

# BSPS P&C TERM 2

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The P&C News for Belmore South Public School

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## AREA 5: LETS PAINT THE DESIGN

Hello, Belmore South Public School community!  
Calling for all parents interested in making their mark on the school playground and providing their kids with something to brag about.

### Area 5 Line Marking Project

The area behind the Kindergarten to Year 2 building.

As you know this area has been resurfaced in black, and now is just a large slab of black...

**BUT** we have the opportunity to paint it!

**Yes you heard me correctly!**

The students have come up with a design that they would like and we are looking to get a parent working-bee together to make that dream a reality.

This is an excellent opportunity to be able to make your mark on the school grounds and for your kids to be able to brag to their friends about their parents.

Now this is in its early stages and the P&C is working hard figuring out the best paint, the cost, marking it out, the date...all the boring details.

What we need from you is interest.

To register your interest in this project please scan the QR code.

Remember this will create a lasting memory for you and your kids.

Even if this is not for you we would really appreciate if you could mention it to other parents that you speak with.

We really need your help to **spread the word**.



## EVENTS IN TERM 2

ALL DATES ARE PROPOSED.  
CHECK YOUR COMPASS APP FOR UPDATED INFORMATION

**Year 5 STEM @ KNHS** - Tuesdays, Starting on 30th April

**Anzac Day Assembly** - Friday 3rd May

**Cross Country** - Monday 6th May

**Mother's Day Stall** - Wednesday 8th May

**Walk Safely to School Day & Parents Breakfast hosted by the P&C** - Friday 10th May, 8:30am

**P&C Meeting** - Week 3 (TBC)

**Sorry Day Assembly** - Friday 24th May

**FREE Zoo Trip**

**3-6 Students** - Wednesday 29th May

**K-2 Students** - Thursday 30th May

**School Photos** - Tuesday 4th June

**King's Birthday Public Holiday** - Mon 10th June

**P&C Meeting** - Week 8 (TBC)

**100 Days of Kindergarten** - Wed 19th June

**Athletics Carnival** - Monday 24th June

**NAIDOC Week** - Starts Monday 1st July

## WEEK NUMBERS & DATES

Week 1: 29th April - 5th May

**STUDENTS RETURN:**  
**Tues 30th April**

Week 2: 6th May - 12th May

Week 3: 13th May - 19th May

Week 4: 20th May - 26th May

Week 5: 27th May - 2nd June

Week 6: 3rd June - 9th June

Week 7: 10th June - 16th June

Week 8: 17th June - 23rd June

Week 9: 24th June - 30th June

Week 10: 1st July to 7th July

**LAST DAY OF TERM:**  
**Friday 5th July**

## ASSEMBLY ROSTER

ALL DATES/TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND SHOULD BE CONFIRMED WITH THE SCHOOL.

**Week 1 - Fri 3rd May**  
- 9:00 am - ANZAC Day assembly.

**Week 2 - Fri 10th May**  
- 2:15 pm - Stage 3 Nessie.

**Week 4 - Fri 24th May**  
- 2:15 pm - Sorry Day Assembly

**Week 5 - Fri 24th May**  
- 9:00 am - Shine Pin Assembly.

**Week 6 - Fri 7th June**  
- 2:15 pm - Stage 2 Yeti.

**Week 8 - Fri 21st June**  
- 2:15 pm - Stage 1 Phoenix.

**Week 10**  
- **Mon 1st July, 9:15 am** - NAIDOC Week Assembly  
- **Fri 5th July, 9:00 am** - Shine Pin Assembly.

# TERM 1 EVENT RECAP

## MEET THE TEACHER

**TUESDAY 20TH FEBRUARY**

We hope you all had a lovely time meeting your children's teachers for this year!

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## SWIMMING CARNIVAL

**WEDNESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY**

The swimming carnival was a great day, full of happy splashing activities. There were approximately 20 excited parents watching and cheering from the sidelines, and the mood was fantastic.

