



PIGEON POST

2019

MARCH

- Fri 15 ~ CRAZY DAY!
- Thurs 21 ~ Harmony Day
- Fri 22 ~ P&C Welcome Evening

APRIL

- Wed 3 ~ P&C AGM & Meeting ~ ConneXion Hub ~ 7pm
- Fri 12 ~ LAST DAY OF TERM

SAVE THE DATE!!!!!!

NOVEMBER

- Sun 10 ~ Belle Property BALMAIN FUN RUN



For a great cause!

Bouncy balls galore! Our leaders selflessly gave their time to sell Stewart House Bouncy Balls on Thursday.

A grand total of 66 balls were sold, raising \$200.60 (yes, someone left a tip!) for the worthy cause!

Don't worry if you missed out - we've got some more balls to sell soon!

Maria Lambos Principal




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School Calendar

2019		P&C event	TERM 1		@	BPS	BPS event
WEEK		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
7		11 Mar	12 Mar	13 Mar	14 Mar	15 Mar FOOTSTEPS 5 CRAZY DAY!	
8		18 Mar GOLD COIN DONATION - WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE	19 Mar	20 Mar	21 Mar HARMONY DAY	22 Mar P&C Welcome Evening FOOTSTEPS 6	
9		25 Mar	26 Mar	27 Mar	28 Mar	29 Mar FOOTSTEPS 7	
10		1 Apr	2 Apr	3 Apr P&C Meeting ~ ConneXion Hub ~ 7pm	4 Apr	5 Apr FOOTSTEPS 8	
11		8 Apr FOOTSTEPS 9	9 Apr FOOTSTEPS 10	10 Apr	11 Apr	12 Apr LAST DAY OF TERM 1	

HAPPY
INTERNATIONAL



A special shout-out...

International Women's Day (or IWD) is celebrated on 8 March, all across the globe. The cultural, social, political and economic impact and achievements of women are duly recognised and celebrated.

Our school community has a number of amazing women, who each bring their own strengths and uniqueness to Balmain Public School on a daily basis, making a difference to our students - our future:

Ariana Davis * Sophie Parsons * Mila Morris * Amelia Cooper * Lauren Goodridge * Milly Hammond * Brigit Karstrom * Megan Sweeney * Rachael Higgins * Nancy Ferguson * Sarah Weston * Annabel Yau * Margy Whelan * Penny Biggins * Pauline Jensen * Catherine Adamson * Angela Curry * Jana Smith * Lena Abeni * Sandra Donaldson * Jenni Mackinder * Michelle Doring * Stella Minutillo * Alisha Kozianski * Christine Burke *

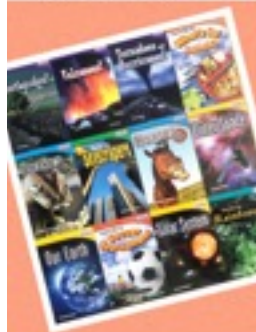
#BalanceforBetter

A huge THANKS to the P&C for the take-home readers that are starting to arrive...

It's the financial support, from fundraising events, such as the upcoming Welcome Drinks Evening, that assists with the resourcing for our students!

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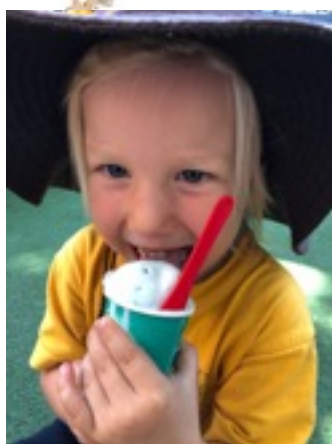
THANK YOU TO THE P&C !



Our new Stage One home readers have started arriving! (Some are still on back order but we're getting excited!) A big thank you to the P&C for your support.



This week's Positive Pete winners...



To visit The School Canteen website, click on logo

To order lunch, click: Flexischools



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info@theschoolcanteen.com.au

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UNIFORM ORDERING



...and the
AWARD
goes to...



