



We wish you a
Happy Christmas
from the
Captains and
Prefects of 2019...

A Community Thank You...

The 2019 school year has been full of many wonderful events and learning experiences. We thank our caring and supportive community for the wonderful support you have given our school during 2019.

- Our school is incredibly fortunate to have such a dedicated group of parents in our P&C, who work so hard to support and fundraise for our students and community.
- Thank you to all the parents who helped run our BBQ's at school events. Your enthusiasm allows our students to feel part of a caring community.
- Thank you to the school banking parents who have helped our students learn the positives about saving.
- Thank you to everyone who has volunteered at our school events this year, driving students to sport events and attending our carnivals. You have given the students lots of fabulous opportunities to participate in many different activities.
- Thank you to the parents involved in our Uniform Clothing Pool. You have given many families the opportunity to purchase discounted uniforms.

Thank you for your generosity of spirit.
From all the students and staff of Botany Public School.

Student Representative Council

This year our Student Representative Council has been involved in many different activities. This term, the students have decided to hold a Christmas Appeal as part of the Salvation Army charity. Please give generously to the appeal this year.

Gifts or food can be placed under the Christmas tree in the school foyer by Friday 13 December. Please ensure that the gifts are in a gift bag or unwrapped and are not recycled. Thank you for your continued support of our school.

Season Greetings

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our students and their families a very happy and safe Christmas and holiday season.

Relax, reflect and look forward to an amazing journey in 2020.

Kate Holmes - Principal



Diary Dates

TERM 4 2019

December 2019

Monday 9 – Wednesday 18

Wellbeing Week

Wednesday 11

9.15am Presentation Day



Thursday 12

Pink Stumps Mufti Day
SRC and P&C Fundraising Event

Wednesday 18

Last day of CANTEEN for 2019

Monday 16

10am - Year 6 Bowling Fun Day

5.00pm – 7.30pm Year 6 Farewell
for students in Year 5 and Year 6
in the School Hall

Wednesday 18

Last day of school

Happy Holidays!



We wish all of our families a very
happy Christmas and holiday season.

January 2020

Monday 27

Australia Day Public holiday

Tuesday 28

Staff Development day

Wednesday 29

Students Years 1 – 6 begin school

February 2020

Monday 3

9.00am First Day of Kindergarten

We look forward to meeting you all....

Tuesday 11

7.00pm - P&C Meeting

Thursday 13

Swimming Carnival

Botany Public School P&C News



Home Reading and Library News

All classes have now finished Home Reading and Library programs for the year. Please return ALL home reading and library books this week so that we can collate resources.

Thank you 😊



Week 7 Award Winners

*Achievement
Award*



KM	Cloey W	Archie
KP	Dylan K	Georgie
KR	Lucas B	Xavier
1/2D	Samir	Taya
1/2L	Luca	Gabriella
1/2R	Aroha	Jacob B
1/2S	Verona	Chloe T
3/4B	Levi	Finn
3/4S	Kyan	Nehaan
4/5D	Olivia	Predrag
5/6G	Ryan	Zachary
5/6I	Matilda	Jaydon

Week 8 Award Winners

*Achievement
Award*



KM	Dylan P	Foti
KP	Kobe	Harrison
KR	Rhett	Arthur
1/2D	Mia V	Lochlan
1/2L	William C	Aleksandar
1/2R	Alberta	Kerim
1/2S	Zainab	Emily S
3/4B	Pavle	Caitlin
3/4S	Kayles	Kai
4/5D	Sam	Cheska
5/6G	Tequila	Hannah
5/6I	Mabel	Giselle

**Value of week 9
Freedom**

**Value of week 10
Pride**

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.

Please inform the school if your child is starting kindergarten 2020, and you have not yet informed the office.

School Resumes for student in Years 1 – 6 on Wednesday 29 January 2020.

If you are going to return to school after this date, please let the school know in writing so we can save a place for your child.



Parent Code of Conduct

A code of conduct for parents and visitors ensures that everyone who visits the school site is able to do so in a safe and harmonious manner and to ensure that students, staff, parents and other visitors are not subjected to aggressive behaviours.

Parents and visitors are expected to:

- Treat all persons associated with the school with respect and courtesy;
- Make appointments in advance of expecting to obtain an interview;
- Allow staff to supervise, investigate and manage students without interference;
- Discuss issues or concerns about the school, staff or students through the correct procedures;

No parent or carer should directly approach another parent or their child. The school will deal with issues between students as part of the school's Student Welfare policy.



