

BONDI BULLETIN

THE LATEST NEWS AND UPDATES FROM BONDI PUBLIC SCHOOL

Dates for your Diary

Monday 19th June

School photos catch up day

Tuesday 20th June

Stage 2 Spelling bee in the Hall

Thursday 22nd June

Zing Active Interschool Challenge

Sunday 25th June

P&C Working Bee

Monday 26th June

ES1 Excursion to Calmsley Farm

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

Principal's Post

Dear parents and carers,

I have been impressed by our students' ability to demonstrate an attitude of gratitude, which has been a focus during our Grow Your Mind sessions. We can often learn so much from children who are inspired by nature and see the beauty in the world around them. Here's an example you can try at home.

Grow Your Mind Gratitude Meditation



While the community continues to live with COVID-19, NSW Health has advised that the unpredictable nature of the virus will continue to present a health risk to the community, especially during the winter months while other respiratory illnesses circulate. As a response, our school will continue to operate with our baseline COVID-smart measures in place throughout this term to minimise transmission while prioritising student and staff well-being. These include a combination of layered safety measures such as:

- Staying home if unwell and test for COVID-19 if showing any [symptoms](#) [External link](#). Students and staff are advised to stay home until they are well, even if they have a negative COVID-19 test result.
- Boosted day cleaning of high-touch areas in our school
- Well-ventilated learning spaces

Our school may be directed to temporarily reintroduce additional COVID-19 measures, including mandatory mask-wearing and postponing events and gatherings, or directing a cohort to learn from home for a short period to minimise transmission risks. The NSW Department of Education's COVID-19 Health, Safety and Staff Wellbeing team will continue to lead this work when it is needed.

For further information about the COVID-smart measures in place this term refer to the department's [COVID-smart measures at school](#) on our Advice for families page.

I would also like to take this opportunity to share Fire and Rescue NSW's [Winter fire safety checklist \(PDF 864.8KB\)](#). Please download the checklist and follow the instructions listed to help keep our households safe and warm during the colder months.

On behalf of our school, I want to thank you for your support in helping to keep our students, staff and community safe.

Finally, I wanted to let you know that I have been asked to relieve as Director Educational Leadership in Week 10 of this term and Week 1 next term. We are fortunate to have a talented and dedicated executive team who will relieve in higher duties during this time. Miss Anna O'Connor will relieve as Principal in Week 10 and Mr Michal Maslanka will relieve as Deputy Principal. In Week 1 Mr Maslanka will relieve as Principal (while Miss O'Connor is on leave) and Mr Anthony White will relieve as Deputy Principal.

With my very best wishes,

Natalia Greguric

Principal



Deputy's Delivery

Attendance

Please remember that full time attendance at school is not only imperative for your child's learning and wellbeing, it is a legal requirement in Australia. We want to ensure your child's learning is maximised and that they are well connected to their peers and teachers. This can only happen if they are at school every day. The only exception to this is genuine illness or extraordinary family circumstances. Here are a couple of things that are important for every family to remember:

- Please ensure your child is at school every day. If they are sick or you have extraordinary circumstances, it is essential that you explain this absence to the school. This is best done via email.
- Partial absences can disrupt your child's learning and have a significant impact. Arriving late in the morning or leaving early in the afternoon without a genuine reason is a concern and will have an impact on your child. Please make sure your child is at school on time every day and stays until 3.00pm.
- Remember that planned travel should be taken during school holidays and not during the school term. Applications for extended leave for holidays outside of school time will usually not be approved if a student's attendance is below the legislated requirement of 85%.
- Appointments with allied health care providers (e.g. speech therapists, occupational therapists, psychologists) should be scheduled outside of school hours to minimise disruption.

Missing a day here or there may not seem like much, but absences add up. Every day matters and we are here to support all students in attending and engaging with their learning, on time, every day of the term. Thank you for your support with this.

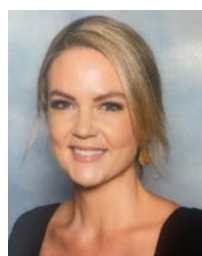


Have a wonderful fortnight ahead. Be kind to yourselves and each other...

Kind regards

Anna O'Connor

Deputy Principal



Meet our Staff!



MR MICHAL MASLANKA



Role: Stage 3 A.P/Rel. D.P & 5/6M Classroom Teacher

Time @ BPS: 7 years

Outside Interests: Football, Rugby League, travel

Favourite Food: Whittaker's coconut chocolate, Pizza and Thai food

Favourite Children's Author: Neal Shusterman

Fun Fact: I won the Rugby League Emerging Nations world cup representing Poland

MISS GEORGIA DEVENISH

Role: KD Classroom Teacher

Time @ BPS: This is my second year

Outside Interests: Cooking, travel and yoga

Favourite Food: Spicy Laksa!

