Dear Parents

Please read this newsletter with your child. It contains information and important events that are happening around our school.

School Events Calendar

Easter Hat Parade                      Friday 11th April
Last day of school                   Friday 11th April
Students return for Term 2           Tuesday 29th April
School Cross Country                  Tuesday 6th May
Mother’s Day Stall                    Thursday 8th May
NAPLAN for Years 3 and 5             Starting from Tuesday 13-15th May

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PBL Relaunch
Principal’s Report

Speech language pathologist

As you know, we have employed the services of a speech language pathologist this year. This term she has been assessing students to determine their inclusion in the program. Letters have been sent home this week to parents of K-2 students who will start the program in Week 2, Term 2. A waiting list has also been established and a letter will be sent home to those parents in Week 1 of Term 2.

Stage 2 and 3 camps this week

This week I attended Stage 2 and 3 overnight camps. These camps develop so many skills in our students, including independence, taking personal responsibility, working and cooperating with each other, resilience and problem solving.

A special thankyou to Mrs Nobilo for organising our Stage 2 and Mrs Romeiro for organising our Stage 3 camp this week. Thank you also to the teachers who stayed overnight - Mrs Nobilo, Miss Jovanovska, Mrs Romeiro, Mr Sharpley, Mrs Norman and Ms Meggitt.

It was a great team effort and another outstanding example of the opportunities our school provides for our students.

Technology

Thank you to Miss Han for organising our skoolbag App. It is a wonderful communication tool between parents and the school. On page 11 of our newsletter, Miss Han has outlined how you can access it. Please take the time to look at the free App and let us know what you think about it.

This will be the last issue of our newsletter printed as a hard copy. Starting in Term 2, all newsletters will be available on our school website. Remember that there is the facility to translate pages as well.

School Development Day - Term 2

Our school development day will focus on updating our technology skills in the classroom and completing our Semester 1 written report which will reflect the new national English curriculum.

School uniforms

Please take the opportunity over these holidays to ensure your child is wearing the correct coloured shoes. Black is the colour. Many students are starting to wear multi coloured shoes and joggers.

We will be having a second hand uniform sale early in term 2. If you have used uniforms in good condition, please take them to the office in Week 1.
Around the Grounds

PSSA Results
Unfortunately there are no results for the end of term 1 summer sport. Due to the wet weather and the soaked grounds, sport was cancelled and summer sport will recommence in term 4.

Winter Sport
Winter sport will begin the first Friday back at school (2.5.14). Please keep the following information regarding the table for the next two terms:

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Home sport
Students who will participate in Home School Sport will have the opportunity to do the Dance2bfit programme. The children experienced a free dance lesson at the end of last year. Due to its popularity, the instructors are coming back every Friday to work with our students. Payment for the 9 week programme is $27. Payment should be made to Ms Moro before Wednesday 30 April 2014.
SRC Delegates

The class delegates of our school play the very important role of representing their class at SRC meetings that are held once a term. The class delegates voice the opinions and suggestions of their peers and follow up with teachers to try and make these suggestions possible.

The class delegates are chosen because of their safe, active and responsible behaviour inside and outside of the classroom and take their role very seriously. Our school wouldn’t be the same with our class delegates. The following students are representatives for their class:

3/4H: Halim and Bryce
3/4L: Phoenix and Zara
3/4M: Jacob B and Cristian G
3/4B: Jorja and Austin B
5/6C: Alex W and Tanika M
5/6M: Trey and Chloe G
5/6R: Poppi and Markos S
5/6S: Bella S and Kevin

K–2 Cricket Program

This is a reminder for K-2 students to please return the permission slip and money for the cricket program. The program starts next term in week 2.

The activities cater for the skill level of all students involved. It will also be a great way to have fun and get fit with their friends while learning to play cricket. All students will receive a goodies bag just for participating.

Students who pay for this program will also go into the draw to win a cricket bag and cap from Cricket NSW.

Thank you for your cooperation and support!

Mrs Nobilo
Cricket Coordinator
Stage 1 Ambulance Visit

By Archie and Carisa, 1K

Stage 1 were very, very lucky to have an ambulance officer come to our school and talk about her job. We learnt about big and little accidents and when to call 000. The ambulance officer let us go in the ambulance and we were allowed to feel the oxygen. She even let us lie down on the stretcher.

