

The Bally Buzz



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Term 3 - Week 10

Wednesday 26th September 2018

Calendar - Term 3/4 - 2018

Fri	28 th Sept	Mufti Day – Try Your Luck Stall donations Last day of Term 3
Mon	15 th Oct	First day of Term 4
Tues	16 th Oct	Playgroup – Walking tour of school
Wed	17 th Oct	P&C Meeting, 7:15 in Library
Fri	19 th Oct	Stage 1 excursion to Botanical Gardens Payment Due
Mon	22 nd Oct	Kindergarten Excursion – Teddy Bears Picnic Payment Due
Tues	23 rd Oct	Playgroup – Activities in Hall, Uniform Shop
Sat	27 th Oct	Family Fun Day

Changes to Staff

As mentioned in the last newsletter, there have been some recent changes to staffing at BPS. Therefore, yours truly (Mr Loxton) will be compiling the newsletter from here on in. My apologies in advance for the forthcoming decline in the quality of the jokes of the week.

I am looking forward to fulfilling the role of principal for the remainder of 2018 and seeing all of our students working towards a successful and enjoyable conclusion to the year. Ms Steele and I have spent a good deal of time over the last few weeks preparing for

a smooth hand-over to ensure all programs and processes continue as seamlessly as possible. Regarding this change, and the others to staffing, please don't hesitate to contact the school if you have any concerns.

If your child's class has recently had a change of teacher (as is the case with 5/6L) assure your son/daughter that their new teacher is just as concerned with their welfare and their academic progress as their previous one. The new teacher may do things in a different way, but this should be seen in a positive light as different teaching styles provide a new perspective for students. If you still have concerns after the initial period of transition (a couple of weeks) contact the class teacher to discuss these.

Selective High School Applications for Year 7, 2020

An Intention to Apply note for Year 7 entry into a selective high school in 2020 was sent home with all Year 5 students on Monday. All relevant information regarding entry into selective (academic) high schools is provided. Please note **this is not an application**. All applications must be completed online at the website described on the note. The Intention to Apply note is merely to inform the school as to which students are applying. You have until Friday of Week 1, Term 4 (19/10/18) to return the note.

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Online applications can be lodged any time between October 9 and November 10. If you are unsure as to whether to lodge an application, your child's class teacher will be happy to discuss this with you.



Pre-School Playgroup

This playgroup will be held in the school Hall on Tuesdays in Term 4 and focuses on getting familiar with the school grounds, meeting other 2019 Kindy Starters and gives your child the opportunity to try on and order their Balgownie School Uniform.

School Hall Tuesdays Term 4 at 9.15-10.30am

- **Tuesday 16 October** Walking Tour of the school grounds
- **Tuesday 23 October** Activities in the school hall/Uniform shop

Book Week - Newsletter



A great big thankyou to our school community for your participation in our book week celebrations this year. We had an overwhelming response to our "turn-me-into-a-pirate" competition with many creative and well-constructed entries. We would like to congratulate our winners and once again say thank you to all of those who put in so much effort and time. The library looked wonderful and our entire school got to enjoy the "Find Your Treasure" pirate display.

"Turn-me-into-a-pirate" winners

- Kinder – Capri D
- Stage 1 – Elliott C
- Stage 2 – Arawhin P & Layla O
- Stage 3 – Jason & Chris T

Stay calm and read everyone!
Mrs Birchall



Regional Finals for the Premier's Spelling Bee

Congratulations to the students who went to the regional finals for the Premier's Spelling Bee. Our resident reporter interviewed them on their experience. Congratulations to William W in class 4/5G who came runner up and just missed out on going to the State finals in Sydney.

What word you got out on:

Olivia - bonanza
William - interim
Hamish -Vivaldi
Adem - received

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What is your advice:

Olivia - always try your best

William - do not put too much pressure on yourself when practising

Hamish - try hard and good will come

Adem - practice and you will get it

What are you better at than spelling?

Olivia- Gymnastics

William- Chess

Hamish- Sports

Adem- Goal keeping



A big thank you to Maree and the team at Bunnings, Bellambi for donating paint and craft materials for the Men's Shed project at our school.

