 September	
9		16 September	17 September	18 September	19 September	20 September	
10		23 September	24 September	25 September 	26 September Year 6 Balmain Bazaar	27 September LAST DAY OF TERM 3	
2019		TERM 4 @ BPS					
1		14 October BACK TO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF	15 October	16 October	17 October	18 October	
2		21 October	22 October	23 October	24 October	25 October HALLOWEEN DISCO	
3		28 October	29 October	30 October	31 October	1 November	
4		4 November	5 November	6 November P&C Meeting ~ 7pm ~ ConneXion Hub	7 November	8 November	
5	10 November Belle Property BALMAIN FUN RUN	11 November	12 November	13 November	14 November	15 November 	

ALL UNDERLINED ENTRIES ON THIS PAGE ARE LINKED TO  
UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR, WEBSITE AND/OR OUR  
INSTAGRAM PAGE



...and the  
**AWARD**  
goes to...

**LAST WEEK'S  
AWARDS**

#### EARLY STAGE ONE & STAGE ONE ~ LEARN LIVE LEAD

##### K Duruga

Hamish O - a positive attitude to learning - Quote - 'I love learning, everything I do in my life I love!'

##### K Potoroo

Benjamin H - excellent listening skills and beautiful writing

##### K/1 Miima

Leo Y - consistently showing enthusiasm and curiosity in all his learning tasks

##### 1/2 Banjarah

Henry T - setting an outstanding example of behaviour for his peers

##### 1/2 Collarenebri

Kerttu J - demonstrating her best creative work for Fathers' Day

##### 1/2 Gidgijirrigaa

Tristan L - actively participating in group work when comparing the past to the present

##### 1/2 Hielamon

Caelan A - great progress in his reading. Well done, Caelan!

#### STAGE TWO & STAGE THREE ~ LEARN LIVE LEAD

##### 3/4 Alura

Dante S - his constant improvement in subjects that he finds challenging

##### 3/4 Kabi Kabi

Micah C - a significant improvement in his attitude towards work

##### 3/4 Malya

Harry M - excellent application in mathematics lessons

##### 4/5 Manbara

Sarah H - consistently showing kindness and respect to her teachers and peers

##### 5/6 Lamalama

Joshua C - his incredible work ethic, making him the perfect role model for his peers

##### 5/6 Nakkara

Winona M - treating other students with fairness and understanding

##### 5/6 Waka Waka

Asha S - displaying wonderful leadership skills and contributing to the BPS community

##### 5/6 Yorta Yorta

Veronica N - demonstrating growing confidence when public speaking and presenting in front of the class

#### ES1 & S1 ~ POSITIVE PETE & YOU CAN DO IT! (Term 3 ~ Confidence)

ES1 Positive Pete - Harry S KD ~ S1 Positive Pete - Gabriela B-S 1/2G

##### K Duruga

Lily O - confidently showing our visitors through the Worimi art gallery!

##### K Potoroo

Claire McN- confident reading

##### K/1 Miima

Anna S - confidently showing her knowledge of friends of 10

##### 1/2 Banjarah

Annita Z - confidently figuring out complex word problems

##### 1/2 Collarenebri

Remi O'B - demonstrating confidence in her leadership skills

##### 1/2 Gidgijirrigaa

Gabriela B S - her confident presentation of her design to the class

##### 1/2 Hielamon

Lucy O - showing confidence when solving algebra problems in maths

#### S2 & S3 ~ POSITIVE PETE & YOU CAN DO IT! (Term 3 ~ Confidence)

S2 Positive Pete - Arkie E M 3/4A S3 Positive Pete - Laila C 5/6N

##### 3/4 Alura

Ark E M - having the confidence to ask for help and a positive approach to all school activities

##### 3/4 Kabi Kabi

Lucas Y - showing an improved confidence when writing

##### 3/4 Malya

Samuel F - being kind, sharing and being supportive in class

##### 4/5 Manbara

Kaito S - making an excellent effort in improving his handwriting! Well done!

