



PIGEON POST

2019

OCTOBER

- Mon 28-Fri 1 Nov ~ Kindy 2020 Transition to School
- Tues 29 ~ Band Expo for Year 1 and Year 2 students

NOVEMBER

- Tues 5 ~ Senior strings performing at morning lines
- Wed 6 ~ P&C meeting 7pm
- Sun 10 ~ Belle Property **BALMAIN FUN RUN**
www.balmainfunrun.com.au
- Wed 13 ~ Beethoven & Bach bands performing at morning lines
- Wed 20 ~ Kindergarten Orientation

DECEMBER

- Mon 16 ~ Year 6 Graduation
- Tues 17 ~ Celebration of Learning
- Wed 18 ~ LAST DAY

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HAPPY WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

World Teachers' Day is celebrated annually on **October 5**. This is a **day** to honour **teachers** and **teacher** organisations. **Teachers** make a vital contribution to the education and development of our future leaders. More than 100 different countries around the world observe this holiday.



In Australia, we celebrate **World Teachers' Day** on the last Friday of October, as 5 October always falls within our school holidays. As a principal, I am so fortunate to lead a school of amazing, passionate and dedicated teachers, who are committed to making a positive difference in the education of our students. THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart!



School Calendar

P&C
event

BPS
event

2019		TERM 4 @ BPS				
WEEK		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3	Kindergarten transition	28 October	29 October Band Expo for Year 1 and Year 2 students	30 October	31 October	1 November
4		4 November	5 November Senior strings performing at morning lines	6 November <u>P&C Meeting ~ 7pm ~ ConneXion Hub</u>	7 November	8 November
5	10 November Belle Property BALMAIN FUN RUN	11 November REMEMBRANCE DAY	12 November	13 November Beethoven & Bach bands performing at morning lines	14 November	15 November
6		18 November	19 November	20 November Kindergarten Orientation	21 November	22 November
7		25 November	26 November	27 November	28 November	29 November
8		2 December	3 December	4 December	5 December	6 December
9		9 December	10 December	11 December	12 December	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		

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

Important Information for 2020

It is a requirement that each NSW Department of Education (DoE) school, or public school, accept all local enrolments. DoE schools are staffed according to the total number of enrolments per school year, not per year/age group. It is the school's responsibility to form classes in the best interests of all students and the school, taking staffing formula and total enrolments into account.

In 2020, our classes will again be organised into stage groups. This means students are matched with students from different year groups. The NSW syllabus documents sequence learning in stages from K-12. In primary schools, these are: Early Stage One (Kindergarten), Stage One (Years 1 and 2), Stage Two (Years 3 and 4) and Stage Three (Years 5 and 6).

As we look to 2020 and class formations, we would like to take this opportunity to inform you that your child will be filling out a 'friendship form'. This 'friendship form' will ask students to voice 5 peers that they would like to be with next year. Whilst we can't guarantee that your child will be with these 5 peers, we endeavour to use at least 1 of these options. Please note, there are many factors that we take into consideration, in line with this social aspect. These factors may include, and are not limited to, educational needs, emotional needs, physical needs and specific support.

In order to further support the process of developing classes, we look to parents and carers to communicate any extenuating circumstances that may impact your child's learning. Please email balmainps@gmail.com and include 'ATTN: Executive' in the subject line, by Friday 8 November.

We would like to highlight that a preference of friendships and/or teacher is not an extenuating circumstance.

Additionally, if your child is not returning to Balmain Public School in 2020 (except for current Year 6 students), please email balmainps@gmail.com and include 'Not returning in 2020' in the subject line. Please include your child's full name and 2019 class.



**WE NEED
YOU**

**TO VOLUNTEER
AND REGISTER
NOW!!**

The Belle Property Balmain Fun Run is the main fundraising event for Balmain Public School.

