BONDI BULLETIN

THE LATEST NEWS AND UPDATES FROM BONDI PUBLIC SCHOOL

Dates for your Diary

Principal's Post

Friday 30th June
Last day of Term 2
Monday 17th July
Staff Development Day
Tuesday 18th July
Student's return for start
of Term 3

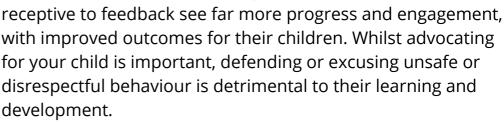
Monday 24th July
NAIDOC week at Bondi
Traditional Aboriginal
smoking ceremony
Monday 31st July
Kindy Teddy Bear Picnic
Friday 4th August

P&C Trivia night

Dear parents and carers,

As Term 2 comes to a close, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support throughout a wonderful first semester full of unique learning experiences and fun events.

A shout out to our parents who worked closely in positive partnership with the school for the best outcomes for our students and their children. Sometimes we need to facilitate difficult conversations with parents around behaviour and learning. Parents who encourage their children to take responsibility for their behaviour and learning, and who are



I'd also like to thank our staff for their ongoing efforts and dedication to our students, in making BPS a wonderful place to learn, grow and play. From excursions to The Rocks, The Seymour Centre and the farm, to exciting participation in the Cross Country Carnival and PSSA Sport, our students have had many additional amazing experiences on top of the targeted personalised maths and literacy learning in classrooms with their teachers and our Assistant Principal, Curriculum & Instruction (Ms Albronda). The preparation and rehearsals for our 3-6 musical, "Shrek, The Musical" are well and truly underway and our Stage 3 students proudly represented our school at the "Zing Activ" dance championships last week. The list goes on...



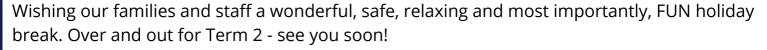


Our Semester One reports were pushed out digitally this week. Teachers worked hard with the new reporting guidelines to ensure all students received areas of strength and future direction for each of the 6 Key Learning Areas. As stated by Natalia in the Week 6 Bulletin, general report comments are not mandated in the updated policy and were not included. Aspects that would have previously been reflected in general comments can be found in the 'Social Development' and 'Commitment to Learning' check box sections. This is a good time to remind our parents and carers that written reports are only one aspect of our assessment and reporting practices. We held Parent-Student-Teacher conferences in Term 1 and we will be holding Student-Led Conferences in Term 3. Teachers also have ongoing communication with families as required and this communication is always responsive to student needs.

The exciting projects around the grounds continue to progress. The storage containers have arrived and are now ready for use. One is for the P & C and one for the school. The cottage kitchen has been fully stripped and the new flooring has gone down. Work will continue over the holidays and we will keep you updated on progress next term. Our playground sensory boards are due to be installed next term and the outdoor classroom construction will begin soon. The electrical upgrade is due to be finalised in the holidays - we can (quite happily) say goodbye to the generator! We are also busily sourcing the best chicken coop, so we can finally bring the chooks

Finally, I would like to inform you that I will be taking Extended Leave (Long Service Leave) for Weeks 1-7 next term to travel to Europe. A huge thank you to Anthony White and Michal Maslanka who will share the relieving Deputy Principal role during my leave period.

We are very lucky to have great depth and experience in our leadership team!



Kind regards

Anna Monnor

back from their holiday stay!









Deputy's Delivery

Thank you P&C

On Sunday, June 25th, our dedicated Parent and Community (P&C) and volunteers group, generously donated their time for a working bee, making significant contributions to our school. They invested their Sunday in transforming the uniform shop, replacing old shelves with new ones and re-organising the stock for improved efficiency. Additionally, they took the initiative to beautify the school by tending to some garden beds within the premises. Despite being a small team, their remarkable dedication and achievements exemplified their commitment to our school community.

