



PIGEON POST

2019

DECEMBER

- Mon 2 ~ 2019
YEARBOOK
ORDERS CLOSE @
5PM!!!

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- Fri 6 ~ Thank You Morning Tea
- Mon 9 ~ Music evening ~ 6:30pm ~ Hall
- Tues 10 ~ Balmain PS Elections
- Wed 11 ~ Salvation Army Giving Assembly ~ 9am
- Thurs 12 ~ Talent Show
- Mon 16 ~ Year 6 Graduation
- Tues 17 ~ Celebration of Learning
- Wed 18 ~ LAST DAY

ONLINE
UNIFORM
ORDERING

A garden full of love...



We will plant some seeds and watch them grow
With sunshine from above
We will water them and we will have
A garden full of love

She has gone from us, but her spirit lives
She taught us how to care for the earth we share
We will honour her, in what we say and do
It's up to me and you

We will plant some seeds and watch them grow
With sunshine from above
We will water them and we will have
A garden full of love

~ Ms Penny Biggins



School Calendar

BPS
event

P&C
event

2019		TERM 4 @ BPS				
WEEK		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8		<u>2 December</u> 2019 Yearbook orders close @ 5pm	3 December	<u>4 December</u> P&C Meeting @ 7pm ~ ConneXion Hub	5 December	6 December Thank You Morning Tea
9		9 December Music evening ~ 6:30pm ~ Hall	10 December Elections	11 December Salvation Army Giving Assembly ~ 9am	12 December Talent Show	13 December
10		16 December Year 6 Graduation @ Balmain Town Hall	17 December Celebration of Learning @ Balmain Town Hall	18 December Last day of school for students and staff		

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EVENTS CALENDAR, WEBSITE AND/OR OUR INSTAGRAM PAGE

LAST CHANCE TO DONATE...



Don't let these disguises fool you...
these scary looking guys are Mr
Carlton, Mr Baumann, Mr
LaMacchia and Mr Atkinson -
growing their mo this month, for
men's health and support!



<https://mobro.co/14035628?mc=1>



Dear Volunteers

*All the staff at Balmain Public School would like to say a huge
THANK YOU to all those who have contributed their time and efforts
throughout the year.*

*Your help and support is endless: in class, reading groups, excursions,
special days, fundraisers, working bees, sporting events, and to those who
teach Scripture and ethics.*

*As an expression of our appreciation, we invite you to a special **Thank
You Morning Tea**, on **Friday 6 December @ 10:40am** in the
library.*



...and the
AWARD
goes to...



EARLY STAGE ONE & STAGE ONE ~ LEARN LIVE LEAD

K Duruga

Ellie S - improved focus with reading

K Potoroo

Tom R - excellent work in maths

K/1 Miima

Matthew X - working hard to develop a thorough understanding of grammatical features in his writing

1/2 Banjarah

Summer W - consistently giving her best effort during all arrison Blearning tasks

1/2 Collarenebri

Aitan M - his excellent knowledge of spelling rules and sounds

1/2 Gidgjiirrigaa

Jack O - clever thinking to find the capacity of containers in litres and millilitres

1/2 Hielamon

Olivia K - her amazing sizzling starts to her writing

STAGE TWO & STAGE THREE ~ LEARN LIVE LEAD

3/4 Alura

Alex K - having an impeccable attitude to learning

3/4 Kabi Kabi

Max I-F - always being kind and working well with others

3/4 Malya

Kenzi L - showing a positive attitude towards his learning

4/5 Manbara

Kaito S - his enthusiasm in his role throughout ProjectNEST

5/6 Lamalama

Greta R - her excellent focus and determination to finish props for our Willow Pattern Play

5/6 Nakkara

Alexia K - her realistic expression and tone as Narrator 1 in our class play

5/6 Waka Waka

Sylvie D - taking on a leadership role throughout the planning of our class play

5/6 Yorta Yorta

Mahalia B - her leadership and organisation during ProjectNEST planning

ES1 & S1 ~ POSITIVE PETE & YOU CAN DO IT! (Term 4 ~ Persistence)

ES1 Positive Pete - Lachlan C (KD) ~ S1 Positive Pete - Rosie F (1/2C)

K Duruga

Harrison S - never giving up and finishing tricky numeracy tasks

K Potoroo

Hugh C - working consistently in maths

K/1 Miima

Anna S - reason

1/2 Banjarah

Jessica R - persistently trying hard when tightening the tension in her creative writing

1/2 Collarenebri

Lauren B - persistently applying herself to all learning tasks

1/2 Gidgjiirrigaa

Zoe P - putting in great effort when writing to her pen pal

1/2 Hielamon

Brodie N-S - For his persistence in solving problems in maths

S2 & S3 ~ POSITIVE PETE & YOU CAN DO IT! (Term 4 ~ Persistence)

S2 Positive Pete - Zac S (3/4M) ~ S3 Positive Pete - Asha S (5/6W)

3/4 Alura

Maxi N-W - always producing quality work

3/4 Kabi Kabi

Julia B - showing persistence during challenging learning activities

3/4 Malya

Ashton W - taking greater care in the presentation of his work

4/5 Manbara

Alexander L - his persistence in his role throughout ProjectNEST

5/6 Lamalama

Samuel S - his persistent approach to all set tasks. Excellent effort!

