

NEWSLETTER

Phone: 9484 8844

30 October 2018

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P & C. Meeting – Wednesday 21 November 2018

Website: www.beecroftpublicschool.com.au

7:30 p.m. – Library

Email: beecroft-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Part one

Principal's Report



Multicultural Fair – A Celebration of Community

After threats of rain all week, last Saturday the sun shone brightly over Beecroft Public School. Squeals of delight, excited children and several thousand visitors filled every playground space at the fair. The 2018 Beecroft Public School Multicultural Fair was a celebration of our incredible school community.

Our school has a diverse cultural background and the food fair took everyone on an international culinary journey. There were wonderful traditional cuisines from Korea, China, Belgium, Turkey, Pakistan, India, Italy, the United States, Australia and many other nations. Thank you to the many chefs who chopped, cooked and prepared hundreds of meals, drinks and treats for the food fair. Your effort was well-appreciated... and delicious!

The cultural entertainment from the grade performances showcased our students' talents. The vibrant colours and music added to the festive feel of the day and I thank the teachers and students for the intricate planning and preparation that went into synchronizing groups of 100 plus students into seven amazing performances. The Beecroft Public School dance ensembles, bands and string ensembles along with a variety of community cultural groups entertained the crowds for the duration of the fair. Again, thank you for creating an overwhelming upbeat atmosphere all day.

A fair is not a fair without painted faces, lucky dips, books, lollies, popcorn, fairy floss and rides. Dunk-a-dude, along with the snow cones, were favourites on the day, with long lines for those cool refreshing drinks and even longer lines to dunk our local celebrities, including teachers, students, parents and our local politicians. Thank you to our Local Member, Julian Leeser MP, for being such a good sport on the day. The fun, energy and excitement could be felt on the Mary St grass and primary quad for the entire day. Thank you to the stall holders who provided the sugar and the thrills! The kids had a BALL!!

From the early hours of the morning until the sun set, Beecroft Public School was a hive of activity. The success of the day was a culmination of a year's work of a great team of volunteers. The leadership of the MCF planning committee and the class parents was integral to the success of the day and on behalf of our community I thank each of them. On the days leading up to the fair and on Saturday hundreds more volunteers joined this team. United, our fabulous families, staff and students, put on the most amazing celebration of community spirit. It is certainly an amazing testament to this great community that so many people give generously of their time, talents and gifts.

To each and everyone of you... THANK YOU! It was another great day for Beecroft Public School showcasing the very best of our community.



Thank You to an Amazing Team



2018 MCF Committee

Fiona Burton - Food Fair
 Lisa Yen – Stalls & Planning
 Gary Tyzack – Finance
 Adam Fusca - Logistics
 Ben McSweeney – Logistics
 Mel Hogan – MCF Newsletters

Janine Kissick – Entertainment
 Kate Cousins – School Liaison
 Caroline Choong – Sponsorships
 Cindy Cunningham – Sponsorships
 Melissa White – Special Guests



2018 Stall Organisers

Books Sandra Campbell, Justin Randall, Paul Kelly & Georgia Kriketos Gates Amy Currey, Zahra Musas, Caroline Choong, Barbara Barraket, Ruby Kandola & Maria Weaver Raffle Tickets / Silent Auction Claire Zheng & Emily House World Food & Rides Tickets Jen Mitchell, Karen O'Connor, Amanda O'Neil, Lori Cardillo, Melissa Watson & Alagu Ramanathan Dunk a Dude Amanda Wilson & Philipa Cooper Face Painting Anand Pudipeddi & Manuela Yoo Hair Spray & Tattoos Niroshan Jeyarajah & Claire Owens JoJo Bows Jen Lees & Kim Connor Bottle Bingo Amy Cen & Cheryl Halim Sand Art Julia Whiteney & Kimberley Tietgen	Belgium Chocolate Fountain Melama Arapoglou & Therese Nicita Cakes Justine Slapp, Rosemary Groenestyn, Danielle Kevin & Liz Bentham Australian Food Stall Virginia Cannon Italian Stall Joanne Karabokis Turkish Gozleme Food Stall Danni Hallam & Kristy Burns American Hot Dog Stall Emma Ryman & Olivia Sedgwick Chinese Food Stall Florence Liang, Eric Song & Vera Li Pakistani Food Stall Huma Majid, Balvinder Young & Dona Westhasinghe Korean food stall Jennifer Choi Indian Food Stall Jimit Shah, Nayomi Perera & Jean Guo Dad's Army Ben McSweeney, Chris Young & Jennifer Pai
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Slime Alison Fusca and Alison Fellows Lucky Dip Fei Gao and Lin Tan Lollies Cindy Brenner & Kristy Shepherd Fairy Floss Caroline Zoers & Gareth Wilson Snow Cones Jacqui Sell & Leah Tomas Photo Booth Balvinder Young & Dona Westhasinghe Second Hand Uniforms Helena Coulson & Sherri Cooper Drinks Anand Thakut, Kristy Shepherd, Lyndal Van Hooft & Graham Dodge	MCF Newsletter Mel Hogan Sponsorship Louise De Vos & Cindy Cunningham Social Media Justine Slapp & Julia Whitney Brown MC Team Janine Kissick, Nicole Tyzack, Fiona Johnson, Karan McDonnell & Tanya Rose Finance Team Gary Tyzack, Leon Wu, Tudor Maxwell, Alice & Tom Clayton, Lisa Zhan, Sherri Cooper, Sheau-Fang Low, Lyndal Van Hooft, Jenine Ryle Logistics Ben McSweeney, Adam Fusca, Frank Fusca, Gary Burgess & Patrick Robbins Admin Assistance BPS Office Staff Band Assistance Irene Robbins, Obeid Hamid, Gavan Harrison, Terasa Harrison and Megan Hobbs
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2018 MCF Sponsors

