



What a great effort from all of the students at our Cross Country Carnival.

Wellbeing Week

This week we will be celebrating Wellbeing Week with our community, with the focus being 'Colour Feel'. As part of Wellbeing Week, at recess and lunch time, our students will be participating in art therapy, movie time, relaxation activities and Yoga. There will be no meetings or Home Learning tasks this week. Have a wonderful Wellbeing Week!

Reflection of Term 1

What an amazing term of learning we have had at Botany. Our students show that they are engaged in their learning and are working closely towards reaching their Learning Goals. It is wonderful to see so many happy smiling faces in classrooms and on the playground every day.

Our teaching staff and administration staff work very hard to ensure that all of our students are cared for. They go over and above what is expected of them and provide a wonderful environment for our student to learn and grow.

Our parent community contribute enthusiastically to our school through involvement in school banking, clothing pool, gardening working bees and many other projects. I also appreciate the way our parents follow our school Code of Conduct, showing respect for one another and school staff. I am very proud of our beautiful community school.

Cross Country Carnival

The Botany Public School Cross Country Carnival was held at school, with students and staff participating enthusiastically and with great sportspersonship. Participating in sport while being at school, can help students to reach their learning potential, as well as giving them a greater connection with their school through building stronger relationships with their peers. Thank you to Miss Neville for organising the carnival again this year.

CPR Training for staff

Last Wednesday all staff were involved in their annual CPR and Anaphylaxis training. This included a training seminar, and a written and practical assessment ensuring our staff are fully trained.

P&C Gardening Working Bee

Thank you to our community for being part of our P&C Working Bee on Saturday. Our gardens look fabulous and are very welcoming to anyone visiting our school. Thanks again.

Anzac Day Service

This year we will be holding our Anzac Day Service on Thursday 11 April 2019 at 10.30am. We welcome our community to attend this service.

We are aware that we have a large number of students at our school who have family members serving with the Army, Airforce and Navy. We warmly welcome you to attend this service. We are very proud to have you as part of our community.

Principals Report Continued on next page...

Have a great week... *Kate Holmes* - Principal

Diary Dates

April 2019

Monday 8

School Banking



Thursday 11

10.30am Anzac Day Service

Monday 8 – Friday 12

Wellbeing Week



No homework ... No meetings and whole school focus on Wellbeing for our school community.

Friday 12

1.30pm Easter Hat Parade



Friday 12 April

Last day of Term 1

Happy Holidays ☺

Monday 29

Staff Development Day

Tuesday 30

Students return

May 2019

Wednesday 8

SRC Stewart House Mufti Day and bake sale

Friday 10

8.00am Mother's Day Breakfast

Tuesday 14 – Tuesday 21 May

NAPLAN for Year 3 and 5 students

Tuesday 21

Book Character Parade

Tuesday 28

Athletics Carnival at Booralee Park

Thursday 30

Kindergarten School Tour

Principals Report

School Infrastructure Upgrade

School Infrastructure NSW is funding the replacement of air-conditioning units in 900 NSW schools as part of the **Cooler Classrooms Program**. This program aims to provide better learning environments and to improve educational outcomes for students. Our school is one of the schools where this program is being 'rolled out' with all air conditioning units being replaced.

Air conditioning units in Kindergarten and the Stage 1 block have already been replaced. During the school holidays the company completing this work will be installing new air conditioning units in all other areas of the school. Large areas around the school will have scaffolding erected and there will be large cranes on site to install the units. These areas will be cordoned off with temporary fencing as part of WHS planning.

Our school is also having **new rubber Softfall installed under the play equipment** and this area will be cordoned off. Large trucks and equipment will be involved in this installation as well. The area will be cordoned off with temporary fencing as part of WHS planning.