We were happy to meet another worker from our community.
Guide Dog Visit

By 2B

On Thursday the 3rd April 2014, Rhonda and her guide dog Cameron came and visited Stage One in the hall.

Cameron is a 20 month old guide dog who has only been with Rhonda for two and a half weeks. Emilee was Rhonda’s previous guide dog but she has now retired because she was attacked by another dog on the shoulder and could no longer wear her harness.

Cameron helps Rhonda walk through doors and go to different places. He even helps her find chairs. Cameron knows he is on duty and helping Rhonda when he is wearing his harness. He knows he can play and go to the toilet when his harness is off. When his harness is on he cannot do these things.

Guide dogs are allowed to go everywhere with their owner but they are not allowed to go to the zoo or in the intensive care part of the hospital. Rhonda also showed us how she reads books by using Braille which are special raised dots on a page. She also showed us her canes and what we should do when someone is blind.

It was nice meeting Rhonda and Cameron. We learnt lots from them.
The Easter holidays are nearly here. We would REALLY appreciate parents/ guardians encouraging students to make good use of this time to read. Increasing numbers of students are getting very close to completing The Premier’s Reading Challenge and the holidays are a perfect time to move ahead with reading.

Congratulations to Stephanie Pavlovich, Amani Esttaifan, Tiare Tuake-Noanoa, Marina Kolic, Zara Winfry and 1G who have completed the ‘Premier’s Reading Challenge.’

There are some great activities available for children in the school holidays in Sydney.

Oliver Jeffers book The Incredible Book Eating Boy is being performed live on stage at The Sydney Opera House from the 12– 27 April. Tickets are from $30 and the play is suitable for children from age 3+. Phone 9250 7777.

Pinocchio is being performed at the Drama Theatre at The Sydney Opera house from 11 April– 4 May. The performance is based on the books by Carlo Collodi and is a collaborative venture by The Sydney Theatre Company and The Sydney Opera House. For ages 7+. Phone 9250 1777.

Robynne Mullard
Teacher Librarian

Pina Pisano
Library Assistant
This week we interview Year 1 that includes 1K, 1G and 1M. We will ask 2 students from each class questions about…

Q. What new food would you like in the canteen?
Ahmed: Doughnuts
Scarlett: Fruit salad
Adam: New juice cups
Rebecca: New Zooper Doopers
Arthur: Sour straps
Cheyenne: Snake lollies

Q. What have you learnt in Year 1 so far?
Ahmed: Community helpers
Scarlett: Letter writing
Adam: Learning fairy tales
Rebecca: Writing recounts
Arthur: Maths
Cheyenne: Art

Q. If you could have a super power what would it be?
Ahmed: Super speed
Scarlett: To be invisible
Adam: Super speed
Rebecca: Ice powers
Arthur: To be invisible
Cheyenne: To fly
On Thursday the 27\textsuperscript{th} of March 2014, we had our Positive Behaviours for Learning, or PBL relaunch in our school hall.

We had a special visitor from the Fairfield Police Station. Serena, a police officer talked to our school about bad behaviours like stealing, hurting someone and cyberbullying. One of the things she talked about was if you are 10 or older and do something bad, police officers will come and talk to your parents about the situation. It could also go on your criminal record.

The next thing she talked about was online bullying on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram because some people can say harsh comments that could hurt others. She reminded us to follow the rules and always do the right thing!

The school captains also presented a speech about following our PBL rules. There were even some kindergarten students dressed up in bee costumes to represent our PBL mascot!

The day ended with the whole school creating bees to remind ourselves to follow our school rules.

It was a great day!
Our school will be using a Skoolbag App to help us communicate more effectively with parents and the community. This App will provide up to date information and live alerts such as:

- Cancellations of events such as PSSA or excursions
- Late arrival of excursion buses
- News of whole school activities/events – mufti days, discos, sport programs
- Newsletter updates

Parents can also choose to receive alerts from particular grades or stages so they can receive information regarding their children.

There will be a 30 day trial available for all parents to try the App. Please use the following instructions to install the App on your iPhone (Android smartphones are not supported at this stage).

