



The Colour Explosion was an amazing event for our community 😊



“Colour Explosion”

What an amazing event! The teachers, students and parents had so much fun during the afternoon. Thank you to everyone for really getting into the spirit, making it an event to remember. Thank you to all those parents who volunteered and helped with our obstacle course. We have raised just over \$8000 so far from student sponsorship. Parents have till the end of this week to make a student profile and add money online to win a prize for their child. Please find some amazing photos of the day in this newsletter.

Wellbeing Week and NAIDOC Week

The theme for Wellbeing Week this term will be in conjunction with NAIDOC and the focus will be Voice.Treaty.Truth. There will be no homework for students and no meetings for teachers.

Peer Support Groups

Peer Support Groups are made up of groups of students from Kindergarten through to Year 6. They help to build stronger relationships between students as they learn to support each other whilst engaged in meaningful contexts. Students will be involved in Peer Support Groups during our NAIDOC Week activities which will be centred on the theme of ‘Voice.Treaty.Truth.’

Semester 1 Reports

Teachers are very busy at the moment finalising student reports that show progress across all curriculum areas. Many hours of work go into accurately measuring student progress against outcomes outlined in NSW syllabus documents, as well as developing consistent teacher judgement on grading. The ‘Achievement’ section of the report gives a description of how your child is achieving at school. Students working at a ‘Sound level’ exhibit a sound knowledge and understanding of the main areas of content and have achieved **at expected grade level**. The ‘Application’ section of the report gives a description of how your child is applying themselves during learning activities. Students working at a ‘Satisfactory level’ show **an expected level of commitment** in order to achieve their personal best.

Student reports are an opportunity for teachers to communicate student progress with parents, as well as an opportunity for you to reflect on your child’s learning. Good communication is the key to strong links between home and school. Reports will be sent home during Week 10 of this term. Thank you for sharing in the partnership of learning.

Scope IT Education

All students will be involved in Scope IT Education during term 3 from Monday 29 July (Week 2) till Tuesday 24 September. The program will help children to develop their skills and explore the foundations of coding. The cost of the 10 week program will be \$60.00. To read more about Scope IT Education modules please follow the link: <https://www.scopeiteducation.edu.au>

Teachers Leave

During Term 3 we will have a number of teachers taking leave. Mr Baxter will be on leave for the first 5 weeks of term and Miss Tkachenko will be teaching his students. Mr Illich will be on leave for the first 3 weeks and Miss Neville and Mr Millist will be teaching his class.

FAMILY LAW ISSUES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

If changes occur in your family relationship which might impact on the relationship between the school and your family, you should advise the school immediately. This includes providing copies of any relevant court orders. Please see more details regarding this matter later in this newsletter.

Have a great week...Kate Holmes - Principal

Diary Dates

June 2019

Monday 24

School Banking



July 2019

Monday 1 – Friday 5

Wellbeing Week and

NAIDOC Week: VOICE. TREATY.TRUTH



Wednesday 3

8.30am Clothing Pool

Friday 5

100 days of Kindergarten

And Last day of Term 2

...School Holidays...

Term 3

Monday 22

Staff Development Day

Teachers only at school today...

Tuesday 23

First day of Term 3 for students

August 2019

Monday 5 – 9

NSW Education Week



Thursday 8

9.15am – 10.45am Education Week Open Morning

Tuesday 20 August

6pm – 8pm Interrelate Program for parents and students in Stage 2 and 3.

Friday 30 August

Fathers’ Day BBQ Breakfast

Tuesday 24 September

Art Show

Botany Public School P&C News

BOTANY PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C PRESENTS THEIR MAJOR FUNDRAISER

MOONLIGHT CINEMA

'THE GREATEST SHOWMAN'
sing-along

\$10 / Child
\$15 / Adult
\$45 / Family
(see ticket website for more details)

BYO Picnic Rug
Alcohol Free
Family Event
(Children must be supervised)

Entertainment • BBQ • Popcorn & Snacks
7 September 2019 • Gates open 5pm
Movie starts 6:30pm
Botany Public School, 1076 Botany Rd Botany
facebook.com/botanypublicschoolpandc
TICKETS: events.humanitix.com.au/botanymovie

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PSSA Years 3-6 Winter Sport

Students participating in PSSA Sport depart school at approximately 12.30pm Friday. Please make sure students wear full uniform including a school hat and bring a drink bottle.