This will mean:

- **Limited access to the Bay Street car park on Monday 15 April and**
- **NO ACCESS to the Bay Street car park from Tuesday 16 April through till Friday 19 April.**

Students attending **Vacation Care with Bayside Council** will be using the **Johnny Warren Hall** during this time and will be playing on the grass area behind the Johnny Warren Hall near the Kindergarten building.

Parents are asked to park outside of the school grounds and walk their children to the site to ensure their safety. Please adhere to these directions as part of WHS planning for this period of the school holidays.

Family and School Survey for our Community

We would like our school community to complete a short survey to give us feedback about our school. This short survey is an important part of the school review and development process.

Please click on the following link to complete the survey or enter the web address into your computer:

<https://forms.gle/m64TBeXXyfHtzwFFA>

Please note a Google account is required to complete the form online. Emails will not be collected for privacy purposes.

The responses of parents and carers will help our school to understand areas where we are performing well and areas for further development. A copy of the survey can be found at the end of this newsletter.

The survey is completely confidential. You do not need to provide your name and we will not be able to identify you individually. Please note that this survey:

- ✓ Is voluntary. We hope that you answer every question, but may skip questions.
- ✓ Is confidential. Please do not write your name anywhere on the survey.
- ✓ Has no right or wrong answers.

Thank you very much for your participation.

Botany Public School Website

The Department of Education upgraded the School Website Service late last year. We have been updating our website and it now includes a copy of a Google calendar. Please access this calendar to view dates for upcoming events.

Please be advised that dates can change due to unforeseen circumstances.

Canteen News

- ✓ We are pleased to announce an update to our canteen menu.
- ✓ As of term 2 we will be moving forward with online ordering for the canteen.
- ✓ Register for flexischools by visiting <http://www.flexischools.com.au/>
- ✓ The canteen will be open everyday at lunch time for snacks only.
- ✓ Please note the canteen **will not** be open before school or at recess.
- ✓ All students need to bring their recess with them each day.

Kate Holmes - Principal

Botany Public School P&C News

Volunteers are always needed. Can you help?

*7.30am - Friday 11 May – Volunteers required for the Mother's Day BBQ Breakfast.

Next P&C Meeting

7.00pm Tuesday 15 May in the Library.

For more P&C news, please see the attached P&C page of the newsletter.

The P&C team ☺

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 8 12/4/2019	Softball/ T ball	Booralee Park
	League Tag	Heffron Park

Week 9 Award Winners

*Achievement
Award*



KM	Archie	Avery
KP	Oliver	Leyla
KR	Isla C	Arthur
1/2D	Georgia P	Owen
1/2L	Aleksander	Speed
1/2R	Lios	Charlotte
1/2S	Zainab	Scarlett
3/4B	Nicholas P	James L
3/4S	Jasmine S	Samuel A
4/5D	Darren	Michaela L
5/6G	Tilly	Tequila
5/6I	Kirsten	Toni

Week 10 Award Winners

*Achievement
Award*



KM	Aangelyca	Nicolas S-G
KP	Blinky	Emily P
KR	Hunter	James C
1/2D	Sam B	Samir
1/2L	Ariella	Saskia
1/2R	Aroha	Claire
1/2S	Jacob B	Ann
3/4B	Jessica R	Brianna
3/4S	Kayden	Harriett
4/5D	Dion	Mikaela P
5/6G	Nicole	Truman
5/6I	Kyra	Giselle

Week 11 Wellbeing Week

Parent Working Bee

What an amazing amount of work was completed by our parent community at the Working Bee on Saturday. A huge thank you for all the time and energy you put into making our playground look spectacular.



Safety Around the School

The safety of students and adults on and around our school site is always of paramount concern. There have been several instances in recent weeks where this safety has been compromised.

I ask all members of our school community to park safely around school. Please do not park in the Johnny Warren Hall car park and do not use the Bay Street car park after 8.30am. Thank you for following these procedures to keep our students safe.