EARLY STAGE ONE & STAGE ONE ~ LEARN LIVE LEAD

K Duruga

Miles L-R - sounding out new words

K Potoroo

Hamish D - being a responsible and respectful learner

K/1 Miima

Victoria G - confidently showing an understanding of numbers to 10

1/2 Banjarah

Odin S - displaying great leadership for his team

1/2 Collarenebri

Imogen J - reading aloud with exciting emphasis and working on her fluency

1/2 Gidgijirrigaa

Arabella S - being a dedicated, enthusiastic student always!

1/2 Hielamon

Oliver B - always listening to instructions and working hard to achieve his personal best

STAGE TWO & STAGE THREE ~ LEARN LIVE LEAD

3/4 Alura

Quin S - terrific contributions during literature lessons

3/4 Kabi Kabi

Max I-F - constructing an awesome picture graph from data collected in class

3/4 Malya

Lina S - being a conscientious and hard working student always striving to achieve her best

4/5 Ritarngu

Jonah P - his outstanding participation in class this week, demonstrating leadership for his classmates

5/6 Lamalama

Charlie B - his outstanding attitude towards his classwork

5/6 Nakkara

Lara P - applying herself to challenging tasks

5/6 Waka Waka

Alexandra S - always taking responsibility for her learning and seeking to act on teacher feedback to improve her work

5/6 Yorta Yorta

Clementine B - the energy, excitement and enthusiasm she brings to our class

ES1 & S1 ~ POSITIVE PETE & YOU CAN DO IT! (Term 1 ~ Getting Along)

ES1 Positive Pete - Zac K KD

S1 Positive Pete - Saxon F 1/2G

K Duruga

Elodie W - making and playing with new friends

K Potoroo

Sophie W - working well with everyone

K/1 Miima

Leo Y - always having a positive attitude when working with others and independently

1/2 Banjarah

Kai McB - always being a kind friend to others

1/2 Collarenebri

Jack S - displaying generosity to a peer

1/2 Gidgijirrigaa

Eva K - always lending a helping hand to her classmates

1/2 Hielamon

Imogen R - always being on task

STAGE TWO & STAGE THREE ~ POSITIVE PETE & YOU CAN DO IT! (Getting Along)

S2 Positive Pete - Dillon P 3/4K

S3 Positive Pete - Monique G 5/6N

3/4 Alura

Liz C - doing a great job of settling in to a new school and for always having a positive attitude

3/4 Kabi Kabi

Ben S - always being kind and making new friends

3/4 Malya

Samuel F - being a fantastic and caring friend to others

4/5 Ritarngu

Monica McB - integrating so well into 4/5 R and being a friendly influence to her peers

5/6 Lamalama

Charlotte P - consistently working well with her peers in group tasks

5/6 Nakkara

Rachael H - her kind, humorous and positive nature

5/6 Waka Waka

Alarik C - his confident participation in group activities and presentations

5/6 Yorta Yorta

Rory G - being a kind and inclusive member of 5/6Y

Special Thanks



THANKS SO MUCH to the following businesses, who have donated to our P&C Welcome Drinks Silent Auction, as well as to Sue Taubman, who has done an amazing job as always in liaising with them!

