



16 March 2020

TERM 1

WEEK 8

Principal's News

Updated Information about COVID-19

Yesterday Mark Scott, Secretary of the Department of Education, announced that schools would adopt social distancing measures in schools as a precaution, to keep the risk of infection minimal. Earlier today information was sent to parents via email and skool loop, detailing the measures being put in place at Brooklyn PS. A copy of the letter will also be attached to this newsletter.

Parent Teacher Interviews

We have planned for parents/carers to meet with their child's teacher in formal interviews during week 2 of Term 2. All class teachers will have some morning, day and afternoon sessions available to meet with each parent/carer individually. Booking details will be sent home towards the end of term. These meetings are an ideal opportunity to gain the teacher's current perspective and also for you to share information with the class teacher about your child. Please look out for the information regarding booking interviews and follow the instructions to ensure that you don't miss out!

Premier's Reading Challenge

The 2020 Premier's Reading Challenge is now open! Mrs Penny Broome will be our PRC co-ordinator. Please see further on in the newsletter for a useful guide to the PRC.

Zone Swimming Carnival Representatives

Congratulations to all our swimmers who participated in the Hornsby Zone Swimming Carnival last Tuesday, at the Sydney Olympic Aquatic Centre. It was a fabulous experience for them all to reach this level in the competition. All of our competitors showed fantastic spirit, pride and great sportsmanship. The school and parents are all very proud of their efforts.

CALENDAR DATES

WEEK 8-TERM 1 2020

Fri 20 Mar	Harmony Day—in-class activities only PSSA League Tag cancelled for the rest of this term
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thurs 9 Apr	Last Day of Term 1
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A special thank you to Mrs Mitchell who managed our swimming team at the carnival and all the parents who were able to come and support our swimmers and provide transport to and from the venue.

Evacuation and Lock Down Drill

Each year, schools are required to have emergency evacuation and lock down drills to ensure all children, staff and visitors are aware of procedures in the unlikely event of an emergency. At BPS we have clearly defined procedures which we will be practising with all students during drills throughout the year. Due to social distancing measures, the orientation drill organised for Wednesday 25 March will now be postponed. Instead we will coordinate a modified drill on this day which will outline the procedures and step through the processes of these drills within their classroom environment. Students will be made aware before the day that this will occur.

Tell Them From Me Survey

Like many other public schools in the state, our school will participate in a Department of Education initiative: The Tell Them From Me (TTFM) student feedback survey. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

The TTFM survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them.

The survey is confidential and is conducted online. It typically takes less than 30 minutes to complete and will be administered during school hours before the 8th May. An 'opt-out' consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey will be sent home with students today.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>

End of Term Assembly

Due to social distancing measures, the end of Term 1 assembly due to be held on Thursday 2 April has now been cancelled. Three students per class will be recognised for their outstanding achievements this term. These awards will now be handed out in a class presentation. The choir and band will no longer perform and parents will not be in attendance.

NCCD and supporting students with disability

The NCCD is an annual collection of information about Australian school students with disability. The NCCD enables schools, education authorities and governments to better understand the needs of students with disability and how they can be best supported at school. Your child may be part of this data collection. More information can be found at: <https://www.nccd.edu.au/>

Community News

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Kelly Cartwright
Principal

Zone Swimming Carnival

We congratulate all our swimmers who participated in the Hornsby Zone Swimming Carnival last Tuesday. It was a fabulous experience for them all to reach this level of competition, swimming at the Sydney Olympic Aquatic Centre. Each student competed with great zeal, showcasing sportsmanship, representing our school with honour, even swimming a personal best. Parents should be very proud of their efforts. Congratulations to all the students that participated in the Zone Swimming Carnival, you have done the school proud!



Harmony Day

This year, we will be celebrating Harmony Day on Friday 20 March. Due to new requirements set by the DET with the COVID-19 epidemic, we will not be having food brought in, or inviting our parents to stay. Activities will be in-class activities only.

The students will be able to wear orange clothing which is the colour associated with Harmony Day. There will be fingernail painting and a photo booth with international greeting signs in each classroom. Extra hand wash dispensers will be available to assist with food handling safety procedures.

Our school community population has 16% from a language background other than English. We value our multi-cultural heritage here at BPS.

From the Library Shelves 2020

Koala Adoption:

Term 1, Week 8



Class 3/2T students have been doing some fantastic fundraising to adopt an injured koala from Port Macquarie Koala Hospital by doing jobs for money and donating their “pay” to the adoption. More details and updates will follow so stay tuned!

NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge:

NSW Premier, Gladys Berejiklian is encouraging school students to find the same joy in books that she has had since she was a child.

The challenge is not a competition, but a way to foster a love of reading for pleasure in Kindergarten to year 9 students in NSW schools.

This year, **Brooklyn Public School** will be entering the challenge and all students are encouraged to participate. Mrs Broome is the PRC Co-ordinator at our school.

The 2020 Challenge commences on March 2nd and finishes on August 28th, 2020. Many of the books on the lists can be borrowed from the Brooklyn School Library.

A certain number of books must be read to complete the challenge:

K-2 students are to read 30 PRC books on their own, read with someone, or have read to them.
3-4 & 5-6 students are to read 20 PRC books on their own.

Class teachers and Mrs Broome will record the books we **read to** K-2 students at school on each student’s reading record. PRC booklists are updated each term and new books added.

Parents are encouraged to help their child to logon and record the books on the PRC student website at home using the same student logon that they use at school.

For full details, book lists and Challenge rules please follow the link below.

<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>

Thursday is library day, so please don’t forget to bring your library bags and books and place them in the class boxes on the library verandah before school starts.

Happy reading everyone!

Mrs. Penny Broome
RFF Teacher – Library
PRC Co-ordinator





Premier's Reading Challenge

Tips for parents and carers for participating in the Challenge

- D Find out the name(s) of your school's Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) coordinator(s) and how they plan to administer the Challenge.
- D Familiarise yourself with the new [PRC student website](#). There is a video on the [PRC Support site that you can watch that demonstrates how login, search for books and add them to a Student Reading Record \(SRR\)](#).
- D Visit the [Premier's Reading Challenge Support website](#). It allows you to search for information about the PRC and how to use the PRC website and also how to [contact the PRC team](#).
- D Set reminders for Challenge [opening and closing dates](#) in your and your child's calendar.
- D Find out your [child's logon details](#). For public schools, students' logon will be the same one they use to access computers and the internet at school. Non-government students will need to contact the PRC Coordinator at their school if they cannot remember their login details.
- D Assist your child to borrow books from the school or local library. Listen to your child read and talk about the story/ characters/ information. Read to or with your child if she/he is participating in the K-2 Challenge.
- D Help your child to add books to her/his Student Reading Record **regularly**.
- D Follow The Arts Unit on Facebook and the NSW PRC on Instagram to keep up to date about information about the Challenge throughout the year. We regularly run contests and Author events your child may be interested in taking part in.
- D Contact your child's **PRC coordinator** if:
 - Your child has any difficulty using her/his logon details to access the PRC website.
 - You are concerned that your child's name is spelt incorrectly in the PRC website.
 - If you need to check your child's Challenge history, please contact your child's PRC coordinator.
- D Your child's online Student Reading Record must have the required number of books recorded to complete the Challenge by **the [student closing date](#)**. School PRC coordinators have an extra two weeks to validate the SRR. **Only students with a validated SRR are eligible for a certificate.**
- D **In the final weeks of the Challenge, log on regularly to the website to check the status of your child's SRR.** Contact your child's PRC coordinator if you are concerned your child's SRR has not been validated.

News from the BPS P&C Association

The P&C held its AGM and 1st General Meeting on 10th March. During the meeting the new Executive and Sub-Committee members were elected. The 2020 Executive Team representatives are as follows:

President - Joel King

Vice President - Bjorn Lategan

Vice President 2 - Mark Franklin

Treasurer - Michelle Armstrong

Secretary - Katrina Roberts

Minutes Secretary - Mark Franklin

The P&C would like to thank all the outgoing Executive and Sub-committee members for their time, commitment, effort and support in 2019.

CALLING FOR NEW P&C COMMITTEE FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR!

No fundraising coordinator was elected at the meeting and the P&C would like to invite any interested parties to reach out if you are interested. They would love to hear from you at:
BPS.PandC.association@gmail.com

GARDEN ANNOUNCEMENT

Please note that "Mulch Day" will be Thursday March 26th 9am to 11am. Many hands make light work so please stay after morning drop off and help mulch the gardens!

NEXT P&C MEETING

WHEN: **April 29th**

TIME : **6:30pm**

WHERE: **School Library**

P&C MEMBERSHIP

Everyone is welcome to join the P&C. Membership is \$2 per calendar year and is payable at the meeting. 2019 members who have not yet done so are reminded to complete the 2020 form (included in this newsletter) and pay their fee at their earliest convenience. Payments can be made by Direct Debit to the P&C bank account, or at the next meeting.