Thank you to all our families who are respecting and following the Department of Education's policy regarding dogs on site. The Companion Animals Act 1998 provides that dogs are prohibited from school grounds whether they are leashed or unleashed. This also includes tethering a dog to the fence. Your ongoing understanding and cooperation is appreciated.

Bob McCarthy Cup

In week 9 our Rugby League teams took to the field and played in the Bob McCarthy cup round robin tournament. The students had a ball working together, scoring plenty of tries and making loads of bone crushing tackles. Emerson took an intercept to score a try, Harry Maiden was a tackling machine and Mitchell Eddison ran the field and scored a try from the kick off. Thank you to the families who helped out by driving students to the field, helping out when both teams played at the same time or helping nurse injuries. Your support is greatly appreciated!



Sydney East Girls Soccer

Congratulations to Jade Deura who has been selected in the Sydney East girls' soccer team. She will be traveling to Lismore to represent our school and region at the NSW State tournament next term. We are enormously proud of Jade!!!



Winter PSSA tryouts

This year has seen the most students ever to trial for various teams to represent our school at PSSA competitions. In winter we compete in the Netball and Soccer competitions. This year we have had 39 seniors and 29 juniors fighting for 14 positions in their respective soccer teams and in netball we have had 20 seniors and 30 juniors fighting for 9 positions in their respective teams.



Cross Country

In week 9 we held our annual cross-country carnival. All students competed to the best of their ability, whether they were running for a place in the zone team or to run for fun and win points for their house.

For the first time in a long time Acacia was the winning house, narrowly defeating Waratah and Boronia. Well done to all students!



Wellbeing Week at Botany Public School

Colour Feel

Week 11 of Term 1 is Wellbeing Week and our focus Colour Feel. We will be exploring what colours are, how they are important to us and how they are used. During Wellbeing Week there is no home-learning. An information sheet will be sent home with some wellbeing activities that can be completed to further consolidate the activities at school. Please note that these are not compulsory activities.

Colours represent emotions on our Feelings Thermometer and we will revisit how this tool can help us recognise and be the boss of our emotions. We will also be exploring the book 'The Colour Monster.' This text explores how colours can represent emotions. This theme ties in to our Bounce Back lessons on emotional regulation.

Wellbeing Week Overview

Monday Introduction, create your own feelings thermometer, Inside Out movie viewing K-2

Tuesday Emotion jars, chalkboard murals

Wednesday ANZAC Day artworks, significance of red poppies

Thursday ANZAC Day service 10.30 am, Inside Out movie viewing 3-6

Friday Easter Hat Parade 1.30pm



Across the week students will also engage in a whole school portrait collage. Look out for this amazing display in the Wellbeing Hall. Ms Neville will also run a House Competition called Capture the Flag.

With all of these fantastic wellbeing activities we are sure it's going to be a wonderful week!

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
- 2nd Hand Uniform Stall 29/3. Volunteers needed on **28/3, @2:30pm** for sorting. Also, **29/3, @8:30-9:15am** for the sale itself. Please contact Donna Harrison @ 04 11 062 821
- Working Bee 6th of April @ 1pm. Contact Jo or Chris.

Contact the P&C by emailing botanypublicpandc@gmail.com

OR

On Facebook at
Botany Public School
P&C

Mum's Wellness Dinner

Please join us for the first dinner of 2019!

New Mum's especially welcome. Fun and friendly atmosphere. Come for dinner or just stop in for a drink!

Date: Thursday 11 April

Time: 7pm

*Venue: Tennyson Hotel- 952 Botany Rd.,
Mascot*

*Rsvp: Facebook page 'BPS Mum's Wellness
Dinner' or email:
ingridarndt@optusnet.com.au*

Easter Raffle

The P & C are holding a raffle at the Easter Hat Parade with lots of fabulous prizes to win!

Please sell as many tickets as you can. Extra books can be collected from the office.

Don't forget to return your raffle tickets before the day.

Please ensure you place money and tickets in separate envelopes to school related expenses.

