



Week 5 & 6 Term 1 2019



Well done to  
our students at  
the Swimming  
Carnival

## Parent Information Evening

Thank you to everyone who attended the Parent Information Evening. Please make sure that you read through your Information Package as it contains lots of very important information for the year ahead. Please complete the **Home Learning** sheet found in your Information Folder and send it to school as soon as possible. The opportunity to meet your child's teacher at the beginning of the year builds good relationships. Thank you to the staff for their organisation at this busy time of the year. Thank you also to the P&C for their outstanding organisation and brilliant catering for our parent community.

## Learning Conferences

During week 7, our school will be holding Learning Conferences for our families. Parents and their children are invited to visit the class teacher to discuss Learning Goals for the year. Please complete the **Student Learning Goals** sheet found in the Student Information folders and bring it to the Learning Conference or send it to school with your child as part of this process. **Please book your Learning Conference time slot online by following the process in this newsletter.** A note will be sent home to all families explaining the process as well. We look forward to sharing the educational journey with you and your child. **Please note this process will open next Monday 4 March and close Monday 11 March at 9am.**

## Our Student Leadership Team

Classes from Year 1 to year 6 have elected representatives to be part of the Student Representative Council. The SRC is a very important team who meet to discuss issues and come up with new ideas to help make our school an even better place as well as helping to plan events to raise money for selected charities. We are very lucky to have such a mature and respectful group of young leaders representing our school.

Student leaders will receive an award at the Leadership Assembly on Thursday 21 March presented by Matt Thistlethwaite. More information for students involved will be sent home shortly.

## Professional Learning for Staff

During the year, staff will be regularly attending Professional Learning sessions to ensure that we continue to provide quality teaching and learning for our students. Support staff teaching the classes involved will follow the class programs to deliver continuity of learning.

Miss Ligori and Miss Rogers accompanied me to Professional Learning for two days last week called "Learning to Thrive through Going Open", which focussed on Engaged Learning. Ms Mak attended Professional learning last week focussing on an Introduction to Learning and Teaching in Innovative Learning Environments. Knowledge from these sessions will be shared with staff at future Professional Learning afternoons.

Have a great week...

*Kate Holmes* - Principal

## Diary Dates

### February 2019

Monday 25  
School Banking



### March 2019

Friday 1

Clean UP Australia Day

Thursday 7

School Photos (Revised date)



Monday 11 – Thursday 14

*Home Learning Conferences...*

Students, Parents and Teachers meet to discuss student learning goals.



Thursday 14

*National Day against Bullying*

The National Day of Action against Bullying is a day for schools, students and the community to say Bullying. No Way!

Thursday 21

*Harmony Day*

9.00am - Student Leadership Assembly with Matt Thistlethwaite MP attending to present awards to SRC and school leaders. Parents invited to attend.

### April 2019

Thursday 4

Easter Egg Mufti Day – Students wear plain clothes in return for an Easter egg to be donated to our P&C Easter Raffle.

Thursday 11

Anzac Day Service

Friday 12

1.30pm Easter Hat Parade

Friday 12 April

**Last day of Term 1**

## Thank you for a great start to the year!

Please ensure you read the newsletter each fortnight to ensure you keep up to date with what's going on at the school.

### Term 1 Invoice

Last week all students received Term 1 invoices for resources and voluntary contributions.

Payments can be made in one of three ways:

**1. Send your payment in as soon as possible in a labelled envelope with your child.**

**2. Pay online on our website (Preferred Option).**

**3. Pay in person at the office.**

Once you have received your invoice, we would appreciate prompt payment.

Thank you.

## PSSA Years 3-6 Summer Sport

Students participating in PSSA Sport depart school at approximately 9.30am Friday. Please make sure students wear full uniform including a school hat and bring a drink bottle.