Favourite Children's Author: Bronwyn Bancroft and Aaron Blabey

Fun Fact: I swallowed a 5c coin when I was very young (thinking it was chocolate money)!



Meet our Staff!



MR NICK CHRISTENSEN



Role: Rel. Stage 3 A.P & 5/6C classroom teacher

Time @ BPS: 1 year

Outside Interests: Golf, ball sports

Favourite Food: Thai

Favourite Children's Author: Andy Lee

Fun Fact: I won the meat tray at a local raffle last week!

MS BILJANA BLANUSA

Role: RFF teacher

Time @ BPS: 10 and a half years

Outside Interests: Cooking, shopping and reading

Favourite Food: Gnocchi pesto

Favourite Children's Author: Roald Dahl

Fun Fact: My husband and I met when we were in 3rd grade together!



Spotlight on a Class

KV with Ms Vidler

Students in KV continue to grow in all aspects of their learning, both in and outside the classroom.

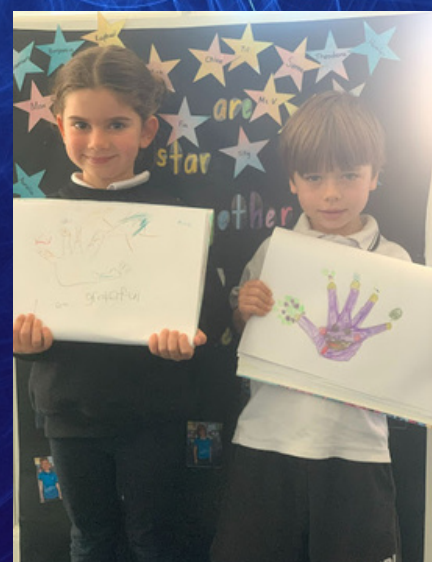
Recently in writing, we explored character traits within texts such as 'When Billy was a dog' by Kirsty Murray. Learning about sentence structure, nouns and verbs and using our skills of sounding out, KV students completed sentences on what they would do if they were a dog. As you can imagine this led to a very funny discussion!

In mathematics, students have been learning strategies to add and subtract numbers and have been doing a great job during group rotations.

Garden with Miss Nelly continues to be a fortnightly highlight for all of us. Students showed care and teamwork during their recent lesson by digging for worms and observing how long it took for the worms to wriggle into the soil.

KV has been learning about gratitude, including what it means, what it looks like, and how to practise it. We have been using a gratitude hand exercise where we reflect on five things we are grateful for. As a class, we understand that this exercise helps us to develop a more positive outlook and become more appreciative of the things we have.

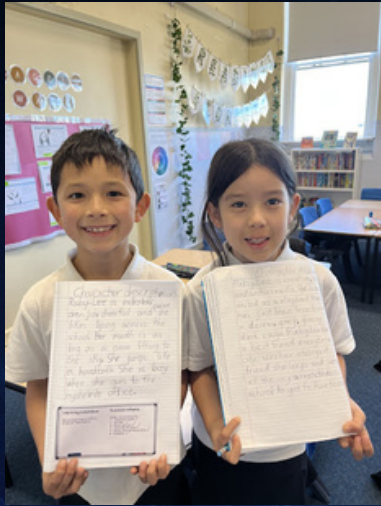
Almost halfway through Kindergarten and we are so proud of the achievements we have made so far. Continuing to be safe, respectful, learners, we are excited to see what the rest of the year holds.





Spotlight on a Class

2H with Ms Hill



During writing sessions this term, we have been focusing on character descriptions from two very different quality texts: 'The boy who tried to shrink his name' by Sandhya Parappukkaran and 'Hark, It's Me, Ruby Lee!' by Lisa Shanahan. We challenged ourselves to create clever similes that had never been used before and use thrilling noun groups to build descriptions of people and things. We also learnt to use background knowledge to make an inference and compared and contrasted characters in texts. We created our very own character descriptions using action and sensing verbs and students were challenged to add adverbs to their writing. We co-constructed writing success criteria as a class and then pretended we were detectives to ensure each other's writing ticked all the boxes. To help get into the mind of a character we played 'hot seat' and thought up interesting questions for those students impersonating a character from the book.

In maths we have been using our knowledge of place value to partition large numbers. We have also learnt to count and represent large sets of objects by systematically grouping in tens and hundreds using base 10 blocks. We have sequenced numbers and arranged them on a line by considering the order and size of those numbers.