**Instructions to install the App:**

1. Click the “App Store” icon on your iPhone.
2. Using the search option, type in **Bossley Park Public School**
3. You will see the school App. Click “FREE” then “INSTALL”
4. When installation is finished, click “OPEN”
5. Choose “Ok” to receive push notifications, when asked
6. If you want to choose which grades or stages you want to receive the alerts from, click “More” and then “Setup:”
7. Turn on the grades you wish to receive alerts.
You may recall last year that our school was involved in a wonderful program run by Woolworths, called Earn and Learn, which involved collecting stickers.

Our school recently received delivery of our free resources. The products included:

- Face and body paint for the studio
- Dice, construction set and reading games for Kindergarten
- Mini whiteboards and games for Stage 1
- Simple Machines and Human Body Kits for Stage 2
- Lego and puzzles for Stage 3
- Puzzles and games for the Library

We would like to thank everyone who collected stickers for our school last year. Your support is really appreciated.
NRL School Holiday Clinic

Date: Thursday 17th April

Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm

Venue: New Era Stadium, Cabramatta

Cost: $35 – Includes a ball, tee, bag, bottle, hat, pump, magnet and lunch.

Age: 5 – 12 years

Participants will get the opportunity to meet some Eels players on the day!

To register go to: http://www.sydneywestdevelopment.leaguenet.com.au/

For more information contact: Marshal Boyd - 0411 159 441 or mboyd@nrl.com.au
Q. How long have you been teaching at Bossley Park Public School?

*Mrs Gurlica* - 14 years.
*Miss Kennedy* - I have been teaching for 5 years
*Ms Micallef* - 7 years

Q. What has been your favourite change so far at this school?

*Mrs Gurlica* - Our PBL reward system
*Miss Kennedy* - Changing the PBL system form the old one
*Ms Micallef* - I like how there is a fun afternoon every term for students who have worked hard and follow our PBL rules

Q. What is your favourite year to teach?

*Mrs Gurlica* - Year 1 of course!!!
Miss Kennedy - It has to be year 1!!
Ms Micallef - My favourite year to teach is K-2
Year 1 Hard at Work
Year 1 Work Samples
Aussie of the Month

By Sylisha

During school, there will be an Aussie of the Month in each month being handed out during assemblies. There will be one nominee in each class and a winner from K – 2 and 3 – 6. Here is a list of the nominees and winners from March.

March Nominees:
KB- Kade
KE- Sofia
KN- Alessia
1G- Scareltt
1K- Archie
1M- Olivia
2B- Sherwin
2CS- Cavaldi
2R- Zohya
3/4B- Marcous
3/4H- Marianne
3/4L- Pamela
3/4M- Jessica
3/4N- Christian
5/6C- Amani
5/6M- Alana
5/6R- Poppi
5/6S- Kevin

Winner: K - 2 is

Winner: 3-6 is

Congratulations!
Don’t forget your art in the school holidays. There is plenty to do and it’s free.

In Sydney till June there is the 19th Biennial Sculpture exhibition

This exhibition is in many locations in Sydney. The most interesting is on Cockatoo Island. The ferry is $7 and the exhibition is free. Take a picnic lunch, or eat at food stalls, spend a couple of hours wandering around or all day. There is so much to see and some of the sculptures are interactive. The kids will love it.

Work in the studio continues with students in KB and Year 1 and Year 2 studying, Monet garden, and abstract artists Klee and Kandinsky. These will be displayed in the office foyer so come and have a look at our wonderful work.

Students are also working with clay and are making wonderful creations for Mothers’ Day. If you would like to join in you are most welcome.

Once again, I am collecting materials for our artworks. Please look around and see if you have anything that you don’t need such as old stockings, wire coat hangers, polystyrene meat and veg trays, magazines, wire, buttons, wool, scrap materials, wallpaper, coloured paper, sewing materials and even left over flyscreen or gutter guard, and anything else you may feel is scrap. These would be much appreciated by me and the students.

Please leave items on the tables in the studio before or after school.

Parent helpers are always welcome Wednesdays and Thursdays 9 – 2.55pm

Thank you

Nika Norman.
(Art teacher)
Jokes

Q. What kind of keys do kids like to carry?

A. Cookies!

Q. In which school do you learn to make ice-cream?

A. Sunday school

Q. Waiter, will my pizza be long?

A. No sir, the pizza will be round
Student Artwork

Harmony Day Posters