

Birchgrove Buzz

Term 3 Week 10 15th September

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2019 Dates to Remember



*Parent
Music
Sport
Student Parliament*

Term 4

14/10

15/10

23/10

24/10 & 25/10

27/10

18/12

School Resumes T4

Music Committee 7pm Staffroom

P&C 7pm Staffroom

Music Camp: Intermediate Strings, Concert
Strings, Rock Band, Training Band and
Concert Band (year 3 and above). Also
Senior Choir (yr. 4-6)

Back to Balmain, Concert Band

Last Day of Term 4

From the School:

Principals Award for Excellence
Kindergarten Transition & Orientation 2020
National Reading Hour
Preschool Transition & Orientation 2020
Inner West Book Week Competition
Kindergarten lessons with Sydney Secondary
College Balmain
Technology
Kitchen Garden
Staff Professional Learning
Sport

From the P&C:

Music
BNO- Trivia Night
Kitchen Garden
Sponsors- Ray White

Other:

Camp Australia
Code 4 Fun



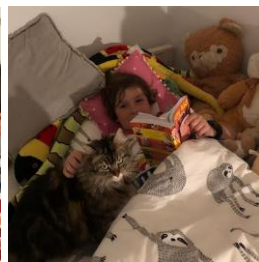
This week the Bilbies received the Principal's Award for Excellence in Learning for their great work in their author study of Mem Fox.



Last week the Sugar gliders received the Principal's award for Excellence in learning for prestigious researching of artefacts from the school as a part of their history lessons.



Ollie Mark Mall born Monday 11:19pm Congratulations to Mrs & Mr Mall on the gorgeous addition to their family.



The Australian **Reading Hour** (ARH) is an important annual campaign encouraging Australians of all ages to **read** for one **hour**. In 2019, the Australian **Reading Hour** took place on Thursday, 19 September. The premise is simple – pick up a book at any time of the day or night and **read** for an **hour**. Thank you to our families who took up the challenge and showed their children reading is a priority and a source of enjoyment!

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Ava C from the Bilbies won the **Inner West Book Week Drawing Competition** that Miss Ilieff had all the classes to enter. Over 3000 students entered. She attended a special presentation where she was presented with a certificate and new book at the Marrickville Library last week.



Our first strawberries have grown in our new garden! They are looking fabulous and everything is growing well. We will be able to start harvesting soon!



Last week we finished our series of mindfulness professional learnings with 3 hours after school on Wednesday. This week Stage 2 teachers are leading a session on project based learning.

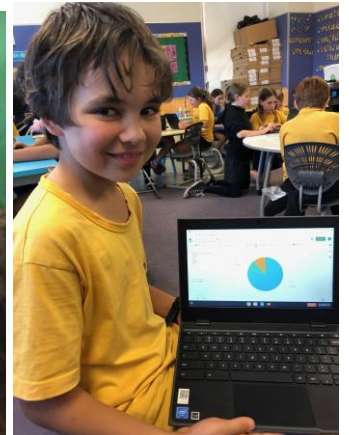


We've purchased some clubs and a mini golf course, which has provided some great sport sessions in the recent wet weather.



Thank you for our new goal posts Mr C & Paul Angus, we can now have 3 games simultaneously.

Today Year 5 used the chrome books to collect data and used the sheet tools to add up their results and create a graph in technology.



SSC Balmain have been teaching kindergarten about the water cycle in Science and Geography. We have enjoyed having them visit us. Next term we will be visiting them!



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Birchgrove Public School Preschool Transition 2020

RATED
EXCEEDING
NATIONAL QUALITY STANDARD



The learning environments at Birchgrove Preschool have been designed to stimulate children's creativity, to provide opportunities for children to investigate and explore their interests and to develop the skills needed as they prepare for school. The staff at Birchgrove Preschool are experienced, dedicated and have strong links to the local community.

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 29th October 2019

**Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday
Group**

Open Day Afternoon 3:15pm to 4:15pm

RSVP

kylie.j.mitchell@det.nsw.edu.au

Thursday 31st October 2019

Thursday and Friday Group

Open Day Afternoon 3:15pm to
4:15pm

Interviews will be held on 12th and 13th November 2019

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MUSIC CAMP LOGISTICS

On Friday 25th October at the end of Music Camp there will be a concert for parents at 5.30 - 7.00pm. At the end of the concert you will need to collect your children and drive them home as there is no bus back to school. Please be aware that the traffic to the camp location in Pennant Hills is heavy on Friday afternoons so leave extra time to get there. The children will have a pizza supper before the concert and will most likely fall soundly asleep in the car on the journey home.

MUSICAL DATES FOR THE DIARY

- **Tuesday 15th October** - Music Committee Meeting, School staffroom 7pm
- **24th & 25th October (Week 2, Term 4)** - Music Camp: Intermediate Strings, Concert Strings, Rock Band, Training Band and Concert Band (year 3 and above). Also Senior Choir (yr 4-6)
- **Sunday 27th October** - Concert Band will be performing at Back to Balmain, Elkington Park



A KITCHEN GARDEN

in a Concrete Jungle

Term 3 2019

Our Birchgrove P&C has been awarded an **Eco Grant of \$3,500** to build two gardens.