Week	Sport	Venue
Round 2 1/3/2019	Softball/ T ball	Booralee Park
	League Tag	Heffron Park
Round 3 7/3/2018	Softball/ T ball	Booralee Park
	League Tag	Booralee Park

### Week 3 2019 Award Winners

Achievement  
Award



KM	Lachlan	Archie
KP	Emily P	Oliver
KR	Rhett	Lucas
1/2D	Matthew	Isabelle
1/2L	Markus	Waverly
1/2R	Samarah	Bronte
1/2S	Felix	Verona
3/4B	Jake T	Cooper
3/4S	Aidan S	Kailea
4/5D	Cheska	Amelia
5/6G	Kye	Hannah
5/6I	Tilda	Te Heria

### Week 4 2019 Award Winners

Achievement  
Award



KM	Cloey	Christopher
KP	Ivory	Harrison
KR	James C	Isla C
1/2D	Vienna	Georgia P
1/2L	Keaton	Gabrielle
1/2R	Daniel J	Junior
1/2S	Ava	Stanton
3/4B	Levi	Matias
3/4S	Tyla	Oliver R
4/5D	Malakai	Jan
5/6G	Jahrone	Jharvis
5/6I	Stirling	Georgia P

Value of week 5  
Responsibility

Value of week 6  
Honesty

## **Botany Public School - Daily School Routine**

- 8.30am** Students may arrive from this time  
Teachers' supervise school grounds
- 9.00am** Morning Bell  
**Session One** begins (including 10 minute fruit break)
- 11.00am** Recess
- 11.30am** **Session Two** begins
- 1.15pm** Lunch with teacher supervising
- 1.30pm** Play
- 2.00pm** **Session Three** begins
- 3.00pm** End of school day

## **Morning Arrival and Afternoon Dismissal times**

Supervision in our playground begins at 8.30am each morning. We do ask parents to bring their children to school after this time so they are supervised in the back playground. **They are not to play or stay in the courtyard as there is no supervision.**

Our school has *Out of School Hours* centre for families if they need to leave their child at school before this time.

When the morning bell rings parents are asked to sit on the silver seats around the outside of the courtyard so that students and teachers can listen carefully to morning assembly.

In the afternoon, the students in K-2 are collected from outside the classrooms or courtyard. If they are in Years 3-6, please organise a meeting place with your child.

If you are going to be late to school please ring the school to advise us.

## **Student Attendance - Reminder**

It is expected that if your child is late to school that you, as a parent or carer, walk into the office to sign your child in to school. Children should be at school, on time every day to enable optimal learning to occur. The morning session is an uninterrupted learning time.

Children who are late are interrupting their learning and that of their peers because they miss key instructional information which then has to be repeated for the latecomers. Please help everyone by getting to school on time and showing respect for everyone's learning.

Thank you to those of you who provide an explanation as to why your child is away. Attendance is monitored by both the teachers and the Home school Liaison Officer. Children should be at school unless they are sick or there is another valid reason for the absence. For optimal learning to occur, students need to be at school, on time, every day with a healthy lunch and all their equipment.

## Sending money to school

There is a money letterbox outside the office in the school foyer and all payments and notes can be placed here before school. Payment envelopes are available to allow office staff to quickly record details for our students.

## Office News

**A reminder: A permission note must be completed for every student in the family for all activities.**

**Please note the office does not carry change, can you please provide the correct money with your orders.**

**Caps can be purchased from the office at \$12.50.**

## Absences Notes

Absence notes should be given to each child's teacher on the day they return to school. Explanations should be clearly outlined so the reason for the absence can be accurately recorded.

If you are intending to take leave for more than three days, and you know in advance, it is important that this be discussed with the school as an application for leave may be required. If your child is absent for longer than three days it is important that you contact the school to let them know the reason for the absence.

## Parent Online Payment System (POP)

A button to access this online payment system titled '\$ Make a Payment' will be visible on the utility bar on the front page of our school's website at <http://www.botany-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

By selecting this link, parents and carers will be taken to a secure Westpac QuickWeb payment page, from which they can make online payments.

Please note: As a Westpac-hosted solution cardholder and account details will be held securely, helping to protect the school and its customers from fraudulent transactions as well as assisting in meeting the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCIDSS) compliance requirements.

