# **BSPS P&C TERM 4**

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# **MULTICULTURAL DAY EVENT**

Our school's **Multicultural Day Feast** proved to be an exceptional event.

**Parents and local businesses** provided an amazing selection of culinary treasures from around the world, transforming the undercover basketball court into an adventure in both food and culture.The air was filled with a symphony of spices and flavors, tantalizing our taste buds.

The true highlight of the occasion was all of the' **remarkable** cultures within our community, displayed by our **Students amazing performances**, each representing a distinct country with their vibrant costumes and captivating dances.

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I had the opportunity to speak with Peter and Nikau (year 3) before their Tongan performance and was delighted to be able to see them in action, thank you boys and all of the other amazing performers for a wonderful day. The whole audience was thoroughly enthralled.

It was a day of culinary delights, cultural appreciation, and unity, reminding us of the strength in our diversity.

The local business that, very generously, donated are listed on page two. They showed support for our community, so let's show some support for them.



- Shivaun

# **EVENTS IN TERM 4**

ALL DATES & TIMES ARE PROPOSED, CHECK THE COMPASS APP TO CONFIRM

# 2024 Kindy Orientation

Parent Info Session - Mon 23rd Oct, 5:30pm

- Transition Mornings (Fridays) x 3 - 27th Oct, 3rd Nov & 10th Nov, Time TBC
- School Swimming & Water Safety Program - Mon 23rd Oct to Fri 27th Oct, 9am-11am - Mon 30th Oct to Fri 3rd Nov, 9am-11am

Teacher Appreciation Day - Fri 27th Oct

School Disco - Wed 1st Nov, 5pm-7pm

**Remembrance Day Assembly** - Fri 10th Nov, 10:40am

- Aboriginal Community BBQ Wed 22nd Nov
- Year 6 Orientation Day Tues 28th Nov

School Picnic - Date TBA (Week 9)

- Presentation Day Fri 8th Dec, Time TBC
- Talent Quest Tue 12th Dec, 9am-11am

Year 6 Farewell - Wed 13th Dec, 6pm

Year 6 Reward Day - Thur 14th Dec

Leavers Assembly - Fri 15th Dec, 2pm

## WEEK NUMBERS & DATES

	9th Oct- 15th Oct ents return: Mon 9th Oct
<u>Week 2</u> :	16th Oct - 22nd Oct
<u>Week 3</u> :	23rd Oct - 29th Oct
<u>Week 4</u> :	30th Oct - 5th Nov
<u>Week 5</u> :	6th Nov - 12th Nov
<u>Week 6</u> :	13th Nov - 19th Nov
<u>Week 7</u> :	20th Nov - 26th Nov
Week 8:	27th Nov - 3rd Dec
<u>Week 9</u> :	4th Dec - 10th Dec
<u>Week 10</u> :	11th Dec - 17th Dec

Students last day: Fri 15th Dec

## ASSEMBLY ROSTER

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## Week 2 – 20th October

• Time TBC - Student leadership & PBL assembly

## Week 4 – 3rd November

• 2:10pm - Kindergarten, Wombat

#### Week 5 – 10th November

- Time TBC Shine Pin Assembly
- 10:40am Remembrance Day Assembly

## Week 6 - 17th November

• 2:10pm - Stage 2, Echidna

## Week 8 – 1st December

• 2:10pm – Stage 1, Kangaroo

## Week 9 – 8th December

 Time TBC – Presentation Day & New Leaders Assembly

## Week 10 – 15th December

- Time TBC Shine Pin Assembly
- 2pm Leavers Assembly

# **APPRECIATION AND FAREWELL TO...** Praveen and Maree Singh, Maggie Henry & Seral Djemal

Praveen, Maree, Maggie & Seral have tirelessly filled important roles within the P&C for many years. As their children graduate and you embark on new journeys, we want to express our heartfelt appreciation for their outstanding dedication, hard work and contributions to the Belmore South Public School community and our P&C Association. Their time, energy, and passion have made a lasting impact on our school community. Their commitment to making our school a better place is truly commendable. We wish you and your children all the best in your future endeavors and hope that you carry with you the wonderful memories of your time with us.

You will be missed.



# **A LETTER FROM THE P&C SECRETARY**

## Recap of the P&C Federation of NSW Conference

We recently attended the annual P&C Federation of NSW Conference. Hosted at The Pullman Sydney Hyde Park, the conference provided us with the opportunity to connect with like-minded individuals, sharing experiences and insights.

The conference began with an extremely inspiring keynote address, from NSW Education Minister, Prue Car highlighting the pivotal role that parents and educators play in shaping a child's educational journey. She spoke of how a quality education is the backbone of our society and she left the attendees feeling extremely confident that NSW education policies are in good hands.

A diverse range of workshops and panel discussions allowed attendees to delve deeper into various aspects of P&C involvement in schools. Topics included fundraising with creativity, how to build community engagement with social media, harnessing the power of collaboration, the vital rules that govern how a P&C is run, the importance of the relationship between the Principal and the P&C and many more.

