

Birchgrove Buzz

Term 4 Week 9 7th December 2016

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Dates to Remember

2016

	Parent
	Music
	Sport
	Student Parliament
8/12	Stage 3 Recognition Ceremony
8/12	Preschool Red and Yellow Concert
9/12	P&C Pizza in the Playground 5-7pm
12/12	School Picnic K-6 Parsley Bay
13/12	Preschool Blue & Green Party
13/12	Year 6 Farewell Dinner and Graduation
14/12	Stage 2 Recognition Ceremony
15/12	Tacky Christmas Tshirt Day
15/12	Preschool Red & Yellow Concert
16/12	Year 6 Farewell Assembly (K-6 & Year 6 parents only- due to hall size) & Arch (all welcome to join in arch as it's outside)
16/12	Last Day 2016

2017

27/1	Uniform Shop 8:30-10:45 open
30/1	Year 1 to 6 Return
30/1-	Kindergarten Best Start Assessments
31/1	
31/1	Preschool Blue & Green- Group 1
1/2	Preschool Blue & Green – Group 2
1/2	Kindergarten commence
2/2	Preschool Red & Yellow- Group 1
3/2	Preschool Red & Yellow- Group 2
15/2	P&C Meeting 7pm Staffroom

Principal

Congratulations to Miss Shanahan, who will be taking a 12 month sabbatical in 2017 and working for Tennis Australia as their Sydney School Co-ordinator. Miss Taksa will be joining us for 2017 to cover the teaching space created by this and is enthusiastically welcomed by the staff and students who know her well from her casual teacher blocks on classes here.

Signora Scutts has extended her leave for 2017 and is being replaced by Signora Posega, who has over 25 years' experience teaching languages at Trinity, Willoughby PS and Pagewood PS.

The Stage 1 Recognition Ceremony, Preschool Red & Yellow Concert and Kindergarten Graduation have been magical. I am looking forward to the remaining events!

7 days of school & events left,
Tracy



The NSW Teachers Federation has called a Stop Work Meeting Thursday 8/12/16

**Preschool is Operational
(preschool concerts going
ahead at advised times)**

**Limited Supervision
K-6 Until 10:30**

**Year 6 Recognition
Ceremony has moved to
10:30**

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Congratulations to all of the ensemble who performed on Friday at the St John's Christmas Concert, you sounded amazing. Farewell to our 25 Year 6 graduates, we will miss you!

We can look back on 2016 with much pride at the achievements of each of the groups and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the entire music committee, though in particular parents who leave us this year and whose involvement have helped to strengthen the program over time.

Suzanne Kendall - who over 9 years has held a variety of roles, most recently secretary and excelled at each
Graham Jepson - the life of the party and our wonderful photographer!

Andy Davies - for his love of music and help with treasury

Alason Gibson - whose undying love and belief in the Rock Band has seen it go from strength to strength

Amanda Headford - for her superb management of our very important tutors

To all of the parents, teachers, tutors, conductors and of course children, who make our program strong. We look forward to 2017 filled with more music.



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FRIDAY 9 December 2016
ALL WELCOME 5-7PM

PIZZA PIZZA PIZZA
in the **PLAYGROUND**

FREE PIZZA
CASH BAR
CAKE STALL

plus KID'S ACTIVITIES

A P&C EVENT
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL!

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Bring along the whole family for a pizza and drinkies in the playground. We would love to see you all for the last social event of the year.

Cash bar available.
All dietary requirements catered for.
Final chance to pay P&C fees - payment via Eftpos only.

Thank you to all parents and carers for a wonderful year at BPS. Your help and support is vital and much appreciated.
- The P&C Executive Team

Thank you to our P&C Sponsors for their support throughout 2016

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KIDS AT THE ARTHOUSE ENROL FOR 2017!!

**BIRCHGROVE PUBLIC SCHOOL TUES. & THUS.
3PM TO 5PM**

The Kids At The ARThouse presents an after school Visual Arts Program that will inspire your child's creative spirit. Run during the schools term it is designed to develop and enrich skills in a variety of mediums while allowing each student to express themselves individually in the art making process. Creative thinking skills learnt in the Visual Arts such as the ability to express, observe, envisage, concentrate and explore ideas can be easily transferable to other areas of learning. Taught by an experienced and qualified Art Educator. The Kids At The ARThouse provides all art materials and afternoon tea!

ENROL NOW FOR 2017!.... contact:
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KIDS AT THE ARTHOUSE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS:
STUDENTS CHINESE NEW YEAR EXHIBITION AT THE CHINESE GARDEN OF FRIENDSHIP
(DARLING HABOUR) "DREAM" EXHIBITION - 2014, 2015 & 2016
WINNERS: CHILDREN'S BOOK COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA POSTER COMPETITION 2015
FINALIST: AUSSIE ART COMPETITION 2014
WINNER: AVANT CARDS "CALLING ALL ARTIST'S" COMPETITION 2013
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WINNER: SYDNEY PORT AUTHORITY POSTER COMPETITION 2012
WINNER: SYDNEY PORT AUTHORITY PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION 2011
WINNER: AVANT CARDS "CALLING ALL ARTIST'S" COMPETITION 2010
COLLABORATIVE PROJECT WITH:
THE AUSTRALIAN NUMERACY AND LITERACY FOUNDATION 2013
THE TAFE ULTIMO SCREEN PRINTING DEPARTMENT 2011