We extend our sincere gratitude to the P&C and volunteer team for their invaluable partnership in enhancing our school. Their selfless efforts in revamping the uniform shop and beautifying the school grounds have made a tangible difference. We encourage others to follow their inspiring example and actively participate in our school community, as collective involvement paves the way for shared success. Together, we can continue to create an environment where students thrive and our school flourishes.

Kind regards,

Michal Maslanka rel. Deputy Principal







Curriculum Crunch with our Assistant Principal, Curriculum & Instruction

Our Purpose

Teaching and learning is at the very heart of what teachers do here at Bondi Public School and we are excited to welcome you to this new addition to the newsletter. Curriculum Crunch is a place where you can stay informed and up to date on how we continue to improve and provide high quality learning experiences for our students. As mentioned in past newsletters and the media, the Department of Education is currently in the middle of a Curriculum Reform.





This means that the curriculum we teach our students is in the process of being updated and changed to reflect best practice that is supported by current, evidence based research. This is the biggest change that has occurred to the curriculum in the past 30 years and I am happy to report that the teachers here at Bondi are leading the way as learners, by role modelling a positive growth mindset on a daily basis. My role at the school is to work side by side with teachers in their classrooms to support and drive these changes to maximise the learning outcomes for our students.

<u>Goldilocks and the Three Bears - A story about</u> <u>getting it 'just right' in mathematics</u>

This year, the purpose of my classroom visits is to lead the implementation of a whole school approach to the teaching and learning of mathematics. There are a lot of wonderful achievements to celebrate, however let's start from the beginning. In order to improve our achievements and results in mathematics, we must first embed students with a positive growth mindset. So what does that look like at Bondi Public School?





Let's use the Goldilocks and the Three Bears analogy. Goldilocks enjoyed eating the porridge that was 'not too hot, not too cold but just right'. In Mathematics, teachers are successfully planning lessons for students that are not too hard, not too easy but 'just right'. To achieve this, teachers use pre-assessments before learning a new concept and allocate students to different groups, based on colour names. This ensures that the learning students receive is 'just right'. During these lessons, teachers are embedding positive growth mindset attributes such as learning from mistakes, persistence, asking questions and reflecting on learning to build a positive 'I can' attitude. Across the school this has resulted in students displaying an improved desire to achieve greater results and has instilled students with the drive to have higher expectations of themselves throughout the learning process. The improved levels of engagement and achievement in mathematics lessons and assessments are early signs that the proof is in the pudding...or the porridge, shall we say!!!!

Karen Albronda Assistant Principal, Curriculum and Instruction (APCI)









Role: Assistant Principal of Curriculum and Instruction

Time @ BPS: 2.5 years

Outside Interests: Coastal walks, whale watching, spending quality time with family and friends

<u>Favourite Food:</u> Anything that is cooked, baked or prepared by someone else!

Favourite Children's Author: Kobi Yamada

Fun Fact: I have been inside one of the Pyramids of Giza

MS DEB MACNEAL

Role: School Learning Support Officer

Time @ BPS: 3.5 years

Outside Interests: Pilates, reading, listening to and

playing music

Favourite Food: Chocolate

Favourite Children's Author: Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Fun Fact: I have studied up to stage 2 sign language -

Early conversational











Role: Year 3 Classroom teacher

Time @ BPS: 2nd year at Bondi Public school

Outside Interests: Dog sitting

Favourite Food: Asian

Favourite Children's Author: J.K Rowling, Lemony

Snicket & Paul Jennings

Fun Fact: My favourtie movie is Shrek!

MS GRACE HILL

Role: Year 2 Classroom teacher

Time @ BPS: This is my first full year at Bondi Public

School

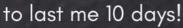
Outside Interests: Hiking and camping

Favourite Food: Seafood and anything spicy!

