

Birchgrove Buzz

Term 4 Week 5 8th November 2017

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2017

Dates to Remember



Parent
Music
Sport
Student Parliament

6/11-17/11

Swim School Year 2

10/11

Disco run by Year 6

12/11

Senior Soiree - Rock Band, Concert Strings, Concert Band and Consort Recorders

13/11

Online Applications for SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOLS CLOSE

13/11

Gold Coin Book Sale- Money to World Vision Sponsor Children

14/11

Music Recruitment Night

15/11

P&C AGM 7pm staffroom- 6:45 Parent information update STEMS- Mr Dodds

17/11

Year 5 & 6 Sleepover 6pm Friday 17th - 8am Saturday 18th November

17/11

Pyjama Day/ Chill Zone Games @ Lunch – Charities & Education

20/11-22/11

Stage 2 & 3 Cybersafety- Life Education Incursion

21/11

Music Committee AGM 7pm in staffroom

22/11

Parent Breakfast Table Discussion 7:30-8:30 Parent Lunch Table Discussion 12-1 Coffee Table Discussion – 3 Year Plan Input (see flyer)

21/11-24/11

Stage 2 & 3 Swim School

27/11-30/11

Stage 2 & 3 Swim School

29/11

Music Committee End of Year Dinner- Royal Oak 7pm

1/12

St Johns Concert

1/12

Parent & Volunteer Thank you Morning Tea

4/12

Years 1 & 2 Recognition Ceremony

5/12

Preschool Concert- Blue & Green

6/12

Kindergarten Graduation

7/12

Years 5 & 6 Recognition Ceremony

8/12

Preschool Concert- Red & Yellow

8/12

Year 6 Picnic- Luna Park

11/12

School Picnic Clifton Gardens

12/12

Year 6 Formal

12/12

Preschool Party- Blue & Green

13/12

Years 3 & 4 Recognition Ceremony

14/12

Preschool Party - Red & Yellow

15/12

Year 6 Farewell Assembly & Arch 1.15 start

15/12

Last Day of School 2017



Kookaburra's

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**You are Invited to our Kitchen Table Discussions hosted by the BPS
staff about the**

2018-2020 Whole School Plan

22/11/2017

Discussion Session 1

Parent Breakfast Table Discussion 7:30am - 8:30 am in the Library

A light breakfast is provided

Discussion Session 2

Parent Lunch Table Discussion 12pm -1pm in the Hall

A light lunch is provided

Discussion Session 3

Coffee Table Discussion 7:00pm - 8pm in the Hall

A light supper is provided

We would really like your input, so it would be great to see you at one of the sessions.

Yours sincerely,

Tracy Gray

Principal

R.S.V.P. Kitchen Table Discussions about the 2018-2020 whole school plan 22/11/2017

Please circle the session you will be attending

I will be attending Discussion Session 1, 2, 3.

Name: _____ Allergies or special dietary needs: _____

Please return to your child's class teacher by 17/11/2017 to help us with catering and planning.

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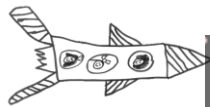
On Thursday we joined many children around the country singing Shine Together for **Music Count US In**. Music: Count Us In (MCUI) involves more than 650,000 students from over 3,000 schools nationwide. Music: Count Us In exists to advocate for improved access to music education for all students across Australia.

Last week I sent an email to parents with the link for our **school survey**, designed to help us plan for 2018-2020. I am attaching the link for anyone who missed the survey link email. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/birchgrove17>

Please fill in and return the students not returning 2018 Note if you are not in year 6 and attending another school in 2018.

It would be great to see lots of parents at our 'kitchen table' 2018-2020 school planning session! (flyer attached)

See at Disco drop off and pick up
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Year 4 Kookaburras' mentoring the Year 1 Numbats' with their writing about 'Kids in Space'



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Kindergarten Local Walk

On Friday the 3rd of November Birchgrove kindy classes went on an excursion around Balmain. Firstly, we went to the library where we listened to two books and made our own book marks.