UNIFORM SHOP

Finally, a reminder to order your Winter Uniforms ASAP to ensure they arrive in time for Term 2.

Update—due to the Coronavirus

BAND NOTICE

The School Bands will continue to rehearsal on Tuesday mornings and afternoon. We will adopt social distancing as a precaution. We have a relatively small band and will be rehearsing in a large room which will keep the risk of infection minimal. Students are to wash their hands before and after bands and only use their own instruments. Please contact Rose if your child is unable to attend.

PRIVATE LESSONS

Private lesson will continue and will adopt social distancing as a precaution. Students and Tutors are to wash their hands before and after lessons. Pianos will be wiped in-between student use and students are to only use their own instruments. Please contact your tutor if you have any questions.

GARDEN GROUP

Garden group will continue to meet and adopt social distancing.

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop will only be taking orders via the Uniform Shop order box which will be located outside the uniform shop door.

Please make all payments online and you will be advised when your uniforms are ready for collection. Collection point will be the School Office.



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Mission Statement:

To "Grow"

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Membership for 2020 is open to all parents and guardians of Brooklyn Public School students and to citizens of the district. An annual membership fee of \$2 per applicant is payable.

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Address: _____

Email: _____ Paid \$2 Yes/No

Yes/No I would like to receive meeting notifications, minutes and/or other correspondence via email.

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School Lunch Menu

Sandwiches or Rolls add 20c

Gluten Free bread available add 20c

- Buttered. \$1.60
- Cheese. \$2.60
- Chicken. \$3.40
- Chicken, lettuce and mayo. \$4.90
- Egg. \$3.30
- Egg and lettuce. \$4.00
- Ham. \$3.30
- Ham and cheese. \$4.90
- Salad. \$5.00
- Tomato. \$2.40
- Tuna. \$3.90

Wraps

- Chicken and salad. \$6.00
- Ham and salad. \$6.00
- Salad wrap. \$5.00

Salad pack

- Chicken and salad pack. \$6.00 GF
- Ham and salad Pack. \$6.00 GF
- Tuna and salad pack. \$6.00 GF
- Salad pack. \$5.00 GF

Hot Food

- Meat pie. \$4.50
- Sausage Roll. \$3.50
- Chicken Pie. \$5.00
- 2 marinated Chicken legs. \$3.50
- Hot dog and sauce \$4.00

Pastry Scrolls

- Ham and Cheese. \$4.50
- Jam. \$3.50

Cold food and Fruit

- Apple. \$.70c
- Orange wedges. \$.70c
- Carrot sticks. \$.70c
- Fresh Fruit salad. \$3.00
- Frozen yogurt. \$2.20

Drinks

- 300ml East Coast Apple juice. \$2.50
- 300ml East Coast Orange juice. \$2.50
- 300ml East Coast lemonade. \$2.50
- 600ml Spring water Bottle. \$3.00
- 300ml Oak Chocolate Milk. \$3.50
- 300ml Oak Strawberry Milk. \$3.50



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SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

APRIL EVENTS



TARONGA ZOOMOBILE

The Zoomobile is a program sponsored by the NSW Department of Education and brings a variety of Australian animals to the library. This is an interactive program bringing a wide variety of unique and wonderful animals for you to meet such as Ink the Black Headed Python, Spike the Echidna and Puff the Bearded Dragon. Participants will be able to learn about the animal's personalities, take part in individual animal encounters and discover how they can help make a difference for the survival of these intriguing creatures.

Berowra Community Centre

Tuesday 21 April, 10.30am–11.30am

Pennant Hills Community Centre

Tuesday 21 April, 1pm–2pm

Hornsby Library

Thursday 23 April, 10.30am–11.30am

Ages: Ages 5 and up. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Cost: \$10.00

Bookings: Bookings essential. Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library



CAPTAIN BUBBLES

Bubbles ahoy! Captain Bubbles presents a fun-filled bubble extravaganza.

Hornsby Library

Wednesday 22 April, 2.30pm–3.30pm

Ages: Ages 5 and up. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Cost: \$10.00

Bookings: Bookings essential. Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library



HOLIDAY STORYTIME

Join us for stories, songs, craft and refreshments.

Pennant Hills Community Centre

Wednesday 15 April, 10am–11am

Hornsby Library

Thursday 16 April, 10am–11am

Berowra Community Centre

Friday 17 April, 10.30am–11.30am

Ages: All ages. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Cost: \$2.00 per child for children 16 months and over. Payment at door.

Bookings: No bookings required.



For booking details and further information on these events and more events in your library visit hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library

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