**Please note, once your payment is made online, we still require signed permission notes for all excursions and sports for each child participating in the activity to be sent to the office. Please also ensure you enter your child's name and not your own.**



PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS  
AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO  
OPEN DAY 2019  
SATURDAY 9TH MARCH  
11AM - 1.30 PM

## YOU WANT THE BEST FOR YOUR CHILD

Consider South Sydney High School for a challenging, well-rounded education that offers outstanding opportunities through to the HSC and beyond.

### FIND OUT FOR YOURSELF WHY OUR HIGH SCHOOL IS THE RIGHT CHOICE FOR YOUR CHILD:

- Attend the Principal's address at 11.10 am in the hall
- Explore the Enrichment Stream option for Year 7 2020
- Engage in hands-on classroom activities with students
- Participate in school tours
- Meet our experienced and dedicated staff
- See our committed P&C in action
- View our excellent grounds and facilities

### FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT:

- Sausage sizzle, gelato and other refreshments
- Pop-up music and drama performances
- Outdoor chess
- Jumping castle - all ages welcome!

Entry via O'Sullivan Ave Maroubra

**SOUTH SYDNEY  
HIGH SCHOOL**  
O'Sullivan Avenue Maroubra 2035



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[www.sthsydney-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.sthsydney-h.schools.nsw.edu.au)





**The School Photographer will come to our school on...**

**Thursday 7 March**

...so make sure you're looking your very best in your full **school uniform**.

Personalised order envelopes were sent home this week in your child's school bag.

- Please fill out your details and return with payment to the office.
- If you are combining payments for more than one child, please complete the combined payment information.
- Please enclose the correct money as **NO CHANGE** will be given by the photographers or the office.
- Please ask at the school office if you require sibling photographs.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

- **Payment by cheque can no longer be accepted.**
- **Payment for school photographs can be accepted until photo day.**
- **Students who bring their photo money in on photo day should give their envelopes to the office upon arrival at school.**
- Please return your personalised envelope with the correct money or online payments details on or before the photo day.
- Please return your child's envelope even if you do not wish to purchase photos – every student will be photographed whether they are purchasing photo packs or not.
- On photo day, please ensure your child wears the correct **SCHOOL** uniform.
  - All students are to wear their short sleeved tops with long navy school pants, white socks and black school shoes.



# SWIMMING CARNIVAL

This year our annual swimming carnival saw the most entrants and swimmers ever! We had 100 students competing in various races throughout the day. This year saw the successful introduction of the 25m races, which are certain to be included in years to come. There were 9 school records broken in a variety of events as well as some of the closest house team relay finishes in recent years. Boronia narrowly beat waratah in the senior relay final, and Acacia almost swam down Waratah in the final lap of the junior race. The students and staff had a wonderful day at the pool.

A huge thank you goes to the parent helpers who were excellent time keepers, without your help our day would not have run smoothly! Lastly, thank you to Miss Neville for her coordination of the carnival.





# BOTANY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Caring Creative Connected

Monday 25 February 2019

## Parent/Teacher/Student Learning Conferences

will be held during Week 7

from Monday 11 March to Thursday 14 March 2019

Interviews are strictly 15 minutes

Please book online

**BOOKING OPEN: Monday 4 March 2019 at 9am**

**BOOKINGS CLOSE: Monday 11 March 2019 at 9am**

**School  
Interviews Online**

THE EASY WAY TO BOOK  
**SCHOOL  
INTERVIEWS**

Go to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and follow these simple instructions.

Simply enter the code and press "Go"



Enter your details



Select the teacher you wish to see



Select the appointment times that suit your family best



When you click **FINISH**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically.

If you do not receive your email immediately check your junk email folder. You can return to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) at any time, and change your interviews until the bookings close.  
**BOOKINGS CLOSE: Monday 11 March at 9am.**



# BOTANY SCHOOL EXCURSIONS

## 2019

Excursions are a valuable experience, providing the opportunity to expand and enhance children's knowledge, explore different environments and engage in meaningful ways with school curriculum requirements. Excursions provide an opportunity for students to further develop their social skills, independence and relationships. Excursions reflect the children's developmental stage and interests.

