

BONDI BULLETIN

THE LATEST NEWS AND UPDATES FROM BONDI PUBLIC SCHOOL

Dates for your Diary

Principal's Post

Mon 23rd October

Yr 2 Intensive Swimming program begins

Wed 25th October

Kindy 2024 Transition Day 2 9.30am - 11am

Fri 27th October

World Teachers Day

Tues 31st October

Halloween Dress up

Wed 1st November

Kindy 2024 Transition Day 3 9.30am - 11am

Mon 6th November

Grandparents Day 2-3pm

Wed 8th November

P&C Meeting & AGM-7pm

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Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to school and welcome to Term 4! I hope you and your family had a safe and restful holiday. It's hard to believe that we are in the final term of the year - it seems like only weeks ago, the year was just beginning!

We have had such a positive start to the term, with happy faces walking through the gates each day. Term 4 is always a big and busy term, but there is a particular buzz in the air with all of the exciting things happening.



Stage 3 started their surfing program this week down at the iconic Bondi Beach and our Year 2 students are about to embark on their swim school adventure through the Department's 10 day Intensive Swimming program.

This week we welcomed 80 Kindergarten 2024 students for their first transition morning. They settled in beautifully for a crafty literacy session in our gorgeous Kindergarten classrooms. I would like to extend a shout out to our Kindergarten Transition Team made up of teaching, staff who administration and support introductory experience calm and magical for our newest students, with all of their thoughtful planning. Special thanks also to our P&C, Kindy 2023 parent volunteers and guest speaker Kate Fraser who all welcomed new parents with their warmth, demonstrating a sense of community. This was topped off by a delicious morning tea provided by our current Kindergarten families. Thank you for making everyone feel welcome!

Thank you to all of our families for completing the 2024 Intentions survey. This greatly assists with early planning and allows us to hit the ground running next year.

Australia celebrates World Teachers' Day on Friday 27th October. Teachers at Bondi Public are the BEST in the business. They work tirelessly to provide the very best experiences and opportunities for our students and demonstrate considerable care and dedication to the wellbeing of our students. We are so grateful for our outstanding teaching team and appreciate their dedication and commitment. On Friday the 27th of October I ask that our students acknowledge and thank their teachers by wearing a FUN AND CREATIVE HAT. Students will also need to bring their BPS hats for sun safety during break times and sport. A little bit of fun for everyone!





Wishing everyone a wonderful fortnight ahead.

Kind regards

Principal (rel.)







Deputy's Delivery

Dear Parents and carers,

Term 4 has arrived with a flurry of activity and students are busily diving into their classwork and extra curricular activities. With spring well upon us, and summer just around the corner, it is important that students are wearing their broad brimmed school hat everyday. Sunscreen is available for students in the office area if they would like to reapply during the school day. All items of uniform need to be clearly named so they can be returned to your child if they misplace them.



Selective High School Applications

Applications for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2025 opened on **9 October 2023** and will close on **20 November 2023**. Parents can find more information and apply at the Department's <u>Selective High Schools website</u>. All candidates will be required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test on **Thursday 9 May 2024**.

2024 School Travel

Students who need a new or replacement School Opal card or travel pass for 2024 can apply now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement because of a new shared parental arrangement (e.g. joint custody). Students who change address, school, campus location, have repeated a year or received an expiry notification for their school travel entitlement should renew or update their details before the end of term 4. Click here for more information.

Kind regards, Anthony White Rel. Deputy Principal



Spotlight on Learning

3H with Ms Harvey

3H have had a fantastic start to term 4.

We have been focusing on the Grow your Mind character strength of teamwork. The students in 3H know that being part of a team means being dedicated to the group. 3H have been learning to work side by side with each other in a peaceful and constructive way.

3H have also been busy in the garden this week, tending to our class pumpkin, learning about compost, and helping Ms Nelly manage the garden.

This week in literacy we have been introduced to five new characters to support us with reading. These characters will help us improve our retrieval, inference, and summarising skills, as well as discover new vocabulary. We are very excited to be exploring different texts whilst focusing on these explicit reading skills.







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Spotlight on Learning

1W with Ms Wickham

1W has started Term 4 ready to learn, after a safe and restful school holiday. In English, we have been reading quality texts such as 'The Mess That We Make' by Michelle Lord and have had thought provoking discussions about the importance of recycling and the effect of pollution on our oceans. Students have been consolidating their learning through different literacy activities in their reading groups such as identifying different 'tiers' of vocabulary when reading texts.

In mathematics we have started a three week cycle on combining and separating. Students have been learning about equivalent numbers sentences and have been using problem solving skills to discover how many different ways you can show a particular number.

1W loves our Bondi Public School garden and have learnt so much about it this year. Last week we looked after the garden by pulling out weeds and giving the plants a lot of water as it was a really hot day. We spent some time noticing changes in the garden after school holidays and have seen a lot more plant growth and different insects out and about.

In visual arts, we are going to use recycled plastic bottles to make jellyfish and have created an 'under the sea' background for our jellyfish to hang in front. One thing is for *shore*, 1W *otter*-ly LOVES the ocean and we think people who recycle are *sand*-sational!





BPS Sports Arena

A huge congratulations to our athletes who competed in the Sydney East PSSA Athletics Carnival at Sydney Olympic Park Athletics Centre on Wednesday 11th October.