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## HARMONY DAY

**THURSDAY 21ST MARCH**

Our children enjoyed taking part in the in-class activities that the teachers had organised; recognising the diversity of cultures across the planet. It was an occasion to honour our incredibly diverse community.

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## IFTAR

**THURSDAY 21ST MARCH**

The Iftar celebration at our school was a beautiful event that attracted many parents to participate in the celebrations. As families from all faiths came together: some to break their fast, others to serve them and others who joined in the celebrations. A sense of communal joy was created and taste buds were tantalised by the smells of delicious meals crowding the tables. As people enjoyed the delicious feast, exchanging tales, it was a lovely display of solidarity and community that captured the essence of Ramadan in our school.

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## EASTER HAT PARADE

**THURSDAY 11TH APRIL**

Students' inventiveness was on full display at our school's Easter hat parade, and I know that the judges had a very hard time selecting the winners. Amid the celebrations, a human size blow-up Easter bunny appeared, adding to the happy vibe, but honestly I didn't think our P&C President was going to be able to make it the whole parade in that suit. Luckily the real Easter Bunny turned up and Natalie could take a break.

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# TERM 2 EVENT PLANNING

## CROSS COUNTRY

**MONDAY 6TH MAY - WEEK 2**

The Cross Country will be run at the school in area 6 & 7. The P&C don't normally play a role but if we have enough interest from parents maybe this year we can give the teachers and students a hand...some students were so excited last year that they lost their way.

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## MOTHER'S DAY STALL

**WEDNESDAY 8TH MAY - WEEK 2**

The Student Leaders have been busy getting everything ready. Items start at \$2 and this year we didn't get Jelly Beans, as we know most of them did not make it home!

As always we are looking for **parents to volunteer** to help at the stall.

Please mark this one on your calendar and remember to give the kids some money to bring on the day. If you don't want your kids to buy anything at the stall PLEASE speak with them about it beforehand otherwise they can get really upset on the day and feel left out.

We will have presents for Mothers and other special carers in our kids lives.

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## WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY & PARENTS MORNING TEA

**FRIDAY 10TH MAY - WEEK 2**

This one is exciting for us, this will be our FIRST P&C Parents Morning Tea for all Parents. Those who have been to our Kindergarten Orientation Morning Tea will know we like to supply yummy snacks. So walk your kids to school, have a yummy snack and come and meet us. We would love to say 'hi'.

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### REMEMBER

All dates are proposed and could change!  
Keep an eye on the Compass App!

## FREE SYDNEY ZOO TRIP

**WEDNESDAY 29TH & THURSDAY 30TH MAY - WEEK 5**

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## TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY

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The school will be sending out the links to the Dept. of Education's Tell Them From Me survey this term. The survey is an important tool for capturing parent voices and identifying areas of improvement for the school.

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## SCHOOL PHOTOS

**FRIDAY 4TH JUNE - WEEK 6**

Remember to get haircuts in advance (a mistake I made last year)

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## 100 DAYS OF KINDERGARTEN

**WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE - WEEK 8**

An exciting milestone for the Kindy kids. The teachers will be organising activities and a celebration with Kindy parents.

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## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

**MONDAY 24TH JUNE - WEEK 9**

This is always a wonderful event and we do need **parent volunteers** to help out.

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## PARENT - STUDENT - TEACHER INTERVIEWS

**MONDAY 1ST TO THURSDAY 4TH JULY**

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## NAIDOC WEEK

**MONDAY 1ST TO FRIDAY 5TH JULY**

More information to come later.

Stay up to date by following us on Facebook.

## SOME INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR SCHOOL: GEMSTONES LEARNING

### Gemstones Learning Teams

By Ms Huang

#### What are Gemstone Learning Teams?

Our Gemstone Learning Teams (GLT) are a K-6 peer-support program led by our BSPS school leaders. Through our regular meetings, students are able to interact, communicate, and collaborate with students across the school.

#### What do GLT meetings involve?

Our leaders present a range of topics including: National/international events, such as Clean Up Australia Day, Walk Safely to School Day,

and Remembrance Day.