##### 5/6 Lamalama

Charlotte P - her confidence to share her opinions in class discussions

##### 5/6 Nakkara

Laila R - her strong desire to increase her personal knowledge

##### 5/6 Waka Waka

name - achieving her goal of developing confidence in public speaking

##### 5/6 Yorta Yorta

Leo C - his engagement and contributions during guided reading groups



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**THIS WEEK'S  
AWARDS**

#### EARLY STAGE ONE & STAGE ONE ~ LEARN LIVE LEAD

K Duruga

no award this week

K Potoroo

no award this week

K/1 Miima

Sophia K - working independently and challenging herself, while practising subtraction problems

1/2 Banjarah

George B - wonderful attention to his learning and helping a friend who was in need

1/2 Collarenebri

Lauren B - challenging herself in mathematics

1/2 Gidgjiirrigaa

Oscar L-R - challenging himself in decimal and fractions

1/2 Hielamon

Oscar F - working hard to concentrate in class and complete his work to a high standard

#### STAGE TWO & STAGE THREE ~ LEARN LIVE LEAD

3/4 Alura

Roman S - making significant progress in his attitude to learning

3/4 Kabi Kabi

Toby M - his amazing focus and work ethic during whole-class and independent learning tasks

3/4 Malya

Elise G - independently completing literacy tasks

4/5 Manbara

Santi L-S - actively showing genuine interest in his learning and for sharing his ideas and knowledge thoughtfully. Great work, Santi!

5/6 Lamalama

Samuel M - continually trying his best to improve and master his multiplication facts

5/6 Nakkara

Oscar F - being a fair student who is considerate of others during group work

5/6 Waka Waka

Ned C - demonstrating exceptional leadership skills and setting a good example for others

5/6 Yorta Yorta

Aides P - his incredible achievements in the 'International Youth Robotics Competition', taking him to Korea and the USA

#### ES1 & S1 ~ POSITIVE PETE & YOU CAN DO IT! (Term 3 ~ Confidence)

ES1 Positive Pete - Ivy W KD ~ S1 Positive Pete - Demi G 1/2H

K Duruga

no award this week

K Potoroo

no award this week

K/1 Miima

Georgie C - confidently starting her Daily 5 activities

1/2 Banjarah

Jessica R - confidently identifying fractions within the classroom

1/2 Collarenebri

Arwen J - her amazing research on lions!

1/2 Gidgjiirrigaa

Cleopatra McP - confidently presenting her speech about her family history

1/2 Hielamon

Vivienne B-N - confidently challenging her peers at 'Circle Champ' in maths

#### S2 & S3 ~ POSITIVE PETE & YOU CAN DO IT! (Term 3 ~ Confidence)

S2 Positive Pete - Luca D 3/4K S3 Positive Pete - Yvonne S 5/6Y

3/4 Alura

Hudson L - showing just what he can do in mathematics

3/4 Kabi Kabi

Tristan Y - being confident in his knowledge and willing to support others

3/4 Malya

Ashton W - confidently completing work to a high standard

4/5 Manbara

Luca G-W - showing diligence and commitment throughout maths lessons. Well done, Luca!

5/6 Lamalama

Lachlan W - his confidence to take on leadership roles when working in groups

5/6 Nakkara

James T - demonstrating initiative to achieve personal goals and learning outcomes

5/6 Waka Waka

Alex P - striving to improve in his public speaking skills

5/6 Yorta Yorta

Henry W - his confidence and improvisation during Year 5 Theatre Sports



# Safety @ BPS...

The safety and wellbeing of all students, staff and community at Balmain Public School is of utmost importance, at all times. We are bound by Health & Safety (previously known as Work, Health & Safety) regulations, in ensuring we are following policy and that procedures are in place.

As part of following guidelines, we have developed evacuation, lockdown and lockout procedures, as well as practising these procedures regularly. Evacuation drills must occur every 6 months and it is recommended that lockdown and/or lockout drills should occur in between the evacuations. It therefore works out that each term, there will be a practise/drill of either evacuation and lockdown/lockout. This is common practice; it has been occurring every year and will continue.

**This week, we practised Lockdown procedures.**

The terms **evacuation**, **lockdown** and **lockout** are universal and used throughout any workplace, school and public areas. We must also use this terminology (as per Health & Safety Directorate definitions and examples below):

- **Evacuation** - This action is used after the decision is made that it is unsafe to remain in the buildings, e.g. fire
- **Lockdown** - This action is used after a decision is made that being indoors would provide a greater level of protection to students and staff, e.g. where there are school intruders. Lockdown minimises access to the school and secures staff and students in rooms
- **Lockout** - This action is used to prevent unauthorised persons from entering the school, and is commonly used when the threat is general or where incidents are occurring off the school property e.g. a riot or passing demonstration, nearby siege etc. This procedure allows school activities to continue as normally as possible during the outside disruption.

Should the school be affected by imminent or live threat/danger, communication will be immediate, after ensuring we are following procedures, with regular updates as necessary.

