



**Our New Athletics Track
and Soccer Field was
officially opened by Mrs
Holmes & our Education
Director Mr Accaria.**



School Concert - 'This is Australia'

Our school concert, 'This is Australia' was held at The Juniors last week. Please don't forget to order your DVD of the concert at a cost of \$20. A huge thankyou to the school staff for their energy and hard work in making sure this event was amazing. Our Education Director Mr Accaria joined us for the evening and was most impressed with our talented students and teachers and the very welcoming community.

School Enews App

All parents need to ensure that they have access to communication from the school. If you have not downloaded the School Enews on your device please do so immediately! The School ENews app is available in the App Store: <http://ios.schoolenews.com.au> This app will give you access to our newsletter and notes in your pocket! Download the app and then search for Botany Public School.

Stage 3 Camp

Stage 3 students have left today for the Great Aussie Bush Camp. The students will learn many new skills as well as becoming more independent and resilient. Thank you to Mr Illich, Miss Gable, Mr Dickson and Miss Neville for giving up their family time to attend camp and for being such kind and dedicated teachers.

Grandparents and Friends Day

Grandparents and Friends are invited to visit our school on Wednesday 20 November at 9.30am. There will be a concert in the hall which will showcase many of the dances from our School Concert followed by morning tea in our Library. We look forward to sharing this special morning with you.

Botany PS OOSH and Vacation Care

The Botany PS OOSH and Vacation Care contract has been put out to a tender. A panel has been formed consisting of the Principal, a representative from the DET Asset Management Unit, a parent and school admin representative. The panel will review the applications and communicate the outcome with the school community later this year.

School Enrolments and Numbers for 2020

The end of 2019 is fast approaching and we have now begun planning for 2020. Please inform the school as soon as possible in writing if your child is not returning to Botany Public School in 2020, or if your child is starting kindergarten 2020, and you have not yet informed the office.

Kindergarten Transition Days

Our Kindergarten Transition Sessions will be held on Thursday 14 November and the second Transition Session will be on Thursday 21 November at 9.30am. Students starting Kindergarten in 2020 are invited to participate in literacy activities whilst parents participate in information sessions in the school hall. We look forward to our new families joining us for these special days.

Principal's Conference

Last week I attended the NSW Primary School Principals Conference called 'Building Us'. This was a great opportunity for Principals to hear from outstanding speakers and also to meet collaboratively with other school leaders and share the complexities of our job.

Have a great week...

Kate Holmes - Principal

Diary Dates

November 2019

Monday 11

School Banking



Monday 11 – Wednesday 13

Stage 3 Great Aussie Bush Camp



Thursday 14

Kinder Transition for 2020

8.30am P&C Clothing Pool

Wednesday 20

**Grandparents and Friends Day
Concert and Morning Tea**



Thursday 21

Kinder Transition for 2020

December 2019

Tuesday 3 December

P&C Meeting

Wednesday 4

Thank You Morning Tea



Wednesday 11

Presentation Day

Monday 16

Year 6 Farewell and Bowling

Wednesday 18

Last day of school

Happy Holidays!

January 2020

Monday 27

Australia Day Public holiday

Tuesday 28

Staff Development day

Wednesday 29

Students Years 1 – 6 begin school

Botany Public School P&C News

The next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 3 December in the library. Please join us to discuss upcoming events.

Please see the back of this newsletter for more P&C news.

The P&C team 😊

Office News

Final invoices for 2019 were sent home last week. Thank you to those families who have paid their fees and continue to support our school. Please finalise your account for 2019 at the office via cash, credit card or via our online POP system. Thank you.

