

PIGEON POST

SEPTEMBER

- Wed 26 ~ Jump Rope for Heart 'Jump Off' ~ 9am
- Wed 26 ~ Responsible Pet Ownership visit ~ Stage One
- Fri 28 ~ Last day of Term 3

OCTOBER

- Mon 15 ~ Term 4 ~ Students and staff return
- Kindy 2019 Transition to School:
 - 22-26 Oct - Group 1
 - 29 Oct-2 Nov - Group 2
- Fri 26 ~ Halloween Disco

NOVEMBER

- Wed 7 ~ P&C meeting ~ 7pm
- Sun 18 ~ Belle Property BALMAIN FUN RUN
- Wed 21 ~ Kindy Orientation

DECEMBER

- Wed 5 ~ P&C meeting ~ 7pm
- Mon 17 ~ Yr 6 Graduation
- Tues 18 ~ Celebration of Learning

Going to the chapel...



CONGRATULATIONS to Ms Sophie Parsons, teacher of K Pufferfish, who, this week, married her fiancé.

Sophie looked truly stunning, and deliriously happy, as she walked down the aisle with her very proud dad, whilst Michael was gazing adoringly at her, without once glancing away!

We wish Sophie and Michael the very best life has to offer, as they start their new life together as Mr and Mrs!

Maria Lambos ~ Principal



<div> <div>BPS event</div> <div>P&C event</div> <div>TERM 3</div> <div>@</div> <div>BPS</div> </div>							
WEEK		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
10		24 Sep	25 Sep	26 Sep Jump Off - 9am Responsible Pet Ownership visit - S1	27 Sep	28 Sep Last day of Term 3 NO CANTEEN	
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1		15 Oct First day of Term 4 - students	16 Oct	17 Oct	18 Oct Sculpture by the Sea - S2	19 Oct NO CANTEEN	
2	KINDY TRANSITION	22 Oct	23 Oct	24 Oct	25 Oct	26 Oct HALLOWEEN DISCO Canteen	27 Oct Nicholson St Halloween Festival
3	KINDY TRANSITION	29 Oct	30 Oct	31 Oct State Athletics - Homebush	1 Nov State Athletics - Homebush	2 Nov Canteen	
4		5 Nov	6 Nov	7 Nov 7pm - P&C meeting	8 Nov	9 Nov Canteen	
5		12 Nov	13 Nov	14 Nov	15 Nov	16 Nov Canteen	Sun 18 Nov Belle Property BALMAIN FUN RUN
6		19 Nov	20 Nov	21 Nov Kindy 2019 Orientation	22 Nov	23 Nov Canteen	
7		26 Nov	27 Nov	28 Nov	29 Nov	30 Nov Canteen	
8		3 Dec	4 Dec	5 Dec 7pm - P&C meeting	6 Dec	7 Dec Canteen	
9		10 Dec	11 Dec	12 Dec	13 Dec	14 Dec Canteen Party	

LEARN LIVE LEAD

Awards



YOU CAN DO IT!

Awards

K Crabs

Genevieve P - discovering the joys of writing!

K Dugong

Claudia P - demonstrating enthusiasm and a continual love for learning

K Pufferfish

Anna D-W - being a responsible class member

1/2 Blue Dragon

Annita Z - confidently starting every day with a smile

1/2 Galapagos

Estelle D - working hard in all KLA's and being a good role model

1/2 Megalodon

Zarek M - working hard in all key learning areas

1/2 Seahorse

Ben S - his improvement and dedication across all subject areas - well done!

3/4 Flameback

Laila C - always seeking ways to be a helpful and responsible class member

3/4 Krill

Matilda R - an outstanding science project

3/4 Turtles

Dylan S - his great work across all key learning areas especially in his writing and math. Great work!

5/6 Coelacanth

Jeremy P - demonstrating his understanding through consistent, high-quality work in all KLAs

5/6 Lasseater's

Maya G - consistently modelling BPS's "Learn-Live-Lead" motto in her approach to her studies and her relationships with her peers

5/6 Tethya

Leah S-D - her commitment to completing her homework tasks and producing outstanding work!

