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NEWSLETTER

Week 8 Term 4

27th November 2017

Sports uniform: Tuesdays (Swimming)
Thursdays (Dance)
Scripture: Wednesday (last week)

Term 4 (Week 8)

- ◇ Reverse Christmas Tree: donations
- ◇ Swimming **final**: Tuesday 28th Nov
- ◇ P&C Meeting: Tuesday 28th Nov@ 7.30pm
- ◇ Final Scripture week
- ◇ Sausage Sizzle **ORDERS**: Wed 29th Nov
- ◇ Footsteps Dance **final**: Thursday 30th Nov 9.30-10.30am
- ◇ Sausage Sizzle: Friday 1st Dec
- ◇ Return Library books

Term 4 (Week 9)

- ◇ End of Year Concert: Wednesday 6th Dec 5.30pm for 6pm start
- ◇ RSVP Party food: Thursday 7th Dec
- ◇ Salvos in Assembly: Friday 8th Dec

Term 4 (Week 10)

- ◇ BNPS Concert Strings: Monday 11th Dec between **8.30am**-9am
- ◇ Reports: Wednesday 13th December
- ◇ Party Day/Talent Quest: Thursday 14th December

Term 4 ends for students: Friday 15th December

Term 1 begins Yr 1 and Yr 2 begins: Tuesday 30 January 2018

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

Kindergarten	Jack Eoin Maxwell
Year 1	Noah, Timothy Natashah
Year 2	Isabelle Isabella Milad
5 Stamp Cards	Dominic
35 Stamp Cards	Leo
Playground Awards	Louis Jonah Emily
Student of the Week	NOAH

Library

Please ensure all students' Library books are returned by Friday of this week. There will be no more borrowing for the rest of this year for stocktaking purposes.

Scripture and Ethics

This week is the final week of Scripture and Ethics. We would like to thank all the Scripture and Ethics teachers who have so kindly volunteered at our school this year in support of our students' religious education.

Sporting resources

Due to our participation in the Premier's Sporting Challenge last term, we received a \$250 voucher to spend on equipment with free delivery, from the sporting company, Goodybuddy. Responding to the students' voice, we have purchased chess sets for the playground and classrooms, snakes and ladders games, alphabet bean-bags and skipping ropes. Thank you to Kindergarten for your suggestions!

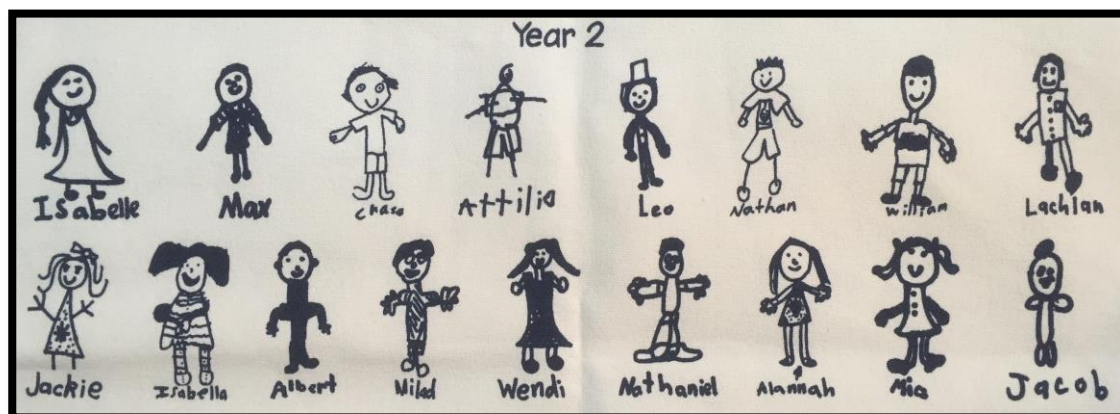
Professional Learning

Mrs Maclean and I will be at Ryde State Office tomorrow (Tuesday 28th November) for mandatory training in the new budgeting/financing tool being rolled out to government schools this term.