SPORTS REPORT

Player Profile - Josh S



Three weeks ago, Josh was a member of the South Coast team at the NSW PSSA Boys Softball Championships which took place over three days in Milperra. Two weeks ago Josh captained the Illawarra Hawks Under 12 Division 1 side at the Basketball NSW State

Championships which took place over three days at Maitland. Recently Josh also represented the South Coast at the NSW PSSA Boys Basketball Championships which took place over three days in Tamworth. Last Friday Josh attended the AIS in Canberra to

participate in the South Coast SSA Primary Athletics Championships where he came 3rd in shot put. A keen and talented sportsman, Josh always represents our school in an exemplary fashion and balances these pursuits with a responsible dedication to his school work.

South Coast Athletics

On Friday 14th September 16 Balgownie students competed at the South Coast Athletics Carnival in Canberra. They were part of the Brokers District team. Everyone tried their best and showed great sportsmanship throughout the competition. Our two school relay teams also had great runs. The senior girls relay team came 1st in their heat and fifth overall in the final. Our junior boys relay team came 3rd in their heat and missed out by 1 second on making the final. Two students placed in the top 3 in their events and qualified for the NSW PSSA Athletics Carnival, which will be held on the 31st October, and 1st November. Those students were Cooper M who placed 3rd in his 100m final and 3rd in long jump. Holly G also came 3rd in her 100m final. Congratulations to all students who tried their best and represented our school with pride.

By Holly.



Uniform Shop

CLEARANCE OF SPORTS JACKETS - Size 6, 8, 10, 12 & 14 available. CASH ONLY Friday morning at the UNIFORM SHOP.

The supplier of the Sports Jackets is no longer producing this jacket and we have to source a new jacket/design. The new jacket will be as close to the current jacket design as we can possibly get but there will be subtle differences.

This process will occur as the current stock are sold. Those students with the current jacket will still be able to wear them and will over time fade out.

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BPS MUFTI DAY

Friday 28th September (THE LAST DAY OF TERM 3) will be a MUFTI DAY. But there will be **NO GOLD COIN!** Instead please donate something beginning with B P S. (see examples below)

The **F**unnier more **A**musing
Mundane **I**maginative **L**udicrous
Yummy **F**rivolous **U**nusual **N**ovel
Delightful **A**bsurd **Y**ummy the item
 the better.

All donations will be used as prizes at the BPS TRY YOUR LUCK stall at the **Family Fun Day Saturday 27th October 2018**. Items can be left in the Office during Week 10 OR will be collected from Classrooms on Friday 28th September. ALL ITEMS MUST BE NEW. PLEASE NO ALCOHOL, PERISHABLE ITEMS OR ITEMS PAST USED BY DATES.

Bag of glitter

- A plant
- Spaghetti
- Bag of lollies
- Pickles
- Stickers
- Biscuits
- Pack of cards
- Slime
- Book
- Paint
- Scented candle
- Bucket
- Pens/Pencils
- Baked beans
- Pasta
- Soap
- Bath Salts
- Sauce- tomato, apple, BBQ, tabasco

Any Questions? Email:

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When kids ask "the" questions...
Interrelate has the answers!

Interrelate is a specialist organisation with over 90 years' experience teaching sexuality and relationship education in NSW schools. Interrelate educators are highly trained and skillful presenters.

The topic of sexuality is handled with sensitivity, openness and humour. The program offers an interactive approach to learning, with a variety of audio-visual materials, discussions and games.

Session 1: Where did I come from?

1-hour session: Years 3-6

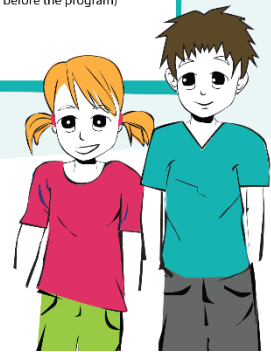
Session 2: Preparing for puberty

1-hour session: Years 5-6
 Years 3-4 can attend at parent's discretion

Specialty books are available for purchase on the night.

Keep a look out for flyers (coming home with your child before the program) outlining session content.

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Joke of the Week



Have a safe and relaxing holiday everyone!

Martin Loxton

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