**new donating businesses this week*

- * **AcuEnergetics** <http://www.acuenergetics.com>
- Aesop** <https://www.aesop.com/au/r/aesop-balmain?q=Aesop%20Balmain%20&storepage=true>
- Balmain Clear Skincare Clinic** <https://clearskincareclinics-balmain.business.site>
- Balmain Community Pharmacy** <https://www.facebook.com/pg/BalmainCommunityPharmacy/about/>
- Balmain Spa and Natural Beauty** <http://www.balmainspa.com.au>
- Balmain Wine Shop** <https://www.facebook.com/BalmainWineShop/?rf=137029286439421>
- * **Belle Fleur** <https://www.bellefleur.com.au>
- Bertoni** <https://bertoni.com.au/balmain/>
- Body Ethos** <http://body-ethos.com>
- Brays Books** <https://braysbooksblog.wordpress.com>
- Cafe Berlin** <https://www.facebook.com/cafeberlin2041/>
- Cappello Ristorante Pizzeria** <https://www.facebook.com/CappelloRistorantePizzeria/>
- * **Darlingreen** <http://www.darlinggreen.com.au>
- Dogue Balmain** <https://dogue.com.au/pet-shops/balmain/>
- Fundamental** <https://www.facebook.com/Fundamental-Cafe-Restaurant-210474555223/>
- * **Hill of Content** <http://www.collinsbooks.com.au/store/Hill-of-Content-Balmain/26>
- Hungry Bull Co. Balmain** <https://www.facebook.com/hungrybullco/>
- Kafeine** <http://www.kafeine.com.au/#kafeine>
- Kazbah Balmain** <http://kazbah.com.au/balmain/>
- KX Pilates Balmain** <http://kxpilates.com.au/studio/balmain-pilates-studio/>
- Le Caféier** <http://lecafeier.com.au>
- Locks Hair Salon** <http://lockshair.com.au>
- Nature's Energy** <https://www.naturesenergy.com.au/pages/balmain>
- Northbridge Golf Club** <https://northbridgegolfclub.com.au>
- Not Just Curries** <https://www.facebook.com/notjustcurriesbalmain/>
- One Ford Street** <http://www.onefordstreet.com.au>
- Orangetheory Fitness** <https://www.orangetheoryfitness.com.au/studio/balmain>
- Our Place** <http://www.ourplaceondarling.com.au>
- Pace Athletic** <https://paceathletic.com>
- QE Foodstores** <https://www.qefoodstores.com.au>
- * **Quirky Birds** <https://www.quirkeebirds.com>
- Royal Oak Hotel** <https://www.facebook.com/TheRoyalOakBalmain/>
- Salon Tallow** <https://www.salontallow.com.au>
- * **Scenic World** <https://www.scenicworld.com.au>
- * **Stars at Gigi** <http://www.gigisatbalmain.com.au>
- Sydney Harbour Bridge Climb** <https://www.bridgeclimb.com>
- Taronga Zoo** <https://taronga.org.au/sydney-zoo>
- The Balmain** <https://www.thebalmain.com>
- The Corner Store** <https://www.truelocal.com.au/business/the-corner-store/rozele>
- The London Hotel** <http://www.londonhotel.com.au>
- The Riverview Hotel** <http://www.theriverviewhotel.com.au>
- The Sackville** <https://www.sackvillehotel.com.au>
- The Village Sport** <http://www.villagesport.com.au>
- Wilhemina's** <http://www.wilhelminas.com.au>
- Woolworths** <http://www.storelocate.com.au/woolworths/balmain.html>



BPS Parents Welcome Drinks

Friday, March 22nd
7 - 10.45pm
@BPS School Hall

\$45 including two
drinks and food

Tickets available on
flexischools.com.au

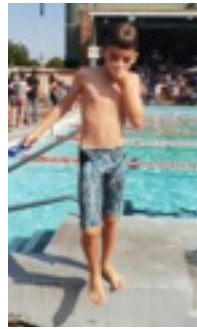


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DRESS THEME: smart casual colour

Balmain Zone Swimming Carnival

**At Canterbury
Aquatic Centre
Tuesday 5 March**



Congratulations and thank you to the following students for representing our school with pride, at the Balmain Zone Swimming Carnival!



Cormac K ~ Georgia F
Jack C ~ Frankie H ~ Leo L
Henry S ~ Elise G ~ Maxi F
Nicholas C ~ Josephine A
Olivia S ~ Hayley M ~ Andrei L
Greta R ~ Cassia D ~ Keira C
Oscar F ~ Hannah B
Lachlan W ~ Lucius S
Danielle K ~ Alexandra S
Caitlin M ~ Aiden P ~ Caitlin Y



An extra CONGRATULATIONS to...

Elise G, Maxi F & Olivia S
for qualifying for the
**Regional Swimming
Carnival!**

These superstar swimmers will be racing at the next competitive level, at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre!

Fantastic effort and good luck!