Presentation Day

- 9.15am Wednesday 11 December in the Johnny Warren Hall. Please join us to celebrate the many achievements of our students.

Year 6 Bowling Excursion

- Monday 16 December. Year 6 will spend the day having fun with their friends & teachers.

Year 6 Farewell

- 5.00pm Monday 16 December in the Johnny Warren Hall.

Students in years 5 and 6 are invited to share an evening with their friends to celebrate the students in Year 6 finishing primary school.

Parents are asked to leave their child at the hall at 5.00pm and then at 7.00pm return for the formalities from 7pm till 7.30pm.

Talent Quest

- Wednesday 18 December.

Students will watch performances at a school Talent Quest.... **This is a student only event.**

Year 6 Clap Out

- 2.45pm Wednesday 18 December... Parents are welcome to join us as we farewell Year 6...

Happy Holidays 😊

2020 - First day of school for Students in Years 1 – 6

- Wednesday 29 January 2020

2020 - Kindergarten Best Start Appointments

- Wednesday 29, Thursday 30 January & Friday 31 January

2020 - First Day of Kindergarten

- Monday 3 February from 9.00am

We look forward to meeting you all....

2019 – Swimming Carnival

- Thursday 13 February

For all students in Year 3 – 6 and students in Year 2 who turn 8 in 2020 and can competently swim the length of the pool.



Our Year 6 Farewell is almost here...

We look forward to celebrating our Year 6 students' years in Primary School and wish them every happiness for High School...

When: 5.00pm Monday 16 December 2019

Who: All students in Year 5 and 6 are invited to attend ...

Where: School Hall

*Please ensure your child has returned their note and money to the office

*Parents are invited to join us at the conclusion of the evening for the formalities

Arrangements for the beginning of the 2020 school year

Teachers will return on Tuesday 28 January for a Staff Development Day.

On Wednesday 29 January 2020 students in Year 1 to 6 will return from 8.30am and will assemble in the courtyard at 9.00am. Students are to sit in their 2019 class lines with their bags.

Kindergarten 2020 will commence lessons on Monday 3 February, after they have completed their Best Start Assessments on Wednesday 29, Thursday 30 January and Friday 31 January 2020.

For all students in 2020, the first few days will be spent in temporary classes.

As in previous years, due to the unpredictability of enrolments and the size of our primary school, Botany will retain the tried and tested model of forming temporary classes until student numbers are finalised.

The days in these temporary classes are highly structured with the Bounce Back Programs, School Rules and Values Programs and general Key Learning Areas all being covered.

Teachers take into account student needs including academic and wellbeing requirements whilst forming classes.

All teachers, executive staff and specialist teachers consult and communicate over a 3 month period to ensure every effort is made to achieve the best possible combination of teacher and learning cohorts.

I appreciate the community's ongoing support in allowing teachers to use their educational expertise and professional knowledge to best place your children into class groupings.

The final appointment of individual teachers to specific grades and classes for 2020 will be finalised in the New Year.

Thank you to The Graphic Arts Club

Over the years The Graphic Arts Club have faithfully donated funds to our school to support our students.

This year we will use their generous donation of \$200 to cover the cost of awards for our end of year Presentation Day for 2019.



Parent Working Bee Thank you

What an amazing amount of work was completed by our Botany Public School 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.





Botany Public School P&C and SRC

are hosting a Mufti Day and Cake stall for PINK STUMPS DAY

12th December 2019

Students are invited to wear PINK mufti for a GOLD coin donation

The P&C will be selling cupcakes during the Staff versus Students

Pink Stumps Cricket Game from 2:30 – 3pm

Parents and Carers are invited to come and watch the game from 2pm



Any Parents willing to donate cupcakes for the cause, please bring them to the office on the Morning of the 12/12/19



Play for a cause

Fundraise for the McGrath Foundation



**The Student Representative Council
Presents**

The Salvation Army's GIFT & FOOD APPEAL

Christmas can be a difficult time of year for families in need.