A Skoolbag notification will be sent out when the school has either a lockdown or evacuation drill each term.

Could you please reinforce with your children, that **no bike, scooter or skateboard is to be ridden on the school grounds.**

This also includes younger siblings whilst on school property.

These items are to be walked through the grounds and not to be ridden until after leaving through the gate.

Thanking you in advance for your understanding and support in this matter.



# P&C Contribution

## Help Build a Brighter Future for BPS



**We need parent contributions** for essential items that boost your child's education.

WATCH  
**VIDEO**  
HERE

SINCE FEB 2019  
WE HAVE GIVEN  
TO BALMAIN  
PUBLIC SCHOOL:

Home readers for Stage 1:  
**\$5,800**

STEAM resource:  
**\$9,000**

New library books:  
**\$2,500**

New reading material  
for Stage 2 and 3  
**\$2,600**



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TO VISIT THE P&C WEBSITE**







To Our Families,

## RE: Enrolment for 2020 at Eaton Street Centre Inc

In order for ALL current/existing families to receive an offer of care for their bookings for 2020, we kindly request that you log into your My Family Lounge account and follow the steps listed below to request or to change the days/sessions that you currently have for before and/or after school care.

It is essential that ALL families follow this process and submit their requests by **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2019, no later than 5:00pm**. Please note after this date you will not be able to log in as we will have turned this function off on QikKids.

Once the date has closed and we **have** received your request, we will commence sending out offers. On **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** you will start receiving your offers and will have until midnight Thursday to accept.

As per Eaton Street Centre's Enrolment and Orientation Policy, you will have 48 hours to view and confirm the offer. Please make sure you check your junk box regularly to avoid disappointment.

ALL families MUST put the start date on their request as **27/01/2020** please.

### Step 1

Log into your My Family Lounge account [here](#).

If this link does not work, please access the My Family Lounge widget available on the Eaton Street Centre website [www.eatonstreetcentre.com.au](http://www.eatonstreetcentre.com.au).

### Step 2

CURRENT BOOKINGS							
Current permanent weekly/fortnightly bookings are displayed here. To request a change in booking press the edit option.							
SERVICE	ROOM	CARE TYPE	STATUS	CHILD	START DATE	END DATE	EDIT
Eaton Street Centre Incorporated	Beforecare Balmain	BSC	Placed	Jim Findlay	28/01/2019	29/12/2019	<a href="#">Edit</a>
Eaton Street Centre Incorporated	Beforecare Balmain	BSC	Placed	Jim Findlay	28/01/2018	29/12/2018	<a href="#">Edit</a>

### Step 3

Please ensure that you add this date - **27/01/2020** to the section where it says Preferred start date.

REQUEST CHANGE TO EXISTING BOOKING  
(This is a request only and is pending availability. Your service will contact you to confirm change)  
Child Name: Jim Findlay Care Type: BSC

Currently selected Service(s): Eaton Street Centre Incorporated

Preferred start date: 27-01-2020 No. of Days: 1

Will you accept less days? ☒ Y ☐ N

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Previous Booking Days	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
New Days	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Days that do not suit me	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Flexibility Comments:

APPLICATION DATE: 05-09-2019

# Enrolment for 2020 at Eaton Street Centre Inc

## Step 4

Once you have edited and submitted your request, you will receive an initial automated email from [do\\_not\\_reply@qikkids.com.au](mailto:do_not_reply@qikkids.com.au). We will create and send you out your offer and then you will receive another automated response from [do\\_not\\_reply@qikkids.com.au](mailto:do_not_reply@qikkids.com.au).

## Step 5

Log back into your My Family Lounge account and click on [View offer](#).  
Your offer will appear and you will click on ACCEPT or DECLINE.

Kind regards,

Eaton Street Centre  
9818 1190  
0476 277 711



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# AIDEN IN UN CONFERENCE

As you may have read in a previous Pigeon Post newsletter, I participated in the 'International Youth Robotics Competition'. My team and I had the opportunity to visit the USA to showcase our project.

On Thursday 22nd August, I arrived in Houston, where I visited N.A.S.A. On the same day, I took a plane trip to San Francisco and travelled to Stanford University and Berkeley University.

On the second day of my trip, I went to a museum, flew to Salt Lake City and I attended a three-day conference meeting. I met with leaders and business owners and I had the opportunity to present to them my robotics project and ideas.

On the last day, I also visited the University of Utah. In total, my trip was nine days long and it was great to travel and meet new people.

