

# The Bally Buzz



Balgownie Public School  
*Living & Learning*



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Term 1 - Week 4

Wednesday 20 February, 2019

## Calendar - Term 1 - 2019

Mon	18 Feb	Meet the Teacher Sessions this week
Thur	21 Feb	WHSPA Expo evening – book online with WHSPA to attend
	21 Feb	AG class expression of interest forms due today
Mon	25 Feb	Brokers Swimming Carnival
	25 Feb	Illawarra Sports High Information & Open Night
Wed	13 Mar	Keira High Expo Evening
Thur	14 Mar	Selective High School Test
Tue	19 Mar	School Photo Day

The leaders induction assembly was held on Tuesday afternoon. I would like to congratulate each and every one of our school leaders across the school. I know you will do an outstanding job being the best role models you can.

## SCHOOL LEADERS IN 2019

### School Leaders

Skye S, Morgan N, Otis A, Sam D

### SRC Leaders

Samantha C, Lily W, Olivia F, Austin V, Lazar S, Zoe M

Kaiya K, Philippa S, Michaela H, Emily G, Zane G, Sinta M

### IT Leaders

Liesl L, Alli S, Amelia B, Ella P,

Zac R, Jaxon S, Cody O, Lukas C

### Sport Leaders

Dylan K, Zoe J, Emily P, Gabriela L, Chris T, Cooper M, Jordan F, Alex D, Gemma K, Eva F, Jemima B, Vaughn B, Xavier Q, Max W, Jake B, Jye S, Cruz S

### Environmental Leaders

Layla A, Lilly M, Coral G, Emily G, Zetlan F, Finn P, Hamish C, Blake M, Finn K, Declan M, Hamish N, Escher G, Dean C, Cullen H

All of our Year Six students will be working hard to uphold our reputation as a school which values learning, behaviour and caring for each other in school. They have undertaken leadership training with their Stage Three teachers.

Relieving Principal, Jill Hockey.

### Swimming Carnival

This year's swimming carnival was a successful, enjoyable day for those who attended. The students left with smiles on their faces and a little weary from their efforts. I must thank the dozen parents who over the day gave their time to help with time keeping. We could not run our swimming carnival without this help.

Over 30 children have qualified to represent our school at the Brokers Swimming Carnival on Monday 25th February at Corrimal Olympic Pool. Notes and the events that they have qualified in have gone home already.

Again thank you to all those that helped on the day, making the carnival the success that it was. I wish all children competing for our school the best

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of luck at the Brokers Carnival and hope that they represent our school with pride.

Mrs Di Burns-Carnival Organiser

## Well Done!



Balgownie PS would like to congratulate Zac on setting 3 new BPS swimming records and amazingly, equalling a fourth.

## Balgownie Heritage School Museum

Please note a change to the opening hours of our school museum. The museum will be open every second Sunday of the month from 11:00am to 2:30pm.

## Wollongong High School of Performing Arts (WHSPA) Audition Process

The audition application for entry into Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts is now available online only, on the WHSPA website.

Auditions will be held from Monday 25th March to Friday 12th April, the last 3 weeks of Term 1.

## Attention Year 6 Parents

Commemorative shirts are currently being organised for year 6 students. Students will be able to try on the shirts each afternoon at pick-up time. Corina Firpo will be in the playground (near the garden opposite the stage 3 classrooms) with some samples. Please take this opportunity to work out what size you would like to order. **Exchanges will not be possible, so please make sure that you order the correct size.**

There are two styles available:

- Short Sleeve Polo – white with black trim (prices: \$34.50 for child sizes, \$36.50 for adult sizes)

- Long Sleeve Polo – black with white trim (prices: \$37.50 for child sizes, \$38.50 for adult sizes)

Both options have the BPS logo and name on the front and all Year 6 students' names on the back.

**Ordering will be online via the Uniform**

**Shop:** <http://balgowniepnc.com/ourschool/uniforms>

If you are unable to order online, please contact Megan at [megan.hammersley@gmail.com](mailto:megan.hammersley@gmail.com) to make alternative arrangements.

To ensure that we have the shirts ready for term 2, **orders will close on Friday 1st March.**

**Please note: This is the only opportunity that you will have to purchase these shirts. We will not be able to put in any more orders after the closing date, so don't miss out!**

## Library Welcome 2019

Hello, my name is Mrs. Birchall and I am the Teacher Librarian at Balgownie School. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all to the 2019 school year and to provide you with some information about our library and its services.

