Dear Parents

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

School Events Calendar

Red Light Morning Tea  
Tuesday 17th March

K-2 Assembly  
Wednesday 18th March

Dress up Trekkers mufti day  
Thursday 19th March

School Photos  
Thursday 26th March

125th Birthday Celebrations  
Saturday 28th March

S3 Leadership Camp  
Mon-Tues 30-31st March

S2 Wooglemai Camp  
Mon-Tues 30-31st March

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Teddy Bear’s Picnic

For more photos, please visit the gallery section of our school website.
Welcome to our first newsletter of the year. A special thankyou to Miss Han and our new newsletter publishing team for producing such an informative, extensive and detailed document. Well done!

**125th anniversary celebrations**

Our celebrations are gaining momentum as we approach the 27th and 28th March. Our SRC and committee ladies are selling 125th souvenirs every morning outside the hall. All souvenirs are strictly limited productions and once they are all sold there will be no more items available.

Please contact the office regarding the sale of wristbands for the Saturday celebrations or tickets to the dinner on Friday night.

**Memories and Recollections of Bossley Park**

If you were an ex student of Bossley Park and would like to write a few lines about your memories or experiences at Bossley Park Public School, you may hand them into the office where they will be put together and displayed in our community room on Saturday, 28th of March as part of our 125th birthday celebrations. A note will be distributed to class teachers tomorrow asking to make contact with parents if they would like to contribute.

**School Plan 2015 - 2017**

Thank you for your submissions and comments regarding our school plan. Our school planning committee have also surveyed our Stage 3 students and teachers to help determine our three strategic directions over the next three years. We will be focussing on student, staff and community learning.

It is been a very demanding and satisfying exercise for the planning committee and it does reflect the majority of our learning community’s thoughts and feelings.

The plan will be loaded onto our website at the beginning of Term 2.

**Dress up Trekkers - costume/dress up day**

We will be having a costume/dress up mufti day next Thursday 19 March to support a very worthwhile cause. All students are encouraged to come dressed in a colourful costume (eg super hero, fairytale character) and donate a gold coin to help fundraise to purchase badly needed medical equipment in northern Nepal. Mr Brims and Mrs Spadavecchia will be trekking for 10 days in Nepal over the coming Easter holidays with other teachers and family and will present our fundraising efforts directly to the organisation responsible for the hospital.

Mrs Spadavecchia (Michelle) will display posters with photographs of some of the village children and the hospital near the P&C noticeboard.

Parents and teachers are also encouraged to make a donation at the front office.
Meet our SRC

By Matthew and Nicholas

SRC is short for Student Representative Council. Being an SRC member is an important job as they have many roles and responsibilities. We wanted to find out what makes a good SRC and how they plan to work their magic on the school.

Q.1 How did you feel when you were elected to be a member of the SRC?
Antoney - I felt happy and excited because the school is trusting me to do the right thing.
Chloe - Relieved because I wanted to be an SRC member for a long time.
Brodie - It felt good and my legs were shaking!
Adam - I felt great especially when I was announced as school captain.
Alex - I felt good because I wanted to be SRC.
Jayden - It felt like it was a dream. Being elected meant so much to me. I was extremely happy in so many ways.
Tania - I felt really excited as I have achieved my goal to be in the SRC.
Kayla - I was really excited because I worked hard to get there.
Tanika - I felt relieved and then my world changed because I am now in the SRC.
Poppi - I felt really excited. When it got to presentation day and I was elected as captain, I was very very happy but nervous!

Q.2 What’s your role in the SRC? Do you enjoy this role?
Antoney - My role is Environmental Minister so I have to inspect the school gardens.
Chloe - My role is Special Occasion Minister and so far it’s enjoyable.
Brodie - My role is to send messages and letters to Mr Brims and the job I have is alright.
Adam - I’m Captain and I love it because I get to go to special events.
Alex - My role is Sport Minister and I like it.
Tanika - My role is Student Welfare and I have to ensure that the students are safe.
Poppi – My role is Captain and I really enjoy it. I have to make sure that everyone is doing their job ,thank special guests and carry out duties like gates.
Jayden - My role is Treasurer. I wanted Environment Minister but being a treasurer requires a mathematician and I am a quite a good one, so I am still happy.
Meet our SRC

Tania - Special Occasions Minister. It is a lot of fun so far.
Kayla - I’m an Environment Minister and yes I like my role.