PSSA Years 3-6 Summer Sport

Students participating in PSSA Sport depart school at approximately 9.15am Friday. Please make sure students wear full uniform including a school hat and bring a drink bottle.

| Week | Sport | Venue |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| Round 12 15/11/2019 | Softball/ T ball | Heffron Park |
| | League Tag | Heffron Park |
| Round 13 22/11/2019 | Softball/ T ball | Booralee Park |
| | League Tag | Heffron Park |

Week 3 Award Winners

*Achievement
Award*



| | | |
|------|----------|----------|
| KM | Lachlan | Pascale |
| KP | Georgie | Harley H |
| KR | Harley J | Chloe A |
| 1/2D | Zara G | Posy |
| 1/2L | Lazar | Ariella |
| 1/2R | Emily E | Rhoanan |
| 1/2S | Felix | John Rey |
| 3/4B | Liam J | Brianna |
| 3/4S | Kayley | Tarquin |
| 4/5D | Eva | Lupe |
| 5/6G | Jack T | Juliet |
| 5/6I | Isabel | Kirsten |

Week 4 Award Winners

*Achievement
Award*



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|------|-----------|----------|
| KM | Roary | Eva |
| KP | Mason | Ivory |
| KR | Chloe A | Rhett |
| 1/2D | Lochlan R | Mia V |
| 1/2L | Emily J | Aidan L |
| 1/2R | Lois | Aurelle |
| 1/2S | Ivy | Charlie |
| 3/4B | Cleo | Jannah |
| 3/4S | Kayden | Jiya |
| 4/5D | Amelia | Michaela |
| 5/6G | Olive | Soleil |
| 5/6I | Arlo | Millie |

**Value of week 5
Responsibility**

**Value of week 6
Honesty**



Botany Public School

YOU ARE INVITED TO

*Grandparents
Day!*



*Grandparents fill
the world with love!*

9:30am Concert in the hall
Followed by morning tea in the Library

Wednesday 20 November, 2019



End of Year Concert

This is Australia



On Thursday November 7, Botany Public School and our local community gathered for the annual End of Year Concert. This year the theme was 'This is Australia', with performances to music from iconic Australian artists. The night was a huge success, with dances from all classes lighting up the stage as well as the Lyrical Dance Group, Junior and Senior choirs, Stage One Dance and the Drumming Groups adding to the occasion.





We would like to thank the amazing support from the community and our Dance coordinators Miss Doherty and Ms Rogers for a fantastic event.
We can't wait until next year!

Sydney East Regional Athletics

This year we had seven Botany students compete at the Sydney East Regional Athletics carnival. It was a long hot day out at Homebush and every one of our students competed at the highest level. To reach the Sydney East level students must be in the top two or three in their event at our school carnival as well as the Eastern Suburbs zone carnival, which is an enormous effort!

Congratulations to *Jade, Abigail, Arlo, Solomone, Madelyn, Jayden* and *Bronte*! We are extremely proud of you all!



Behaviour code for students

NSW public schools

NSW public schools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. We teach and model the behaviours we value in our students.

In NSW public schools students are expected to:

- Respect other students, their teachers and school staff and community members
- Follow school and class rules and follow the directions of their teachers
- Strive for the highest standards in learning
- Respect all members of the school community and show courtesy to all students, teachers and community members
- Resolve conflict respectfully, calmly and fairly
- Comply with the school's uniform policy or dress code
- Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
- Respect all property
- Not be violent or bring weapons, illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco into our schools
- Not bully, harass, intimidate or discriminate against anyone in our schools

Schools take strong action in response to behaviour that is detrimental to self or others or to the achievement of high quality teaching and learning.

Behaviour Code for Students: Actions

Promoting the learning, wellbeing and safety of all students in NSW Public Schools is a high priority for the Department of Education.

We implement teaching and learning approaches to support the development of skills needed by students to meet our high standards for respectful, safe and engaged behaviour.

Respect

- Treat one another with dignity
- Speak and behave courteously
- Cooperate with others
- Develop positive and respectful relationships and think about the effect on relationships before acting
- Value the interests, ability and culture of others
- Dress appropriately by complying with the school uniform or dress code
- Take care with property

Safety

- Model and follow departmental, school and/or class codes of behaviour and conduct
- Negotiate and resolve conflict with empathy
- Take personal responsibility for behaviour and actions
- Care for self and others
- Avoid dangerous behaviour and encourage others to avoid dangerous behaviour

Engagement

- Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
- Arrive at school and class on time
- Be prepared for every lesson
- Actively participate in learning
- Aspire and strive to achieve the highest standards of learning