Week	Sport	Venue
Round 4 28/6/19	Soccer	Heffron (Netball end)
	Netball	Heffron Netball Court
Round 5 5/7/19	Soccer	Coral Sea Park
	Netball	Heffron Netball Court
Term 3 Round 6 26/7/19	Soccer	To be confirmed
	Netball	Heffron Netball Court

Week 7 Award Winners

Achievement Award



KM	Clementine	Lachlan H
KP	Holly	Harley H
KR	Valentine	Jahrome
1/2D	Isabelle	Aidan R
1/2L	Miya	Keaton
1/2R	Aurelle	Reece
1/2S	Nino	Freya
3/4B	Taliyah	Pavle
3/4S	Oliver R	Mia-Rose
4/5D	Dion	Amelia H
5/6G	Harry M	Nikola
5/6I	Kyra	Penny

Week 8 Award Winners

Achievement Award



KM	Cassie	Rachel
KP	Leyla S	Ivory
KR	Harley	Isla
1/2D	Samir	Harry P
1/2L	Aiken	Lazar
1/2R	Lois	Liam T
1/2S	Tyra	Lily B
3/4B	Brianna	Caitlin
3/4S	Cody	Tarquin
4/5D	Michaela L	Christina
5/6G	Olive	Laila N
5/6I	Alex	Jaydon M

Value of week 9
Freedom

Value of week 10
Pride

**INFORMATION FOR PARENTS -
FAMILY LAW ISSUES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

The Department recognises that family breakdowns take place. Unless there is formal notice otherwise, it is assumed that both parents have shared and equal parental responsibility for their children and both parents have been involved in decisions regarding their children's education. This also means the school recognises that each parent has equal duties, obligations, responsibilities and opportunities relating to matters involving the school.

Parents have a responsibility to advise the school immediately if any changes in family circumstances occur which may impact on the relationship between the school and the parents and/or students. If court orders are obtained by one or both parents, a copy of the orders should be provided to the school as soon as possible.

If changes occur in your family relationship which might impact on the relationship between the school and your family, you should advise the school immediately.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2020

Botany Public School has continued to grow in size over the last few years as the name of our wonderful school grows in the community. At present we have 12 classes in our 12 classrooms which means that our school is at capacity.

At this stage, we will only be able to guarantee enrolment of Kindergarten children in 2020 if they live in the Botany Public School catchment area. We will also prioritise siblings of students enrolled in and attending the school. Please contact the school to confirm your details if you have a child beginning school in 2020.

If you live outside the catchment area, then it will be difficult to place your child at Botany Public School in 2020. We encourage all parents in this position to visit their local school principal. For your local public school, please go to the following link and enter your residential address:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/school-finder>

For those of you whose children will be attending Botany Public School in 2020, we will have an Open Morning on Thursday 12 September and two Transition Days on Thursday 14 November and Thursday 21 November, 2019.

The first day of school will be Monday 3 February 2020. Prior to this day, on Wednesday 29 January, Thursday 30 and Friday 31 January 2020, we will set aside time to meet with your child to complete the Best Start Assessment in Literacy and Numeracy.

Please contact the school office if you would like to discuss this matter further.

School Holidays and Term 3

Friday 5 July will be the last day of Term 2 for students and staff.

Students will return to school for Term 3 on Tuesday 23 July.

Monday 22 July will be a Staff Development Day and the school administration office will be closed.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Botany Public School

End of Year Concert

Venue: Souths Juniors

Date: Thursday 7 November 2019

Time: 6.00pm

More details available closer to the date.

Education Week Open Day

In Week 3 of Term 3, on Thursday 8 August 2019, we will be holding our Education Week Open Morning.

The Open Day will begin at 9.15am morning tea for parents being held after this in the Library.

Please save this date in your dairy! More details will follow...