Q.3 Any tips for those who want to be in the SRC?
Antoney - You need to be a loyal and trustworthy person who cares about other students’ welfare.
Chloe - To be in the SRC I think you need to be loyal and dedicated.
Brodie - Respect the students and teachers and help others.
Adam - Be a responsible student who cares for other students.
Alex - You need to be responsible and a caring person.
Jayden - A good SRC member is a person who is responsible, reliable and willing to help others.
Tania - Someone that is responsible.
Kayla - You need to be a safe, respectful and active Learner.
Tanika - A good SRC needs to be responsible, nice and caring. You also need to be a good role model.
Poppi - You have to be organised and willing to help someone in the playground.
House Captains

By Tania and Tanika

At the beginning of each year, students get to vote for their house captains and vice captains. In this newsletter, we are introducing the House Captains of 2015. They are: Banksia – Ziana and Matthew; Waratah – Isabella and Jordan; Grevillea – Jacob and Monique; Mimosa – Sebastian and Aysel. We wanted to get to know them, so we asked a couple of questions:

Q1. How does it feel to be house captain?

Aysel - I feel mature and ready to help people!
Sebastian - I feel really happy!
Isabella - It feels amazing and I’m happy I had the chance!
Jordan - It feels great because I thought I wouldn’t make it!
Monique - It feels great!
Jacob - Feels good, especially when you get to wear a badge.
Matthew - Good and makes me feel happy.
Ziana - Fun and exciting.

Q2. What carnival are you most excited to cheer at and why?

Aysel - Cross country because I like to run and enjoy cheering other runners!
Sebastian - Cross country. I am good at running and enjoy watching the races.
Isabella - Cross country because it’s my favourite carnival and it makes me want to run fast!
Jordan - Cross country because I think I’ll be great at that!
Monique - Athletics carnival because I like to cheer on people doing different activities
Jacob - Athletics carnival because there are so many good runners to cheer for.
Matthew - Athletics carnival because I like to cheer for others doing different activities.
Ziana - Cross country because I like to see people run.
Q3. What is your favourite sport and why?

Aysel - Netball because I get to play with my friends and play against other schools!

Sebastian - Soccer. I'm good at it and it's a sport that's played around the world.

Isabella - Basketball because it's exhilarating because you run with the ball and shoot.

Jordan - Oz-tag because it's a really fun game.

Monique - Netball because I like throwing and shooting.

Jacob - Rugby league because I'm good at it.

Matthew - Soccer because I'm a good defender.

Ziana - Netball because it's fun and keeps me fit.

Q4. What are some ways to lead your house to victory?

Aysel - Encouraging others to participate!

Sebastian - Cheering.

Isabella - Making awesome signs and cheers!

Jordan - Making posters that will encourage everyone to do their best.

Monique - Encouraging others to have a go and cheer!

Jacob - Get points by coming first.

Matthew - By cheering and being enthusiastic!

Ziana - Cheer and encourage others to participate!
2015 has started with a splash, with students participating in our annual swimming carnival. I’d like to thank all parents who escorted students to the pool and a special thanks to Mrs Djemal, Mrs Fitzjohn, Mrs Ciappara, Mrs Greer and Mrs Nolan for assisting with time keeping. A school record was broken by Poppi. Well done!

Congratulations to the following students with school squad selection: Thomas, Filip, Dune, Natasha, Charlie, Arianna, Mijo, Grace, Sofia, Bryce, Alex, Brodie, Tanika, Hailey, Tahila, Poppi, Sebastian, Tania and Aysel.

Results of the Zone Swimming Carnival will be available in the next edition of the newsletter.

**PSSA**

PSSA will be played in the morning this term. Students must be at school on time in order to get the teams on the buses. This is another reminder to all PSSA students that they need to pay $7 on **THURSDAY morning** to their coaches. Friday is unacceptable. If students cannot make the payment, they will not be able to participate.

**Results:**

### Round 1

**AFL - BP vs Fairfield Heights**
- Jnr Girls' AFL won 27 to 0
- Snr Girls' AFL won 12 to 7

All other teams played Harrington Street.

Here are the results:
- Snr Girls Softball drew 9 all
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- Jnr Boys Cricket won 81 to 48
- Snr Boys Cricket drew 88 all
- Snr Girls Oz tag lost 0 to 6
- Snr Boys Oz tag lost 1 to 3
- Jnr Girls Teeball lost 7 to 9
- Jnr Boys Teeball won 17 to 13

### Round 2

**AFL - BP v Canley Heights**
- Jnr Girls AFL won 14 to 8
- Snr Girls AFL lost 5 to 39

All other teams played William Stimson.