The P&C will need volunteers to help prepare the prizes and raffle tickets on the morning of the parade.

Good luck!

Botany Bites School Lunch Menu - 2019

Hot Food

Pasta Bolognese	add: Cheese \$0.50 / Olives \$0.70	\$6.20
Plain Pasta (Butter)	add: Cheese \$0.50 / Olives \$0.70 / Nap Sauce \$2	\$4.00
Vegetarian Tortellini	with Napolitana sauce add: Cheese \$0.50 / Olives \$0.70	\$6.20
Butter Chicken & Rice	creamy mild Butter Chicken & Rice	\$6.50
6 Chicken Nuggets	add: Sauce \$0.25	\$4.70
Garlic Bread		\$2.70
Corn Cobb (GF)		\$2.70

Burgers

Hamburger - meat patty, lettuce, tomato, beetroot, sauce	\$6.20
Schnitzel Burger - homemade chicken schnitzel, lettuce & sauce	\$6.20
Grilled Chicken Burger - fresh grilled chicken, lettuce & sauce (GF available)	\$6.20
Veggie Burger - Homemade veggie patty, Lettuce, sauce (GF available)	\$6.20
Bacon & Egg Roll - with sauce (GF available)	\$4.90
Bacon Roll - with sauce (GF available)	\$4.20
Hot Dog - with sauce	\$4.60

Add: Cheese \$0.50 / Tomato \$0.50 / Egg \$0.70 / Pineapple \$0.60 / Bacon \$0.80 / Avocado \$1.00 / Gluten Free Toasted \$2

Gourmet Wraps

Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap - homemade tenders, cheese, baby spinach, sweet chilli sauce	\$7.00
Falafel Wrap - homemade falafel, hummus, lettuce, cucumber, tomato, tzatziki	\$7.00
Chicken & Salad Wrap - lettuce, tomato, cucumber & carrot	\$7.00
Ham & Salad Wrap - lettuce, tomato, cucumber & carrot	\$7.00
Chicken Schnitzel Wrap - homemade schnitzel, lettuce, tomato & mayo	\$7.00

Sandwiches (Gluten Free Bread available)

Cheese	\$4.00
Crumbed Chicken, Lettuce, Mayonnaise	\$5.00
Mashed Egg or Sliced Egg	\$4.00
Ham	\$4.00
Ham & Cheese	\$4.50
Hummus	\$4.00
Honey / Jam / Vegemite	\$3.00
Salad	\$4.50
Tuna & Mayonnaise	\$4.50
Poached Chicken	\$4.50
Roast Beef	\$4.50
Roast Turkey	\$4.50
Bossy Squashy (Ham and Cheese <u>toasted</u> on a roll)	\$5.00
Cheesy Squashy (Cheese <u>toasted</u> on a roll)	\$4.50
Roll or Wrap - Add \$0.50 / Gluten Free Toasted \$2	
Add: Lettuce \$0.40 / Cheese \$0.50 / Tomato \$0.50 / Cucumber \$0.50 / Carrot \$0.50 / Avocado \$1.00	

Salads

Create Your Own - lettuce and your choice of salad options	\$3.00
Caesar Salad - lettuce, crispy bacon, parmesan, egg, croutons	\$6.00
Greek Salad - lettuce, tomato, cucumber, olives, feta (GF)	\$6.00
Tuna Salad - lettuce, tuna, olives, cucumber, carrot (GF)	\$6.00
Green Salad (small - recommended as a side salad) - (GF) lettuce, tomato, cucumber, carrot	\$3.50

Add: Tomato / Cucumber / Carrot / Croutons - \$0.50

Fresh Sesame Roll / Boiled egg / Feta / Parmesan / Crispy Bacon / Olives - \$1

Avocado / Ham - \$1.50

Poached chicken / crumbed chicken / tuna / turkey / roast vegetables - \$2

Sushi

Large Sushi Roll - Choice of the following:	\$4.00
Chicken Teriyaki & Avocado, Chicken Teriyaki & Cucumber, Chicken Teriyaki, Tuna & Avocado, Tuna & Cucumber, Tuna	