Student Enrolment 2018

If you have not already done so, please inform the Office if your child is not returning to school in 2018, so student numbers can be finalised.

Year 2 students 2017 (image from the P&C fundraising tea-towel)



Year 2 Artwork

Wassily Kandinsky was a Russian abstract artist who used shapes and colours. Year 2 students created tree collages inspired by Kandinsky's 'Squares with Concentric Circles' (1913). Stage One Visual Arts outcomes addressed include 'appreciating different artworks and the techniques artists use'. The work also affords integration of Mathematics (2D shapes and spatial awareness). Please enjoy the striking artworks below created by Alannah, Leo, Attilio and Isabelle.



Lost Property

Please always clearly label your child's clothing with his or her name. The 'Lost Clothing' box will be placed in front of the noticeboard all this week for parents to check for any lost items. Any clothing still in the box at the end of the week will be washed and placed in our 2nd hand clothing pool or donated to the Stewart House clothing appeal.

Term 4 (week 8)



Reverse Christmas Tree: unwrapped donations now accepted.

The 'reverse Christmas Tree' in support the Salvation Army Christmas Appeal is in the Connected Classroom from today, ready for any unwrapped donations.

The Salvation Army has advised that these gifts should not be wrapped: they will be sorted and wrapped by the Salvation Army, then donated to needy families in time for Christmas. A representative from the Salvation Army will be coming to our School Assembly on Friday 8th December at 9.15am to collect the gifts and thank the children and school community for their generosity.

Swimming Last lesson: Tuesday 28th November *repeat message*

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

P&C Evening Meeting: Tuesday 28th November @ 7pm *repeat message*

The next P&C Meeting will be held in the Connected Classroom at 7.00pm on Tuesday 28th November. All welcome.

Footsteps Dance Company Last Lesson: Thursday 30th November *repeat message*

This will be the **final** Footsteps Dance lesson on Thursday this week. Students wear their sports uniform.

Lunchtime Sausage Sizzle: Friday 1st December, *orders due to school Wednesday 29 November.*

Please complete the form at the end of the newsletter to order a sausage sandwich for your child's lunch. Please send the \$2.00 in **CASH ONLY PLEASE**, in an envelope with your child's name and class by Wednesday 29th November. Thank you in advance to Rima who has volunteered to cook and serve the sausage sandwiches on the day. One more volunteer would be wonderful, if any parent has some time to help cook, prepare and serve the children's lunch, please let Mrs Maclean in the office know.

Term 4 (week 9)

End of Year Concert: Wednesday 6th December 5.30pm for 6.00pm start (entry via Crewe Lane gate) *repeat message*

Our End of Year Concert is on 6th December. Unless your child has already received a note....we ask you dress your child on the night in outfits of red, white, green, silver or gold or a mixture of these colours, with black shoes and white socks. Children need to arrive at **5.30pm** dressed in their costumes. The children will have their faces painted as they arrive. Any volunteers who wish to assist with face painting, please let the office know as soon as possible. **Remember to bring a chair or rug to sit on to enjoy our concert in comfort!**

End of Year Concert Very Important Points (VIPs)

1. 5.30 pm for a 6.00pm start.
2. Volunteers needed to paint students' faces on the night at about 5.30pm. Please let the office know as soon as possible.
3. As in past years, the End of Year Concert has raised funds for Stewart House. Stewart House is the charity that provides support and short-term respite care for children in need who are enrolled in public schools in New South Wales. Therefore, on this evening, we ask parents and visitors to donate a gold coin on their arrival. A tin for Stewart House donations will be at the front gate. Programs will also be on the same table.
4. A light supper is usually served on the verandah at the end of the concert. We ask each family to please bring along a plate for everyone to share. Suggestions are cake, slices, cut sandwiches, fruit, biscuits, savoury items such as cheese, dips and crackers **(No chips or popcorn thanks)**. Please bring these on disposable plates and place on the tables set up on the verandah. Tea and coffee and will be available. *The food consumed by students with allergies, dietary requirements and/or Anaphylaxis, should be closely monitored by their parent or caregivers.*
5. Please bring your own chair or rug as we only have limited, reserved seating for official guests.
6. Please do not move any barriers set up as they define the performance space!