**Who:** Early Stage 1 - Kindergarten

**Where:** Calmsley Hill Farm

**Date:** 10/9/2019

**Cost:** \$45

**Payment Date:** 2/9/2019

**Clothing:** Full School Uniform



**Who:** Stage 1 - Year 1 & Year 2

**Where:** Symbio Wildlife Park

**Date:** 13/6/2019

**Cost:** \$45

**Payment Date:** 3/6/2019

**Clothing:** Full School uniform



**Who:** Stage 2 - Year 3 & Year 4

**Where:** Berry Sports & Recreation camp

**Date:** 16/9/2019 – 18/9/2019

**Cost:** \$340

**Payment Date:** Deposit due 3/6/2019

**Full payment due** 26/8/2019

**Clothing:** Casual Clothes



**Who:** Stage 3 - Year 5 & Year 6

**Where:** Great Aussie Bush Camp

**Date:** 11/11/2019 – 13/11/2019

**Cost:** \$330

**Payment Date:** Deposit due 1/6/2019

**Full payment due** 18/10/2019

**Clothing:** Casual Clothes





# What is new with the P&C?

## Looking to Volunteer?

Great we already have quite a few days to choose from!

- Monday morning banking- this is every Monday so any help is appreciated! Please contact Shannon Rawnsley in person or by email:  
[info@shannonelisephotography.com.au](mailto:info@shannonelisephotography.com.au)
- The Botany Bolt! The first meeting is 22/2 after morning assembly. ANYONE who would love to help with something big or small is WELCOME
- Election Day BBQ 23/3 - please email:  
[botanypublicpnc@gmail.com](mailto:botanypublicpnc@gmail.com)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Hand Uniform Stall 29/3 Please contact Donna Lees.

## SCHOOL BANKING:

Our school has an amazing opportunity for all students to learn about saving. ALL students are welcome to set up their very own savings account and start their banking journey! Please see Shannon Rawnsley for more information or email her at:

[info@shannonelisephotography.com.au](mailto:info@shannonelisephotography.com.au)

## 2<sup>ND</sup> HAND UNIFORM STALL:

The P&C will be having our next uniform sale on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March from 8:30-9:15am. Please bring in any smaller uniforms, shoes, bags, jackets, or hats to the office when convenient.

Thanks, Donna

## HOW TO CONTACT THE P&C:

If you have any questions for the P&C or would like more information about the P&C please email:

[botanypublicpnc@gmail.com](mailto:botanypublicpnc@gmail.com).

We also have a FB page:  
Botany Public School P&C



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**FUN FILLED  
LANGUAGE CLUB  
FOR KIDS**

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**“THE FUN WAY TO  
LEARN ANOTHER  
LANGUAGE”**

**LANGUAGE CLUB AT BOTANY PUBLIC SCHOOL**

**MANDARIN on Wednesday 8:15am – 9:00am**

Children learn through a combination of drama, storytelling, technology, songs, craft and games. They rapidly acquire enough knowledge and confidence to enjoy using the language for communication and expression.



**ENROL NOW AT:**

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Contact us:  
1300 707 288  
support@lcclubs.com.au

## DOUBLE PARKING

Do not double park at any time. Double parking is illegal and dangerous especially around schools. It reduces visibility and blocks the road for other motorists.

**FINE EXCEEDS \$337 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS**

## U TURNS

- ▶ Performing U turns or 3 point turns in school zones is extremely dangerous.
- ▶ Performing U turns across unbroken centre lines is illegal and is particularly dangerous around schools.

**FINE EXCEEDS \$337 + 3 DEMERIT POINTS**

## PARKING/STOPPING NEAR INTERSECTIONS

It is illegal to park or stop less than 10m from an intersection without lights as this blocks visibility for turning drivers and creates a hazard for all motorists.

**FINE EXCEEDS \$448 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS**

## PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS & CHILDREN'S CROSSINGS

- ▶ Slow down as you approach pedestrian crossings and children's crossings.
- ▶ Do not proceed if the road beyond the crossing is blocked.
- ▶ Do not stop or park in the No Stopping zones on either side of the crossing as this blocks visibility.
- ▶ At a children's crossing you must stop at or before the stop line if there is a pedestrian about to cross or already on the crossing.
- ▶ Do not proceed through a children's crossing until all pedestrians have completely cleared the crossing.