### The Library

Balgownie school library contributes to student learning outcomes by providing services and resources that support teaching and learning programs throughout the school. The library is well resourced with a large book collection and a computer lab that enables students to use electronic learning materials and to access the Internet. All classes from Kindergarten to year 6 are scheduled to visit the library at least once each week. These visits aim to promote a love of literature and learning and consist of borrowing time, story telling, educational program viewing and library and information technology training. The library and computer lab are opened to our students at lunchtime. Please see the timetable below for your child's library day.

### Borrowing

All students are required to have a library bag to borrow. This helps to protect library books and to keep them separate from other books at school or at home. Children may borrow up to 4 items per week (some of our avid readers borrow more), to be returned on the following weeks library visit. Children may RENEW their loan on books that are required for longer periods.

### Overdue Books

There are no fines for overdue items, however students who do have an overdue book are

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encouraged to return the item before they borrow again. Notes will be sent home for **very** overdue items. If books are lost or damaged, we will ask you for the replacement cost of the book. Students are welcome to return books to the library on any day of the week.

## Book Club

Scholastic book club operates twice per term. Book Club catalogues will be sent home and orders may be placed online or through the school office.

## 2019 Library Class Timetable

Library day	Class
Monday	1/2M, 4/5M, 3/4T, 5/6T
Tuesday	1/2L, 5/6B, KS
Wednesday	2/3H, 5/6L, KD, KK
Friday	1/2G, 3/4W

**It is a pleasure to teach in a school where students value their library so highly. I will look forward to a wonderful year of reading and learning with everyone.**

## Mrs. Birchall – Teacher Librarian



## Uniform Shop

Girls Winter Tunics **pre orders** are now being taken. Orders will be open until 10 am Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019. Orders must be placed and paid for by this time. Place your pre order:

- Online at <http://balgowniepnc.com/ourschool/uniforms/#!/Winter-Tunic/c/9579779/offset=0&sort=priceAsc>
- Complete an order form (attached) and place together with money in the P & C box in the front office
- Still need help? No problem! Email [balgowniepublicschool-uniform@pandcaffiliate.org.au](mailto:balgowniepublicschool-uniform@pandcaffiliate.org.au)

Size 4 and 6 tunics will be available on Friday mornings for sizing purposes.

**PLEASE NOTE** there is currently **NO** second hand winter tunics.

Thank you to those families who have donated second hand items there is LOTS of Size 10 and 12 items.

The Girls Winter pants will be available CASH ONLY for \$1. There are only 3 x Size 4, 2 x Size 6, 2 x Size 12 and 2 x Size 14. There is no refund or exchange on these items. First in best dressed! Friday from 8:30am in the Uniform Shop.

**REMINDER: Parents please ensure you complete your child's full name and correct class when ordering online. These missing details make the delivery process problematic and families may not receive their order in a timely manner.**

## IMB School Banking

Welcome back to a brand new school year and more school banking fun.

**School banking day will be Thursday.** All school bankers receive a free gift for every 10 deposits. This term we've got an exciting gift for you.

Every new IMB Zoo Account for School Banking gets a \$5 headstart\* PLUS \$5 for the P&C. Call into your local IMB to open your account.



## ILLAWARRA SPORTS HIGH

SUPPORTING TALENTED ATHLETES THROUGH EDUCATION

### 2019 Information & Open Night

Monday 25th February 2019  
6.00pm til 7.45pm  
Illawarra Sports High School Hall  
Guru Street, Berkeley



The Open Night will provide parents and students with information regarding local enrolments and the Talented Sports and Development Program. Information for students in years 5 to 10. Register your interest online [www.illawaspor-h.schools.nsw.gov.au](http://www.illawaspor-h.schools.nsw.gov.au)

**80% OF PEOPLE WITH A PEANUT ALLERGY WILL HAVE IT ALL THEIR LIFE. BE SAFE CHECK THAT NUTS ARE NOT ON THE LIST OF INGREDIENTS IN FOOD SENT TO SCHOOL**



**BE SAFE - BE A MATE  
LEAVE PEANUT PRODUCTS AT HOME**

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## Play Football

Balgownie Junior Football Club is one of the largest Junior Clubs in the Illawarra and we welcome all players - boys and girls - of all abilities.

Players will enjoy a healthy outdoor sport in a family friendly Club where they can improve their skills, increase their fitness and learn important life-skills.