Many parents and organisations made significant donations that enabled the day to be largely subsidised. Our 2018 sponsors made significant contributions to the event and I would like to both acknowledge and thank them for their outstanding support.

Platinum – Woolworths Beecroft

Gold – Stone Real Estate

Silver – Belle Real Estate & Di Jones Real Estate

Bronze – Beecroft Buddies & Beecroft Smiles

Young Inventors Competition

Two teams from Beecroft Public School were chosen by a panel to present at the local OC & Gifted and Talented Young Inventors Competition held at Dural Public School last Thursday. I am thrilled to announce that both of our teams took out top honours on the day. Sasha T 5G, Emily P 5G and Joelle S 5G with their electronic carparking ticket were awarded second place and Christina M 5J, Amber K 5J and Jennifer L 5J were awarded highly commended for their white out and pen combination. This is an outstanding result; we are extremely proud of these incredible young inventors.



Planning for 2019

At this time of year we are also planning for many aspects of the 2019 school year. If your child/ren will be leaving Beecroft PS in 2019 we need to know as soon as possible. Please fill in the form attached or phone Sophia in the front office. Accurate student enrolment numbers will help us plan the most appropriate structures and organisation.

Multicultural Fair Gallery

Here are a few shots from the Multicultural Fair. Visit our website to see the full gallery.

<https://beecroft-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/gallery/multicultural-fair-2018.html>





Tanya Rose
Principal

Deputy Principal's Report

Remembrance Day

There will be a special assembly (K - 6) next Wednesday 7 November commencing at 2:00p.m. to commemorate Remembrance Day. Parents are welcome to attend.

Kay O'Brien
Assistant Principal

Presentation Day – save the date

Please save the date for our annual Presentation Day on Friday 7 December. It is a whole school event and a celebration for our school community.

Year 5 2018 parents:

Important Information about applying for Year 7 entry to Selective High Schools in 2020

If you are thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2020 further information is available on the internet at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

The application dates for Year 7 entry to Selective High Schools in 2020 are:

Tuesday 9 October 2018: Application website opens

Monday 12 November 2018: Application website closes. You must apply by the due date

Thursday 14 March 2019: Selective High School Placement Test

If your child intends applying, please fill in the attached Intention to Apply letter and return it to your child's class teacher by Friday 19 October 2018. Please note: **THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION. You must apply online by accessing the above web address.**

Attached to this newsletter you will find the following documents:

1. Selective High School Application Information
2. Selective High School Intention to Apply form

Karan McDonnell
Deputy Principal

Deputy Principal's Report

Applications to join Training Band in 2019 opening soon

Attention all Year Two Parents

Would your son/daughter like to join the Training Band in 2019?

From Year 3 onwards students have the opportunity to join the Beecroft Public School Band Program. Within the program there are five bands: Training Band, Intermediate Band, Senior Concert Band Two (SCB 2) and Senior Concert Band One (SCB 1) and Stage Band.

Generally, Training Band is made up of Year 3 students but it is open to students in years 4 to 6 too. Please note that **NO** previous experience is required to join Training Band.

This Wednesday, students will be able to see our current Training Band perform at our K-2 Assembly. Our Training Band conductor will give a brief description of the different instruments that make up the band ensemble. Every band needs a mix of larger (lower) and smaller (higher) instruments in order to achieve a balanced sound.

An information night will be held for all interested parents on **Tuesday 6 November** at 7:30p.m. in the school library. More information will be sent home to year 2 students and parents very soon.

Irene Robbins
Acting Deputy Principal

Sports Report

It has been very quiet on the sporting front, it's just the B.A.Z.A and tennis info this week!