Term 4 (week 10)

BNPS Concert Strings: Monday 11th December **Amended start time of 8.30am** (insert from BNPS)

'On Monday December 11, the BNPS String Ensemble will be bringing their violins and cellos to Bardwell Park Infants to play for us. They will perform in the playground or verandah area from **8:30 - 9am**, so plan to arrive early that day and start the week with some beautiful music!'

'Any Bardwell Park Infants School Year 2 students **who are attending** Bexley North Public School next year who are interested in finding out more about the strings program and how to be involved, see www.bexleynorthpsstrings.org.au, or contact Dani (dani.scarratt@gmail.com).'

End of Year Reports: go home on Wednesday 13th December *repeat message*

Please inform the Office if you require a duplicate report sent to a parent/carer living elsewhere. If your child is absent or ill on Wednesday 13th December, the report will be kept securely at school, or alternatively posted to your home address if desired.

Party Day: Thursday 14th December (**Mufti clothes**)

A Christmas Party for students is on Thursday 14th December, starting at 11.15 am, in the playground. Each child from each class is asked to bring along a small plate of food for sharing on the day. To help alleviate too much of a particular food type, each class is responsible for a different type of food. We have attached an RSVP for food to help avoid a double up. Please return this by *Thursday 7th December*, so if we find we have 20 plates of fairy bread etc. we can contact you to ask if you could bring something else. We are seeking some of our parents to assist preparing the tables of food for our children and stay and serve and clean up afterwards. Please let us know you can help. *Thank you to the parents and carers of students with allergies, special dietary requirements or Anaphylaxis who will provide a safe dietary alternative for their child on Party Day.*

KINDERGARTEN

Entrée/Savoury type foods: e.g. cheese, dips crackers, cold meats, vine leaves, etc.

YEAR 1

Mains: e.g. Cut sandwiches, meat balls, chicken nuggets, mini pizza, pies, sausage rolls, cocktail frankfurts, etc.

YEAR 2

Sweets: e.g. Fruit, individual jellies, slices, small cupcakes, etc. **NO CHIPS OR POPCORN PLEASE**

Because of limited heating facilities if you could ensure food that needs to be hot, has been pre-cooked and can be simply reheated in the microwave.



Lunchtime Sausage Sizzle: Friday 1st December



Student's Name: _____ **Class:** _____

I would like to order _____ (\$2.00ea) sausage sandwiches.

ORDER due to school by Wednesday 29th November.



PARTY DAY FOOD RSVP

Student's Name: _____ **Class:** _____

I would like to send: _____

for party day. My phone number is: _____ in case you need to ring me if we receive too many of this food item.



I am happy to assist on the day

Parent/carer: _____ Date: _____



Notes from your P&C *repeat message*

The P&C has worked this year to respond to community feedback and because of this we would like to run a healthy, fun and educational fundraiser that supports an Australian company (as well as your school!). Last week the order forms were sent home, for seed embedded Christmas cards, as well as grass hair kits. We understand that not all families celebrate “Christmas” itself and still have flower and fruit growing kits for the holiday season. Please support us in making this a success and filling some Christmas stockings this year! You can pay with cash when returning the form, or return the form and direct deposit the money into the P&C account **Account Name:** Bardwell Park P&C **BSB:** 062-159 **Acct. No:** 00900202 with your child’s surname as a reference.

P&C Christmas Raffle: A Christmas raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 6th December, at the conclusion of the concert. We are hoping that parents may help us by donating items for some hampers to raffle. Booklets of ten (10) tickets have been sent home. The tickets are \$2 each. Please see the Office should you require more tickets.