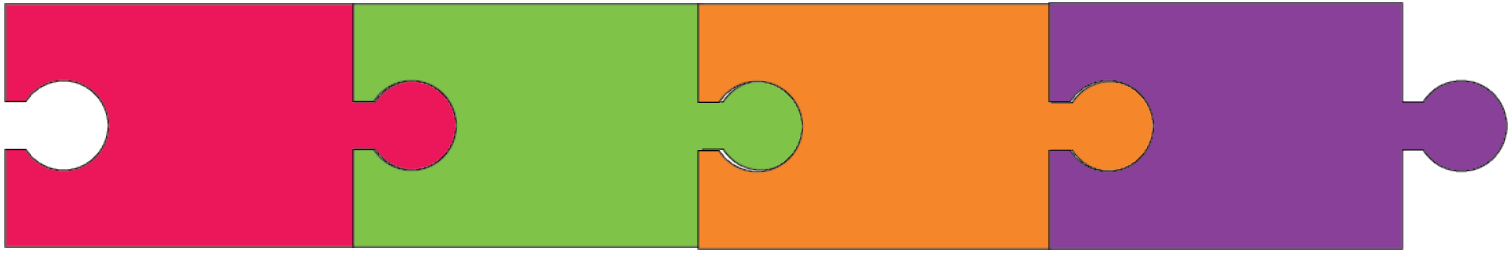
Every Christmas, The Salvation Army provide food hampers and gifts to bring hope to these families - but we need your help filling them!

You can help us by making a gift or food donation. Please make sure all gifts are unwrapped and that food has a long expiry date.

Please bring in your donations by
Friday, 13th December

Thank you for making Christmas brighter for all families in need.





Term 4 Wellbeing Week:

Putting It All Together

This term's Wellbeing Week will summarise key ideas from the Wellbeing program over the last three years. Students will discuss and engage in activities surrounding themes including friendship, appreciating others, self-esteem and growth mindset.

Overview of Activities Commencing Thursday Week 9:

Thursday: Pink Stumps Day

Friday: ReCreate – planning for the holidays

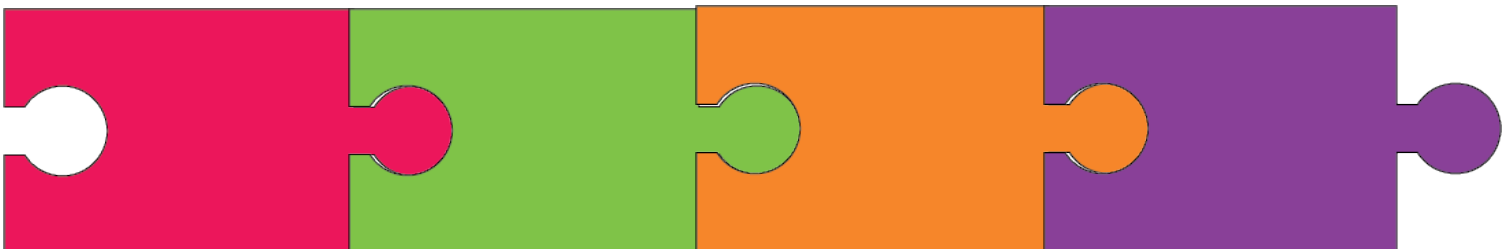
Monday: Movie session for K-5 students

Tuesday: Tabloid activities

Wednesday: Talent Quest



re:create
F.R.I.E.N.D.S



BPS P&C News

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

***12 DEC @ 2-3PM CAKE
STALL FOR PINK STUMPS
DAY**

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

P&C Meeting 3/12

- \$5,000 given to the school to go towards next years creative arts!
- P&C events for 2020 were decided! Looks like the Trash & Treasure will be coming back, along with the Botany Bolt!

We also have a few smaller items locked in like a school cook book, election day bbq, easter hat parade raffle, then of course Mother and Fathers Day.

Thank you everyone that has been involved this year! We could not have accomplished so much without all the support of our school community!

Mums' Wellness Dinner

10 Dec @ 7pm.

This terms wellness dinner will be hosted at Waterworks Hotel, Botany. Enjoy a glass of bubbly on arrival! Be sure to RSVP on the 'BPS Mum's Wellness Dinner' Fb page.

Pink Stumps Day

12 Dec the P&C will be hosting a mufti day and cake stall for Pink Stumps Day! Parents and carers are able to come and watch the student vs staff cricket game @ 2pm. We will be selling cupcakes from 2:30-3pm.