Beecroft Awards for Zone Achievement ("The B.A.Z.A.s")

An initiative by our zone PSSA seeks to recognise and acknowledge excellence in sporting endeavours throughout the year in school sport. Awards are presented to students who have:

Represented the Beecroft PSSA Zone at the highest level possible for a particular code of sport e.g.: competed at a National Carnival (or a State Carnival if there was no National Carnival for that age - or code of sport) or

Represented the Beecroft PSSA Zone at area level in **4 or more** separate codes of sport this year.

This year the BAZA afternoon will be held on Monday 3rd December at Normanhurst West Public School, beginning at 5:00pm.

If you believe your child qualifies for one of these prestigious awards, please send me a note via your child or an email to joanne.justic@det.nsw.edu.au and I will be in contact with you in regards to their qualification. The closing date for applications will be strictly Wednesday 31 October.



Anyone for tennis? A word from Mr. Hopkins.

The Term 4 Primary School Challenge is on Saturday the 17th of November, Please register your child if they are interested in playing in this comp through the ETDTA website. Instructions and attachments are in the correspondence below.

We had a great turnout for Term 3 with Beecroft taking out the Team Trophy along with winning most divisions that we entered.

If you haven't pre-arranged a partner, we can pair your child up with someone of a similar skill level. Once the entries have been received, I will be contacted by the association and we can sort out playing partners.

I have also attached another flyer. There is another School Tennis competition called the "2018 Schoolboys & Schoolgirls Junior Tennis Tournament"

This will be held on Thursday 28 November. Please let me know directly by email if you are interested in registering your child for that competition so we can start planning to enter a Beecroft Team.

Regards

Ben Hopkins
0421614891

Mrs. Joanne Justic
Sport Coordinator

EASTWOOD-THORNLEIGH DISTRICT TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC.

**2018 NORTH WEST
PRIMARY SCHOOLS CHALLENGES**

**TERM 4
SATURDAY 17th NOVEMBER
5.30 - 9.30 PM AT PENNANT HILLS PARK**
(Information will be emailed - date 24/11/2018)

Entries Close: Friday, 9th November 2018

**Calling all
tennis
enthusiasts**

You don't need to play regular competitive tennis
but should be off computer or mobile phone.
The evening is casual and lots of fun!

Entries are only online at etdta.com - Challenges - Register

Player entries close Friday, 9th November 2018

ETDTA NORTH WEST PRIMARY SCHOOLS CHALLENGE - INFORMATION

This is a casual court played amongst primary schools from the North West of Sydney.
The event is a day of fun and games for all primary school children from Year 1 to Year 6.
The event is held at Pennant Hills Tennis Centre, 100 Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills, NSW 2150.
The event is held on Saturday 17th November 2018, from 5.30 PM to 9.30 PM.
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**Eastwood-Thornleigh District
Tennis Association Inc.**
Presents

**2018 Schoolboys & Schoolgirls
Junior Tennis Tournament**
Played at Pennant Hills Tennis Centre
with additional venue if entries large

Starts: Thursday, 22nd November 2018
Finishes: Friday 30th November, 2018

Entries Close: 14th November, 2018
Sorry, there will be no late entries accepted after
14th November, 2018
To enter: www.etdta.com > Tournaments

Day	Date	Event
Thursday	22 nd November 2018	Year 1 & Year 2 Boys and Girls Events
Friday	23 rd November 2018	Year 3, Year 4 & Year 5 Boys and Girls Events. Notes: No Doubles for Year 4B
Saturday	24 th November 2018	Year 3 & Year 4 Boys and Girls Events
Sunday	25 th November 2018	Year 5 Boys and Girls Events
Monday	26 th November 2018	Year 6 Boys and Girls Events
Tuesday	27 th November 2018	Year 6 Boys and Girls Events
Wednesday	28 th November 2018	Year 6 Boys and Girls Events
Thursday	29 th November 2018	Year 6 Boys and Girls Events
Friday	30 th November 2018	Year 6 Boys and Girls Events

(1) Players enter individual events according to their year level (Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6) and their gender.
(2) **Qualifying Events:** For each event, players must have www.etdta.com to be eligible to enter.
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Year 5 Taster Day at Cheltenham Girls High School

Year 5 2018 Open Day at Cheltenham Girls High School will be held on Wednesday 21 November. Information and a permission note have been sent home with all the Year 5 girls. A copy of the note and further information are attached to the newsletter.

Fiona Johnson

Multicultural Fair Volunteer Lanyards

Can we have back this week the volunteer lanyards, laminated contact list and the staff official lanyards please so we can reuse them for the next event.

Just drop them into the front office.

Thank you!

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Year 6 Farewell Meeting

There is a planning meeting for the year 6 farewell event in 6R this Thursday 1 November at 3:30p.m.

All welcome!

