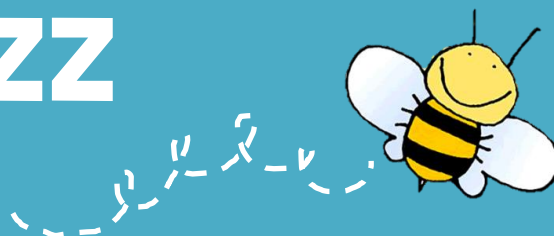


# The Bally Buzz



Balgownie Public School

T: 4284 4245 F: 4284 3462 E: [balgownie-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:balgownie-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)



Term 1 - Week 10

Wednesday 31 March 2021

## Calendar - Term 1 - 2021

Wed	31 Mar	Harmony Day Celebrations
Thur	1 Apr	Easter Hat Parade 9.15am
	1 Apr	Term 1 Ends
Mon	19 Apr	Wild Care Balgownie OOSH Starts Operating
Tue	20 Apr	Term 2 Students return
	20 Apr	Yr5 Opportunity Class 2022 Site opens for Online Applications
Wed	21 Apr	Canteen Hub open for orders
Wed	9 Jun	Kinder 2022 Open Day

## From the Principal's Desk

### Cross Country

After having the rain delay, we held our cross country on Monday. The students and staff got into the spirit of supporting their houses and the competition was fierce. We would like to apologise to any families who missed their child's race due to the races being run much faster than anticipated. We understand how frustrating this would be. We have noted this issue and will ensure it does not occur again next year. Congratulations to all students who ran and earned points for their houses. District qualifiers will be notified shortly. The Cross Country Presentation will be held in early Term 2, more information to follow.

### Goal Setting Conferences

A huge thank you to our whole school community for supporting this new way forward. The

feedback from many parents was that it was a wonderful way to get to know what their child is learning and why, and how home can assist school in assisting students to achieve their best. The students were very excited, and some a bit nervous, to discuss their learning goals with their families, but the teachers have reported that the kids did an amazing job! Research has shown that students who are aware of their learning goals and can articulate them, have a greater success rate in achievement! This is exactly what we want at Bally!

### Assessment and Reporting Plan

In line with our recent goal setting conferences, we will be sending home a written report at the end of Term 2. A student led conference in Term 3 will be held in the first few weeks. At this conference, your child will walk you through their learning so far this year and show you how they have been going in achieving their learning goals. In Term 4, there will be another written report. As always, if you require information about your child's learning, or you wish to share important information with your child's teachers, please contact the school to make an appointment. All of us working together, is the village to raise your child!

### Harmony Day Walk

Today we celebrated Harmony Day. This year, we were able to walk down to the village shopping centre, in Balgownie and observe the wonderful entrants for our Harmony Day competition. Many students entered the competition and the standard was very high. I am so very proud, that, as a school, we are able to work closely with our community. If you have a chance over the holidays, please call by the stores in the village, as they are showcasing Bally Brilliance in their windows!

**Living & learning through high expectations, perseverance and kindness.**

Donna Barton - Principal PO Box 192 Fairy Meadow NSW 2519 P&C: [www.balgowniepnc.com](http://www.balgowniepnc.com)

**Harmony Day Poster Competition Winners****Kindergarten**

Quin  
Priya  
Charlie G

**Year 4**

Marlee M  
Malani & Grace G  
Tijana & Shannon

**Year 1**

Mica W  
Hudson D  
Ashton C & Ryder G

**Year 5**

Axel, Andrew & Charlie  
Ava P  
Alex W  
Courtney & Ada

**Year 2**

Sam W  
Lexie

**Year 6**

Arawhin & Karah  
Sara S, Charli & Zari  
Xavier and Sam L

**Year 3**

Amelia L  
Cydra  
Autumn  
Ava B

**Before and After School Care and Vacation Care**

We are pleased to announce that Wild Care Balgownie will be operating our service. The team from Wild Care have included a link in this newsletter, that enables parents to create a log in and complete registration and bookings online. This service has been operating at Coledale PS for many years and comes highly recommended. We are excited to welcome Carmel, Beck and the team to our community and are very much looking forward to working with them. This service should start operation on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April, Staff Development Day of Term 2.

