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Bulletin

Thursday 30th May 2019 <u>Dates for your Diary</u>

May

- Fri 31st 10 hosting assembly
- Fri 31st Musica Viva

June

- Fri 7th 3/4R hosting assembly
- Mon 10th Queens Birthday public holiday
- Wed 12th Kindy excursion to Calmsley Hill City Farm

Dear parents and carers,

This week has reminded me of the truly remarkable school community that we have here at Bondi Public School. The passing of Mr Jones has been a great loss to our community. He was a leader of leaders, an innovator and an advocate for every child at our school.



Mr Jones began his principalship at Bondi Public School back in 2007. There were only 76 students enrolled at the time but he had grand plans, even back then, of filling every classroom with children. It didn't take long for enrolments to come flooding in. Innovative programs that he implemented at our school were forged here. The Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKGP) and the Philosophy in Schools Program set us apart from our neighbouring schools. These programs reflected the values held by Mr Jones and our community and they have since become woven into the fabric of our school.

Mr Jones' achievements also included significant infrastructure upgrades to our school. He continually lobbied for a full refurbishment of C Block and he reclaimed D Block from the Department of Education, who were using the building as offices. He successfully applied for a grant that allowed him to transform the Cottage into a purpose-built classroom that complimented the SAKGP. All three playgrounds have had significant upgrades and he was in the process of finalising plans that would see new play equipment installed in the Middle Playground.

I have taken some time this week to share stories with our community. Every special memory and story reflected a Principal who was connected with his community. He helped families through difficult times and he cared deeply about his students. Every decision he made had students front and centre. Mr Jones was a leader who was well respected by his colleagues. He would often be heard saying that the calibre of his teaching staff was phenomenal and he was incredibly proud of the work that they did.

Mr Jones' passing has been devastating for us all but particularly for his loving partner and three beautiful children. He will be greatly missed but his legacy will live on in the students, staff and community of Bondi that he so dearly loved.

A public memorial will be held at the school, the date is to be confirmed.

Olivia Parry Deputy Principal

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Cross Country news

Our district cross country team did an incredible job last week. Once again, we were super proud of their determination and the sportsmanship that they demonstrated on the day. We had four students who qualified for the regional carnival – we wish them all the best at the next level:

- Ali B
- Maisie P
- Emily B
- Jaya F

Pauline McLeod Awards for Reconciliation

Last night a group of BPS staff, students and parents attended the Pauline McLeod Awards Ceremony at Woollahra Municipal Chambers. Freja H came 3rd place in the K-2 category and James B was highly commended in the 3-4 category! Congratulations to all the students who entered the competition.





The Bondi Bulletin

The Life of a Kitchen Garden

The SAKGP was an achievement that Mr Jones was really proud of. He did not do it alone but it was his vision to bring Stephanie Alexander to Bondi Public School.



From what I have been told it was not easy to keep what we now know as the kindy playground — as it was earmarked to be sold off. Mr Jones saw a different future and firmly made it so.



It is these achievements and other inclusions brought into the school program that speaks volumes of Mr Jones' presence here.

Thank you

Fiona and Sam

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