Term 1 - Week 4

Wednesday 19 February 2020

Calendar Term I - 2020

Wed	19 Feb	Gymnastics K-Yr2
	19 Feb	Swimming Carnival and School Leadership Badge Presentation Assembly in Hall 2:15pm
Thur	20 Feb	Gymnastics Yr3-6
	20 Feb	Stage 2 Meet the Teacher 3:15pm in Stage 2 classrooms
Frid	21 Feb	District PSSA Swimming Carnival
Tue	25 Feb	AFL AusKick after-school program 3-4pm Week 1
Wed	26 Feb	Gymnastics K-Yr2
Thur	27 Feb	Gymnastics Yr3-6
Frid	28 Feb	Forensic Science Show Stage 2 & 3
Tue	3 Mar	AFL AusKick after-school program 3-4pm Week 2

From the Principal's Desk

For your information, the 2020 Balgownie Classes are:

- KB Miss Burrows
- KH Miss Harrison
- KK Mrs Kerema
- 1/2GS Mrs Gosling then Miss Scott (Term 2)
- 1/2J Mrs Jones (Ne McSweyn)
- 1/2S Miss Samuel
- 1/2C Miss Carter
- 2/3H Mrs Hockey

- 3/4W Mr Wright
- 3/4M Mrs Maranesi
- 4/5L Mrs Lynch
- 5/6L Mrs Raffler
- 5/6SB Mrs Burns and Mrs Shum
- 5/6R Mrs Rice and Mrs Robson

Swimming Carnival

Although the carnival ran very smoothly and was enjoyed by all, the decline in participant numbers continues. A swimming program (not learn to swim) at the end of the year is being investigated. One aspect of the carnival that was very well received were the "have a go" events which encouraged the participation of anyone capable of swimming the length of the pool. We will use these again next year and make sure they are well publicised before the event.

District swimming is this Friday. Please note that only 1st and 2nd from each event at our school carnival will represent at district level due to amalgamation of Brokers and Central Wollongong PSSA districts.

Early arrivals

Please do not have your children at school before 8:30am. There is no supervision of students before this time and no first aid officer on site. We have noticed some students arrive recently as early as 8:00am and this is neither safe nor acceptable.

Dogs

We all know dogs are very cool pets and that puppies are cute. It is, however, against department policy for dogs (other than assistance dogs) on the premises. Please do not bring your dog onto school grounds at any time. Your cooperation in this matter is much appreciated.

Racism

Anti-racism education is taught in our classrooms within the Positive Behaviour for Success framework and we make every effort to ensure our school is free from discrimination. Our anti-racism contact officer is Mrs Vanessa Cliff (available Mon/Tues/Wed) and she can help any member of the school community who wishes to raise issues involving racism. Interpreting and translation services can be organised.

Tree Grant From Teachers Federation

Last year we applied for a grant from the NSW Teachers Federation for some trees to beautify our school environment and provide more shaded areas. This grant application was successful and has resulted in the Teachers Federation donating \$3000.00 towards this project. The environmental leaders and staff have already begun planning tree types and locations and will continue working on this.



Martin Loxton.

Have a great week!

School Gates Reminder

To ensure the safety of our students, the school gates will be closed and locked at 9.10am and reopened at 2.45pm. If you require to come in or out during these times you can use the Balgownie Rd carpark through one of its gates. Simply reach through to slide or lift the bolt, open gate and close behind you.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

CONGRATULATIONS MR & MRS JONES

On February 8th, our lovely Miss McSweyn (class teacher of 1/2J) was married. She will now be known as Mrs Jones.

Congratulations Bree and Sam. Our entire BPS community wishes you both joy, love and happiness, as you begin your new life together.



Wollongong High School of Performing Arts (WHSPA) Audition Process

The audition application for entry into Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts Year 7 (2021) is now available online only, on the WHSPA website. Application must be submitted online by midnight **Wednesday 4th March 2020.**

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



Open Night for year 5 & 6 Students is Monday 24 February 2020 6-8pm

Sport Program Trials for year 6 students is Thursday 26 March 2020

On Thursday March 26th, Illawarra Sports High School will be holding the **Year 6 Trials** for 2021 Year 7 enrolment in the Talented Sports and Development Program.

The trials are open to current Year 6 students looking to trial for entry into the Talented Sports and Development Program, year 7 2021. Students MUST be registered in a community club or representative team in the sport they are trialing for. Students must register their attendance at the trials online through the Illawarra Sports High School website. No registration = no trial.

For any additional information is required please don't hesitate to call the front office on 42711099.

Uniform Shop **NEW OPENING TIMES!**

The Uniform Shop opening times have changed. The uniform shop will only open on the first Friday of each month or by appointment. We are seeking volunteers to run the second hand clothing pool on the first FRIDAY of each month. If interested please you are email balgowniepublicschool-

<u>uniform@pandcaffiliate.org.au</u> so a roster can be formulated and printed in the newsletter.

Parents/Carers will still be able to place orders online. These orders will be delivered weekly to the children's classroom. We will be open:

FRIDAY 6TH MARCH

UPDATE: Out of Stock Sport Shirts.

The supplier is currently running on skeleton staff only, due to the current health concerns in the area. An updated delivery time is April at this stage. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Girls Winter Tunics **pre orders** are now being taken. Orders will be CLOSE 10 am Friday 6th March 2020. There will be no further orders after this date as this will delay the delivery of the entire order. Place your pre order:

Online at http://balgowniepnc.com/ourschool/unif orms/#!/Winter-Tunic/c/9579779/offset=0&sort=priceAsc PLEASE NOTE tunics are not kept in stock and

require 5 weeks for delivery. Tunics will be available for sizing on Friday 6th March.

How do I place a uniform order?

Online at http://balgowniepnc.com/ourschool/unif orms/. Please ensure you record the correct child's name and class to assist with prompt delivery



Come and Play at **Balgownie Junior Football Club**

Are you interested in playing a team sport?

Balgownie Juniors Football Club still have player places for both Boys and Girls for the following age groups.

Under 6, Under7, Under 8, Under 9, Under 10, Under 11 & Under 12

Every under 6 player is provided shorts and socks as part of their registration.

How to Register?

Registration is only \$200 per player, with a NSW Active Kid Discount its only \$100. You can register online. www. Playfootball.com.au

HURRY! Limited places remaining **Email Michael at** registrar@balgowniejuniors.com.au for any further information.