Online registration for players between 5 and 11 years old is now open at [www.playfootball.com.au](http://www.playfootball.com.au)

For more information, go to the Bally website: [www.balgowniejuniors.com.au](http://www.balgowniejuniors.com.au)



## JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB 2019 JUNIOR REGISTRATION

Come play Rugby League with one of the Illawarra's most experienced clubs

**2018 WAS A SUCCESSFUL YEAR WITH 4 GRAND FINALISTS AND 3 ILLAWARRA PREMIERSHIPS!**

*Come join the Cougars!*

### Rego & Gear Collection Day

**Saturday 2nd March 2019** | 1pm to 3pm  
Corrimal Bowling Club

Rugby League teams all ages 5-17

Girls Leaguetag teams in U8, U10, U12, and U14s

Registration is \$120 which includes CRL Insurance and playing kit (Active kids vouchers accepted)

Returning registrations must register online:

<http://corrimalcougars.com.au/juniors/juniors-registration>

*New regos welcome*

Turn up to rego day for assistance registering for first time



## WOLLONGONG JUNIOR CHESS CLUB JNR CHESS TOURNAMENT 2019 SUMMER SUNDAY

**(Under 18 Year Olds) 7 ROUND SWISS**

WHEN: Sunday 24-Feb-2019 (10:00am to 4:00pm)

WHERE: FAIRY MEADOW COMMUNITY CENTRE  
- KEIRA ROOM

Guest Park - Crn Cambridge Ave and Princess Hwy Fairy Meadow (Opposite Woolworth)

Trophy Prizes: 1st, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> + Age Groups

Games will be rated by NSWJCL

Results will influence qualification to NSWJCL Country Championship

Entry Fee: \$10

Lunch: Players should bring their own lunch and refreshments.

Arbiter and Information: JOHNMAZZIERI

Phone: (02) 4283 3080 e-mail:

[mazzieri@exemail.com.au](mailto:mazzieri@exemail.com.au)

WOLLONGONG JNR CHESS CLUB meets Thursdays 4:00-6:00pm (not school hols)

Fairy Meadow Community Centre

Future SUNDAY TOURNAMENTS

26-May AUTUMN Sunday 25-Aug WINTER

Sunday 10-Nov SPRING Sunday

Please note: This is not an event organised by Balgownie PS. BPS teachers will not be attending.

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# Academically Gifted Class Year 5

Reminder: Academically Gifted Class expressions of interest need to be in by tomorrow, 21<sup>st</sup> February



- Please complete the Expression of Interest form and return it to school by **Thursday 21 February 2019.**
- Students will need to complete an online assessment in Week 6. This test will be conducted at school.
- Classroom teachers are required to provide additional information for each student.
- All applications are forwarded to the selection panel who will make the final decision for placements.

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## Expression of Interest Academically Gifted Class Please return no later than Thursday 21st February 2019

I ..... (parent/carer) wish to apply for a placement in the Academically Gifted class 2019 for my child .....

I understand that my child will need be required to complete an entry assessment test and that the application will be reviewed by a Principal selection panel.

Signed.....

Contact telephone no.....



# BALGOWNIE PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C UNIFORM SHOP WINTER TUNIC Pre-ORDER FORM

Parents Name:		DATE:	
Address:	Child's Name:		
	Child's Class:		
Email address: (Required to email receipt)	Phone no:		

***PRE-ORDERS MUST BE  
PLACED AND PAID FOR BY FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2019***

\*Orders placed will not be placed with supplier until payment is received/cleared by the bank.

SIZE	CHEST MEASUREMENT	LENGTH	QTY	PRICE	TOTAL
4	70cm	60cm		\$45.00	
5	75cm	64cm		\$45.00	
6	77cm	68cm		\$45.00	
8	79cm	75cm		\$45.00	
10	84cm	83cm		\$45.00	
12	92cm	90cm		\$45.00	
				TOTAL:	

SIZE 4 and SIZE 6 are available in the Uniform Shop for sizing purposes. Friday morning 8:30am- 9am

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ORDER  
Don't forget you can order online at <http://balgowniepnc.com/uniforms> and contact us at [balgowniepublicschool-uniform@pandcaffiliate.org.au](mailto:balgowniepublicschool-uniform@pandcaffiliate.org.au) if you need any assistance.

ITEMS will not be refunded or exchanged if items are not in original condition and original tags inplace.

# Register Now!



## Balgownie PS After School AFL Auskick

JOIN US. ALL ARE WELCOME!!

Day: Wednesday's

Time: 3.10pm-4.10pm

STARTS: February 27<sup>th</sup> (Term 1, Week 5-8)

RUNS FOR: 4 WEEKS (SESSIONS)

Location: Balgownie PS

HEAPS OF FUN? YES!

NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

**REGISTER**

Register online: [www.aflauskick.com.au](http://www.aflauskick.com.au)

Enter postcode "2519" in the 'Centre Locator', then select

[Balgownie PS AFL Auskick Centre](#) and register

Enquiries to: [kieran.churchill@afl.com.au](mailto:kieran.churchill@afl.com.au) or **0413-381-483**

- 4 Week AFL Introductory Program run by qualified AFL Development coaches – AT THE SCHOOL
- Have fun and learn new skills
- Receive an AUSKICK PACK – Football, Auskick speaker, Footy Cards and Footy pump
- Heaps of Fun, Fitness, and Friendship.
- Starts Term 1, Weeks 5-8
- For Girls and Boys from years K-6

Only  
\$51



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# Balgownie Public School P&C Newsletter



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[facebook.com/balgowniepublicschoolfundraising/](https://facebook.com/balgowniepublicschoolfundraising/)



## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Thank you to the hard working dedicated team that forms our P&C. In 2018 we held productive working bees to tidy the school yard, the popular Mother's and Father's Day stalls, a Bunnings BBQ and the Entertainment Book fundraiser. The uniform shop is an invaluable service we offer to the school community and we created the role of Sports liaison, which has improved communication between the school and families.

The Family Fun Day was a wonderful event, and the proceeds went immediately to buying 38 new iPads, cases and charging stations that have already seen plenty of use in all classes since the start of this year.

Some of the other items the P&C have funded include:

- contributions towards Southern Stars (stage 3), Choral Festival (stage 2) and Dance Festival (stage 1)
- coding program
- Mens Shed equipment
- Standing orders library books
- hats for all new kindergarten students
- improvements to the grounds and gardens
- Stage 3 bus for camp
- a defibrillator for both children and adults
- year 6 farewell
- partial funding of the year 6 farewell gift (marquee)

The P&C continues to have a great relationship with the school, receiving enthusiastic support for the Family Fun Day from many teachers and, importantly, our opinions mattered during the subsequent discussions about how to spend the proceeds best for our children's technology needs. We continue to be involved in discussion and negotiation about school policies, the planning phase for the introduction of new technologies, helping to improve communication between the school and families, and positively shaping the the school environment. We look forward to the great partnership continuing in 2019. We have already welcomed the new kindergarten families this year by providing a hat for each student, hosting Tea and Tissues on the first day of school for their families, then celebrating their first week with a very popular pizza party at the park to help the families connect with each other and to feel welcome to our school community.

We were delighted to see some new and returning families at the first P&C meeting of the year. By joining our P&C you can help continue to support the education of your children at Balgownie Public School. Many of us joined when our children were in kindergarten and are so proud of the changes we have helped influence over the years. Thank you to everyone who has attended one, several or almost every meeting. We appreciate your ideas and efforts and we look forward to another successful year of supporting the education and welfare of the students at Balgownie Public School.

**Susan McAndrew**



## MARCH P&C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The P&C AGM will be held at 7.15pm on **Wednesday 20 March** at Collegians, Balgownie. All financial members are invited to renew their membership, nominate and vote at the AGM.

### MARCH P&C AGM

We encourage all members of the school community to come along to our March P&C AGM.

All positions and subcommittee memberships are declared vacant at the AGM, and will be filled by nomination/vote. These include:

- Executive Committee
  - President
  - Vice-Presidents x 2
  - Secretary
  - Vice-Secretary
  - Treasurer
  - Vice-Treasurer
- Sports Coordinator
- Fundraising Subcommittee Convener and Members
- Uniform Shop Subcommittee Convener and Members
- Grounds & Environment Subcommittee Convener and Members
- Grants Coordinator
- Website Administrator

### NOMINATIONS FOR P&C POSITIONS

Financial P&C members can nominate in writing using the form provided. Place your nomination in the P&C pigeon hole in the school office or send an email to [balgowniepublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au](mailto:balgowniepublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au) indicating which positions you are interested in by **3pm on Wednesday 13 March**, when nominations close.

The basic requirements of P&C Subcommittees and Officers are set out by the P&C Federation, available via <http://balgowniepnc.com/ourschool/by-laws/>  
If you have further questions, contact [balgowniepublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au](mailto:balgowniepublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au)

## AGENDA FOR MARCH AGM

1. Membership renewals and new members
2. Acceptance of minutes of 2018 AGM
3. President's Report
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Appointment of Auditor
6. Principal's Report
7. Election of Executive Committee and other positions

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### BALGOWNIE PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION

#### NOMINATION FORM

I .....  
wish to nominate for the P&C position(s)  
below to be voted on at the P&C AGM on  
Wednesday 14 March (tick one or more):

- President
- Vice President x2
- Secretary
- Vice Secretary
- Treasurer
- Vice Treasurer
- Canteen Liaison Officer
- Fundraising Subcommittee Convener
- Fundraising Subcommittee Member
- Grounds & Environment Subcommittee Convener
- Grounds & Environment Subcommittee Member
- Uniform Shop Subcommittee Convener
- Uniform Shop Subcommittee Member
- Grants Coordinator
- Website Administrator

I am a current financial member of the P&C

Signed.....

Date.....

**Nominations close Wednesday 13 March  
3pm**