~ Ms Yau & Ms Ferguson, Sport Coordinators





**GOLD COIN
DONATION RAISING
MONEY FOR
UMBRELLAS IN
THE YEAR SIX
AREA**



CRAZY DAY



**FRIDAY
15TH
OF
MARCH**

**CRAZY
HAIR,
MAKEUP
AND
CLOTHES**

The screenshot shows a fundraising page for Charlie Bennett. At the top, it says 'Leukaemia Foundation' and 'WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE'. On the left is a photo of Charlie, a young boy with curly hair. To the right of the photo, the text reads 'Charlie Bennett' and 'is shaving on March 16 to help beat blood cancer.' Below this is an orange progress bar. Under the bar, it says 'Raised \$728.16' and 'Goal \$350'. In the top right corner, there is a 'Log in' button.

My name is Charlie Bennett. I am in Year 6 and as you can see, I have a **lot** of hair. **But not for long!**

I will be shaving **all** of my hair off for **The World's Greatest Shave** on Friday **15th March 2019**.

The World's Greatest Shave is an international event that raises money every year for the **Leukaemia Foundation**.

Will you sponsor me for this good cause and help me reach my target?

Donations will give families the emotional and practical support they need and also help fund vital research.

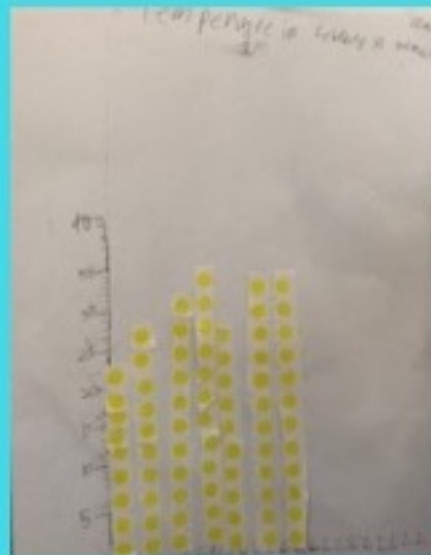
Please click the link below and sponsor me today!

[Sponsor me](#)

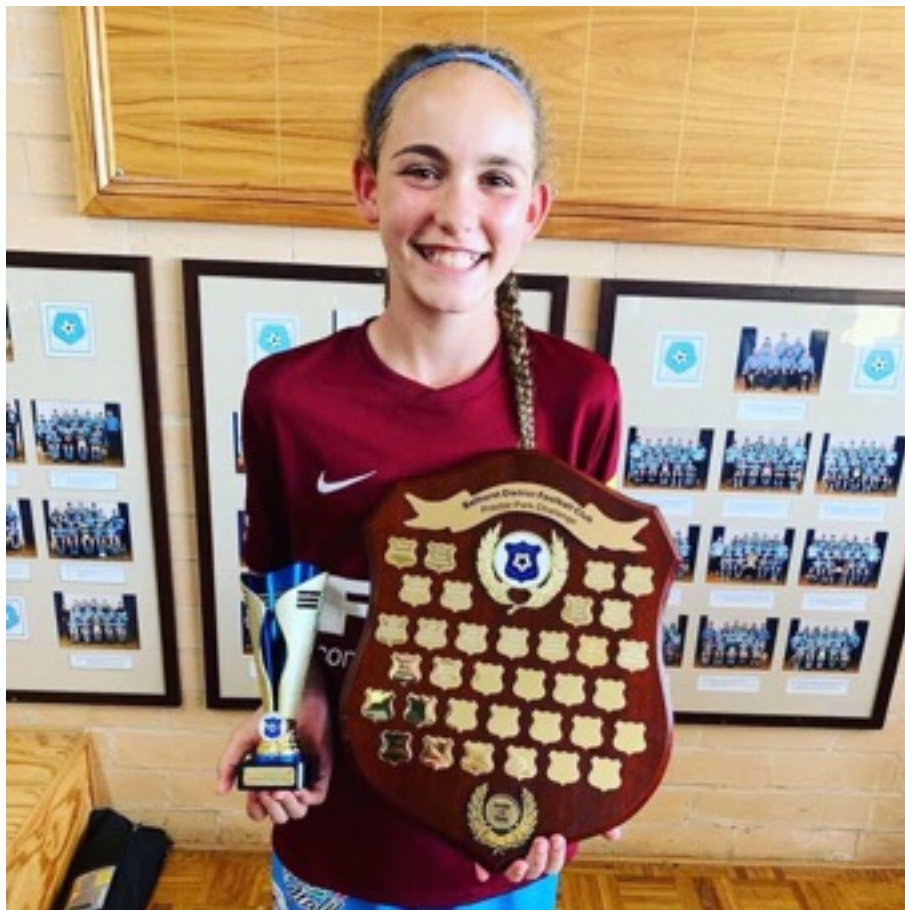
Or simply Google "**The World's Greatest Shave**", search for "**Charlie Bennett**" and go from there.