Ellen Randall





Year 6 Parents, Carers and Teachers Farewell



Year 6 Parents, Carers and Teachers Farewell

The Year 6 Parents, Carers and Teachers Farewell is a great opportunity to catch up with friends and teachers before our children move onto high school next year.

This year's event will be on Thursday 29 November 2018 at the Beehive Cafe in Beecroft from 6:30p.m. until 9:30p.m.

Tickets are \$35 per person (adults only) which includes a delicious selection of tapas. Drinks can be purchased at additional cost. Please purchase your tickets on Qkr! by Thursday 15 November.

If you have any queries, please contact Maria Weaver (mandmweaver@bigpond.com) or Anne Farquharson (anne.far@ozemail.com.au)

Transport Access Program

As you may be aware, the NSW Government is currently delivering the Transport Access Program, which aims to provide accessible, secure and integrated transport infrastructure. The proposed Beecroft Station Upgrade is part of this program, and the public display period has now commenced.

The Review of Environmental Factors is available for viewing and comments are encouraged until 5pm Friday 9 November 2018. The planning documentation is available at <https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/current-projects/beecroft-station-upgrade>, at Pennant Hills Branch Library and at the Transport for NSW office in Chatswood, 821 Pacific Highway Chatswood.

As Beecroft Public School is a key stakeholder, I'm reaching out to let you know what has been proposed and encourage you to provide any feedback you might have during this public display period. More information is available in the letter and community notification I've attached, and feel free to pass this on to anyone who might be interested.

Kind regards,
Phoebe

Phoebe Schumacher
Community Engagement Officer
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Medical Alert

We have had a report of hand, foot and mouth disease; if you have any concerns please read the attached fact sheet.

Front Office

Diabetes in Schools

Have your say on diabetes in schools

Diabetes Australia is currently leading consultation to develop a national program to better support kids with type 1 diabetes in schools. The new nationally consistent training program for teachers and school staff will be targeted at every school with a student with type 1 diabetes and this will cover the safe administration of insulin, hypoglycemia (low blood glucose level) management, and 'normalising' diabetes in schools so the students are not stigmatised.

The program will also clarify the legal framework for diabetes management in schools and resolve any confusion over who can train school staff, and which school staff should be trained.

To ensure the new program meets the needs of schools, students and parents, and builds on all the good work already happening, we want to hear from you about what works and what needs to be improved.

Register to attend one of our information sessions using the links below:

<https://pwc.to/2OletTr>

For Parents and Carers

[Monday 29th October 7:00pm – 9:00pm](#)

[Tuesday 30th October 11:30am – 1:30pm](#)

For Primary Schools (Principals, teachers, support staff, nursing staff)

[Monday 29th October 4:00pm-6:00pm \(face to face\)](#)

[Monday 29th October 12:00pm-1:00pm Video/Teleconference only](#)

[Tuesday 30th October 9:00am – 11:00am \(face-to-face\)](#)

For Secondary Schools (Principals, teachers, support staff, nursing staff)

[Tuesday 30th October 4:00pm - 5:00pm Video/Teleconference only](#)

[Tuesday 30th October 7:00pm – 9:00pm \(Face-to-face\)](#)

If you can't attend a workshop, please take five minutes to complete a survey.

1. [Parent survey](#)
2. [School survey](#)

If you have any questions please visit www.diabetesaustralia.com.au

Eco Corner Report

Kindy help the knights

All kinds of varieties of tomatoes, as well as spinach and lettuce, were planted by the Knights last Friday. The garden beds are full and the veggies are producing an abundance of beautiful food.

It is fabulous to see that the kindy children are now also utilising the heritage garden and looking after it so diligently. More gorgeous fresh produce will be available for sale this Friday at pick up.



Ben the Green Garden Guru
In knowledge we grow

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Message from the President

Wow! What a weekend! Thank you to all the Class Parents who led their stalls with flair and passion through the busiest Beecroft Multicultural Fair in recent memory. Many of you were stepping up for your first fair, well done and thank you. Initial receipts suggest that the fair has been an extremely successful fundraiser for the P&C which we will use to support the school over the next year.

It was super impressive that every single food stall sold out before 2:00p.m. We had a great range of new stalls and the very popular rides.

Thank you to Emma Heyde – Greens Councillor for Hornsby Council and Julian Leeser, Federal Member for Berowra for agreeing to be part of Dunk a Dude and for Mayor Phillip Ruddock for attending the fair. It's a measure of how well the school and our Bi-Annual Fair is regarded that these special guests were prepared to be part of the fun! And they all commented on the community spirit that was evident at our event. This simply reflects the great passion and commitment of our parent body which is providing a wonderful example to their children by being part of this fun day.