5/6 Nakkara

Genevieve S - her enthusiasm and persistence during maths rotations

5/6 Waka Waka

Keira T - her perseverance and patience in ProjectNEST sessions

5/6 Yorta Yorta

Henry W - his dedication to prop making during ProjectNEST

GIVE A GIFT & LIGHT UP A LIFE THIS CHRISTMAS
TO CHILDREN WHO MAY NOT RECEIVE A PRESENT



SALVATION ARMY GIVING ASSEMBLY
9AM, WEDNESDAY 11TH DECEMBER, 2019

PLEASE DONATE ONLY NEW & UNWRAPPED
TOYS, GIFTS & WRAPPING PAPER

FOR A CHILD AGED 0-16 YEARS OLD IN THE MARKED BOXES IN YOUR
CHILD[REN]'S CLASSROOM BY TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER SO THAT THEY
CAN BE GIVEN THE FOLLOWING MORNING IN A VERY SPECIAL ASSEMBLY.

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Positive Pete winners...



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BUY THE BOARDS, SAVE THE KOALAS!



Hello members of Balmain Public School.

We are raising money for the poor koalas who are dying from getting their homes destroyed from the bushfires.



We will appreciate if you buy the boards for such a good cause.
Prices range from \$1.50 - \$4.

Necklaces, key-rings and surfboards have been put together by Stage 2 students and the generosity of family members in the community.

Stall Date: 12th December, 2019.

By Nico Sutton on behalf of Baby Koalas.

HOWZAT!

1/2 Hielamon have caught cricket fever and have been working on their cricket skills this week.

Ever since Sid visited, from the Sydney Sixers, the children have been cricket CRAZY!

Each week, the children are focusing on the skills needed to play a game of cricket, such as throwing, bouncing and catching.

Maybe the next Steve Smith or Ellyse Perry is in 1/2H!



it was small it was big! Superman the elephant he was being mean destroying my house with pissa I mean legs.

mr carton was a alien the hole time but why ~~was~~ he giving lollys out. he ~~was~~ they were pisse but they did taste yummy

mr carton ^{turned} ~~was~~ waking and he ~~turned~~ into an ~~disguise~~ or a alien.

Sizzling starts
Mwahahaha! Yes! Finally I can destroy the world! Ow stupid thing. Now I have burnt my pants and everyone see my polka-dot undies! How embarrassing! Said ev
Captain Poo-poo pants. Everyone saw him on the TV.

1/2 Hielamon SIZZLING STARTS!

1/2 Hielamon have been burning with ideas, developing their 'Sizzling Starts', as one of their 'Seven Steps to Writing'.

SAMPLES

Top - Connor T

Middle - Oliver B

Bottom - Imogen R

THEATRESPORTS®



On Monday of Week Five, the Balmain TheatreSports team went to St Patrick's College to compete in the TheatreSports Schools Challenge Primary Division.

Balmain came second, by only one point, to the Inner West Drama School. The students in our team were Matilda L, Charlie H, Alexander S, Nelson L and Lachie W. We all performed exceptionally well and gave it our very best effort. Special thanks to Ms Biggins, who coached the team!

by Lachie W

What is TheatreSports?

Since 2005, Impro Australia has been running the Theatresports® Schools Challenge (TSC) – the only schools drama competition in NSW!

It brings together representative teams from over 100 independent and government schools across Sydney, Wollongong, the Central Coast, Bowral and Nowra to perform together in the spirit of joyful improvisation.

Teams of 3-5 students from each school create 1, 2 and 3 minute improvised scenes live on stage, judged and scored by our team of improvisation professionals.

Theatresports® increases the students' confidence, listening skills and teamwork, as well as strengthening their problem solving abilities and creative thinking, all in a hilarious, fun and supportive environment.

<http://improaustralia.com.au/theatresports-schools-challenge-tsc/>

Primary

Ethics

Term 4 Primary Ethics News

Balmain Public School has been successfully delivering the Departmental Approved Primary Ethics program for a number of years now. We currently have 11 Ethics classes across all school stages.

Ethics classes run weekly during the school year within the Special Religious Education/Special Education in Ethics (SRE/SEE) timeslot. Primary Ethics classes are free of charge. Primary Ethics' program gives children the opportunity to discuss ethical issues with their peers while developing important thinking, reasoning and discussion skills.

If you are **new to the school** and would like your child to attend ethics classes, you can advise the school office via a note or email if you have not already done so during the enrolment process. If your child is already enrolled in Ethics they will simply continue next year, there is no need to do anything.

If you would like to find out more about the Primary Ethics program click here: <https://primaryethics.com.au/parents/>

Or there are brochures about Primary Ethics available at the school office.

Thank you and if you have any questions please contact the Balmain PS Ethics Coordinator Abby Futcher at talk2arabella@gmail.com



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CAROLS ON NORTON

Join the Children's Chorus for the 2019 Concert !



Like to join the Carols on Norton Children's Chorus this Christmas in Pioneers Memorial Park, Norton Street, Leichhardt?

It's FREE and all music is supplied

You'll be singing with leading professional musicians - award-winning choral conductor Michelle Leonard OAM and a chamber orchestra of Sydney's finest players. All welcome – from year 2 up!

Rehearsals and registration

Friday November 29 at Leichhardt Public School music room 4pm-5pm

Rehearsals continue each Friday from 4pm-5pm until concert day.

The Carols on Norton concert is on Sunday 22 DECEMBER. No audition, just bring energy!

Register now: www.espressochorus.com.au

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