A native garden and an organic vegie garden for us to build, plant, maintain and enjoy.



The drip watering system is going in this week to ensure all our plants are cared for over the holidays.

We are growing:

Passionfruit
Snowpeas
Strawberries
Coriander
Parsley
Zucchini
Beetroot
Lettuce

Ask your Yr 1-6 child if they've been involved in planting any of these and if so, what did they learn. If not, drop me an email with your class name and I'll make sure they're first on the list for next term.

gardens@bpspandc.com



The native garden on the driveway is completed. We added the front gate garden to the project as a bonus.

The Grevilleas are thriving and we can't wait to see some birds enjoying them too.!

All Term 3 jobs completed



WEEK 1&2 - meetings and planning ✓
WEEK 3 - measuring and logistics ✓
WEEK 4 - preparing and deliveries ✓
WEEK 5 - assembling and building ✓
WEEK 6 - filling and planting ✓
WEEK 7 - Garden completed ✓
WEEK 8 - 200 seedlings planted ✓



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OH WHAT A BIG NIGHT OUT !!!

A terrific night had by all! Lots of fun and some real brain teasers with those questions (which the answers will be put on the facebook page this week!)

Pleased to announce that **\$11,644** was raised to go towards resources and projects funded by the P&C to help the school.

Thank you to all the volunteers and sponsors who made this night such a success



As the year begins to wrap up we will be sending out information regarding being a P&C Member if you are interested in joining.

Nominations for all the roles will be sent out early next term. Nominations will close Friday 8th November for voting at the AGM on Wednesday 20th Nov.

Our next meeting is Wednesday 23rd October, 7pm Staff Room.

Next term we will also be sharing some of the core projects in the pipeline.

Have a great holiday and break.

Yvonne Hilsz P&C President



25/9/19

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SUPERHERO SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



Can you believe there's only one week until school holidays?

Starting next Monday, we're taking the children on a journey of exciting adventures, self-discovery and creative expression. Hurry in and join us at

Superhero School Holidays!

Our program is filled with heaps of considered activities to keep the children busy from arrival until it's time to go home. They could be creating superhero costumes, completing their first rescue mission, writing comic books, going to the movies and so much more. Have a chat with our friendly Coordinator to find out more about the upcoming Holiday Club program at your school.



Book now. To find out when these activities are on during the school holidays and join in the fun, visit: www.campastralia.com.au/holidayclubs. Alternatively, bookings can be made through our customer service number, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!

Plus, every attended booking gets an entry into our competition. Your family could be on your way to the theme parks in the Gold Coast. See our website for more info.

We look forward to seeing you at **Superhero School Holidays**.

The Camp Australia Team

Conditions apply, see <https://www.campastralia.com.au/promotion-terms-and-conditions>. AU res 18+. Starts: 9/8/19. Ends: 11:59pm AEDST 20/10/19. 1 entry p/session p/child booked. Child must attend session for entry to be valid. Draw: 55 Erina Plaza, 210 Central Coast HWY, Erina NSW 2250 at 10am AEDST on 22/10/19. Winners at campastralia.com.au/families/holidayclub (& The Advertiser for any SA winners) on 25/10/19. Prizes: 1x trip for 2 adults & 2 children (12yrs & under) to Coolangatta, QLD valued at \$6,600; & 8x \$500 travel vouchers. Promoter: Camp Australia Pty Ltd (ABN 96 060 703 120) of 1731 Malvern Rd, Glen Iris, VIC, 3146. Permits: NSW. LTPS/19/36128 ACT. TP19/03714 SA. T19/1121.

To find locations near you and to book, visit www.campastralia.com.au/holidayclubs

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Y2 - Y7 STUDENTS, Birchgrove Public School

LEARN TO CODE AND BUILD YOUR OWN ONLINE PROJECTS WITH CODE4FUN

Year 2 to Year 7 students are welcome to join. STEM focused programs – students develop critical thinking and problem solving skills by learning to code.

- Birchgrove Public School
School Library
- Every Wednesday, 16 Oct – 27 Nov (7 weeks)
Java Advanced Level 4
Y2 – Y6 students 3:05 pm – 4:05 pm
- Every Wednesday, 16 Oct – 27 Nov (7 weeks)
Java Pro Level 4
Y4 – Y7 students 4:10 pm – 5:10 pm
- Laptops are provided
- \$154 per student per term

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If you have any questions email us at info@code4fun.com.au or call 0452 525 453.
Check out our website at www.code4fun.com.au for more details about our school.



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RayWhite.



We welcome: Benjamin Martin

We are excited to announce that Benjamin Martin has joined the Ray White Balmain Team.

Working alongside Principals Rebecca Fearon and Karl Howard, Benjamin has been selling property in the inner west for almost 10 years and has a strong track record in providing excellent customer service.

Recently sold off-market properties

10 Llewellyn Street, Balmain

4 BED | 2 BATH



77 Nelson Street, Rozelle

3 BED | 2 BATH