A special thank you is also due to the MCF committee, including Fiona Burton, Lisa Yen, Adam Fusca, Nathan Breen, Mel Hogan, Cindy Bremner, Louise de Vos, Becky Wu, Leon Wu, Gary Tyzack, Justine Slapp, Caroline Choong and last but not least Ben McSweeney who facilitated this and answered questions for parents, marketed, wrote handbooks, booked rides, stalls, organised electricians and cutlery and gloves and many, many other tasks to make the fair run smoothly.

Most importantly, thank you to all our sponsors including Janet Stoffels from Woolworths who was at the fair on Saturday with her family and organised emergency cheese for the pizza stall that had run out! Community connections at work!!

The importance of our sponsors cannot be ignored, as it is these sponsors who have assisted in minimising the costs of running the fair, so that the sales from stalls on Saturday are almost completely funds returned to the P&C.

Thanks to Woolworths Beecroft (Platinum Sponsor), Stone Real Estate (Gold Sponsor); Belle Property (Silver Sponsor), Di Jones Real Estate (Silver Sponsor); Beecroft Buddies Childcare Centre (Bronze Sponsor), Beecroft Smiles Dental Surgery (Bronze Sponsor), and all of our amazing supporters, including Beehive Café, Ben-a-Fitness, Bricks 4 Kids @ North West Sydney, Coca Cola Amatil, Con's Deli, Delight Homeart, Epping YMCA, Health Sanctum, In the Zone Tennis, Long Shot Café, Macquarie University Pharmacy, Martelli's, Merchant of Tennis, Priceline – Beecroft, Rossi's Fresh, Step Fitness, The Babzip Restaurant, The Brandery, The Children's Bookshop, The Distributors, Venus Nails, and Wallflower Imaging.

Coming up we have our AGM, where Tanya Rose and the school executive will help us find new ways to spend the funds that we have just raised. It's also your chance to consider joining our executive and being part of the team in 2019. We'd love to have you on board!

Melissa White
P&C President

Mobile 0412 441 626



In addition to Melissa's report, I would like to take time, as this was also my last MCF, to thank a few people who I have worked with over the last 3 MCF's. The first is Fiona Burton who is the coordinator per excellence of all things logistical and practical at the fair. The reason we have just the right number of chairs, marquees, tables, stages, umbrellas, cutlery, chafing dishes, BBQ's, gloves, cooling vans, and pretty much everything else is because Fiona has organised them. Her job behind the scenes is enormous, but it is the heartbeat to the success of the MCF. The second is our long time former P&C treasurer and current MCF treasurer, Gary Tyzack. Gary has taken control of our accounts over the last few years, and is the financial brains to the fair. Floats, money collection, additions, subtractions and payments are all carefully and methodically controlled by Gary and his financial team. Not to mention insurances and all the other important details that need watching over. The third critical part of the successful MCF team has been our newbie Lisa Yen. Lisa had huge shoes to fill with Libby Moore leaving. But Lisa did brilliantly. Lisa was the class coordinator, and the key to the fair being a successful community of classes coming together. Lisa patiently organised the class parents, allocated stalls and roles, answered questions, encouraged, informed, and kept smiling.

I cannot say how wonderful it has been to be at the school and be involved with such a great team with Fiona, Gary and Lisa.

And just as Lisa has stepped up, Adam Fusca also stepped up, and learnt the logistics ropes, along with his fabulous dad Frank, and Patrick Robbins, who I hope gets the recognition he deserves at home, the Sponsorship team of Louise de Vos, and Cindy Bremner, the social media team of Justine Slapp and Julia Whitney Brown, and the signs of Melanie Loomans, and Gary's Finance team, Leon Wu, Tudor Maxwell, Alice Clayton, and Lyndal van Hooft, all supported by a wonderful day of music overseen and organised by Janine Kissick, and her team of Fiona Johnson, Obeid Hamid, Nicole Tyzack Gavan Harrison, Terasse Harrison and Megan Hobbs, and Melissa White our P&C president for all her organisation, coffee meetings and work with all the dignitaries, and Mel Hogan, our retiring secretary, who reminded, noted and documented all things minutable.

Also a huge thank you to all the school teachers and the school admin staff, who provided our kids with sensational activities and items, and the admin who provided much stationery, laminating, coin counting and printing support. And last but not least a huge thank you to our principal Tanya Rose and her exec team of Karan McDonnell and Irene Robbins, who let the P&C borrow the school and its students for a day, and made sure that the school and fair ran in sync leading up to and on the day. Thank you Mr Burgess for all things ground keeping also.

Ben McSweeney
Vice President

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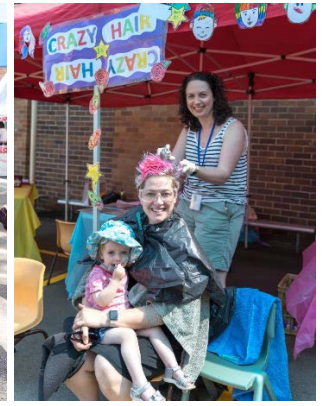
Email: beecroft-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Part two



Newsletter coming out this week! Here is a snippet of things to come.