Favourite Children's Author: Mem Fox

Fun Fact: Last year I hiked the Alta Via 1 trail through

the Dolomites. I had to carry my tent and enough food



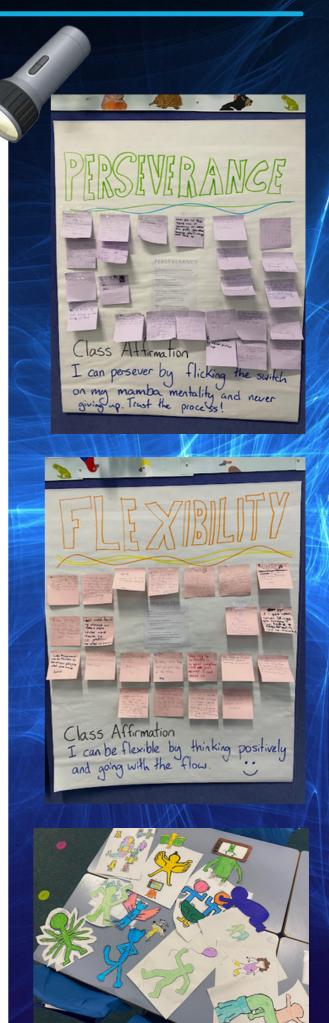


Spotlight on Learning

5/6M with Mr Maslanka

In 5/6M this semester, we have been embracing the importance of resilience and continuously striving to develop it by drawing on our character strengths to overcome hurdles. Students have been working incredibly hard this term in both literacy and numeracy to become the best versions of themselves and strive for their personal best.

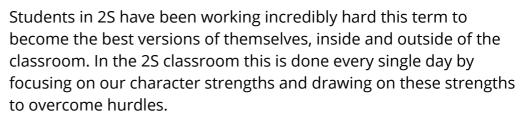
In recent Grow Your Mind lessons we focused on flexibility and perseverance and I was delighted by the active participation and insightful contributions of 5/6M students. They eagerly shared strategies for developing these character strengths, such as maintaining an open mind, adapting to challenges, setting achievable goals, and persisting in the face of difficulties. The collaborative and empowering atmosphere in the classroom showcased their maturity and critical thinking abilities. It is clear that these lessons extend beyond the classroom, equipping our students with essential life skills for navigating various situations. I encourage parents to continue fostering conversations about flexibility and perseverance at home, as we work together to nurture resilience and a growth mindset in our students. In a vibrant display of creativity and unity, 5/6M recently embarked on an exhilarating artistic journey inspired by the legendary street artist Keith Haring. Renowned for his distinctive style and bold use of colours, Haring's influence resonated deeply with 5/6M students, who eagerly embraced his philosophy of artistic collaboration. Haring, known for his affinity towards working with children, always admired their boundless imagination, infectious sense of humour, and remarkable lack of prejudice. Encouraging young minds to come together, he urged them to pool their talents and create mesmerising artworks collectively. Guided by Haring's spirit, the students unleashed their inner creativity, producing an array of vibrant and captivating pieces that serve as a testament to the enduring power of artistic expression. We will display our Keith Haring inspired art as an installation piece in a secret location within the school. Keep your eyes out and see if you can find it.

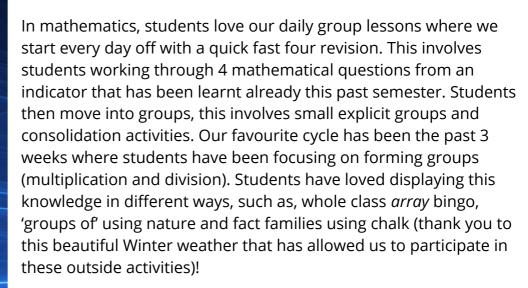




Spotlight on Learning

2S with Ms Sinclair



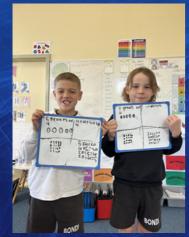


We also LOVE the Grow Your Mind program in 2S and have been using this program to help identify healthy friendships and to understand what a respectful relationship is. We know that one of the greatest indicators for enduring good mental health is the presence of high quality friendships. It requires a skill set to be a good friend and to ensure you stay in a healthy friendship.

