Dear Parents/Caregivers

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

School Events Calendar

- Pizza Day: Wednesday 9th March
- 3-6 Assembly: Wednesday 9th March
- Parent Workshop - Road Safety: Monday 14th March, Thursday 24th March
- K-2 Assembly: Wednesday 16th March
- Bandage Bear Fundraiser: Thursday 17th March
- WSP Tree Planting Program S2: Thursday 17th March
- Harmony Day: Monday 21st March

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www.bossleypk-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

You can view:
- School information
- Class blogs
- Gallery
- Newsletters
- Print school notes
- Calendar events

Scan the QR code here to access our website on your smartphone
AFL Program
Welcome to our first newsletter for 2016. A special thank you to Miss Han and our new newsletter publishing team for producing such an informative and professional document. Congratulations Talitha, Zara, Veron, Phoenix, Luke D, Luke B, Hayley and Anna on publishing your very first newsletter! Well done!

Professional Learning

All staff participate in professional learning to ensure that we can deliver the best outcomes for your children. All teachers will continue to be engaged in whole school professional learning each week after school to improve their knowledge, skills and understandings of the new curriculum. An emphasis will be on programming, assessing and reporting. This year we will be implementing the new national History curriculum. We will also dedicate meetings to familiarise ourselves with the new Geography K-10 Syllabus which will be implemented in 2017.

Our staff attended school on Saturday, 20 February 2016 to undertake CPR and Anaphylaxis training. Qualified trainers from Royal Life Saving spent the day with us updating our knowledge and assessing our skills. They were most impressed with the commitment and dedication of our staff. Well done, Staff!

Parent Meet the Teacher Night

Thank you to all the parents/caregivers who attended the Meet the Teacher sessions. We were overwhelmed by the number of parents in attendance, with standing room only in some sessions. Strong partnerships between home and school are vital to ensure the best possible learning outcomes for our students. Please do not hesitate to contact the office and make an appointment if you wish to speak to your child’s teacher.

Parent Workshops

Our parent workshops continue to be extremely well supported and focus on student wellbeing. Please come along and join in our informative sessions. Our upcoming workshops will focus on Road Safety, Nationally Consistent Collection of Data and NAPLAN.

P&C News

The P&C held its Annual General Meeting on 22 February. Thank you to the parents/caregivers who attended on the night. I am pleased to announce our new P&C Executive for 2016. Congratulations!

President- Mrs Johanna Perez
Vice President- Mrs Marie Gonzalez
Secretary- Mrs Cigdem Basak
Treasurer- Mrs Jill Fitzjohn
Shadow Treasurer- Mrs Lalita Devi

The P&C are extremely supportive of our school. They are always open to new ideas and suggestions. The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 29 March at 7pm in the school office. Please support our upcoming P&C events this term – the Easter Raffle and our school disco scheduled for Wednesday, 30 March 2016. More details will be sent home shortly.

Mrs Tracey Betts
Relieving Principal
Meet our SRC

By Veron

At Bossley Park Public School, we have 10 new and excellent SRC students. We wanted to ask the SRC about what jobs they do and why it's important. The SRC members are, Zara, Talitha, Hayley.R, Hailey.G, Marina, Luke.B, Luke.D, Xavier, Jacob and Austin.

Q.1 What is your job, do you enjoy it and why?

Jacob: My job is sports captain. I enjoy being sports captain because I like being in charge of all the sports equipment and taking care of it as well.

Hailey.G: My job is monitoring the canteen. Monitoring the canteen sounds really fun. Even though I haven't experienced it yet, I am looking forward to it.

Talitha: My job is the environmental minister. I love my job because I love the environment.

Zara: I am the SRC'S girl captain. I was so surprised and happy when I heard that I was captain. I love my job so much because I have fun experiences.

Hayley.R: My job is the environmental minister. I love my job because I get to do it with my friend Talitha.

Austin: My job is sports captain with Jacob. I love my job because its really fun and it's nice to do, especially with my friend.

Luke.D: I am the SRC's boy captain. I enjoy and love my job because it's really fun.

Xavier: My job is to organise and come up with special events for Bossley Park. I love my job because I get to help and make people happy.

Luke.B: My job is the treasurer. I love my job so much because I get to count money and find out where it goes.

Marina: I am a reserve for any of the jobs. For now, my job is helping the treasurer and yes, I do enjoy it very much.
Meet our SRC

Q.2 Are your responsibilities hard?

*Hailey G, Jacob, Zara, Hayley R, Talitha*: No, they are very easy and we enjoy doing it a lot. It’s always nice to do it with your friends too.

*Austin*: Sometimes my jobs can be hard, but they are still fun and enjoyable at the same time.

*Luke D, Luke B and Xavier*: Our jobs seem easy and small but we need to be very responsible.

*Marina*: Not really, but sometimes when we need to search for information, it can be tricky.

Q.3 If someone wants to be an SRC member, what qualities would they have to have?

*Jacob*: They would have to be responsible and have to always attend meetings whenever they are on.

*Hailey G*: You would have to be safe, respectful and an active learner all the time and attend meetings.

*Talitha*: They would have to be loyal, responsible, confident and always committed to do anything.