Thank you and I hope you will have fun seeing me on **Monday 18th March 2019** with **NO HAIR** - and perhaps make a further gold coin donation...!

3/4 ALURA



This term in 3/4 Alura we have been busy getting to know each other, setting expectations and engaging in authentic learning experiences. We were able to research, collect data and produce a picturegraph to show the hot weather experienced in Balmain during February. The resourceful 3/4A students came up with our own cooling system based on refrigerated water and a spray bottle. The expression on their faces when being sprayed made us laugh. In literature we have been reading *The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr Morris Lessmore* and have been writing about what it would feel like to fly, why is he called Mr and why he dresses so formally. More importantly we are learning how to be kind to each other to ensure that our classroom is a safe supportive learning environment.



Alexia K's SAP soccer team, APIA, won the U12 title at Proctor Cup in Bathurst.

It was a round robin event over the whole weekend. It was a very competitive tournament teams from all around NSW/ACT competing.

So fantastic for the girls and women's soccer!



RIVERSIDE
GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

Notice of Meeting

An information night about Riverside Girls High School Gifted and Talented program and classes for 2020 where the application and testing process will be explained.

When : Tuesday 26 March

Time: 6 - 6.30 p.m.

Location : School Hall

Primary

ETHICS

Could you be an ethics teacher at our school?

We are seeking volunteers so that we can provide ethics classes for all the families who have requested it for their children.

Ethics teachers receive full training by Primary Ethics, the not-for-profit organisation approved to design curriculum and training for the ethics program. Training consists of a two day workshop and short online modules. Lesson materials are provided. Suitable volunteers have an interest in children's education and development of critical thinking skills and must be available at 10:10am – 10:40am on Fridays during each week of the school term.

In ethics classes, children learn how to think logically, disagree respectfully and support their arguments with evidence, rather than act according to blind habit or peer pressure.

Children discuss topic such as:

- imagining how others feel
- how do we treat living things?
- what is laziness?
- how do we disagree in a respectful way?
- fairness

If you are looking for an opportunity to make a valuable contribution to our school, please visit www.primaryethics.com.au and contact the Balmain Public School Ethics Coordinator, Abby Futchter on 0404 494 158 or email talk2arabella@gmail.com



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AUDITIONS

Year 7 and Year 11 2020

Dance, Drama and Music Selection Procedures

Newtown High School of the Performing Arts provides specialist education at the highest level to students having outstanding potential and/or achievement in, and commitment to, Dance, Drama or Music.

Students currently in Year 6 or Year 10 2019 enrolled in public or non-government schools who are seeking entrance into Year 7 or Year 11 in 2020 at Newtown High School of the Performing Arts, must participate in audition workshops in Dance, Drama or Music.

Auditions will be held between Monday 24th June to Thursday 4th July 2019.

To be eligible to apply, candidates must be Australian Citizens or holders of a visa granting permanent resident status in Australia on the day of their audition.

To register for an audition, please complete the online application form located on our website:

www.nhspa.nsw.edu.au

Closing date for registration is 1st May 2019.

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- *UNDER 6 - UNDER 20* • *UNDER 14 - UNDER 18 GIRLS*
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WWW.LEICHHARDTWANDERERS.ORG.AU



KIDS IN COMMON

Autumn

Vacation Care

15-26 April 2019

Unique Experiences for Primary School Kids!