**Canteen update**

I have been liaising with Karen from Fresh Start Canteens at Fairy Meadow Demonstration Public School. This service is creating a link for our students and staff to register. Once registered, you will be able to order and pay online. The operating system is Flexischools, which is familiar to some families. From Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April, students will be able to order and have their food delivered to their classrooms, in time for lunch. We are looking forward to working with Fresh Start to ensure our students, and their families, have access to a canteen option one day per week. You will be notified on how to register, once the setup is complete. Please watch on Skoolbag for the link to register.

**Thank you and be safe**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my staff and students for their hard work and commitment this term. I know that everyone is very much looking forward to a well-deserved break. We hope that everyone finds time to relax and recharge, ready for, what is shaping up to be, a very busy Term 2! We hope you stay safe and look forward to Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April, when we welcome the children back to Term 2!

Donna Barton  
Principal

**Applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2022**

Applications are open from **Tuesday 20 April 2021 until 5pm on Friday 7 May 2021**.

You must apply online before this deadline at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

**PSSA Boys' Cricket Knockout**

Congratulations to the Balgownie Boys' cricket team on winning their first-round game against Woonona last Friday. Luckily for us, the weather person's prediction of heavy rain didn't happen and instead conditions were perfect for the swing bowlers. Woonona called the toss and confidently elected to bat. Mitch opened the bowling and the innings was under way. Eager shouts of leg before wicket were casually dismissed by umpire Rod Porter who was umpiring his 600<sup>th</sup> game of cricket! (also voluntarily - thanks Rob). The Bally boys were particularly sharp in the field running out the opposition batsmen five times. Woonona ended up making a decent score of 76, which on a thickly-grassed oval and the prospect of facing a representative pace bowler from Woonona would be a challenge to reach. Mitch and Lucas made a good opening stand against the lightning speed of the Woonona openers, but at 3 for 24, reaching the target of 76 wasn't looking good. As usual, Balgownie held its nerve and with an impressive unbeaten partnership from the wicketkeeper batsman Aidan and 'slogger' Sam (I am pretty sure that Sam only knows how to hit fours) Balgownie managed to reach the score with several overs remaining. Congratulations also to Noah and Jaxson on their first game of hard-ball cricket. The school would also like to thank the Balgownie parents for transporting students to the ground, setting up the ground, scoring and

umpiring. Our next game will be against arch-rivals Bowral PS at Bowral (date TBC).

Mr Barrett

## P&C Information

### P&C Cross Country Fundraiser

Thanks to our school community for your support of the Ice Cream Day at the Cross Country on Monday. We raised almost \$400 which will help fund our contribution to the Life Education van.

### Mother's Day Stall

The P&C will be running our annual Mother's Day stall next term on Thursday 6th May during school time. There will be gifts ranging from \$2 to \$10 for Mothers, Aunties, Grandmas and other loved ones. Further details will be provided in Term 2. Community members interested in volunteering their time on the day may email the P&C on [balgowniepublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au](mailto:balgowniepublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au)

ILLAWARRA SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL

# YEAR 6 TRIALS

Thursday April 29th

Talented Sports & Development Program

Basketball / Football / Rugby League / Rugby Union  
Netball / Surfing / Hockey / Touch & Tag  
\*\*New in 2022 Cricket \*\*

You must register online through school website or Facebook.  
Details of trials will be emailed to you upon registration.  
Must be currently playing in club or representative team.

Call the front office if you require assistance.



### Double Deal - Helping your school & the environment!

You probably know about Return & Earn? What you may not know is that you can contribute Return & Earn money to Balgownie Public School! Return & Earn works for those small single serve plastic bottles (eg. gatorade), cans or glass bottles. Milk cartons or big juice cartons etc are not accepted, you can recycle them in your yellow bin at home.


### Where is Return & Earn located?

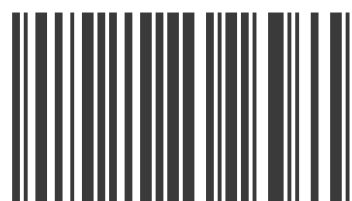
The automatic deposit machine is located at the back of the Fraternity Club in Fairy Meadow.

When you get to the Return & Earn collection point, simply scan the barcode below and start feeding your bottles down the chute. This money is then sent to the P & C's PayPal account which will help us raise money throughout the year. Every little bit helps and your children are always the recipients of material bought with the money raised for the school.

Of course recycling in any way is better than it going to landfill, so you can involve your children in Return & Earn where they can earn some pocket money, or you can choose to donate it to one of the charities or organisations listed.