Next, we went to the police station we learnt how police keep us safe and saw the cells that they lock people up in.

Then we went to the fire station, where we climbed into the firetruck and got to squirt the firehose.

My favourite part was where we got to see the cells and when we learnt how police and firemen keep us safe.

At the end of the day we went to Gladstone Park where some of our family joined us for lunch. When we got back to school we were all very tired but we had a fun day.

Tahlia Kindergarten Kangaroos

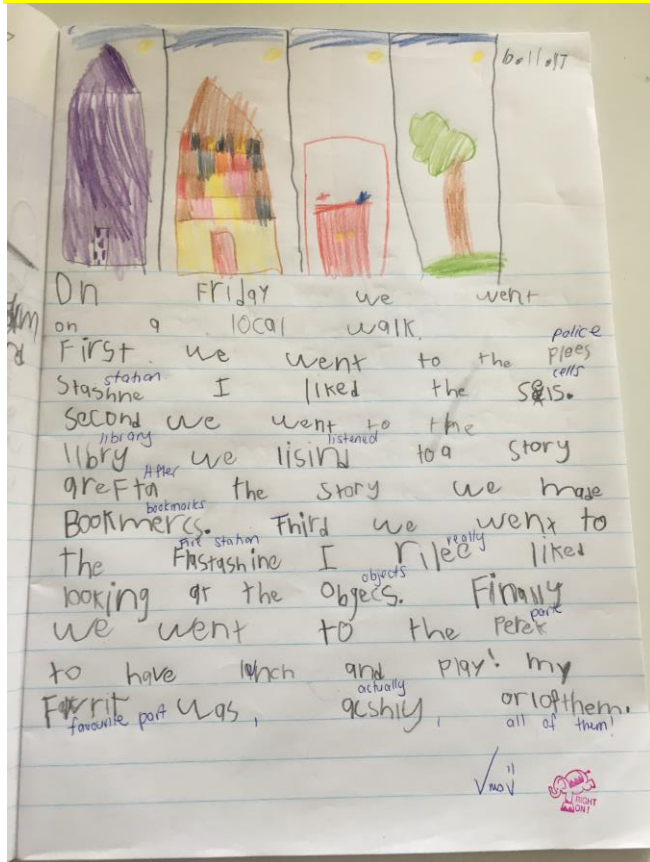


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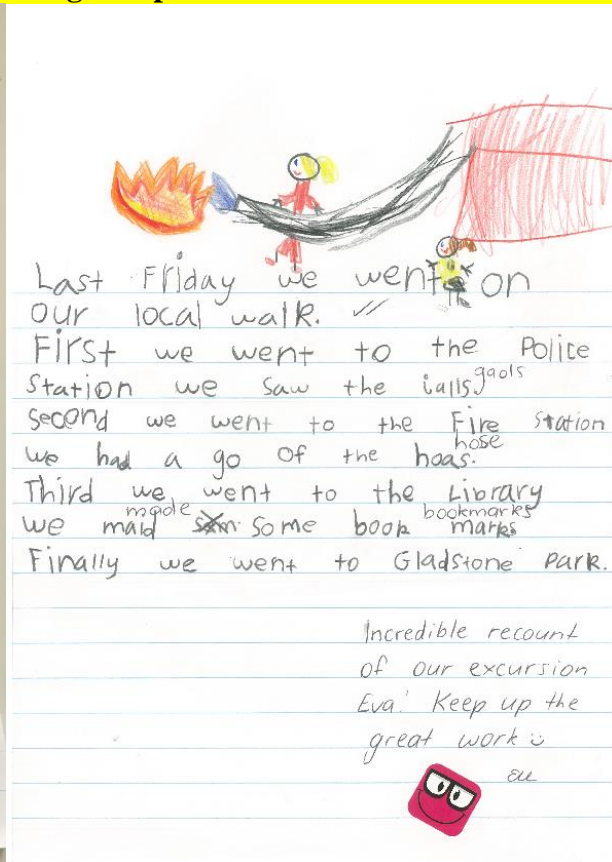
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Satya Kindergarten Echidnas



Eva Kindergarten Koalas



It doesn't pay to misbehave in the police station.