Students have learnt about the signs of an unhealthy friendship and we have looked at ways in which we can recognise these and steps we can take to help the friendship or maybe decide that that friendship isn't for us. With a focus on the quality text *The Invisible Boy By Trudy Ludwig*, we decided to focus heavily on being friendly to everyone this past fortnight, by filling other classmates' buckets. Students have been displaying so much kindness towards one another and our kindness wall is continuing to grow every day. So much so that we are running out of room!











Around the Grounds

Kindergarten Calmsley Farm Excursion

On Monday, Kindergarten classes travelled by bus to Calmsley Farm.

We observed and patted several different animals and were even given the opportunity to milk a cow. During lunch, we watched a stockwhip show. Some students even had a go at cracking the whip! One of the highlights of our excursion was riding the tractor around the farm. After a busy day in the fresh, farm air, there were certainly some sleepy Kindy kids on the bus ride back.













Stage 3 Zing Active Interschool Challenge

Last Thursday 78 students from Stage 3 competed at the Zing active Interschool Challenge at the Billbergia Indoor Sports Centre. Students performed the Jive and the Tango with a partner, and participated in a group Hip Hop showcase performance.

Congratulations to the following students who placed and received a ribbon for their

efforts in the partner dances:

Winne and Ivy - 1st Year 5 Jive Ziggy and Daisy - 1st Year 6 Jive Viva and Noah - 1st Year 6 Jive Theodore and Molly - 3rd Year 6 Jive

Lexi W and Archie - 1st Year 5 Tango Wren and Josh S - 2nd Year 5 Tango Lolly and Lulu L - 3rd Year 5 Tango Gene and Indi - 1st Year 6 Tango



We were lucky enough to be awarded overall winners for the partner dances in the Year 5 category! Bondi also won best dances in the spectators and teacher competitions thanks to the fantastic dance moves from our families.

Thank you to all of the families who came to support us on the night - we really appreciate all of your help making this night such a success! Bring on 2024!



Celebrating Success



After much practising with her tutor Lilia and joining Bellevue Hill students for rehearsals, Lulu (5/6M) represented Bondi Public School playing first violin at the Opera House for the Festival of Instrumental Music on June 15th.

The festival is an initiative of the DoE Arts Unit, and around 400 recorders and 200 strings students from all over NSW played at the event.

This is the 2nd year Lulu has represented her school at the festival and hopes to attend again one last time next year to proudly fly the Bondi Flag. Well done, Lulu!





Library News

ICAS

Bondi Public School is pleased to offer our students the opportunity to participate in the 2023 ICAS Assessments, which will take place in Term 3. This year, our students in Years 2-6 can nominate to sit the English and Mathematics assessments, and Years 3-6 can nominate to sit the Writing assessment. The assessments are designed to target students' higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills. Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition and development.



Our school has signed up for the ICAS Assessments Parent Payment System (PPS). Through this system, parents can pay for ICAS directly online, while tests will still be held at our school. Testing dates can be found here:

https://www.icasassessments.com/event-calendar-australia/

To order assessments for your child, please visit:

https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps and use the school code: KYS561

Please note, the Parent Payment System portal will close on Monday 31 July.

P&C News

Vale Michelle Caley

As many of you will know, Michelle Caley sadly passed away last weekend. Michelle was an incredibly active member of the BPS community and supported the P&C in so many ways. From her time in the canteen helping Kai to serving on the P&C exec, working on the uniform review, being a class parent and the wonderful tea towel fundraiser, Michelle had a beautiful sense of school and community spirit that she shared with many of us right until the end.



We want to send our love and thoughts to Matt and Albert and if you're in a position to support them, a Go Fund Me has been set up in her honour to help them adjust to the monumental shift in their lives in the coming months.

https://www.gofundme.com/f/to-honour-our-michelle-support-for-albert-matt

Thank you Michelle for all your care, dedication and vibrancy you shared with our community, you will be missed.

Working Bee - What A Success!!!

A huge huge thankyou to all our volunteers who came along for the working bee at the school last Sunday. Without you all, this would not have been possible.

While weeding and tidying the school property was done, a mammoth task of overhauling the uniform shop took place.