Happy bottle & can collecting!

 [app.mytomra.com.au](https://app.mytomra.com.au)



Scan your barcode at the machine

## Wild Care is coming to Balgownie Public School

From Term 2 Wild Care OOSH will be providing Before school care, After school care and vacation care on site. Rebekah Pinchbeck will be the Director of the service and will be able to assist with any enquiries. Call or text 0423454573

### Enrolments

Wild Care uses Xplor for all Enrolments, bookings, observations and finances. Once enrolled parents will have up to date information about their child and the service.

Use the link below to enrolling in  
Wild Care

[https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment\\_v2/centre/194231IDQC2Wuqt\\_bznszFD7imQ](https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment_v2/centre/194231IDQC2Wuqt_bznszFD7imQ)

CCS is available to all eligible families.



## Operating Hours

Before school care

7.00am-9.00am

After school care

3.00pm-6.00pm

Vacation care

7.00-6.00pm





LUNCHES WILL BE PREPARED AT AN OFFSITE SCHOOL ( HUB) AND DELIVERED TO THE STUDENT' S SCHOOL IN HOT BOXES/ COOLER BAGS IN TIME FOR LUNCH.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED INFORMATION



## Snacks & Drinks

Popcorn	\$1.00
Noodles	\$1.50
Red Rock	\$2.50
Muffin	\$1.50
Water 350ml	\$1.50
Water 600ml	\$2.00
Popper 100%	\$2.00
Oak Milk	\$3.00
Chill J Drink	\$3.00
Frozen Juice Cup	\$1.50
Frozen Diet Jelly	\$1.50
Ice Mony	\$1.50

## Fresh Sandwiches & Wraps

Cheese, Vegemite OR Jam	\$2
Ham	\$2.50
Ham & Cheese	\$3
Tuna	\$3
Tuna, Lettuce & Mayo	\$3.50
Salad	4
Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo	\$4
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4
Ham & Salad	\$4.50
Roast Beef & Salad	\$4.50
Tuna & Salad	\$4.50
Chicken & Salad	\$5

Prices are for a sandwich.

Upgrade to a wrap for an extra \$1.50

## Tasty Tempters

Home Made Sausage Roll	\$3.50	Lasagne, Spaghetti Or Meatball Pasta	\$5.00
Hot Dog	\$3.50	Creamy Curry Chicken Pasta	\$5.00
Meat Pie	\$4.00	Nuggets	6 for \$4.00



# FESTIVAL OF DEMOCRACY

FREE  
EVENT



**Festival of Democracy** at  
the Parliament of NSW  
these April school holidays

## Friday 16 April

9 am - 10.20 am

10.30 am - 11.50 am

12 pm - 1.20 pm

1.30 pm - 3 pm

*(book for an 80 minute session)*

- Vote in an election
- Make a speech in the historic Parliamentary chamber
- Play democracy hopscotch
- Listen to storytellers
- Make craft animals and objects
- Enter the mystery object competition
- Visit the historic rooms
- Chat with Henry Parkes

This is a COVID-safe event.

Celebrate democracy in Australia's  
oldest Parliament with free, fun  
activities for children and their  
families from 4 to 12 years.



**FREE ENTRY (timed)**  
Activities 9 am to 3 pm

**LOCATION**  
Parliament of New South Wales,  
6 Macquarie Street  
Opposite Martin Place

**The public café will be open.**

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**



9230 2047 or  
E: [communityengagement@parliament.nsw.gov.au](mailto:communityengagement@parliament.nsw.gov.au)

# After Attending the Hospital: Information for Parents and Carers

For all Emergency Department visits and Hospital Inpatient stays.

If a child has spent some time in hospital or has attend the Emergency Department, when returning to school some may find it hard to:

- Adjust back into school life
- Keep on track with their education
- Stay safe



When leaving the hospital you will be provided a discharge plan for your child, you can ask to have this plan given to you in writing if you wish.

**To help your school provide the best possible care and support for your child, before returning your child to school;**

- Contact the School Principal,
- Tell the Principal about your child's medical condition, and
- Tell the Principal what the medical professional recommended

Giving your school a copy of the discharge plan will help your school to develop a plan to support your child and if needed organise additional help.



Sharing information about your child's physical and / or mental health with your child's school will enable Health and Education to work together to provide the best possible support for your child.

