
Bondi Public School

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Bulletin

Thursday 8th August 2019
Dates for your Diary

August

- Fri 9th – Grandparents Day/Open Day from 9:15am
- Fri 9th – KR hosting assembly
- Mon 12th – Stage 2 and 3 author visit
- Wed 14th – P&C Meeting at 7pm
- Wed 14th – K-2 Big Dreams performance
- Fri 16th – 6Y hosting assembly
- Mon 19th – Book Week (Book Fair in the library all week)
- Fri 23rd – Book Week Parade 9.15am

Dear parents and carers,

It was lovely to see so many of our families taking part in our **Education Week** festivities. The official launch of our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) initiative was spectacular. Many families attended the parent information session on Monday morning and the feedback I received from that was positive. The students thoroughly enjoyed the assembly but the highlight had to be when Wellie made his dancing debut.



The PBL team also launched our new feedback and acknowledgment system this week. Our students played a significant role in deciding how the system works and what their rewards will be. The Wellie

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tokens are made out of recycled plastic and the idea is that we reuse them. If your child brings them home please make sure they are returned to school and placed in the reward trolley which can be found in the front office or the middle playground.



I would also like to thank Jonty Glaser who volunteered his time and expertise to take some aerial shots of our students celebrating our PBL launch. I am looking forward to sharing the edited photos and a short clip on our website soon.

The **Athletics Carnival** was a huge success and it was great to be back at ES Marks! I was out on the field marshalling track events and the excitement that filled the air continued throughout the day! The overall behaviour of our students was outstanding and I was incredibly proud of the sportsmanship displayed from the grandstand. I would also like to thank our dedicated sports committee for their excellent organisation of the event.



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Two of our talented students, Jasi L and Ingrid F, are performing at the Sydney Opera House on Monday as part of the **Sydney Southeast Symphonic Winds** group. They were selected through an audition process and have been travelling to Caringbah PS each week for a three-hour rehearsal. Good luck girls and enjoy the limelight.

The **Home School Liaison Officer** (HSLO) visited our school recently to check and monitor our school attendance records. Absences are regularly monitored by our staff and parents are notified when attendance rates drop below 85%. It is also a timely reminder to parents that they are required to explain partial and full-day absences promptly and within seven days.

Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Some absence explanations may be declined if it is believed that the absence is not in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances, that absence will be recorded as unjustified.

We will be closing Education Week with **Grandparents Day** tomorrow so if you are free please come along! There will be a special assembly starting at 9.15am followed by open classrooms at 10.15am. If you are able to donate a plate of treats for morning tea please deliver to the Hall from 8.30am.

We celebrated **NAIDOC Week** on Friday the 26th of July and it was another thrilling event. Our students enjoyed watching the Koomurri Aboriginal dance troupe and were dazzled by the smoking ceremonies they performed. Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) Committee announced the new names of our buildings and they were decided in consultation with our School Captains and Aunty Rhonda, a local aboriginal elder.

Our buildings will now be known as: Arabanoo, Bibola, Cooee and Dharug.

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An easy way to remember the new names is to look at the first letter – our old A Block is now the new Arabanoo building, the old B Block is now the new Bibola building and so on. We also commissioned some artwork from Zachary Bennett-Brook who owns Saltwater Dreamtime to hang at the entrance of each building. These will be presented to the school at tomorrow's assembly.

Olivia Parry
Acting Principal

Hi from **SAKGP**.

Yes it is that time of year where the weather playfully lulls us into thinking we are having an early spring and then it is winter again. It has been a mixed bag when it comes to vegetable production. The cabbages are smaller this year and the aphids have found the broad beans. But that is the name of the game and it only makes you try a little bit harder and smarter for the next crop.



Worm towers are being established in each bed. This is a meeting place for our learned friends, the worms, to meet, greet and eat and give back to the garden community when scraps are placed in the tower. A big thank-you to Ben O'Driscoll for contributing the pipe. Amazeballs!



The kitchen is rising to the occasion with cabbage rolls and herb damper. The beetroot brownie has made a welcome comeback.



I am still asking for appropriate containers with lids that can be used to collect food scraps in the classrooms. It is all about composting and if we can do our bit then let's get it on! I am looking at collecting 25 containers that students can put any food scraps in. The theory is that the SRC will deliver the scraps once a day to the compost bins in the garden so we can start making a whole lot of food for the veggies. I have also posted this on Class Dojo.