Congratulations to Lincoln (1/2A), Billie (3L), Brennan (3/4W), Sophie (3/4W), Ziggy (4L), Arlo (4L) for their strong performances.

We are incredibly proud of the way they represented our school and the Sydney Coastal zone.







P&C News

Welcome back to Term 4!

P&C AGM & TERM 4 MEETING - November 8th

The Term 4 P&C meeting & AGM will be held on Wednesday 8th November in the school library (located on the ground floor of the same building as the school office). Join us from 6:30pm for wine and nibbles with the meeting starting at 7pm.

A new P&C executive committee will be decided on the night so if you are wishing to join the executive, please be sure to attend.

All school community members are welcome to attend our meetings and contribute their ideas and questions. Please RSVP here to note your attendance:

FAMILY CAMP IS THIS WEEKEND!!

Hope you all have a great time and can't wait to hear all about it when you're back!



P&C News

The Countdown to Christmas is On!

We will be running the ever popular Christmas tree & pudding fundraiser again this year. Order your Christmas tree or delicious Christmas pudding and help raise funds for the school - each Christmas tree raises \$22, and puddings raise between \$6 and \$18 and they will be available for pickup from the school on the morning of Saturday 2nd December. Get in early to make sure you don't miss out!

www.yourlocalschool.com.au

We are also considering running a small Christmas Market on the morning of Saturday 2nd December, to tie in with our Christmas tree fundraiser. This would be an opportunity for the creators, makers and business owners in our community to sell their wares in the lead up to Christmas.

We would go ahead if we had enough interest, so please let us know if you would be interested in having a stall at the market or would come along to shop and support our community!

https://forms.gle/2eypWuDVrHmEpUj97

FUTY Yoga



A reminder that our wonderful From Us To You Yoga team runs sessions in the hall every Friday morning for \$10.

Join them for an hour to give back to yourself with yoga that will change from week to week to suit all manners of self-care.

All proceedings will go to the P&C. All are welcome! BYO mat and blanket or shawl. The school car park will be open on Henderson St.

Book your spot today -

https://bondipublicpandc.com/products/comm unity-yoga?_pos=1&_sid=78363b4e0&_ss=r

P&C News

Canteen Update

REMINDER: Only parents should be using Flexischools to order from the canteen and children's names should match their enrolment.

Don't forget **birthday** Freezies and chocolate mini muffins require a minimum of 3 working days notice and do not include holidays. Please email your order to canteenbondi@gmail.com

Most importantly, we always need **volunteers** to be able to run the canteen efficiently. Tuesdays and Fridays are our busiest days - if you have time on these days, please consider signing up to help out for an hour or two:

https://bondipublicpandc.com/blogs/volunteering/canteen

Uniform Shop Update

All available stock is now listed here - **bondipublicpandc.com** and can be ordered for delivery to your classroom.

SALE SALE SALE SALE - 50% off all 2022 uniforms!

Do you need some new items to get you through this year? All of our remaining 2022 stock is now 50% off so grab a bargain and some backup uniforms before they all sell out. Remember these uniforms can be worn till 2025 but the school kindly asks kindy or new students to stick to the 2023 uniform items.

Did someone say volunteers????

There are always countless options to volunteer and we can utilise any skill level!

- Uniform Shop packing orders and serving; Mon, Wed, Fri 8.45 9.15am
- Canteen help with food prep, no skills necessary; Mon Fri 9am 2pm (for any amount of time that you can spare)
- Anything else you may think of, reach out here https://bondipublicpandc.com/pages/volunteering

Have a wonderful break! Rachel, Kate, Kellie, Judii & Candace



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Welcome Kindergarten 2024

Enrolment Applications DUE NOW!

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https://bondi-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment.html

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Parent Information Evening (school hall):

WEDNESDAY 30 AUGUST 6:00-7:00PM

Transition Day 1:

WEDNESDAY 18 OCTOBER 9:30-11:00AM

Transition Day 2:

WEDNESDAY 25 OCTOBER 9:30-11:00AM

Transition Day 3:

WEDNESDAY 1 NOVEMBER 9:30-11:00AM

Fortnightly School Tours- call our school office to book 91306998





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For more information

P: 02 9327 9000

E: learntoswim@cranbrook.nsw.edu.au



Scan here to register



Office: (02) 9745 1170



CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Bondi Public School is held on Mondays from 1:15pm to 2:00pm, starting on 9 October 2023.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

Each student in the Chess program will also receive access to Chess Squad https://www.chesssquad.com/ which is an online teaching/playing platform.

If your child is interested in taking part in the class, please email office.sydneyacademy@gmail.com for an enrolment form. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

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TERM 4 LEARN TO PLAY BASKETBALL PROGRAMS

NEWTOWN NEXTGEN + AUSSIE HOOPS

Aussie Hoops **AGE:** 9-12

DAY: Thursdays

TIME: 6:15PM - 7:15PM

STARTS: 19th October

AGE: 5-10

DAY: Fridays

TIME: 4:30PM - 5:30PM

STARTS: 20th October

Newtown NextGen

LOCATION: Church in the Marketplace, Bondi Junction





NEWTOWN NEXTGEN



AUSSIE HOOPS SIGN UPS INCLUDE PARTICIPANT PACK GOODIES

INTERESTED IN JOINING?

SCAN THE QR CODES FOR MORE INFORMATION



Learn to Swim

With summer just around the corner, there's no better time to equip your child with essential swimming and water safety skills.



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