Here are there results:
- Jnr Boys Cricket lost 87 to 88
- Snr Boys Cricket lost 56 to 76
- Snr Girls softball lost 5 to 7
- Snr Boys Softball drew 7 all
- Snr Girls Oz tag lost 0 to 5
- Snr Boys Oz Tag lost 1 to 4
- Jnr Girls Teebal lost 12 to 14
- Jnr Boys Teeball won 8 to 7

Please view the sports noticeboard for dates or other information.

Ms L. Moro

Sports Coordinator
Welcome to 2015! Our library is up and running and all classes have had their first library session. We revised care of our books, borrowing procedures and The Five Finger Test which is a simple test to help students choose a book that is at their reading level. **We would encourage all parent/guardians to purchase a school library bag from our canteen. They cost $8.00 and they are the BEST protection for our books. The aqua blue drawstring bags are excursion bags and are NOT suitable as Library Bags.**

We have been training students who applied to be Library Monitors this year. Students have been coming during recess and lunch to learn the many things that they need to know to take on this role within our school.

The N.S.W. Premiers Reading Challenge will officially commence from March 1 and all students need to have their ‘Challenge’ completed by Thursday, 6 August (Week 4 Term 3). The recording folders for all Stage 2 and Stage 3 classes are in the library and all students have been encouraged to participate in and complete this year’s ‘Challenge’. Students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 participate in the ‘Challenge’ with the support of their classroom teachers who are provided with a set of appropriate texts to read to their class.

We are funded for four days Library this year. Mrs Turner will manage the Library on Monday and Mrs Mullard will manage the Library from Tuesday to Thursday.

Finally, if your children are Andy Griffiths fans you might be interested in either or both of a theatre production of The 26 and 52 Storey Treehouse stories. The 26 Storey Treehouse is at the Riverside Theatre from 18-19 August (phone 88393399) while the 52 Storey Treehouse is at The Seymour Centre from the 7-9 September and The Opera House from 20 September to the 8 October. Also there is a production of Snugglepot and Cuddlepie by May Gibbs at various locations. If you are interested please check the display cabinets outside the Library or see me.

Robynne Mullard/ Moira Turner  
Teacher Librarians  

Pina Pisano  
Library Assistant
Meet our newest teachers Miss Thang and Miss Chanthapanya! We thought we should interview our new teachers as well as our wonderful support teachers: Mrs Moro, Mrs Norman, Mrs Byrne and Ms Ascencio! We asked them a couple of questions.

Q1. What inspired you to pursue teaching?
Miss Thang – Working with children every day and teaching them new and exciting things.
Miss Chanthapanya – The past teachers that I’ve had have influenced me and inspired me to become a teacher.

Q2. Do you enjoy teaching? Why?
Miss Thang – Yes because I can see my students every day.
Miss Chanthapanya – Yes. Seeing the students grow and learn each day makes it worthwhile.

Q3. What is your favourite subject to teach? Why?
Miss Thang – I like all of them because each subject has an importance.
Miss Chanthapanya – All subjects! I don’t have a favourite.

Q4. How do you feel about your new class?
Miss Thang – I feel very excited about my new class because they’re young and there’s a lot for them to learn.
Miss Chanthapanya – I feel very excited and eager to learn more about them but also learn more about myself as a teacher in the process.

Support Teachers
Q1. What stage would you like to teach and why?
Mrs Moro – All because I meet the students in kindergarten and I get to see them every year!
Mrs Norman – I love teaching all stages because they are ALL wonderful.
Mrs Byrne – Stage 3. I love teaching older kids and getting to know them.
Ms Ascensio – Each stage has its own delights. Infants are cute and primary are always looking for new challenges. That keeps me younger.

By Gabrielle and Kayla
Q2. What is your favourite subject to teach and why?
Mrs Moro – Italian. I look forward to the cooking days. I love sharing and I get to work with half of the school.
Mrs Norman – Art is my favourite and math is my second favourite. I love reading, so English as well.
Mrs Byrne – Literacy because I love reading and I love seeing others enjoy reading.
Ms Ascencio – Spanish, of course, I was born in Peru and I worked as a high school language teacher teacher and at university.