Spearheaded by Yael Super (Super by name AND nature!) and our wonderful Nil, the teams worked tirelessly on Friday afternoon and throughout Sunday to transform the space from the dark cupboard it was to the light-filled beautifully organised space.

A special shout out also to Dick for his skills in ensuring it was all installed safely and the Bunnings Crew Trade Specialists...Amani who is Zuri and Imara's uncle (Yr 6/4) and another staff member Steven who went above and beyond to assist in every aspect including packing Yael's car to the brim with plastic tubs and then the prompt Saturday delivery for the remaining shelving saving us greatly.

We hope you'll pop in next term to see how fabulous it looks and purchase some new uniform items.

P&C News





Trivia Night Tickets are LIVE

Tickets for the trivia night are now on sale! https://bondipublicpandcevents.square.site/ \$25 each or \$200 for a table of 10.

We will be competing in tables of 10. You can choose to buy individual tickets for \$25 each or purchase an entire table for \$200 and save! If you purchase individual tickets, you can nominate a table or people to sit with or we can match you

up to form a table with new friends.

Raffle tickets and food pre-orders will go live in the coming weeks so keep an eye on the BPS Community Chat.



This will be our main fundraising event for 2023 and we are planning a fun night to come together, have some laughs, raise some money and find out who will be the BPS P&C Trivia Masters of 2023!

FUTY Yoga

A reminder that our wonderful From Us To You Yoga team will be back in Term 3 to run 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/community-yoga?
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Canteen Update

Excitingly, we have a new fruit stand at the canteen. Anytime your child is hungry, they're welcome to come and enjoy fruit provided to us by our friends at Woolworths Metro Bondi Rd. If you have any fruit as a family that you'd like to contribute as well, please feel free to drop it off to Kai and the wonderful canteen team and they will be sure to share it with our community.

If you could also encourage your child to only take fruit if they are hungry, that would be helpful also. Last week Kai and the team hosted the ESSSN meeting for Waverley, Randwick and Woollahra to talk about all the wonderful sustainable initiatives our canteen is working on. It was a wonderful presentation and spread!

Congratulations to Kai not only for the presentation but also her hard work and dedication to continuing to make our school canteen not only the tastiest but also the most sustainable it can be. Bravo!





See you back in Term 3 and don't forget birthday Freezies and chocolate mini muffins require a minimum of 3 working days notice. Please email your order to canteenbondi@gmail.com

If you're planning your time for next term, don't forget 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

The uniform shop is now closed for Term 2 and will reopen Wednesday 19th July. All available stock is now listed here - **bondipublicpandc.com** and can be ordered over the holidays for delivery to your classroom in early Term 3.

Varsity jacket and puffer vest pre-orders will be delivered to classrooms early next term. Our tracksuit pants and raincoats are in store now, as are both black and white socks.

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 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



BONDI PUBLIC SCHOOL

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

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Bookings and additional classes please visit: www.artlabschool.com





WINTER SCHOOL HOLLIDAY ART CAMP



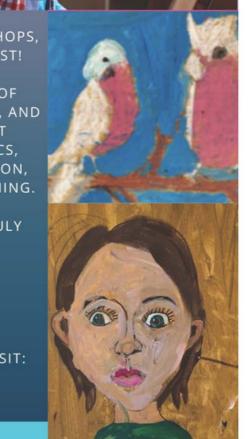
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ART LAB SCHOOL 42 OCEAN STREET, WOOLLAHRA, 2025 PH: 0403069217

BOOKINGS AND ADDITIONAL CLASSES VISIT: WWW.ARTLABSCHOOL.COM



Winter Holiday Program Kool HQ Waverley



LOCATION

Waverley Collage 131 Birrell St, Waverley NSW 2024

DATES

Term 2 Holidays (Winter) 3 - 14 July 2023

HOURS

Monday to Friday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

FEES

Standard: \$104, Early Bird: \$94

Fees are before child care subsidy.T&Cs Apply.

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Join the Sydney Children's Choir

For kids who love to sing. Enrol now for Term 3! All school aged children are invited to apply. Contact sccegondwana.org.au