School Hats – price increase

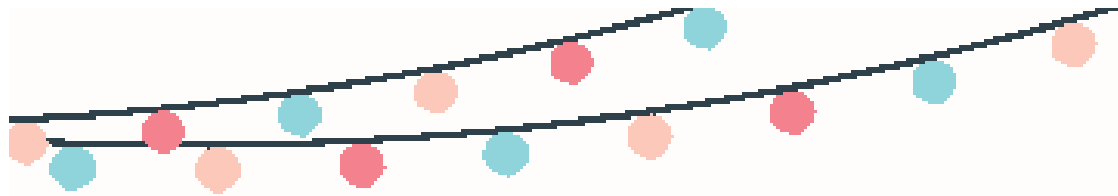
We have received a new batch of school hats from our supplier. Please note they are still the same but the supplier has had a price increase.

We still have a few hats left from our last batch for \$12.50. Once these are sold out all hats will be \$14.

Thank you for your understanding.

Kindergarten 2019

Parents and grandparents are welcome
to join us for our celebration...



Botany Public School would like you to join us
for a

100 days of Kindergarten celebration

Date: Friday 5th July 2019

Time: 9:30am

Venue: Botany Public School Library

Maths Forum

Our Maths Forum was a great success with 20 parents in attendance. Thank you to the staff for being a part of this evening and for sharing their knowledge with parents. Please see some great feedback we received:

Thank you very much to yourself and the teaching staff for hosting the moths info night for parents. It was well run, extremely insightful and an excellent opportunity for me as a parent to understand how TEN and TOWN is implemented.

I would like to say I really enjoyed the maths forum night! I was really happy to learn how the students are taught, so I can understand how to help my child with his work. It was fun to interact with the teachers and other parents. I definitely felt really old because of how much maths has changed. I hope the school does more things like this in the future.



Good News from our Botany Community

Thank you for the many kind emails we have received this week, such as the following one:

I just wanted to take the time to thank you all for such an amazing term especially in week 8. The time and effort all the staff put into the school is immensely appreciated.

The Parent Information Night was extremely informative. Many parents commented on the enthusiasm shown by all the staff and how well organised the evening was.

The Colour Explosion Fun Run and Book Week Parade were also amazing two events.

Botany Public School has a wonderful reputation amongst the Botany community, thank you to Mrs Holmes and to all the wonderful staff who commit to providing our children with only the best quality care and education.



The NSW Premier's Spelling Bee for 2019 is fast approaching!

Botany Public School's finalist names are due in Week 3, Term 3. Students are encouraged to practise spelling the words out loud and at home using the NSW Premier's Spelling Bee word list.

Our school competition will be held in the first two weeks of Term 3, with finalists being selected before the end of week 3.

The NSW Premier's Spelling Bee list words can be located from the following website, using the password **pizza** to access the lists.

<https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/premiers-spelling-bee>

Note: years 3 and 4 use the 'junior' word list and years 5 and 6 use the 'senior' word list.

Good luck to all of the Botany students in this year's Spelling Bee!



Miss Gable

Public Speaking – Term 3

Public helps to develop a clear, confident speaking voice that is an essential life skill that fosters self-esteem and personal confidence.

In Term 3 students will be participating in our schools Public Speaking Competition. Students will have the opportunity to prepare their speeches at home and present their speech to the class in Week 6.

Students should start to think about a topic that they feel very passionate about so that they can speak with sincerity. They should also choose a topic that would be of interest to the rest of the audience.

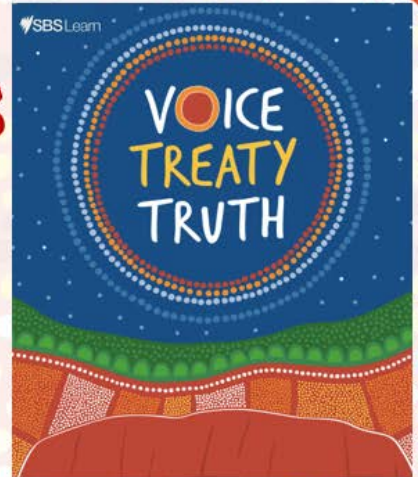
All students are encouraged to choose topics such with a global perspective. The BTN, National Geographic and SBS websites are great resource to start with. If you have any questions please see your child's class teacher or Mr Ribar.