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Classes for 2018

It is the time of year where we are starting to look at classes for 2018. If you are not returning in 2018 (and not in Year 6) please let the school know now by completing and returning the note below to the office.

Students NOT RETURNING to Birchgrove in 2018

Please inform the office by completing this form if your child will NOT be returning to Birchgrove in 2018. (Please do not reply if your child is in Year 6 this year 2017).

My child: _____ of class _____ will not be returning to Birchgrove Public School in 2018.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

My child will be attending: _____ in 2018

Thank you for taking the time to fill in this form. We are starting to work out classes for next year and this information helps make decisions on how the classes will be set up and what enrolments we can accept.

Importantly, it also helps us look at transition programs/ arrangements for our special needs students as we are much more likely to know which teacher/class we can put them with. This makes things at the start and finish of the year run much more smoothly for the students and families being helped by transition programs.

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END OF 2017

DISCO

FRIDAY 10 NOVEMBER

glowsticks for sale

\$10

- includes sausage sizzle and unlimited cordial
and water in sustainable cups

*** P-2 = 5pm-6.15pm**

*** 3-6 = 6.30pm-8pm**

A Year 6 run event

All proceeds donated to the Exodus Foundation

Dress as your favourite movie character!

\$2 Spider Club

A scoop of ice-cream
drizzled in soft drink

Book online only!

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www.trybooking.com/SVSW

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Dates for the Diary:

12th November - Senior Soiree (3 - 5pm School Hall) Concert Band, Consort Recorders, Concert Strings and Rock Band

14th November - Recruitment Night (6 - 7.30 School Hall)

21st November - Music Committee AGM 7pm Staff Room. All welcome.

29th November - Music Committee Dinner 7pm Royal Oak RSVP Lisa Healy healy@y7mail.com

1st December - St John's Christmas Concert / Instrument Hand Back / Music Programme Lunch for children

Music Recruitment Night



Tuesday 14 November
School Hall, 6.00–7.30pm

If you would like to start learning strings, a band instrument or the recorder in 2018, come along to register your interest!

A brief overview and professional demonstration of the instruments is followed by time to try them.

The options to learn an instrument in 2018 are:

Anytime from Year 1: Violin, Viola, Cello

Anytime from Year 2: Recorder

Anytime from Year 3 on: Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, French Horn, Euphonium, Drums, Tuned Percussion

We also offer private tuition in guitar, bass guitar, and piano.

Most of these instruments are available to hire from the Music Committee.

For more information, contact:

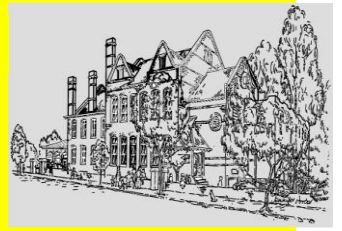
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Gold Coin Book Sale Monday 13th Nov

Stock up for Summer reading

RUN BY STAGE 3 KIDS

ALL PROCEEDS TO BE DONATED TO BPS

SPONSOR CHILDREN

Near the front gates by the
office

Before and after school

8:30-9:15am

2.45-3:15pm

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hey you busy bee

Want to help your school community?

Sunday 12th November
9am-11:30am

**Sign up to help our family
fun courtyard garden
project this Spring!**



All equipment provided, no experience necessary
Sign up for an hour or stay for the morning
Complimentary morning tea for worker bees & kids
Sign up at <http://signup.com/go/tbhLdZs>
Plants donated by Bunnings Ashfield