Dunk-A-Dude

Class 4C would like to say a **BIG** thank you to all the teachers, dads, family members, local celebs and politicians that were "Dunked" at our stall on Saturday. Because you generously gave up your time (and got absolutely soaked) we were able to raise lots of money for the school!!!! Three cheers for you all 🥳





New EMAIL address for the Canteen

A new email address has been set up for the canteen to address all issues to do with the roster or any other business. Please forward all correspondence to this address in the future.

info.bps.canteen@gmail.com

Thank you for your understanding.

Not long to go!

You may not believe it, but the school year is almost at an end. With the P&C AGM coming up soon, our thoughts are already turning to 2019! As always, we will be saying goodbye to some of our volunteer parents and this is a call out for all to have a think about what they can help contribute to the school to make it great!

The Canteen may seem like an optional extra to many parents, but it is an essential part of the school for many of our children! If you think you can help to keep our canteen running next year, please put your name down **NOW!** Sign up sheets are available at the counter and we would love it if you can put your name down, even if it is just for once a term.

Thank you for your consideration.

Roster for the upcoming week

Wednesday 31 October: **NO ONE ON ROSTER**

Thursday 1 November: Fiona B

Friday 2 November: Cherry Y, Kathleen L

Monday 5 November: **NO ONE ROSTERED ON AM**, Janita L

Tuesday 6 November: Allen Z, Sarah P



Can two parents set up an account for the same student?

Qkr!™ offers the ability for two parents to set up an account for the same student if needed. However, please note that the two accounts are independent and no details are shared between them.

If you are rostered on and cannot commit, please arrange for someone to cover your day. Please try and let either myself or the Managers know to help organise the weekly roster. If you are still having difficulties, please phone the Canteen Managers, Jenny or Julie, on 9980 7255. Thanks.

Belinda Varndell
Canteen Convenor

0458 214 041
wbvarndell@gmail.com



Lost Property



Thank you to the class parents who have sorted out the lost property area. 1W is rostered on to sort lost property this week.

Any concerns, please email: bpsclassparent@gmail.com

Thanks,

Lisa Yen

Class Parent Coordinator

lisakyen@yahoo.com.au



Uniform Shop



Hours:

Wednesday

3:00p.m. – 4:00p.m.

Thursday

9:00a.m. – 10:00a.m.

PLEASE NOTE:

The Uniform Shop will be **CLOSED** next week; Wednesday 7 November and Thursday 8 November.

Helpers this week:

Wednesday 31 October - **NO VOLUNTEERS**

Thursday 1 November - Olga L

Next Week:

Wednesday 7 November - **CLOSED**

Thursday 8 November - **CLOSED**

Sherri Cooper

Uniform Shop Convenor

beecroftpsuniform@gmail.com



School Banking



Regular Hours: Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.



The school banking team supported the treasury team at the fair to set up the pop-up ATM and keep cash flowing out to all the stalls. It was a big success with lots of happy customers.

While everyone was out enjoying the fair, the coin counters were whizzing away in the background keeping track of all the ins and outs. Big thanks to Sheau-Fang, Lyndal, Jenine, and Lisa for their support whilst juggling stalls of their own. Thursday's school banking will feel like a breeze this week!

As we come close to the end of the year, we have a few gaps in our roster. If you would like to come and help in school banking, even if just for one week, please get in touch.

Alice Clayton

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Alice.clayton@cba.com.au

BOOSH



A spooooooky hellooooooo Boooooooooshies!!!

It's Halloween week! Once again on Wednesday afternoon the staff will be dressed up and preparing spooky treats for all our children. Who can guess what our theme this year will be?!?! See below for pictures of previous years. It's such a fun afternoon; I know its one of my favourite days of the year!

BOOSH AGM and RE-ENROLMENT NIGHT

The BOOSH Centre Annual General Meeting (AGM) and re-enrolment for BOOSH 2019 places will be held on Monday 5 November 2018 at 6:30p.m. at the Beecroft Bowling Club. Parents can collect their re-enrolment sheets from 6:30p.m. and the AGM is scheduled to start at 7:00p.m.

PLEASE NOTE – ATTENDANCE AT THE AGM IS MANDATORY FOR RE-ENROLMENT OF PERMANENT POSITIONS. As per the Enrolment and Orientation Policy, families must send a representative to the AGM to be able to re-enrol at Boosh in 2019. Any family whose children have PERMANENT places at Boosh must re-enrol for these places at the AGM.