We still need volunteers for the following tasks:

- **MARSHALS** - this is standing on the side of the course, pointing runners go the way home! Two shifts available
- **WORKING ON STALLS** - selling tickets for rides and keeping an eye on the rascals in the jumping castle. Ideal if you have youngsters who are going to climb the wall or jump in the castle. YOU are there already! Short shifts available
- **SATURDAY SETUP** - Can't make Sunday AM? We set up on Saturday PM, so you can volunteer to help us then instead!

To **VOLUNTEER** go [here](#) to register, or email natasha.foster.BFR@gmail.com for more info.

To **REGISTER** go to balmainfunrun.com.au. Ask the kids about which teachers are running the 2km? C'mon kids, register...don't let those teachers win!!



...and the
AWARD
goes to...



EARLY STAGE ONE & STAGE ONE ~ LEARN LIVE LEAD

K Duruga

Evie R - her positive attitude toward learning everyday!

K Potoroo

Sebastian C - excellent spooky writing

K/1 Miima

Henry R - great listening and joining in during class

1/2 Banjarah

Zoe B - being a supportive and caring friend to those in need

1/2 Collarenebri

Lachlan H - quickly and efficiently writing accurate sentences

1/2 Gidgijirrigaa

Gabriela B-S - clever answers during class discussions

1/2 Hielamon

Niamh F - her positive attitude to her learning

STAGE TWO & STAGE THREE ~ LEARN LIVE LEAD

3/4 Alura

Dante S - always stepping up to new challenges in the classroom

3/4 Kabi Kabi

Sofie T - consistent effort in class and always producing high quality work

3/4 Malya

Marco M - showing enthusiasm towards applying multiple strategies to solve mathematical problems

4/5 Manbara

Alexander L - continuously showing dedication and drive in his learning. Well done!

5/6 Lamalama

Thomas G - his hard working and determined attitude towards fractions investigations

5/6 Nakkara

Rachael H - showing initiative and an enthusiasm for ProjectNEST

5/6 Waka Waka

Alexandra S - going above and beyond with her Freedom 2 Learn 'gallery walk'

5/6 Yorta Yorta

Clementine B - her assistance during the OC Orientation session

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

ES1 Positive Pete - Miles L R (KD) ~ S1 Positive Pete - Mia M-C (1/2C)

K Duruga

Zac K - showing resilience in numerous situations and occasions this week

K Potoroo

Mariia T - working hard on some difficult writing

K/1 Miima

Georgie C - bouncing back and learning from her mistakes

1/2 Banjarah

Rosie H - demonstrating resilience through difficult situations

1/2 Collarenebri

Luca L - working hard on improving his editing skills on his persuasive text

1/2 Gidgijirrigaa

Eva K - always having a bright and optimistic attitude even when things do not go her way!

1/2 Hielamon

Josh McG - displaying resilience during mathematics.

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

S2 Positive Pete - Luka H (3/4K) ~ S3 Positive Pete - Alexia K (5/6N)

3/4 Alura

Will B - overcoming obstacles and always setting a good example in the classroom

3/4 Kabi Kabi

Toby M - improved problem solving and bouncing back from setbacks

3/4 Malya

Will M - always supporting those in need and having a positive mind set towards learning

4/5 Manbara

Vilja J - displaying kindness and understanding to her teachers and peers

5/6 Lamalama

Andrei L - his outstanding efforts learning advance choreography with a smile

5/6 Nakkara

Freya P - demonstrating a willingness to improve her learning by being resilient, cooperative and engaged

5/6 Waka Waka

Elliot L - demonstrating resilience when working in group dynamics

5/6 Yorta Yorta

Madeleine M - For being a resilient and flexible learner

Positive Pete winners



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REGISTER TODAY!

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PROPERTY 2019

BALMAIN FUN RUN

Only **2 WEEKS** TO GO!!

SUNDAY 10TH NOV

2KM

PARENTS
RUN FREE

5KM

10KM

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AGES!**

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NEED MORTGAGE ADVICE?

Make an appointment at Aussie Balmain on Darling Street in the next 6 months, mention the **Balmain Fun Run** and they will donate \$50 to the Balmain Public School.