Q3. What is your job as a support teacher?
Mrs Moro – I give kids the opportunity to learn a new language and about Italy, its food and its culture.
Mrs Norman – My job as a support teacher is to assist all the teachers wherever or whenever they need me.
Mrs Byrne – Supporting students and teachers in the classroom in achieving their best outcomes.
Ms Ascencio – I assist the classroom teachers to improve the dynamic learning class environment. I am very grateful to all teachers that allow me to see the wonders they make in their classroom. Muchas gracias por la entrevista. Hasta la vista!

School Uniform

Our students wear school shoes or joggers that are black (lace up or Velcro) leather or hard synthetic material.
Please make sure that your child wears the correct school shoes, especially black joggers for sport.
School Swimming Carnival

By Poppi

On the 3rd of February, Bossley Park students participated in the annual school swimming carnival. The school swimming carnival was held at Prairiewood Leisure Centre, and we shared the pool lanes with William Stimson.

Students aged between 8 and 12 were able to participate in the carnival. There were events such as the 200m medley and 100m freestyle that was open to everyone. There was also 50m races that consisted of freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly. Everyone that went to the carnival (including the teachers) had a fantastic time!

The house rankings for the carnival are:

1st - Mimosa
2nd - Grevillea
3rd - Waratah
4th - Banksia

Congratulations to the students who made it to zone! Here are some photos from the day!
Road Safety—Drop off zone

Bossley Park Public School has been successful in applying for a $10,000 road safety grant. These funds will be used to raise awareness about the safety of students in the Kiss and Drop Zone in Marconi Road and along Bossley Road. As part of this important initiative, students, parents and the community will be involved in activities to educate, promote safety and improve the well-being of our road users.

Activities will include observations of the Kiss and Drop Zone, a survey of Kiss and Drop users, classroom activities, guest speakers, parent forums and workshops. A survey went out last week to Kiss and Drop users. Please return it as soon as possible. Remember, you need to be safe around our Kiss and Drop zone!

Your support and cooperation in this important matter would be much appreciated.

Mrs F. Nobilo
PBL—School Rules

Students at our school are encouraged to be safe, respectful, active learners at our school in all situations from the classroom to the playground, as well as, activities outside the school grounds. They are rewarded with the appropriate certificate for the behaviour they display consistently.

The certificates are collected to move through our behaviour levels.

ALL students commence the school year on Blue level and can progress to Bronze level with 8 certificates = 2 safe, 2 respectful, 2 active learner and any other 2 PBL certificates.

This process is repeated to go to Silver and Gold. The certificates can only be used once to progress through the levels.

End of term rewards from Term 1 to Term 4 are given to students who collect 1 safe, 1 respectful, 1 active learner and 5 of any other PBL certificates; a total of 8 certificates.

Amanda Romeiro
On behalf of the PBL Committee

Canteen News

Reminder that all lunch orders need to be written on a paper bag and not placed in an envelope. Lunch bags can be purchased from the canteen.

The school uniform store is only open on Wednesdays and Thursdays between 8.30-10.30am at the canteen.

New items available at the canteen:

- New ball top cones: There are 2 flavour cones
- Caramel popcorn and
- Cotton candy

These items can be bought for $2. Enjoy!!
Preparations are underway to celebrate our school’s 125th birthday! Lots of events and activities have been planned for students, parents and the community.

Here is an update on the events that will occur on Saturday 28th March:

- Grand opening at 11am
- Whip cracking demonstration by Women’s Australian Champion
- Whip cracking workshop at 3pm
- Rides and entertainment running all day until 7.50pm
- More than 15 multicultural stage performances running from 12-6pm
- Cutting of the 125th birthday cake at 2pm
- Bunnings BBQ Raffle Draw
- 30 stalls full of amazing items
- Face painting
- Photo Booth
- Fireworks at 8pm

Please remember to supervise your children. It is NOT a normal school day.

There is a special with the unlimited rides wristband. Purchase now for $25. Rides are for adults and children! Remember, the more wristbands we sell, the MORE RIDES we can have for our Birthday Land!

A reunion dinner will be held on Friday 27th March at 7pm. This is for former students, parents or teachers. There will be food and dancing! A complimentary goodie bag is given to those who come! Price per person is $65.

To find out more information, please visit our school website or ask parents to like us on Facebook!

More things to come! STAY TUNED!
Welcome back everyone!

Work in the studio has already begun for 2015. As it is the school’s 125th birthday, the whole school will make a ceramic tile this year. These tiles will be put together to form a school mural wall at the end of the year. This will be a permanent display in our school. Hopefully when they return for the school’s 150th birthday, they will be able to see the mural and find their tiles.