Families who have only Temporary positions or Casual access are also invited to attend the AGM, however attendance is not mandatory. These families will need to come to Boosh from Tuesday 6 November onwards to collect and fill in their re-enrolment sheets before the end of Term 4 to have access to Boosh positions in 2019.

INFORMATION FOR RE-ENROLMENT

Several emails have been sent to families via email. Please ensure you have read and understood these emails. Please contact Boosh with any concerns.

PAYMENT OF FEES PRIOR TO AGM

The Enrolment Policy also outlines that 'Families who are not registered for direct debit/credit of fee payments must ensure that fees are paid in full to the end of the school year (i.e. last day of school) by the date of the AGM (Monday 5 November). Payment or proof of payment will be accepted on the night of the AGM.'

A final statement with year-end care costs was issued to families not on Direct Debit/Credit on Wednesday 17 October 2018. A final reminder statement will be issued this Wednesday 31 October. This statement is to be paid in full, including any additional casual sessions or additional fees, prior to the AGM on Monday 5 November.

Families on Direct Debit/Credit will be issued fortnightly statements as per usual.

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AGM CHILD MINDING

Child minding of Boosh children is available for families attending the AGM. This service is complimentary but must be booked via email prior to the night to ensure appropriate staffing.

SPECIAL AFTERNOON TEA

Halloween Themed treats on Wednesday afternoon!

Have a great week!

UPCOMING DATES:

AGM and Re-Enrolment Night – Monday 5 November 6:30p.m. at the Beecroft Bowling Club

Vacation Care permission slip available to view and submit - Monday 12 November

Year 6 BOOSH Farewell – Thursday 6 December from 6:30pm at Boosh

Have a great week!

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Band News



Band and strings AGM

The band and strings subcommittee will hold its Annual General Meeting this Thursday 1 November, from 7:00p.m. in the school staff room (please note the earlier start time). Come along to hear what has been happening in Band and Strings this year.

We are still looking to fill a few committee positions for next year. If you have a child in band or strings and would like to contribute to our fabulous music program, we would love for you to join our team of friendly volunteers. Please contact me at the address below if you'd like to know more about the roles available and what's involved.

Megan Hobbs, Secretary

E: therealmeganhobbs@gmail.com

Training band 2019

Do you have a child in year 2 or above who is interested in joining the Training Band next year, but you don't know how the program works? Come along to our information evening next week to find out more and ask any questions you have.

When: Tuesday 6 November, from 7:00p.m.

Where: BPS Library

Upcoming performances

Event	Date	Bands
Hornsby North Festival	Sunday 4 November	SCB1 & 2 combined Coordinators to email details. Please ensure that you have completed the permission form: https://nicole1054.typeform.com/to/z9tZIU

Parent Rosters

There will be a combined SCB1 and SCB2 rehearsal **this Friday morning**, to prepare for the Hornsby North Festival performance.

SCB1

Date	Time	Section	Parent
Tue 30 Oct	7:45a.m. – 9:00a.m.	Full band	Shane Wang
Thu 1 Nov	3:30p.m. – 5:00p.m.	Woodwind	Rolin Huang
Fri 2 Nov	7:45a.m. – 9:15a.m.	Combined SCB1 and 2	Christine C
Tue 6 Nov	7:45a.m. – 9:00a.m.	Full band	Ethan Diu
Thu 8 Nov	3:30p.m. – 5:00p.m.	Brass and percussion	Lucas Kang

Co-ordinator: Irene Robbins, irenerobbins19@gmail.com

SCB2

Date	Time	Section	Parent
Tue 30 Oct	3:30p.m. – 5:00p.m.	Brass and percussion	Rosie S
Fri 2 Nov	7:45a.m. – 9:15a.m.	Combined SCB1 and 2	Christine C
Tue 6 Nov	3:30p.m. – 5:00p.m.	Woodwind	Valerie J
Fri 9 Nov	7.45 – 9.15 am	Full band	James F

Co-ordinator: Nicole Tyzack, nicoletyzack@gmail.com

Stage Band

Date	Time	Section	Parent
Mon 5 Nov	7:45a.m. – 9:00a.m.	Full band	Jayden Yen
Mon 12 Nov	7:45a.m. – 9:00a.m.	Full band	Alex Carter

Co-ordinator: Karen Hopkins, karen.m.hopkins@gmail.com

Intermediate Band

Date	Time	Section	Parent
Wed 31 Oct	7:45a.m. – 9:00a.m.	Full band	Samuel McIntosh
Fri 2 Nov	3:30p.m. – 5:00p.m.	Woodwind	Zoe Tamsett

Wed 7 Nov	7:45a.m. – 9:00a.m.	Full band	Horace Tan
Fri 9 Nov	3:30p.m. – 5:00p.m.	Brass and percussion	Aanish Tewani

Co-ordinator: Quyen Bui, ghbui@bigpond.com

Training Band

Training band rosters are now available through SignUp.com. If you have any questions, please contact Ruby.