The principal and school staff, using their professional judgment, are best placed to maintain discipline and provide safe, supportive and responsive learning environments. The department provides a policy framework and resources such as Legal Issues Bulletins, access to specialist advice, and professional learning to guide principals and their staff in exercising their professional judgment. In this context the NSW Government and the Department of Education will back the authority and judgment of principals and school staff at the local level.



positive partnerships

Working together to support school-aged students on the autism spectrum

Free
to attend

2 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers



Join other local families to learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the home-school partnership

Learn about:

- Autism: characteristics, impacts and strategies
- Understanding behaviour
- Sensory processing
- Working together with your school

Location:

Bonnie Doon Golf Club

Banks Avenue

Pagewood NSW 2035

Morning tea and a light lunch are provided

Pagewood, NSW

Wed 20 & Thurs 21 Nov 2019

9.30am - 2.30pm

Registrations open 19 Sept 2019



Interpreters available



To register, visit
positivepartnerships.com.au



For help, call:
1300 881 971

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**WANTED: GARDEN WORKING BEE
VOLUNTEERS**

Help us to keep our school gardens loved!



**Saturday 7 December. Drop in between 1 and 4pm.
Families welcome. Gardening tools provided.**

Top 5 reasons why you should join us!

1. Get unexpected exercise! 54 year old Liz Hurley recently said “I don’t work out, per se, but I’m very active...it’s really the gardening.”
2. Gardening calms nerves, reduces blood pressure, reduces stress and increases well-being.
3. Gardening is good for the environment.
4. Meet and chat with other parents and students.
5. Give yourself a sense of accomplishment.

Please let Jo or Chris know if you can help out on 0420 983 244 or email the P and C on botanypublicpandc@gmail.com



Writing Instruments Recycling Programme

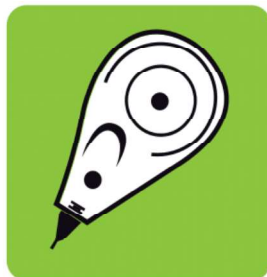


Accepted waste

Pens, felt tips, highlighters, markers



Mechanical pencils, correction tape and fluid pots, fountain pens, ink cartridges



Please note, glue sticks are not accepted

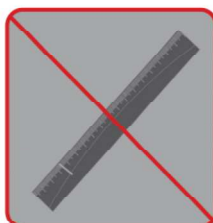
Waste not accepted



Glue sticks



Rubbers



Rulers



Pencils



Sharp objects

For more information
please visit terracycle.com.au



BPS P&C *News*

**LOOKING TO
VOLUNTEER? HERE ARE
SOME FUN VOLUNTEER
OPTIONS:**

***MONDAY MORNING
BANKING:
THIS IS EVERY MONDAY SO
ANY HELP IS APPRECIATED.
PLEASE CONTACT SHANNON
RAWSLEY, IN PERSON OR
BY EMAIL:
INFO@SHANNONLISEPHOTO
GRAPHY.COM.AU**

***14TH NOV @ 8:30AM
CLOTHING POOL. PLS
CONTACT DONNA HARRISON
TO VOLUNTEER AND GET
MORE INFORMATION.**

**CONTACT THE P&C BY EMAILING
BOTANYPUBLICPANDC@GMAIL
.COM
OR ON FB
BOTANY PUBLIC SCHOOL
P&C**

Clothing Pool

Our next clothing pool will take place on 14th Nov. Please donate any uniforms you no longer need to the office before the morning. We are looking for smaller sizes for the new kindies and any yr 6 uniforms. Saying that, we would still appreciate any size.

Garden Working Bee

The next working be will be on 7th Dec @1:30pm. Come get your hands in the soil and have a relaxing time making our school grounds beautiful. Kids are welcome! Tools are supplied! Any amount of time is appreciated.

Monday Morning Banking

Shannon is looking for someone to take over our Monday morning banking next year. Please get in contact with Shannon Rawnsley for more information if you are interested.

Recycling!

We are officially registered for Terracycle! There is a box in the wellbeing hall where you can drop off any old pens, markers, highlighters, mechanical pencils and more.. We are very excited to be starting this! Thank you Chris for taking the time to make sure it happened!