FARM TO TABLE COOKING STARS LITTLE FARMERS WORLD OF DRUMMING
TENNIS HOT SHOTS WATER & GAMES BASKETBALL SLAM SOCCER STARS NINJA WARRIOR
SLIME TIME STEM ANIMATION CARTOONING STAR WARS SCIENCE

CAMPERDOWN COMMONS

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BOOK 2 SESSIONS FOR A FULL DAY OF CARE

	MONDAY 15 APRIL	TUESDAY 16 APRIL	WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL	THURSDAY 18 APRIL	FRIDAY 19 APRIL
AM	Slime Time	Cooking Stars	Little Farmers	Star Wars Science	Good Friday (no activity)
PM	Water & Games	Tennis Hot Shots	Basketball Slam	Cartooning	
	MONDAY 22 APRIL	TUESDAY 23 APRIL	WEDNESDAY 24 APRIL	THURSDAY 25 APRIL	FRIDAY 26 APRIL
AM	Easter Monday (no activity)	Farm to Table	Ninja Warrior	Anzac Day (no activity)	World of Drumming
PM			Soccer Stars		STEM Animation

CAMPERDOWN COMMONS

ACTIVITY LOCATION

CAMPERDOWN TENNIS

FULL DAY \$80 8am - 3pm^ **FULL DAY \$60** (Government concession card holders)*

HALF DAY \$50 8am - 12pm or 12pm - 3pm **FREE AFTERCARE** 3pm - 5.45pm** **+FOOD \$15***

^ Full day rate of \$80 available when booking the same child into 2 sessions on the same day in one transaction for bookings made prior to 15 April 2019.

*please refer to the website for further information and terms and conditions. ** Free aftercare is only available with full day bookings.

*Food is optional, kids may bring their own food for the day.

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BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

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PUNCH PARK TENNIS CENTRE



CONTACT: Phone: Neil Armstrong 0404 845 925 Email: leichhardttennisacademy@gmail.com

TENNIS HOT SHOTS

ANZ Tennis Hot Shots programmes provide kids with a fun way to play tennis, using modified nets, racquets and balls. With reduced court sizes younger players have the chance to serve, rally and score from the first time they step onto a court. Kids are actively engaged having **FUN**. Kids build **SOCIAL** skills such as working co-operatively and building friendships. Kids learn to **PLAY** and develop tennis **SKILLS**.

DAYS: MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

RED BALL: 3.30-4.15pm (3-5 YEAR OLD'S \$150)

ORANGE BALL: 4.15-5.15pm (6-8 YEAR OLD'S \$200)

GREEN BALL: 5.15 -- 6.15pm (9+YEAR OLD'S \$200)

TEENS 6.15-7.15(\$200)

ADULTS 7.15-8.15 (\$200)

PRIVATE LESSONS ALSO AVAILABLE

For your information

- Hot Shots programmes are specifically aimed at boys and girls of primary school age.
- Children cannot be accepted without a completed enrolment form.
- For the most enjoyment it is preferable that everyone has their own tennis racquet.
- Each term runs for 9 weeks

SPECIAL

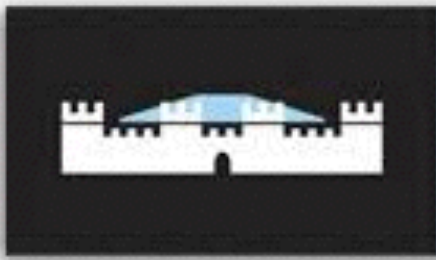
Add \$30 to buy a Junior BABOLAT tennis racquet.

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HIGH SCHOOL

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The Conservatorium High School would like to inform your talented music students that:

AUDITIONS NOW OPEN FOR 2020

Application to AUDITION for Con High entering 2020 are now open. Go to <https://conhigh.nsw.edu.au>

APPLY tab then 2020 Entry Application. Closing date for registration is 7th June 2019.

www.flexischools.com.au

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