The studio timetable is now up and running. Stages 2 and 3 have designed their tiles and are also integrating the art program with the themes of Space and Australia.

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 vege trays, magazines, wire, buttons, wool, scrap materials, wallpaper, coloured paper, sewing material, left over flyscreen/gutter guard and anything else you may feel is scrap. These would be much appreciated by the students and myself.

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

Parent helpers are always welcome on Wednesdays and Thursdays 9am – 2.50pm.

Thank you,

Nika Norman.
(Art teacher)
Jokes

Q. What has a face and two hands but no arms or legs?  
A. A clock!

Q. What goes up and doesn’t come back down?  
A. Your age.

Q. What has to be broken before you can use it?  
A. An egg

Q. What is the easiest way to double your money?  
A. Put it in front of the mirror of course!
BIRTHDAY LAND
BOSSELLY PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL
125TH BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

FOOD COURT
ITALIAN DAGWOOD
GERMAN DOGS
HALAL HOT CHIP
CORN ON THE COB
and heaps more yummy foods

CANTEEN SNACK BAR
FAIRY FLOSS
ICE CREAM
DONUTS
LOLLIES DRINKS
SNOW CONES
TEA AND COFFEE

PARTY SPECIALS
Get in early, buy your wristbands before Sat 28th March and pay ONLY $25 for unlimited rides all day

UNLIMITED RIDES WITH WRISTBANDS
AVAILABLE ($30 ON THE DAY)

SUNDAY MARCH 28TH 2015

To keep you busy and entertained on the day we have:
JUMPING CASTLES, ANIMAL FARM, PHOTO BOOTH, PONY RIDES, P & G RAFFLES, PERFORMANCES, ENTERTAINMENT, TAROT READERS, HEALING, PAMPER ROOM, 30 STALLS OF GREAT GIFTS AND PRESENTS + ATM ON SITE, MONSTER TRUCK and lots and lots more to see and do!

This is a great Family day out, better than Easter show, there's something for everyone! All your party needs in one place and we are proud to say its all the local business and community.
On Monday the 23\textsuperscript{rd} of February, Bossley Park had three very exciting visitors. These visitors were from the Parramatta Eels NRL team: Danny Wicks, Richie Fa’aoso and David Gower. They came to our school to talk to us about how to keep our bodies healthy and what the players do to keep fit before playing a match.

After they talked about how to keep our bodies healthy, each player chose a student from the crowd and they were given a challenge. There was a sit-up challenge, a push-up challenge and an arm wrestle challenge. Each of the students that were chose won each of the challenges! Everyone that was there had a great time!

\textbf{Remember everyone: EAT WELL, STAY WELL, PLAY WELL!}
Welcome Kindergarten!

By Jayden

A big welcome to our kindergarten students for 2015! We interviewed some students from K-1B, KN and KE to see what they’ve been doing at school so far:

Q1. How do you like school so far?
Medina - Great because we can paint!
Jack, Ethan, Rhina, Ayla and Lorence - I like it a lot because it is fun!
Emma - I like this school because of the activities.
Shriyanka - It is fun because I love school.
Celia - I’m loving it!

Q2. Do you think your teacher fantastic, scary or extremely fun?
Medina - I think my teacher is fantastic!
Jack - She’s fantastic because she makes it fun!
Emma - I think she’s fantastic. She plays a lot of games!
Ethan - I think she is fun because we get to play sometimes.
Shriyanka - Fantastic and fun!
Celia - I think she is really funny!
Lorence and Ayla - I think she is fun!
Rhina - FANTASTIC!

Q3. What is your favourite thing to do in class so far and why?
Medina, Emma, Celia and Ayla - Art and painting because it is really fun!
Jack - Playing cards when I am allowed to!
Ethan and Lorence - Playing with lego!
Shriyank - I like doing writing.
Rhina - Playing in the playground.

Have a great first year Kinder! Here are some photos of students from Kindergarten.
Mathletics Update

Gold Mathletics certificates will be printed off by your child’s teacher and presented at assemblies. Bronze and silver may be printed off at home.

Thank you for your support and cooperation in this matter. We hope that your child continues to use Mathletics as an engaging and self-motivated learning tool!

Remember, Mathletics is available in iTunes or in the Google Play store!

Mrs Nobilo
Student Artwork

Year 5 Space

4R Landscapes

1G Road Signs