*Zara*: You would have to follow school rules and be willing to do the job.

*Austin*: They would have to be responsible, kind and follow school rules.

*Luke D*: You would have to follow all of the school rules and be a role model.

*Xavier*: They would have to be responsible and follow school rules.

*Luke B*: You would have to focus and try your very best.

*Marina*: They would have to be responsible and follow school rules all the time.
It’s a new year, so that means we have brand new House Captains for 2016!!!!! We have house captains for Waratah (red), Grevillea (yellow), Banksia (blue) and Mimosa (green). Let’s find out a little more about our new captains.

**What are your expectations on being a house captain?**
Tahlia and Gabriel - Be a role model for my house by participating in every sporting event.
Alessia and Phoenix- Work hard and cheer really loud. Also be a role model.
Marcus and Klara – Lead my house the way I should by cheering.
Halim and Anna – To be a role model by doing the right thing and support my house team with pride.

**What would you do to help your house members?**
Tahlia and Gabriel – Encourage them to play more sport and try the events at carnivals.
Alessia and Phoenix– Encourage everyone to try their best.
Marcus and Klara – Help them and answer any of their questions.
Halim and Anna – Take any suggestions by our team to make our house group better.

**How hard is it to create a cool cheer? Could you please present a cheer?**
Tahlia and Gabriel – Sometimes it’s hard to create something new.
Alessia and Phoenix – Not hard at all!
Marcus and Klara – It can be challenging trying to think of something catchy.
Halim and Anna – It is quite hard, but we will try our best to create cheers.
House Captains

Roll out the carpet
Who do we hear?
Justin Timberlake, singing our cheer!
GO GREVILLA!!!!!!

Mimosa, Mimosa, we are
green
We can beat any team!
Go Mimosa!!!!!

Waratah, Waratah, we are red
Just like the roses in our
garden bed!!!!!!!
GO WARATAH!

Roll out the carpet
Roll out the mats
Here comes Banksia, down the
track Streamers high, streamers low
Come on Banksia
GO, GO, GO!!!!!!
PSSA
What a great start to 2016! PSSA is in full swing, with our school represented in every summer sport. I’d like to thank Mrs Gurlica, Mrs Nobilo, Mr Rodas, Mrs Smith and Miss Thang for giving up their lunch breaks to train their teams and giving our children every opportunity available. Please remember to pay coaches the $7.00 bus fare, every Thursday morning. For all sporting information related to our PSSA competitions, please refer to http://horsleyzone.weebly.com/. For team and table information, click on your respective sport.

SWIMMING
Our school swimming carnival was held in week 2 at Prairiewood Leisure Centre. I’d like to thank Mrs Greer, Mrs Nolan and Mrs Pickering for their many years of help and commitment poolside. We all had a fantastic day with 16 of our students going to the Zone swimming carnival. The Zone carnival was on Friday 4th March. Congratulations to the following students for making the Horsley Zone Squad. Dune E, Charlie F, Bryce N, Junior Girls relay team (Dune E, Gabriela G, Alyssa K, Natasha W) and the Junior Boys relay team (Filip B, Harrison K, Adam M, Thomas P). A massive effort and a job executed beautifully!

ZONE TEAMS
It’s that time of year, when the call out is made for children from all around our Zone, inviting them to try-out for Zone representation. I’d like to congratulate these students for their success in being selected for the following sports:

Basketball: Marcus C & Pheonix L
Boys Football: Bryce N
Girls Football: Riyanka R & Klara S

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BULLYING. NO WAY!
SAFE AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLS
TAKE A STAND TOGETHER.

Our school community is proud to take a stand against bullying and violence.

National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence

Friday 18 March 2016
www.bullyingnoway.gov.au
We interviewed our new teachers of Bossley Park as well as some of our school support teachers.

**New teachers of BPPS**

**Q1. What do you like about Bossley Park so far and why?**

Mrs Angemi - I like the friendly atmosphere and the positive vibe that Bossley Park has throughout the school.

Miss Vuong - I love how friendly the staff and students are at Bossley Park. It makes coming to work very enjoyable.

Miss Truong - The staff are supportive and would always provide a lending hand when needed. The students are lovely and I do enjoy being part of Bossley Park PS.

**Q2. What is your favourite subject to teach? Why?**

Mrs Angemi - My favourite subject to teach is English. I love seeing students read and write using the skills taught within the classroom. Each student has their own unique outlook on topics which makes the lessons so enjoyable to teach.

Miss Vuong - My favourite subject is History because I love learning about the past and about different cultures.

Miss Truong - I enjoy teaching mathematics; seeing students develop various strategies that can be applied to everyday life. Being able to see students build confidence in their skills is very rewarding.

**Q3. If you weren’t a teacher, what job would you choose and why?**

Mrs Angemi - If I wasn’t a teacher, I would still be working in a school as I feel the job is so rewarding. Most probably a school counsellor because I love helping people.

Miss Vuong - If I wasn’t a teacher, I’d be a librarian because I love books and reading.

Miss Truong - A job in the medical industry since I enjoy working with people and helping others.
Support teachers

Q1. What is your role as a support teacher?