5/6 Wahoo

Eleanor L - confidence in communicating her ideas in class discussions

5/6 Yabby

Jade W - embracing our new flexible learning space, by actively exploring the different ways she enjoys working in the classroom



K Crabs

Charlotte R - giving a strong and considered recount of a novel in front of peers

K Dugong

Georgie C - confidence in literacy group rotations

K Pufferfish

Juma M - working hard in maths lessons

1/2 Blue Dragon

Rosemary A - confidently explaining her reasoning with chance

1/2 Galapagos

Hayley Y - beginning to develop her confidence in literacy

1/2 Megalodon

George B - confidence in himself

1/2 Seahorse

Eliza R - confidence in her writing and trying her best - keep it up!

3/4 Flameback

Maximiliaan R - speaking more confidently during group work

3/4 Krill

Alex P - showing great confidence when presenting his science project

3/4 Turtles

Greta R - her confidence in her history and science project presentation. The positive feedback in her PEP experience

Olivia S - hard work and positive efforts in her writing and achieving one of her goals. Well done!

5/6 Coelacanth

Winnie M - her confidence and commendable work ethic in writing

5/6 Lasseater's

Sooyeon K - demonstrating confidence and commitment to all aspects of her learning

5/6 Tethya

Charlotte W - taking on great responsibility and leading our classroom to redesign a flexible classroom space

5/6 Wahoo

Ned L - a creative and thoughtful approach to his geography task

5/6 Yabby

Chloe C - confidently contributing to her literature circle group discussions

POSITIVE PETE

AWARD GOES TO:

OLIVIA S 3/4T

Run, run, as fast as you can...



On Tuesday, 18 September, **luca G**, 5/6W, and **Matisse L**, 5/6W, attended the **Regional Athletics Carnival**, located at Sydney Olympic Park, after their success at the District Athletics Carnival.

luca competed in the 12 years boys 200m and the 12 years boys 800m. luca beat his PB in the 200m and came 15th overall /3 heats/. **In the 800m, luca came 1st overall** and will be competing at the State Athletics Carnival, also held at Sydney Olympic Park. Well done, luca. Brilliant effort!



Matisse raced in the 12 years girls 800m. **Matisse came 13th overall /3 heats/.** Congratulations, Matisse. This is an awesome result!

Once again, **luca and Matisse**, the **Balmain community** are so proud of your efforts and impressed with the way you represent our school. We wish you all the best in your future races. **luca, we look forward to hearing about your success at the State Athletics Carnival.**

Sarah Weston – Sports Coordinator

Blue Planet Class Artworks Tea Towels

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available on Flexischools!

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child's class artwork? Is there an
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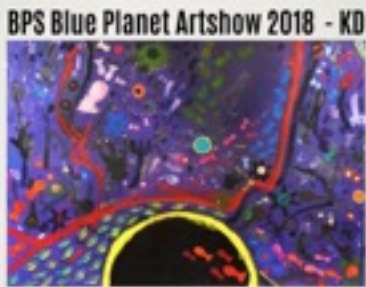
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BPS Blue Planet Art Show 2018 - KP



BPS Blue Planet Art Show 2018 - 1/2G



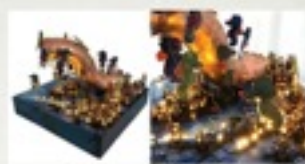
BPS Blue Planet Art Show 2018 - 3/4F



BPS Blue Planet Art Show 2018 - 1/2B



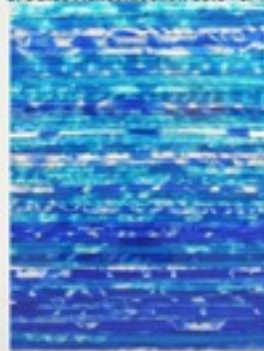
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BPS Blue Planet Art Show 2018 - 1/2S



BPS Blue Planet Art Show 2018 - 3/4K



BPS Blue Planet Art Show 2018 - 5/6W



BPS Blue Planet Art Show 2018 - 5/6L



BPS Blue Planet Art Show 2018 - 5/6G



BPS Blue Planet Art Show 2018 - 3/4T



BPS Blue Planet Art Show 2018 - 5/6ST





THIS TERM KINDERGARTEN HAS...