GETTING FIT FOR SUMMER?

Sign up to a trial free period at OTF Balmain in the next 6 months, mention the **Balmain Fun Run** and OTF will donate \$50 to Balmain Public School.

Proud new sponsor of the Balmain Fun Run!

Book an appointment with us now & we'll donate \$50 to Balmain Public School*

**Call us on 8123 8608 or drop into our Darling St office
See you on Race Day!**

**David, James & Columbine
- Team Aussie Balmain**





A HUGE THANKS...



...to the P&C, who delivered some delectable goodies to the ConneXion Hub, for the teachers of our school, on **WORLD TEACHERS' DAY!** They were much appreciated!

...also, to the families that also had something special for our teachers!

The generosity of our community is amazing!

...to a fabulous bunch of parents, who collectively organised a super spooky night out at Balmain Public School, for our annual Halloween Disco! The kids had a ball!

It's great seeing our community come together to support our kids! **THANKS SO SO MUCH!!!!!!**



1/2 Banjorah

This week we looked at critiquing, to help us with our work.

We drew a butterfly.

We then reviewed a professionally drawn butterfly, and identified all of the things we liked, as well as that we may have forgotten in our own.

We created a rubric as a class.

Then we tried it again...look at how much we improved!



Co-created Rubric	
Going for Green	Expectations
	Does it have a body
	Does it have feet
	Does it have Antennas
	Bright colours
	Contrast of colours
	Patterns of the wings
	Scale of body to wings
	Details of the wings
Going for Gold	Realism of the wings
	Symmetry of the wings
	Details of the wings
	Shapes of the wings



These skills will be used to help us to be better writers. Being able to review a high-quality piece of work will clearly show us what we need to do to succeed.



Can you draw a butterfly?



STARTING SCHOOL IN 2020?

PARENT ORIENTATION INFORMATION MORNING



Wednesday, 20th November 2019 @ 9:15AM

Parent orientation will be an information morning for those parents available to come.

Parents find this session very valuable and useful. Details will be presented about uniforms, equipment, 'first day at school' procedures, general school procedures, 'Best Start' information and bookings.

***Just to clarify this session is very different to the information evening that was held earlier this year.**

THIS IS A PARENT ONLY EVENT

The meeting will be held in the school hall.



**Sydney
Secondary
College**
Balmain

Selective and Enrichment Information Night

Tuesday 29 October 2019
6:00pm-7:00pm

Come along to find out more about
our Selective Stream and
Enrichment Program for 2021

For more information:
[https://balmain-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/
enrol_with_us/](https://balmain-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/enrol_with_us/)



**Race to
the link
below and
register
now!**

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

You're Invited to the Band + Strings Expo Tuesday 29th of October

Interested in joining our fantastic school band or school string ensemble at Balmain Public School? Our Band + Strings Expo is your opportunity to hear all the instruments and find out more information!

On Tuesday, 29th of October, there will be a "Meet the Instruments" expo in the school hall at 10.00am. This will be for all current year 1 & 2 students, as well as any interested year 3-5 students. All the instruments will be demonstrated, played, and students will be sent home with all the information on how to join the band or strings! 2020 Music Membership is open for students in year 3-6 for Band or Years 2-6 for Strings.



We look forward to welcoming new students into the 2020 Junior Band and Junior Strings!

*Contact Directions In Music 9662 2211 for more information or
hailey@directionsinmusic.com.au*

P&C Contribution

Help Build a Brighter Future for BPS



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

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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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YOUR CLUB & COMMUNITY NEED YOU!

Annual General Meeting

Be a part of PCYC Balmain committee and support our youth programs, fundraising & opportunities for community involvement. Refreshments served!

When: Thursday October 31st

Time: 5:30pm

Where: 372 Darling Street (club)

RSVP: balmain@pcycnsw.org.au

If this is an initiative you would like to support please call us on
02 9810 2234 or email us at:

balmain@pcycnsw.org.au