Networking sessions allowed for meaningful conversations with members of other NSW P&C Associations, and we exchanged valuable ideas on ways to better support the students at our schools.

As the conference came to a close, attendees left with a renewed sense of purpose and commitment to collaborating in their children's educational journey. The Parents & Citizens Conference served as a reminder that together, we can make a significant difference in shaping a brighter future for the next generation.

Watch this space while the Belmore South P&C looks to implement some new initiatives to make the contribution of our P&C to the school even better.

- Natalie

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# **RECAP OF TERM 3**

# **FATHER'S DAY**

The Primary School's Father's Day stall was an absolute blast, all thanks to the hard work of our fabulous P&C Association and a massive shout out to Natalie (P&C Secretary).

Imagine a colorful carnival of handmade treasures and heartfelt goodies, brought to life by our enthusiastic volunteers, including parents and our cheerful teachers.

Leading the charge were our amazing student leaders, and boy, did they rock it!

They took their experience from the previous stall and really stepped up: organising their fellow students with confidence, handling cash with flair, and they ran the stall like professionals.

Calling all parents: get ready to join the fun at our upcoming events!

Volunteering is a joyful ride, filled with laughter and smiles as we keep making memories together.

Remember more people that can volunteer a small amount of time the more sleep Natalie will be able to get.

Let's spread the joy even further!

# **UPCOMING EVENTS TERM 4**

# **2024 KINDY EVENTS**

## MONDAY 23RD OCT 5:30PM

This is an introduction for new school parents, and a refresher for returning ones. Full of information about the school and your child's first year.

# EVERY FRIDAY BETWEEN 27TH OF OCTOBER TO 10TH NOVEMBER - TIME TBC

These Fridays are mainly about your child becoming familiar with their new school environment BUT also for the parents to gather information on what and how your children will learn. This is also a good opportunity to speak with a P&C Rep about opportunities for involvement with your child's school environment.

The P&C will also have uniforms for sale for the new students at these events.

# TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY

# FRIDAY, 27TH OCTOBER

Hats off to teachers this World Teacher's Day!

On the P&C Facebook page we will have a "Hats Off" post. Please share your "hats off" selfie to celebrate teachers and tell us what they mean to you.

We will also be providing the teachers with some treats or goodies but we need some inventive ideas...if you have something that you think they will love please let one of the P&C members know!

<u>REMEMBER</u> All dates are proposed and could change! Keep an eye on the Compass App!

# **SCHOOL DISCO**

## WEDNESDAY, 1ST NOVEMBER 5PM TO 7PM

Time to dance! There is always time to dance and this is a night where the **kids can just have some fun**!

We will be calling for volunteers for this event; so if you are interest be sure to mark it on your calendar NOW.

## ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY BBQ Wednesday, 22nd November

The Aboriginal Community BBQ is for our First Nations people to come together and to strengthen the ties, trust and communication with the school. Not only is it to ensure that they have clear pathways for their children's requirements, but also as a sign of **respect and homage** to the Traditional Owners of our land and the oldest living culture in the world.

## YEAR 6 ORIENTATION TUESDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER

# **SCHOOL PICNIC**

## DATE TO BE ADVISED

A date still needs to be set, so **keep an eye out on Compass**. This is a FUN day at the park with a sausage sizzle lunch. Students and Parents alike are welcome and we will be asking for volunteers to help out at this event.

SO if spending time in a park, with your kids having fun and occupied sounds like a nice way to spend your day, make note that it will be somewhere around Week 9; Mon 4th Dec to Fri 8th Dec.

## **PRESENTATION DAY** Friday, 8th December

## TALENT QUEST Tuesday, 12th December - 9am to 11am

It is never to soon for your child to start practicing that special interest talent; be it magic, singing, dancing, playing an instrument or simply been awesome. You will receive notices about the auditions through the school.

## YEAR 6 FAREWELL Wednesday, 13th December - 6pm

YEAR 6 REWARD DAY Wednesday, 13th December

# **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.

# 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.

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

We do need you! Our P&C currently has about 11 active members, compared with approximately 300 students attending our school.

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.

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

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

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

The main differences are that a member 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 it is not a requirement.



# **P&C CONTACTS**

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# **GARDENING CLUB**

If any parents out there know a thing or two about landscaping and wouldn't mind giving us some tips, we'd be thrilled. Every Tuesday at 1 pm during the school term, our gardening club gets together, even though the planting season is over. There's still a lot to do to keep our garden looking great. We take care of our plants, tackle those pesky weeds, and make sure our garden beds stay in top shape.

But, we've got some tricky spots in the garden that we're not sure how to handle. If any parents out there know a thing or two about landscaping and wouldn't mind giving us some tips, we'd be thrilled. Your expertise could really help us out with the tricky parts of our school garden.

# END OF YEAR RAFFLE

We want to do an End of Year Raffle again this year. But we need some great prizes to put in the hamper.

- Do you know a business that might be willing to donate?
- Are you able to donate a good/service for the hamper?
- Would you be willing to try and gather some donations for us?

Any help that you can provide would be greatly appreciated. If you answered Yes to any of the questions above please get in contact via email or Facebook messenger.