SNUGGLED IN OUR PJS...



Wowed the crowd at the Book Week Parade...



LEARNED ABOUT WHEN WE WERE BABIES...



AND ALL ABOUT THE WEATHER...



We're skipping through the term!

Jump Rope for Heart is well underway and it's great to see so many children out in the playground skipping with smiles on their faces.

Balmain Public School has already raised \$2,400.

It's not long until our **Jump Off Day on Wednesday 26th September, at 9am**, so keep on practising those tricks! And don't forget to share your online fundraising page with friends and family to raise money for a great cause! Still need to sign up online? It's easy just follow this link and enter your details.

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



Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart program!

Miss Morris - Organiser

Heart Foundation
Jump Rope for Heart

Playground Supervision

As the weather is warming up and the sun is out earlier, it has been noticed that there is an increasing number of students in the playground prior to 8:30am. **Please note that there is a Balmain Public School teacher on duty from 8:30am onwards.**

The safety and wellbeing of your child is of utmost priority. If your child arrives prior to 8:30 and not involved in our extra-curricula activities of band and/or languages, they will be signed in to Eaton St Centre, our before-school care. This will incur a cost of approximately \$16.50.

Eaton St Centre also has use of our playground space for after-school care, from 3:15pm until 6pm. It is important that only students who are signed in to ESC are on school property from 3:15pm onwards.

Thank you for your cooperation.

External Validation

On Wednesday and Thursday, I was in Newcastle, participating in the External Validation process of Kurri Kurri High School, as a peer principal.

External Validation will occur in every Department of Education primary and high school in NSW, over a five year period. Balmain PS was externally validated, as a pilot school, in 2015.

The **School Excellence policy** and implementation guidelines provide a clear guide to schools on the external validation process. Each year, a group of schools are nominated to participate in an external validation process. This provides an opportunity for schools to discuss their judgements about their practice – and the evidence that underpins them – with a panel of peers. Embedding effective self-assessment practices will mean that schools are well positioned to identify and annotate their most significant pieces of evidence for submission to the validation panel.

It was particularly exciting for me, as I could see some similarities between our school and Kurri Kurri HS, in terms of future-focused vision and facilitating effective learning. It's great to see this type of innovation in our DoE high schools!

After the excitement of being nominated in two categories of the National Education Awards, we are proud to announce that we have won the category for Innovation in Learning Environment Design. The award recognises the way in which we have designed and match our spaces within the school to facilitate effective learning. The creation of our HUBS and the spaces in which they work are examples of these areas and the future focused learning we are doing in our school. Well done to all the teachers and staff that make this award possible. We are also proud to have been Finalists in Category for Innovation in Curriculum Design.

<https://kurrikurri-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/news/2018/8/we-won-.html>





1/26



SNAPSHOT OF TERM 3

This term we became Galapahorse collaborating with our friends from 1/25 to learn about the past in the present and think like palentologists. We experimented with different working spaces to support our different learning styles. Here are some snaps of us enjoying our experiences in our flexible learning environment.

"We jumped into action to develop our skipping skills and learn how to keep fit and healthy practising for the Jump Rope for Heart jump off day, and built our muscle strength during gymnastics sessions. We also developed our skills working in a team with some basic AFL fundamental skills lessons.

MORE TERM 3 MEMORIES ...

This term we've been studying dinosaurs and other living things and learning through investigations about their diet and habitat. We got up close and personal with ferns and even our own teeth.



We learned how to transfer a photo onto a block of wood and had a blast doing it. We were so pleased with the result and here we are showing off our work with pride.



