

# Birchgrove Public School

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## NEWSLETTER

Week 3 Term 4 20/10/2021

**Welcome back** Birchgrove students Preschool to Year 1 it's been lovely to have you all back at school! We missed spending time with you! It will be even better when students from Year 2 to 6 join us next week!

This week and next week our students are in their classrooms, with their class teacher. Every student was welcomed to their classroom. Our priority for your children is firstly their wellbeing, followed by their learning. That is why we will be focusing on lessons in our classrooms on wellbeing, reconnecting with our class, and getting used to our routines all over again... including all our Covid-19 safety measures.



To our amazing parent body who have worked so hard to help and support us along this interesting journey. It's been so much easier having you as our partners in this learning journey.

As we are focussing on wellbeing, literacy, numeracy and getting back to our school routines we are pleased you are here working with us! There will still be bumps in the journey so please make sure you let us know when we can help and support yourself or your family

Tracy

We acknowledge the Wangal people of the Eora Nations, the traditional custodians of the land on which we play, learn and grow. We pay respect to elders past, present and emerging.

### For your calendar

#### 2021

#### Term 4

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| 20/10 | <b>P&amp;C Meeting 7pm zoom</b>                           |
| 25/10 | Y2 to 6 return to school<br><b>Welcome Back Everyone!</b> |
| 29/10 | National Teachers Day                                     |
| 10/11 | <b>Music Committee AGM 7pm</b>                            |
| 17/11 | Selective High applications<br>2023 close                 |
| 17/11 | <b>P&amp;C AGM 7pm</b>                                    |
| 7/12  | Year 6 Formal   |
| 15/12 | Crazy Christmas T-shirt day                               |
| 15/12 | Class Party   |
| 16/12 | Year 6 Assembly & clap out                                |
| 16/12 | Last day for 2021   |

#### Important information for students requiring onsite supervision:

• DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD/REN TO SCHOOL IF UNWELL - child/ren showing any mild COVID/flu-like symptoms will be sent home until a negative COVID test result is produced, as well as NO SYMPTOMS displayed. The safety and wellbeing of all students and staff, at all times, is paramount. Thank you for your continued understanding and support. Stay safe everyone!

# Welcome Back to the Library



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Welcome back to our Library!

The Year 1 Sugar Gliders and Possums were very excited to be the first classes back in our Library.

The books missed you!



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# Welcome Back Preschool



# Welcome Back Koalas



## *Sardinia Holiday by Alex Lai.*

*Sardinia is a special place  
It brings a big smile to my face.  
We travel there by plane  
Then we drive to the house in a lane.*

*Every morning I eat a juicy peach  
Then off we go to the beach.  
In the crystal clear water we splash  
Finding rocks and shells for our stash.*

*But best of all I can finally see  
Nanny and Nonno who have been waiting for me.*

## **CAT LAND** by Theo Hogg



If you're friendly  
Come with us.  
Outside  
Is a whole new universe.

Lick your paws,  
Chase a moth,  
Don't care what you do,  
You're a cat like us.

If you come in  
We've got your back.  
You're not a dog,  
You're one of the cats

Because you don't go for walks,  
You don't bark at squirrels,  
You don't chase us  
Or your tail.

We don't go woof  
We only say meow,  
We don't sniff butts with our noses,  
We keep them clean with our tongues.

So do you wanna hang with the cats?  
It will be fun!  
Or go be a dog -  
And never come back!!!!



# Kookaburra Poetry

MY POEM! BY SASHA GREEN



MY VIOLIN

MY VIOLIN MAKES A SOUND  
WHEN YOU CURL YOUR FINGERS AROUND



YOU PUT THEM ON  
AND PRESS THEM DOWN  
AND THERE YOU HAVE IT YOU'VE MADE A SOUND

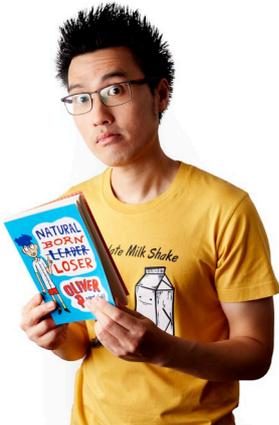
YOUR BOW GOES UP  
YOUR BOW GOES DOWN

YOU PRESS AND HOLD  
AND MOVE YOUR ARM

YOU DO THIS SIMPLE THING  
AND NOW YOU'VE MADE  
YOUR VIOLIN SING



## K-6 Author Talks on Zoom



Oliver Phommavanh spoke to Stage 2 on Tuesday 14th September.

MEET OLIVER P! The children found out how to write funny stories? Explored the crazy mind of Oliver P as he told them how he comes up for ideas for his hilarious books including Thai-riffic!, Natural Born Loser and his latest book, Brain Freeze! They also got a chance to ask him anything they wanted about being author and writing stories too.

Mick Elliott spoke to Stage 3 on Wednesday 15th September.



Mick Elliott is an author, illustrator, TV producer and professional mischief-maker. He has written eight books including THE TURNERS and SQUIDGE DIBLEY. He has produced TV shows for Nickelodeon, the Sesame Workshop, Channel TEN and the ABC.

In this special presentation for year 5 and 6 at Birchgrove PS, Mick shared his secrets for making great stories, coming up with characters and how everyone can draw awesome cartoon creations.



Jess Black spoke to Stage 1 and Kindergarten on Thursday 7th October

Jess has written the *Tales of Mr Walker* series about a dog who comes to live in the fanciest hotel in town. She has also written the *Kitty is Not a Cat!* series about a little girl who believes she can be anything she dreams - even a cat! Jess has also written the *Little Paws* series and the *Keeper of the Crystals* series; and is co-author of the hugely successful *Bindi Wildlife Adventure* series, the *Kaboom Kid* series and the *Animal Tales* series