

# Bardwell Park Infants School

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## NEWSLETTER

Week 4 Term 4

30th October 2017

### Term 4 Calendar Reminders

Sports uniform: Tuesdays

Scripture: Wednesdays

### Term 4 (week 4)

- ◇ Swimming #4: Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October
- ◇ 2018 Kindergarten Transition: Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October
- ◇ Tea towel orders due
- ◇ P&C Meeting 9.15am: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November.
- ◇ Footsteps Dance Program #1 Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 9.30-10.30am
- ◇ Cake Day Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

### Term 4 (week 5) Slinky Week

- ◇ Slinky Week 6-10 November
- ◇ Swimming #5: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November
- ◇ Footsteps Dance Program #2 Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 9.30-10.30am
- ◇ Remembrance Day @ EBP RSL Sat 11 November

### Term 4 Week 6

- ◇ Swimming #6: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November
- ◇ Footsteps Dance Program #3 Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 9.30-10.30am
- ◇ Spell a Thon Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November

Dear Parents and Caregivers,  
Congratulations to the following children who received Merit Awards over the last week:

Kindergarten	Dominic Vasco Jacob
Year 1	Taylon Jonah Sofia
Year 2	Mia Alannah Isabella
Playground Merit Certificate	Isabelle Wendi , Jean-Paul
5 Stamp Cards	Natalie
STUDENT OF THE WEEK	SERGE

### Tell Them From Me Survey

The *Partners in Learning Parent Survey* offered parents an opportunity to voice their perceptions, contribute to the governance of the school and inform our future directions. There were 5 respondents. The Survey Report provides the school with feedback about the extent to which parents feel the school supports learning, positive behaviour and promotes a safe and inclusive environment. In six of the seven measures the school mean was above the NSW Government norm. We thank those community members who participated.

### Earlwood Bardwell Park RSL

'Thank you' to Earlwood Bardwell Park RSL who generously donated \$2000 to our school. The funds will be used to upgrade our sandpit over the Christmas school holidays.

### Remembrance Day: Saturday 11 November

The Earlwood Bardwell Park RSL seeks school students, (in school uniform) accompanied by their parents, to attend their Remembrance Day Service. If you are interested in attending, please give your name to Mrs Maclean in the office, so we can inform the RSL.

### **eT4L (e-Technology 4 Learning) rollout**

As part of the eT4L initiative, an updated server was delivered and installed in our main server room. An annual rollout of devices was also delivered to the school including 2 advanced touch screen laptops for our Kindy room, bringing the number to 6 laptops. The staff and Principal computer will be replaced with updated versions with second monitors. A laptop was also ordered for staff attending professional learning off site. The eT4L rollout is a school entitlement. I will be commissioning the devices over the next few weeks.

### **School Maintenance**

Recent building and plumbing works have been undertaken over the last week including repair of the broken gabling on the roof of the Year 1 and Year 2 classrooms. A burst water pipe in the school holidays was rectified in the short term, with plumbers correcting the issue permanently last week.

### **Bandana Day**

Thank you to those who purchased a bandana in support of those suffering cancer. The school raised \$310.00.

### **Happy World Teachers' Day**

Last Friday, was also World Teachers' Day, when we recognise the influence and impact teachers have in Public Education.

### **School Attendance**

Please remember to report to the Office if your child is late, or if you come to collect your child early from school, for a specific reason. If your child is unwell or unable to attend school, please ring the office, email or write a note explaining the absence. Thank you in advance for your co-operation in this matter.

### **Ethics Volunteer Teachers for 2018**

Please see the flyer attached seeking community members interested in undertaking training to become an Ethics Teacher at the school for 2018.

### **P&C Messages**

#### **Tea Towel fundraiser**

Please support the P&C in their fund raising endeavour by purchasing a tea towel. Orders are now being taken for our limited edition tea towel featuring our students' self-portraits. The tea towels are only \$15 each or you can save by ordering more than one. The orders with payment are due by 31<sup>st</sup> October. Please see the flyer attached.

#### **P&C Morning Meeting: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

The next P&C Meeting will be held in the Connected Classroom at 9.15am on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November. We thank the Kindy Catholic group who will use the Principal's Office for their Scripture lesson.

#### **Year 2 students' polo shirt for 2018**

If you would like your child to have a graduation shirt for 2018 there are some sizing samples in the school office if you would like your child to try them on. Year 2 polo shirts may be worn throughout the year as part of the school uniform.