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So without further ado thank you for all those who help out when you can.

Please sign up for SAKGP at <https://signup.com/go/n5ciGB>

One for the road:

Q: What do worms use to leave messages?

A: Compost-it notes

Cheers from Fiona and Sam



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- hold your children's hands at the bus stop
- stand a few steps back from the edge of the road when waiting at the bus stop
- wait until the bus has gone, then choose a safe place to cross the road.

Help your children to find a safe place to cross such as:

- at a pedestrian crossing or traffic lights, if available
- a clear section of road where they are visible to all traffic.

If you can't be with your children, organise for a trusted adult to meet them at the bus stop.



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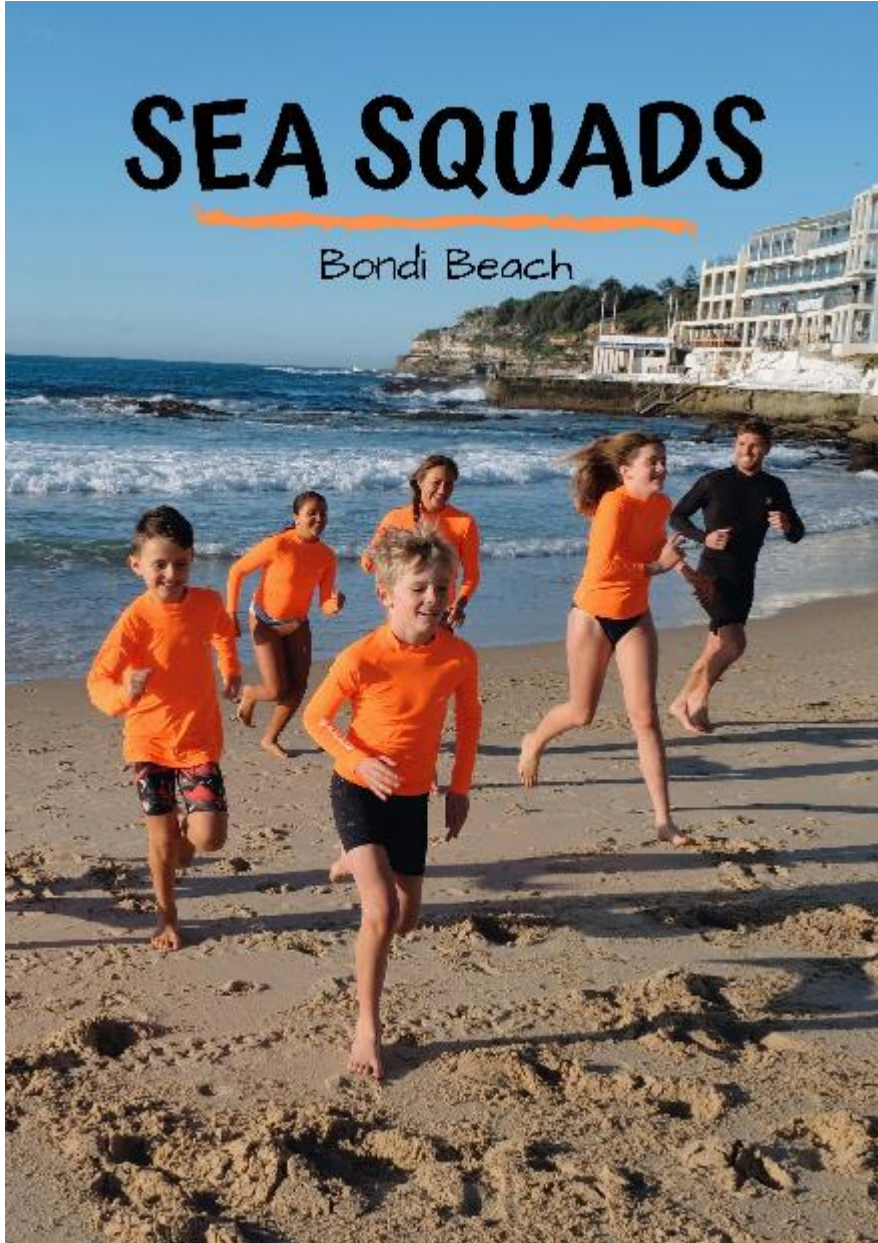
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