Mini Sushi Box - 12 pieced Mini Sushi. Choice of the following:	\$5.50
Cucumber, Avocado, Tuna, Mixed	

Edamame Box	\$3.00
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Snacks

Gingerbread Man	\$2.70
Popcorn (GF)	\$2.50
Banana Bread	\$2.70
Yoghurt & Berries (GF)	\$3.60
Fresh Fruit Salad (GF)	\$4.00
Watermelon Cup (GF)	\$3.60
Jelly (GF)	\$2.50
Baby Button Cookie	\$2.70
Homemade Chocolate Brownie	\$2.50

Drinks

Spring Water	\$2.50
Flavoured Milk (Chocolate or Strawberry)	\$3.00
Juice (Apple, Orange, Apple Blackcurrant)	\$2.70
Up & Go (Chocolate or Strawberry)	\$3.00

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IMPORTANT CANTEEN NEWS: This new system is effective from Term 2 2019



New Cashless System is here!

Botany Bites is constantly on the lookout for new ways to make your interactions with school more convenient. That's why we've engaged with Flexischools, Australia's leading school payment system, to provide a new cashless way for you to pay for school services.

Order and pay for your canteen lunch order online with Flexischools online ordering...

Flexischools is the fast, convenient and secure way to order and pay for canteen orders from home or on your mobile. Flexischools makes our canteen school service[s] available to you 24/7

- Parents set up a Flexischools account online and pre-load the account with funds.
- Parent can use the funds in their account to order and pay for a range of services online
- Parents can view their orders online and can set a daily spending limit.

Get Started with Flexischools...

Set up an account for online ordering...

You can set up an account online – it only takes a minute.

1. **Register for Flexischools** by visiting www.flexischools.com.au. Add your student, their school and form class to get started.
2. **Top-Up your account** via Visa, MasterCard, PayPal or direct deposit.
3. **Make an order** by selecting from the range of options made available by your school and proceed to make payment for the order listed in your order pad.
4. **Review Orders** by logging back in to your Flexischools account. You can set recurring orders, view transaction history or cancel orders via your Flexischools login.

What does it cost?

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Account Top-Up Fees -	Direct Deposit FREE
	Credit card (visa/mastercard) 15c + 1%
	PayPal 15c + 1%



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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.



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Botany Public School Communication Survey

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Kate Holmes

Principal

1. I have participated in the following school activities

Check all that apply.

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tell Them From Me online survey | <input type="checkbox"/> Learning Conference |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parent Information Evening | <input type="checkbox"/> Parents and Citizens Meetings (P&C) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome Evening for Parents by the P&C | |

2. I receive communication from the school via

Check all that apply

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parent Information Folder | <input type="checkbox"/> P&C notice board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fortnightly Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Phone calls from admin office |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ENews mobile application (iOS & Android) | <input type="checkbox"/> Formal/ informal interactions with teaching staff |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Event Information note(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Morning Lines |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Event Reminder note(s) | |

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3. I support my child's learning by

Check all that apply.

- Reading regularly with/to my child
- Engaging in Home Learning activities
- Discussing learning goals with my child

4. Key Learning Areas my child enjoys are

Check all that apply

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> English | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Development, Health and Physical Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics | <input type="checkbox"/> Creative Arts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Science & Technology | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> History & Geography | |

Other: _____

5. I would like more information about the following areas

Check all that apply.

- English
- Mathematics

Other: _____

6. I would be able to attend a parent forum about teaching and learning

Check all that apply

- Before school at 8am
- After school at 3pm
- In the evening at 6pm
- I am unable to attend

7. Is there any further information you require from the school or feedback you would like to provide? Please specify below.

Thank you for participating in the Botany School Communication Survey.