We learned about the different ways we are all connected through a yarn circle activity. During investigations we continued to challenge ourselves exploring our areas of interest and finding our flow. Can you guess how long it took for the marble to reach the bottom?



pssa

soccer

Juniors

Today Balmain fought for third place against Orange Grove A's. It was the most intense game ever. In the first half, both teams scored goals. And then in the second half, it went to 2-2. In the last 30 seconds, Santi scored for Balmain; in the end both teams played really well! by Alex.P

Senior A's

Today was the grand final of PSSA Soccer, which pitted Balmain A against Rozelle A, in a final showdown. Rozelle took an early lead in the first half, but, as our team battled on, the odds were just against us today, ending in a 3-0 loss for our team. We look forward to next year!

Senior B's

In the race for third place, Balmain B played against Annandale North B in the final match of the season. Taking an early lead, which was fiercely contested by Annandale North, the game ended in a stalemate! However, penalty shootouts brought our team victory and third place in a 2-1 win. Congratulations, Balmain B's!

netball

Senior A's

In today's match, we played against Annandale North. We had a great game and our team communicated very well with one another. The score was 10-6 to Annandale North. We had a fantastic game (and came fourth overall in division 1!!). by Annie P

Senior B's

Today, the B team played Annandale North, with a score of 13-2 to Annandale North. The team worked hard for the entire game and scored two goals in the second half. Overall, the B team came in second place for division 2! Congratulations!

Senior C's

The C team were on fire today when they played Birchgrove. The team didn't let a ball get past them the whole game and won 8-0! A fantastic game!

Juniors

The whole junior team was sad but excited, as it was our last game of netball for the year. It was a hard battle, but all the sugar we had earlier helped us push through. We won 6-3! To celebrate, we had more sugar! We came 3rd overall out of all the junior teams. That's amazing! by Chloe T, Logan P, Hayley M, and Emily R

Rock & Water



This week, at **Rock & Water**, we looked at strong and effective ways to defuse a fight before it happens. We learnt how to remove ourselves from this situation.

In large amounts of physical confrontation, there are always early signs before anything violent happens. Pushing is the main escalation point. Typically, children will push each other back and forth before it is escalated. Today we learnt *five* strong and effective ways to stop this situation from happening, gaining control and maintaining our balance.

This Week's Focus

Step one: After you have been pushed, become *Water* and take six large steps backwards whilst breathing out (breathing out minimises tension in our bodies).

Step two: Take our *Rock* defence pose, hands up, palms facing the persons. Look strong.

Step three: Glaring eyes! Not angry, or relaxed eyes. Glaring eyes! Show the person through your eyes that you are serious.

Step four: Speak from our gut. Be commanding, not shouting. "Stop (their name). I will not fight you!"

Step five: Walk away, sideways from the person, maintain glaring eyes for three steps. Walk with purpose.



"I respect you, and I will not hurt you"

See you all next week!
Mr Baumann





Creative Writing and Storytelling

HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

★ For ages 5-12 ★

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GET KIDS OFF SCREENS AND INTO THEIR IMAGINATIONS!

Stories to invent ★ Ideas to discover ★ Adventures to have
Games to play ★ Craft to create ★ Friends to make
And much, much more!

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NSW

bike week

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Big Bike Day

War Memorial Park

Corner of Moore and Catherine Streets, Leichhardt

Sunday, 23 September
11am-2pm

-  **Free ice cream, bicycle-powered smoothies and coffee**
-  **Rock climbing, face painting, bike decorating**
and unicycle rides
-  **Bicycle skills workshops** for people of all ages and experience
-  **Bike maintenance checks**
-  **Join us for a guided ride** through the inner West
-  **Talks by riders** from all walks of life



NICHOLSON STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL - BALMAIN EAST - 27TH OCTOBER

HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL 2018

NICHOLSON STREET SCHOOL'S P&C
INVITES YOU TO THE



HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL

VENUE: NICHOLSON STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL,
BALMAIN EAST 2041

DATE: SATURDAY 27TH OCTOBER 2018

TIME: 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM

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