I want to thank Balmain Public School for supporting me!

Aiden P 5/6Y



# PSSA 2019

## NETBALL



Our Netballers will share their results with us next week...stay tuned!

## SOCCER

### Juniors A's

On a spectacular spring day, Balmain Public School faced Fort Street Public School. Balmain won four-nil; the goal scorers were Billy T, Henry C, Will B and Maxi F. Billy was awarded Man of the Match.

### Juniors B's

Today we played the mighty Orange Grove and lost 7-0. Lucas was man of the match, with a mighty performance. We had a couple of chances and nearly scored a goal. We had some good saves.

### Seniors A's

Balmain A vs Birchgrove A  
3-0 win

Balmain A's versed Birchgrove A's and Balmain scored a stunning 3 goals. The first goal was scored by Santi S, then Dylan S scored the 2nd goal, by getting past the goalie. Finally, Lachie W scored, having most possession during the whole game.

Most improved: the entire Balmain A team played exceptionally well, so each member will be recognised equally this week.

### Seniors B's

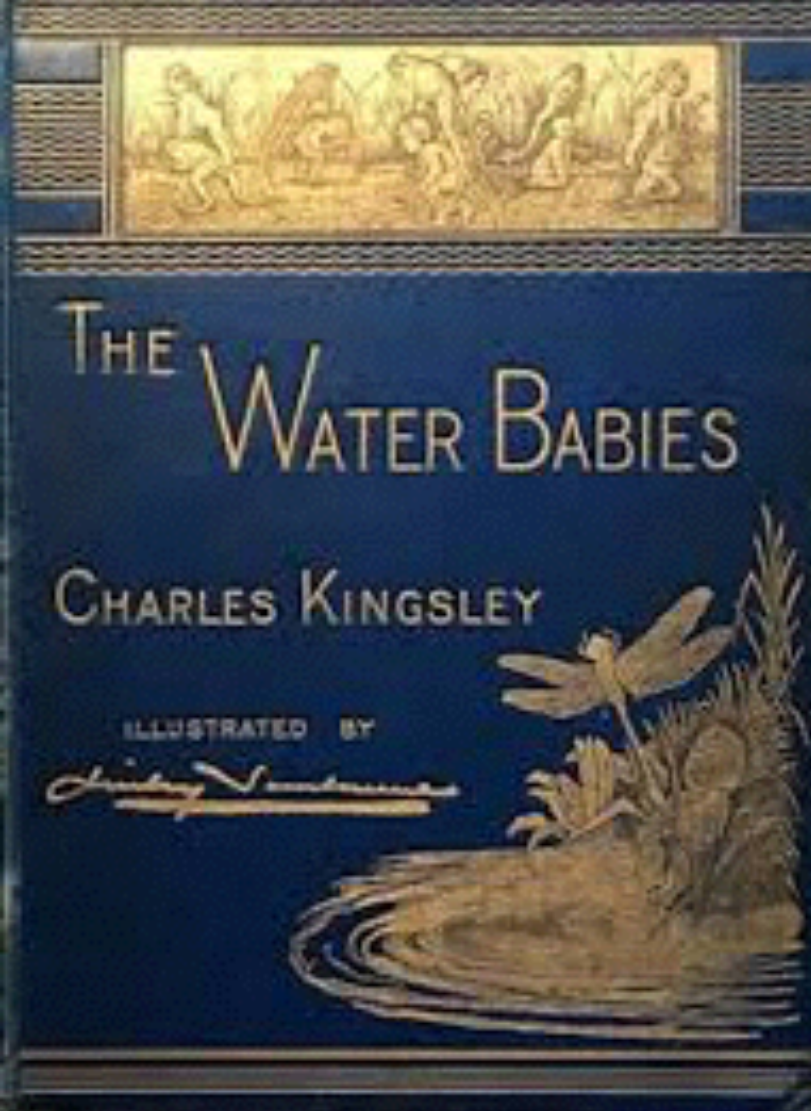
Balmain B vs Kegworth A  
5-1 loss

Kegworth played well; they had lots of possession and unfortunately we couldn't beat them.  
Most improved: Alex P

Balmain B vs Rozelle A  
1-0 loss

Rozelle played extremely well; they had a lot of good chances and had possession for most of the game. Sam S played well to stop the team from scoring.  
Most improved: Sam S





Our brass teacher extraordinaire, and sometime Band Director, Freddie Hill, has fashioned a musical/dramatic extravaganza from Charles Kingsley's famous tale of the boy chimney-sweep Tom, turned Water-Baby, which has enthralled young and old for over 150 years.