**FINE EXCEEDS \$448 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS**



## HOLDING HANDS IN TRAFFIC

- ▶ Children need assistance in the traffic environment until at least the age of 10. They are not equipped physically or developmentally to make the crucial decisions to keep themselves safe.
- ▶ All children need to be actively supervised in and around moving vehicles including on footpaths, shared paths, driveways and car parks; at traffic lights, zebra and other road crossings; and on quiet streets and busy roads.
- ▶ Your children are always watching and want to be just like adults. Make sure you always set a good example around traffic and talk to your children about why you are stopping at the kerb and what you are watching and listening for. Explain where and when it is safe to cross and why.
- ▶ Hold hands with your children around traffic. If your hands are full, make sure your child holds onto your bag, pram or even your arm or sleeve.

*Fines and demerit points for school parking infringements are determined by the State Government and subject to change.*

*The nominated fines and demerit points listed in this brochure are current as at February 2019.*

Phone 1300 581 299 | 9562 1666  
Email [council@bayside.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@bayside.nsw.gov.au)

[www.bayside.nsw.gov.au](http://www.bayside.nsw.gov.au)



## PARKING SAFELY AROUND SCHOOLS

### Road Rules Reminders



## NO STOPPING ZONES

No Stopping signs mean you must not stop here at any time. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times.

An unbroken yellow kerb line is a no stopping line. You must not stop for any reason.

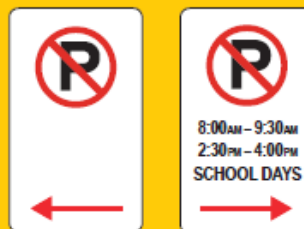
**FINE EXCEEDS \$337 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS**



## NO PARKING ZONES

You can only stop in a No Parking zone while picking up or setting down passengers or goods. You have a maximum of 2 minutes from the time you stop and must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle at all times. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times. **THIS IS NOT A WAITING ZONE.**

**FINE EXCEEDS \$187 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS**



## TIME RESTRICTED PARKING

Parking signs with specified time limits allow drivers to park their vehicle for a maximum period of time, eg 5 minutes, 1 hour etc. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times.

**FINE EXCEEDS \$112**

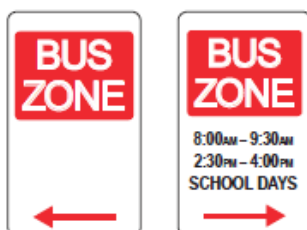


## BUS ZONE SIGNS

A Bus Zone is a No Stopping zone for vehicles other than buses. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times.

You must not park your vehicle less than 20 metres before or 10 metres after a bus stop.

**FINE EXCEEDS \$337 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS**



## DRIVEWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

- ▶ When exiting or entering a driveway a vehicle must give way to pedestrians on the footpath.
- ▶ Driveways are not playgrounds. Be aware that children can go unnoticed in front and behind your vehicle. Do not solely rely on reverse sensors or cameras in your vehicle.
- ▶ Always supervise and hold a child's hand near/crossing driveways.
- ▶ It is illegal to park in or across any driveway or to block a footpath at any time.

**FINE EXCEEDS \$337 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS**



## USING MOBILE PHONES

- ▶ It is illegal to make or receive a call on your mobile phone while you are driving unless your phone is secured in a fixed mounting or does not require you to touch or manipulate the phone in any way.
- ▶ It is illegal to use the other features of a mobile phone such as texting, emailing etc unless your car is legally parked and the ignition is switched off.
- ▶ Using mobile phones is a major distraction for drivers and incurs higher fines and demerit points in school zones.

**FINE EXCEEDS \$448 + 4 DEMERIT POINTS**







# CIRCLE MUSIC



At Botany Public School specialised **guitar, ukulele, drumming** and **vocal** teachers provide the opportunity for students to develop additional music skills.

The program caters for the varying abilities of all students, from beginners to advanced, by providing engaging lessons in a small group environment.

Lessons are conducted once a week with opportunities for students to perform at various school events throughout the year.

The cost of tuition is \$150 per term, payable directly to the Circle Music Company.

## **Contact:**

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