Co-ordinator: Ruby Kandola, p.kandola@optusnet.com.au

Megan Hobbs
Secretary

therealmeganhobbs@gmail.com



String Ensemble News



You are invited to the Band and Strings AGM

Time: 7:00p.m.

Date: Thursday 1 November 2018

Location: BPS staff room

Come along to hear what has been happening in Band and Strings this year and how you can contribute in the coming year.

String Award

Please be reminded the String Award form is due back on **Friday 2 November**. Please have your child's tutor sign the relevant sections and return the form to the string box at the front office. If you have any questions about the award, please contact your ensemble coordinators.

Term 4 Events**

Ensemble	Event	Location	Date	Time
Advanced	OC Orientation	BPS	Thurs 15 Nov	9:30a.m. – 10:00a.m.
Intermediate	Nursing Home Visit	Chesalon Nursing Home	Mon 26 Nov	10:45a.m.
Advanced + Intermediate	BPS Christmas Concert (End of the Year Concert)	BPS	Fri 30 Nov	5:30p.m. - 8:00p.m.

****For current Strings members, please make sure you communicate with the conductor Mrs Papallo well in advance if the student is unable to attend any of the events listed above. The absences will impact on the performance, which may cause significant difference to the overall outcome. Thank you for your understanding and support.**

String Ensemble Application for 2019

Does your child play a string instrument? The Beecroft Public School Strings Program welcomes new players of all levels, from Year 1 to Year 6. Violin, viola, cello and double bass players are needed. Students with one year of tuition on their instrument can join the Intermediate Strings and more accomplished players are invited to audition for the Advanced Strings.

Rehearsals are on Monday mornings (Intermediate) and Thursday mornings (Advanced) before school. The Intermediate and Advanced String Ensembles perform at festivals and events throughout the year.

Playing music together is lots of fun and a great way to extend musical learning. If you would like to find out more, please contact Winnie or Fei, the String Ensemble Coordinator on StringsBPS@googlegroups.com.

Training String Ensemble - Expression of Interest

The Band and Strings Committee is planning to start a third string ensemble at school next year for beginners. We are looking for expression of interest to see if we have enough students to start such a group. If you have a child who has just started learning violin, cello or double bass, or if you are intending to start your child on learning a string instrument and for your child to join a school string ensemble, please complete the Expression of Interest form on the following link:

<https://bpsstrings.typeform.com/to/r9mvEy>

Thank you to those parents who have filled in the online EOI form. If you know of other children who might be interested in joining the Training String Ensemble, please encourage them to complete the EOI form in the link above. It is a lot of fun to play music with friends.

Zhang Violin Summer School - for those who are looking to improve their violin playing technique here is the information about the 2019 Violin Summer School in Sydney in honour of Professor Zhang.

Bursaries are available to regional students who are AUSTA members, courtesy of AUSTA. Merit based scholarship is available to long term Victorian based students, courtesy of a Victorian donor.



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- Masterclass observation (or optional participation) with Charmian Gadd, Robin Wilson
- Open rehearsal/ performance of the Orava Quartet
- Optional private lessons with Professor Peter Shixiang Zhang, Janet Davies, Charmian Gadd and Robin Wilson
- Farewell chamber music concert performance

Program for Viola & Cello Students (fee \$330)

- Chamber music, coached by experienced music tutors
- Dalcroze Eurhythmics class with Madeline Hagon and Dr Sandra Nash
- Lunch hour concert performance opportunity
- Masterclass observation with Charmian Gadd, Robin Wilson
- Open rehearsal/ performance of the Orava Quartet
- Farewell chamber music concert performance

Date & Time

Date: 19th - 22nd January 2019

Time: 9.00am - 3.30pm

Venue

Barker College Music Centre

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The 2019 Zhang Violin Summer School would like to thank the following partnerships for their support:



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Fei Gao
Strings Co-ordinator

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Auditions will be held **Wednesday 5th & 12th December** between **4pm - 6pm** at the Beecroft Presbyterian Church Hall, Mary St, Beecroft.

For details, please feel free to contact us: info@nsyo.org.au

You may fill out our online application form at:
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We believe performing regularly helps our young players develop into confident musicians. A former member came first in the HSC Music course in 2014, while others have pursued careers as professional musicians and music teachers.

The band includes brass, woodwind and percussion instruments such as trumpet, trombone, euphonium, tuba and saxophone; clarinet, piccolo and flute; and drums.

We rehearse fortnightly during school terms on Friday evenings 7.45-9.00pm in Epping. All members are required to continue in their school band and music programs.

If you are interested in joining the band, please contact us for more details about the next rehearsal date.

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