### **Term 4 (week 4)**

#### **Kindergarten Transition: Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 9.15-11.45am**

The third and final 2018 Kindergarten transition morning. Please ensure our visitors are welcomed.

#### **Swimming #4: Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October**

Please ensure students wear their sports uniform and bring their swimming needs for our swimming session.

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### Footsteps Dance Company #1

The Footsteps Dance Company program begins in Term 4 on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> August for 5 weeks. The Dance Program will lead into support, our end of year concert. Unfortunately, the Dance Program does not qualify for a grant through the Sporting Schools Commission, so the cost of the Program to our students will be \$35 for the remainder of the lessons.

### Cake Day: Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Thank you to the four parents who have volunteered to supply cakes for our cake day, Louise Helen Georgia r 1) and Ruth .

Parents who volunteer to bake for our cake days will be asked to supply approximately two dozen small cakes, which are sold for \$1.00 each. Cakes are delivered to the school in the morning and are stored in the staffroom. The cakes will be sold at the afternoon tea break at 1.40pm. Any volunteers to sell the cakes are greatly appreciated. Please let Lesley know if you can help. Containers may be collected from the verandah or staffroom after school.

### Term 4 (week 5)

#### Slinky Week: Monday 6-10 November

We have two slinky machines and if the students bring an apple or a pear **any day** during this week Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> November, it will be transformed into a fruit slinky during afternoon tea. If there are any parents who would like to volunteer 10-15 minutes of their time from 1.40pm – afternoon tea time, please inform the office. We welcome community involvement.

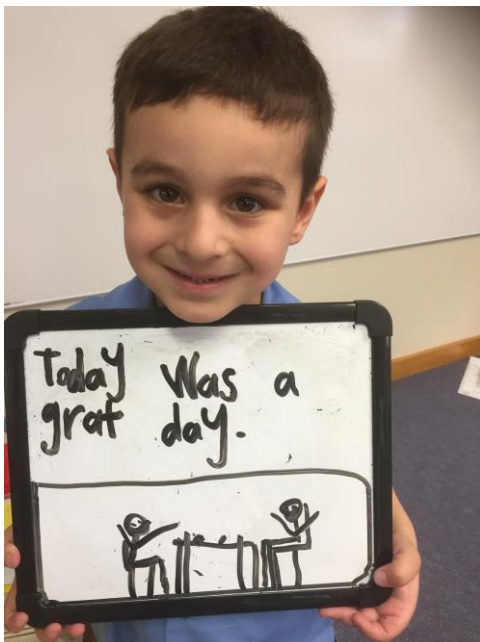
### Footsteps Dance Company #2

The Footsteps Dance lessons continue on Thursday this week.

### Term 4 (week 6)

#### Spell a Thon: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November

Our annual Spell-a-Thon school fundraiser will be held again on in the morning on Friday 17th November. Self-explanatory booklets will be sent home on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Booklets are due back to school by Thursday 16th November.



## TEA TOWEL ORDER FORM

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Tea Towels Ordered: 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ or more → \_\_\_\_\_  
**(1=\$15; 2=\$28; 3=\$40; 4=\$50; 5=\$58; 6=\$65)**

Please enclose payment with your order: TOTAL enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Cash

☐ Cheque: (made payable to Bardwell Park P&C)

☐ Direct Deposit: Account Name: Bardwell Park P&C BSB: 062-159 Acct. No: 00900202

**Please use your surname as a reference description.** Receipt No: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Ethics classes at Bardwell Park Infants School.**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Could you be an ethics teacher for [Bardwell Park Infants School](#)?

Some of our current ethics teachers are moving on at the end of the year and we are seeking volunteers so that classes can continue next year.

Ethics teachers receive full training by Primary Ethics, the not-for-profit organisation approved to design curriculum and training for the ethics program. Training consists of a two day workshop and short online modules. Lesson materials are provided. Suitable volunteers have an interest in children's education and development of critical thinking skills and must be available at [9.30am, Wednesday](#) each week.

In ethics classes, children learn how to think logically, disagree respectfully and support their arguments with evidence, rather than act according to blind habit or peer pressure.

Children discuss topic such as:

- imagining how others feel
- how do we treat living things?
- what is laziness?
- how do we disagree in a respectful way?
- fairness

If you are looking for an opportunity to make a valuable contribution to our school, please visit [www.primaryethics.com.au](http://www.primaryethics.com.au) or contact Jodi Wild, [theheatherhatter@gmail.com](mailto:theheatherhatter@gmail.com) or 0416379756.

Signed

Principal