Good Luck everyone!

Mr Ribar

Public Speaking Coordinator

Together Our Voices
Are Stronger



Term 2
Wellbeing Week
& NAIDOC Week

What is NAIDOC Week?

NAIDOC stands for 'National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Day Observance Committee'

NAIDOC Week is a one week celebration held in Australia every year in July, to celebrate the culture, history and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. The week is a great opportunity to participate in a range of activities and to support your local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

NAIDOC Week is special because it recognises that Aboriginal culture should be celebrated, respected and acknowledged. It also shows that Australians from all cultures can live together peacefully and celebrate the heritage of Australia.

During Week 10, students will be engaging in NAIDOC activities as part of Wellbeing Week, in line with this year's NAIDOC theme: 'Voice. Treaty. Truth. Let's Work Together For A Shared Future.'

Some of the activities include K-6 Peer Support Rotations focused on the Creative Arts, interacting with Dreamtime stories, investigating the traditional custodians of the Botany area and engaging with traditional Indigenous games and sports.

Garden Working Bee

A huge thank you to Jo and Chris for coordinating an amazing Garden Working Bee. The work they achieved in such a short time frame is amazing!

The garden bed near the hall was such a big job and the area behind the library looks fantastic. Well done to our hardworking volunteers for caring so much about our school environment.

It makes such a difference to our students and staff working in such a beautiful school.



South Sydney High School Visit – Year 4

Thank to South Sydney High School for hosting our year 4 students. The students had an interesting and fun day experiencing lessons in Scientific Investigations and Art. From Ms Schwartz and Mr Baxter



Stage 1 Symbio Excursion was so much fun!



Botany Public School

Colour Explosion

On Thursday June 20, Botany Public School had our first ever Colour Explosion fundraiser. It took place instead of our walkathon in order to raise money for a mini soccer pitch for the students.

Over 90 students set up an online profile and gained sponsorship for the special event. So far, the students have raised \$7500 for the school and fundraising will remain open until the end of this week.



Students participated in a 15-part obstacle course which included tyres and commando crawls. Students were sprayed with environmentally friendly, all-natural coloured powder to add to the excitement.

The event could not have happened without the help of parents and teachers all combining to set up the course and take amazing photos on the day.



A huge thank you to Miss.Neville for her organisation of the event and her continued efforts towards organising the fundraising.

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
RAWNSLEY, IN PERSON OR
BY EMAIL:
INFO@SHANNONLISEPHOTO
GRAPHY.COM.AU**

***TRASH & TREASURE:
THIS EVENT IS TAKING
PLACE 19/10. YOU CAN
REGISTER TO VOLUNTEER @
VOLUNTEERSIGNUP.ORG/KW
49J**

**PLEASE CONTACT DONNA
HARRISON WITH ANY
QUESTIONS.**

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

EVENTS COMING UP:

Mum's Wellness Dinner
Date: Thursday, 27 June @7pm
Venue: One Drop brewing Co.
RSVP: FB Page 'Mum's Wellness
Dinner' or by email:
ingridarndt@optusnet.com.au

Clothing Pool Sale
Date: 3/7 8:00-9:15am

*We are still collecting donations
at the office!

Movie Night

7/9 Gates open at 5pm

*We are still looking for one or two
more entertainment options for
the kids. If you are a parent and
have a talent/hobby that would go
with our circus theme and would
like to volunteer your time, please
contact Ashley Foy.
ashley.melinda89@yahoo.com

Trash and Treasure with Food
Truck Alley
19/10 @ 9am-2pm.

*You can sign up for a car slot for
\$30. Check out the FB page,
Botany Public School Trash and
Treasure. Please contact Donna
Harrison with all enquiries.

Other things arising:
The P&C have laptop bags &
shoulder bags for sell,
different sizes all \$10 each.
Please contact Donna Lees
with any questions.