Promoting and teaching PBL and School expectations Promoting sense of belonging and teamwork within Gemstone Learning Teams

#### How often do GLT's meet?

GLT's meet on every Friday during odd weeks. That is, during Weeks 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 of each term.

#### What are the names of our teams?

Our teams are named after 12 gemstones, hence the name Gemstone Learning Teams. Each of the following teams are led by one of our BSPS school leaders:

Amber, Sapphire, Garnet, Opal, Ruby, Emerald, Amethyst, Jade, Topaz, Onyx, Citrine, and Sunstone.

#### More information about our GLT's

GLT's receive points through sporting carnivals and other school events, as well as during GLT meetings and competitions.

Our GLT scoreboard is located outside our BSPS School Hall.

#### Where can I find my child's GLT?

This information is available via Compass. If you have issues about where to look, feel free to approach your child's classroom teacher.

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*We would like to thank Ms Huang for taking the time to put this together for us.*

## A LETTER FROM THE P&C PRESIDENT

“ Together, we can build on past successes and explore new initiatives that will positively impact our school community.

I am excited to take on the role of President for our P&C in 2024. I want to acknowledge the work of our previous president, Jason Rangel, and thank him for his continued contribution to the P&C.

I have a passion for the role that the P&C can play in our school and I look forward to working collaboratively with the other dedicated members and the wonderful school staff during the year. Together, we can build on past successes and explore new initiatives that positively impact our school community.

We recently handed over the Uniform Shop operations to Pearl Pacific in Peakhurst. This was a tough decision but it has given our regular parent volunteers back a lot of time and energy that can be put in to many other initiatives for the school and community.

The P&C gained a number of new energetic members towards the end of last year and at the beginning of this year. It's a great group of people and a great way to add a bit of social fun around your kids schooling. We'd love to grow the group of members even more... if you have any questions about the P&C and what we do or how to get involved please come and say hi. **NATALIE**

## WHAT DO YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT YOUR SCHOOL?

If you let us know your questions, we can ask.

Please remember that the P&C **cannot** handle any concerns that you may have around your child's schooling. These will need to be addressed with the school directly.

The Belmore South Public School P&C wants to support open and clear communication, so we are looking for the topics that you have questions or queries about. Please scan this QR code to submit your question.



## DID YOU KNOW YOUR KIDS ARE GOING TO THE ZOO!

### That's right, the Zoo!

The school has secured funding to take the students to Sydney Zoo. This will be done over two days, K-3 on one day and 4-6 on the next day. How exciting! This will give the kids a wonderful opportunity to explore and make those wonderful primary school memories.

**Keep an eye on Compass for more information.**

# P&C CONTACTS

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## VOLUNTEERING THE MYTHS

Let's get rid of some **MYTHS** about becoming a Volunteer

### **If I join, will I be forced to volunteer?**

No. You can choose to volunteer as much as you like; one event, all events or not at all. **We respect your time** and are grateful for the help.

### **I work or have other full-time commitments, so I can't help out at school events.**

That's okay. Joining the P&C can be a great way to maintain links to the school even if you are unable to attend events. We are also looking for people who maybe able to do some things at home, like Facebook posts or **even just filling out a short survey from time to time.**

### **The P&C already have lots of members, they don't need me.**

We do need you! Each member is highly valued and brings diversity and new opinions to the group.

There is so much that we believe we can achieve, but **we just don't have enough people.** So if you want to help make improvements to the school community and have ideas, why not join the P&C and make it happen.

### **I don't have any experience / know how to do these things.**

Neither did we when we started. Don't worry we can show you what we already know and if we don't know the answer, **we will work it out together.**

### **What is the difference between a Member and a Volunteer?**

The main differences are that **members can vote on Policy decisions**, be invited to sit on a school selection committee and apply for grants to benefit the school.

The Executive positions (President, Secretary, Treasurer and Coordinator Positions) are to attend every P&C meeting, while **general members are encouraged to attend but it is not a requirement.**

**Look out for your friendly P&C members.**

**You may see us wearing these badges...Please come and say hi!**