Mrs Zammit - I help teachers in providing assistance to students with additional learning and support needs in their class.

Mrs Escobar - My role is to work with individual students, small groups of students and class groups. I teach Reading Recovery students, a language enrichment group and HSIE/science programs.

Mrs Al Taie - I support students ESL students in Stages 2 and 3.

Mrs Rodas - I support students who are learning English as an additional language and assist teachers in their classrooms to deliver teaching and learning programs.

Q2. If you had a choice, would you want to teach your own class?

Mrs Zammit - I have taught my own class in the past—Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2. I might go back to that one day, but for now I really enjoy my current role.

Mrs Escobar - I chose to be a Reading Recovery teacher. Instead of having a class of my own I engage in professional learning and training to develop my knowledge and skills to work with individual students who experience difficulty in reading and writing.

Mrs Al Taie - I have always loved teaching my own class. However, it’s great to try new things. I’m enjoying the new experience of being a support teacher.

Mrs Rodas - Currently I am extremely happy in this role as I am continuously learning and improving my practice. Perhaps in the future, having my own class would be something to look forward to.

Q3. What do you do in your spare time?

Mrs Zammit - I enjoy spending time with my family, watching soccer games, eating out at restaurants and reading.

Mrs Escobar - Plan and develop my programs. I like to spend time with my family and friends as well.

Mrs Al Taie - I like to relax with a good book or a great movie with my wonderful husband.

Mrs Rodas - I enjoy spending time with my family, going to the movies and swimming at the beach.
School Swimming Carnival

By Luke B.

On Tuesday the 4\textsuperscript{th} February, some students from Years 2-6 took part in our school swimming carnival. It was held at Prairiewood Leisure Centre. It was a fine and sunny day full of races and lots of fun. The students really challenged themselves by racing down the full length of the pool against other students. Congratulations to all who participated and well done to the students placed first in their races!

From the swimming carnival, points were collected from each student who raced. This was the result:

1\textsuperscript{st} Grevillea
2\textsuperscript{nd} Mimosa
3\textsuperscript{rd} Waratah
4\textsuperscript{th} Banksia

Selected students will represent BPPS in the zone swimming carnival on Friday the 4th March.

Here are some photos from the day:
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

To get to end of term rewards:
- One of each award and;
- Five of any other PBL certificates

To get to bronze, silver and gold:
- Two of each award and;
- Two of any other PBL certificates
Work in the studio has already begun for 2016. Some of our classrooms have lovely window art to brighten up the rooms. PBL Relaunch is on this year, so students will be creating something special for their classrooms.

The studio timetable is now up and running. Stage 2 and 3 have begun their tiles and are integrating the art program with their topics for science and HSIE.

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 vegie 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)

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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.
BPPS Fun Page

By Luke B.

COLOURING IN

FIND-A-WORD

MAZE!

Stick  Dog  Tree
LadyGaga  Turtle  Shell
Welcome Kindergarten!

By Zara and Talitha

At Bossley Park Public School kindergarten enrol every year to learn and have fun. We wanted to know what they are looking forward to in big school. We interviewed students from KA, KV + KN.

What do you like most about big school?
Samuel - I like to go onto the playground at recess.
Hannah - I like writing in class.
Zander - I can play with my friends.
Amelia - I like playing with all my friends.
Sophia - I like class.
Marcus - I like playing with friends.

What subject have you learnt so far?
Samuel - I learnt about maths.
Hannah - I like to learn about maths.
Zander - I like English a lot.
Amelia - I like writing.
Sophia - I like writing.
Marcus - I love learning maths.

Do you like your teacher? And why?
Samuel - Yes, she is fun and nice.
Hannah - Yes, she is funny and kind.
Zander - Yes, she is nice and funny.
Amelia - Yes, she's nice.
Sophia - Yes, she is helpful.
Marcus - Yes, she is very nice.

What do you do with your friends?
Samuel - I play games with them.
Hannah - I play hopscotch.
Zander - I like playing handball.
Amelia - I play hopscotch with them.
Sophia - I like playing hopscotch with my friends.
Marcus - I like running on the oval.
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

How to get to gold
New ABC Reading Eggspress is HERE!

Students in Years 1-6 will now have access to the new Reading Eggspress.

- It now allows you to log on using your iPad or Tablet.
- An internet browser is required for access (Safari or Google Chrome)
- There are lots of new content, with more books added to the library
- Log on through: www.readingeggs.com.au

If you are interested in learning more about reading eggs. Please attend the workshop on Tuesday 8th March!
Our Skoolbag app has a lot of features that will allow parents to be updated with everything that happens at school.

Features include:

- **Alerts** to remind or provide you with up to date information about activities at school
- **Events** to provide parents with dates of events that happen at school during the year
- **Newsletters** which can be viewed through the app
- **eForms** to submit change of details for your child or absent notes.
- **$Make a Payment** is now available. You can pay for school related items here. (It is a secured site)
- **Parent info** about the running of the school
- **Contact us** provides details on how to contact the school.

Available from iTunes, Windows Store or Google Play Store

Search for “Bossley Park” or “Skoolbag” (for Windows)
Student Artwork