2H has been finding ways to show respect in the classroom by demonstrating active listening, sharing, turn taking and communicating appropriately. We have also been participating in a weekly game of 'Secret act of kindness', where we pull a name out of a hat and have 24 hours to complete an act. At the end, students have an opportunity to guess who it was, and the kindness-givers are revealed!



Celebrating Success

Congratulations to Hugo (3/4W), Clara (3/4W) and Teiki (5/6C) for their outstanding effort in presenting prepared and impromptu speeches in the Local Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition held at Bellevue Hill Public School on Tuesday. The adjudicator took a lengthy time to deliberate over the final decision for both Stage Two and Three competitions as the quality of speeches was extremely high.

Clara was awarded the Highly Commended Speaker for the Stage Two competition. Well done!



P&C News

Trivia Night Details Below - From the P&C Executive

We can officially announce our theme and venue for the trivia night are: Drum roll please



Start planning your looks for an Under The Sea themed trivia night at Bondi Diggers on August 4th from 6pm - late.

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!

- There will be tables of 10 available and we can accommodate smaller groups too.
- Delicious food will be available for pre-order and tickets and food will be on sale any day now.

Keep an eye on the BPS Community chat for the link to purchase when it's live!

**Working Bee – Sunday, 25 June**

We are planning the working bee for June 25th and we are focusing on:

- Removing the shelving in the Uniform Shop
- Installing new shelving in the Uniform Shop
- General tidying of the school including weeding

Please bring gloves and gardening equipment if you have them.

We will be putting on a BBQ for our volunteers! If you're able to help, please sign up today!

<https://forms.gle/8szEv9VErqHBRT68>

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 carpark will be open on Henderson St.

Book your spot today -

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**Canteen Update**

Next week, our canteen will host the Eastern Suburbs Sustainable Schools Network meeting for the term, with our very own canteen manager, Kai Tando, presenting on all the wonderful work she is doing to make our canteen more sustainable.

If you'd like to book tickets to attend, use this link -

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/school-canteens-unwrapped-esssn-term-2-meeting-tickets-628978059307>

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If you need to contact the canteen urgently, you must go via the office or come to the canteen in person.

Birthday Freezies and chocolate mini muffins require a minimum of 3 working days notice. Please email your order to canteenbondi@gmail.com

Volunteers are essential to being 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

SALE 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.

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

Don't forget, if you have any unused Back to School Vouchers, these are valid until June 30th and can be used to purchase anything at the uniform shop! To redeem your vouchers, email them to bondiuniform@gmail.com and we will send you back a discount code to use on the website. Alternatively, you can use them in person on Mon, Wed, Fri 8:45-9:15am.

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 last few weeks of term!

Rachel, Kate, Kellie, Judii & Candace



BONDI PUBLIC SCHOOL



Welcome Kindergarten 2024

Enrolment Applications DUE NOW!

<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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Bags just need to be free of as many crumbs as possible but not washed.

The more bread bags we can collect, the more new sports equipment we can get for our school!

If you're interested in finding out more, head to the Wonder Recycling Rewards program parents hub -

<https://www.wonder.com.au/articles/wonder-recycling-rewards-parents-hub>



ART LAB SCHOOL

THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL ART CLASSES AT BONDI PUBLIC AGES 5-12



Art Lab School is delighted to offer Creative Workshops at Bondi Public School for children 5 - 12 years of age: Starting Term 3, every Thursday, 3pm-5pm.

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Winter Holiday Program

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LOCATION

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DATES

Term 2 Holidays (Winter)
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HOURS

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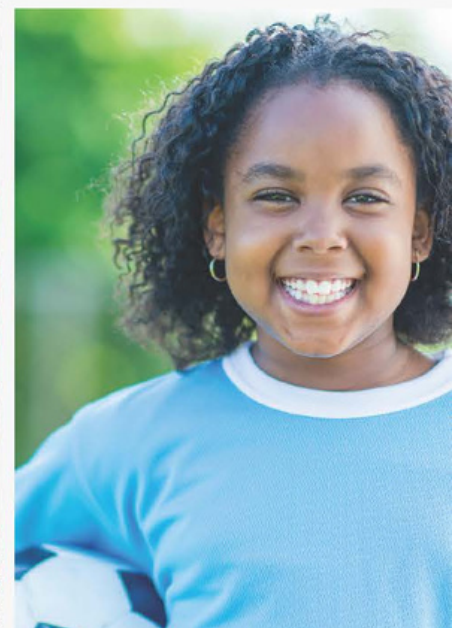
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