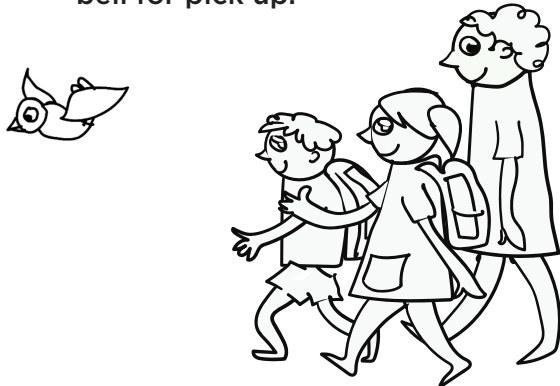
# We all have a responsibility to keep each other safe.

Traffic rules and parking restrictions are there to improve safety around schools.

We all have a role to play in keeping children safe.

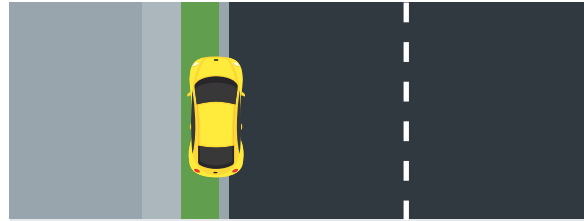
**Next time you are in a school zone here are some simple tips to follow:**

- ! **Waiting in the no stopping zone is illegal and unsafe.**
- ! **It's illegal and unsafe to stop on a children's crossing - even to let children out of a car.**
- ! **Don't queue for a spot. Drive around the block if you can't find a park.**
- ! **U-turns, three-point turns are dangerous, and it's safest to avoid reverse parking outside a school.**
- ! **Drop off and pick up children on the school-side of the road. The safest door on a car is the kerbside rear door.**
- ! **Help reduce congestion in the school zone; park a block from the school and walk. Or arrive 10 minutes after the bell for pick up.**



## SCHOOL ZONE

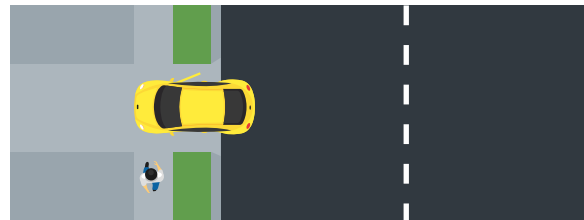
### Common parking rules



#### No Stopping on path/nature strip

**PENALTY EXCEEDS \$349 +2 Demerit Points**

Don't stop in these areas for any reason. Clear unobstructed paths improve safety for pedestrians.



#### Parking Across Driveways and Footpaths

**PENALTY EXCEEDS \$349 + 2 Demerit Points**

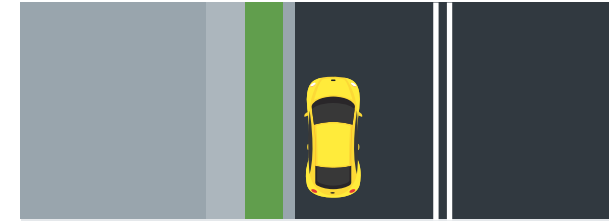
Don't stop across a driveway or footpath in a school zone, not even to drop off or pick up students.



#### Stopping in Intersections

**PENALTY EXCEEDS \$464 + 2 Demerit Points**

Don't stop within 10 metres of an intersection.



#### Double Centre Lines

**PENALTY EXCEEDS \$349 + 2 Demerit points**

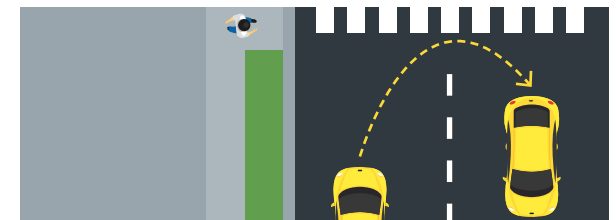
Don't stop your vehicle within three metres of any double centre lines.



#### Double Parking

**PENALTY EXCEEDS \$349 + 2 Demerit Points**

Don't stop on a road between the centre of the road and another vehicle that is parked at the side of the road, to wait or pick up or drop off passengers.



#### U-Turns

**PENALTY EXCEEDS \$349 + 3 Demerit Points**

You can be penalised for dangerous U-Turn's in a school zone.