Those familiar with the story will recognise the human, animal and spirit characters who accompany or confront Tom on his undersea journeys. Those new to it will be captivated by the author's humour and irony, his love of nature, and his passion for justice, especially as it relates to children. His activism gave rise to laws which prohibited the employment of children in mines and factories, and paved the way towards education for all, even the poorest.

The Water Babies, A Folk Opera, is furnished with a totally original score, both catchy and challenging. Freddie has interwoven Kingsley's prose and verse with his own, in a spirit which highlights the motto of the story, "This is a fairy tale. and you are not to believe a word of it, even if it is true."

Tomanelli Inc & The Sydney Fringe Festival present....

# THE WATER BABIES

a folk opera for children and adults

by **FREDDIE HILL**

Fri. 20 Sept.- 8.30pm & Sat. 21 Sept.- 7.30pm

the **ACA THEATRE**

**TICKETS:** Adults-\$30; Conc.-\$15; Child under 13 - \$10  
Family-\$65; Child under 5- free



CITY OF SYDNEY



1 - 30 SEPT 2019

DECADE OF FRINGE

[sydneyfringe.com](http://sydneyfringe.com)

Illustration: Josephine Truman



# SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

Tuesday 1st & Friday 11th October 2019

TUES AM. Design Your Own Pillowcase or Tote Bag

PM. Jewellery making for Boys & Girls

FRI AM. Board Game Making & PM. Let's Make Paper Toys!

Ages  
6-12

Morning workshop \$50 each - 10.00am-12.30pm

Afternoon workshop \$50 each - 1.30pm - 4.00pm

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

next term:

'ART CLUB!

Tuesdays: 3-5pm



This class is for kids in years 2-6, to hang out and gain creative confidence, through exploring different subjects, mediums and techniques in a relaxed, nurturing & fun environment.

\$34 per class

MATERIALS & SNACKS  
are provided at all classes.

Please note: there are only a  
very limited amount of spots left!



years  
2-6

AT BALMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL

please email **Sally** at

To make a booking or for more details:

[youngatartsydney@outlook.com](mailto:youngatartsydney@outlook.com)

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ROZELLE

8-10 OCTOBER 2019

# JUNIOR SINGERS

## HOLIDAY BOOTCAMP

AGES 6-11



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these school holidays.**

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## LEARN TO SAIL

### OCT SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMPS

#### HUNTERS HILL SAILING CLUB

**OCTOBER      TWEENS & TEENS: \$600**

Tuesday 8  
until

Saturday 12  
(wk 2)

8:30 - 5:30

**TACKERS: (AGES 7 - 12)**

**\$672 (NON-MEMBERS)**

**\$572 (MEMBERS)**

**BOOK AT:**

**[WWW.HUNTERSHILLSAILINGCLUB.ORG.AU/EVENTS](http://WWW.HUNTERSHILLSAILINGCLUB.ORG.AU/EVENTS)**



# LEARN TO PLAY BASKETBALL IN BALMAIN

**WEDNESDAYS  
AT BALMAIN  
SECONDARY COLLEGE**

- EXPERIENCED COACHES
- FUN & FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE
- SESSIONS AT INDOOR GYM
- ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME

REGISTER FOR A  
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E: [PLAY@CITYHOOPS.COM.AU](mailto:PLAY@CITYHOOPS.COM.AU)







<http://www.balmainfunrun.com.au>

# SECOND CHANCE



Top quality recycled kids  
clothing & toys, cake stalls, live  
music, raffles & more!

**Saturday 7 September**  
**10am - 4pm**  
668 Darling St, Rozelle



darling st





# PRIMARYLY FUN

**BAND WORKSHOP: THU 5 SEPT @ SSC LEICHHARDT, 9:00-2:30PM**

**STRINGS: TUE 3 SEPT @ SSC BALMAIN, 9:00-2:30PM**

*Collaborate with Sydney Secondary College musicians and Stage 3 students from other local primary schools for a fun and intensive day of music making, and perform at:*

# MUSIC IN THE PARK

**SATURDAY 7 SEPTEMBER @ PIONEERS PARK LEICHHARDT,  
11:00-3:00PM**

**PRIMARY STUDENTS TO ARRIVE BY 1:00PM AND PERFORM FROM 2:00PM**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT:**

**<https://www.sscimp.com/about.html>**

