



BORONIA PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 Week 5

20 February 2023

WEEK'S EVENTS

Mon 20 Feb	Boronia Park Swimming Carnival years 3-6 (+ year 2 students turning 8)
Wed 22 Feb	Meet the Teacher Night 5B & 5T at 5:00pm
Fri 24 Feb	BPPS Welcome Picnic 5:00pm-7:00pm

COMING EVENTS

Mon 27 Feb	Stage 1 Field of Mars excursion
Mon 27 Feb	P&C executive meeting in library

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs Ward is away on leave for today and tomorrow.

Thank you to everyone for an extremely successful swimming carnival today. The first time having all students back at the pool after a 3-year gap, it was great to see so many students getting up and having a go! I was most impressed by our new sports house captains who ably supported their houses and team mates to get in and have a go. Well done! Thank you to Mr Smyth and teachers for organising this hugely successful day. Thank you also to the numerous parent helpers. Your support is greatly appreciated.

The P&C Welcome Picnic is this Friday, 24 February. This event follows the hugely successful evening that was run in Term 4, 2022. The afternoon starts at 5:00pm and all families are welcome to attend.

Please leave your dogs at home and a reminder that glassware is not allowed. The evening will finish at 7:00pm sharp.

Ms Tracey
Rel. Deputy Principal

OFFICE REPORT

SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

All communication will be emailed from our new *Schoolbytes* system to your email address. If you have not yet created an account, please do so as soon as possible. The office can be contacted if you need to be reminded of the *How To* procedure.

Where notes require parental permission eg Excursions, full details of the activity can be found by parents under the *Activities* section in the parent portal, where online consent can be given.

The *Activities* section of the portal will not, however, show details of notes where parental permission is *not* required, eg details only of our SISA Term 1 program. This information will be received as an attachment to an email message from *Schoolbytes* and will be your source of reference.

As new features of *Schoolbytes* are rolled out we will advise parents accordingly.

A reminder that detailed User Guides can be found on each section of the parent portal if needed.

HOW TO ENTER AN ATTENDANCE ON THE SCHOOLBYTES PARENT PORTAL

Parents are now able to enter their child's absence on the Parent Portal providing they have created an account.

Partial absences need NOT be entered by parents. The school office will enter these absences when your child arrives/leaves the school.

Planned absences (for 3 days or more) may be entered via the Parent Portal. However, a completed *Application for Extended Leave - Travel* form will **still** need to be submitted to the school and relevant itinerary documentation attached where applicable eg. flight details.

Next week we will provide further information on how to complete the *Application for Extended Leave - Travel* form online.

To enter all other leave eg. sickness, 1-2 days leave or other circumstances, the absence can be recorded in the Portal by:-

Selecting *Attendance*
Under *Planned Absence* select *Create*
Enter your child's name.

Several options will appear under the *Absence Type*. Please note that whichever reason is selected, this may be overridden by the teacher in line with the Department of Education's policy and procedures for absences.

Schedule Type - A full day/multiples days **only** to be selected (no partial)

If you wish to upload any documents eg. a doctor's certificate, this may be uploaded under *Upload file Comments* - The reason for your child's absence.
Submit

AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students for recently receiving their Gold Awards



Tessa H 6G



Lachlan C 5A

REMINDER – EARLY LEAVERS

Parents are asked not to contact the office at recess (11:00am-11:25am) or lunchtime (1:00pm-1:50pm) to organise to collect your child/children. Please contact the school 10 minutes prior to 11:00am or 1:00pm. An email to the teacher will not guarantee that your child will be at the office at the time you request.

NOTES RECENTLY SENT OUT VIA SCHOOLBYTES

1. Band Program Weekend workshop – selected students
2. Procedure reminders for Parents/Visitors
3. Field of Mars excursion – Stage 1
4. SRC selection assembly – selected students
5. Cancellation of Homesport Swimming Term 1

CREATIVE ARTS

BANDS

Concert and performance bands continue as usual this week. Training band starts next Monday, 27 February at **7:45am** in the hall with Nate Porter. Students do not need to bring their instruments to the first rehearsal.



JUNIOR & SENIOR CHOIR



Thank you to those parents who have recently returned choir application forms for junior and senior choir. All enrolments have been accepted.

Senior choir commences next Monday 27 February at 8:15am in the library with Mrs Nylund and Mrs Butler.

Junior choir commences next Thursday 2 March at 8:15am with Mrs Nylund, also in the library.

JUNIOR STRING ENSEMBLE

Our tutor Lily Innis is looking forward to seeing our junior string ensemble members on Friday morning in the KS classroom. All parents should have been contacted by Lily.

PERCUSSION TUTORIAL

Apologies to parents for the late start to percussion/drum lessons with Ben. Ben has now contacted all parents to arrange lessons. If you have not heard from Ben, please let me know.

RECORDER LESSONS

Jackie is looking forward to a great term of learning with our new and returning recorder students. If you have any questions regarding lessons, please contact Jackie Brighton: brightonjk23@gmail.com



ROCK BAND

Mike is looking forward to seeing rock band students on Wednesday afternoon 3:30pm in the hall.

DRAMA ENSEMBLE

Drama lessons with Mrs Nylund start Wednesday 15 March 3:30pm-4:30pm in the library.

Mrs Nylund

BPPS K-6 CONCERT

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A celebration of Performing Arts

SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday 6 September Technical rehearsal day

Thursday 7 September Matinee performances
10:30am and 1:00pm

6:30pm Evening performance

All students in K-6 are involved. In addition to class/grade items, there are performances by dance groups, performance band, drama ensemble and choir. Please inform your class teacher if you know your child will be absent at this time.

HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION

TOILETS

The school has 2 sets of student toilets. The toilets attached to the BPC are for the K-2 students during school hours. They may be used by other students during before and after school care times. The toilets near the canteen are for students in years 3-6.



Basic rules apply to the toilets, including: No food is to be taken into the toilet blocks and no playing in the toilet blocks.

Students are encouraged to use the toilets during breaks in order to lessen the time taken out of class.

Please note – adults are not to use student toilets. Please use the toilets in the Administration building.

SPORT

SWIMMING CARNIVAL



Congratulations Boronia Park! What a wonderful carnival we had today. Your participation, support of your friends and cheering certainly was contagious.

We would like to thank all our parent helpers and especially Mr and Mrs McLaughan. Your organisation and support is always appreciated.

Students who have progressed through to the Zone level will receive their note over the next week or two. The Ryde Zone Swimming carnival will be held on **Wednesday 8 March at Ryde Aquatic Centre.**

SUMMER PSSA

We had an enjoyable start to the 2023 summer PSSA competition last Friday. Please visit our Zone website to view results from all matches.



<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/rydepssa/home/>

Mrs O'Brien and Mr Smyth

P&C

MESSAGE FROM THE NEW P&C PRESIDENT

Welcome, parents, to 2023. My name is Jessica Collins – I'm the new P&C President, taking over from John Kwan, who has moved to Vice President. John has been a huge supporter of the P&C and had the unenviable task of guiding the P&C through Covid and out of it again. He did it seamlessly, with his usual calmness and clarity, and on behalf of the P&C Committee and the school parents, we thank you John for all your commitment to the school and your leadership over the years. We are very lucky to still have you so involved with the P&C.

The P&C held its first general meeting of the year on Monday 13 February where we were delighted to welcome new and returning parents. Thank you to everyone who attended in person and online, it has set us up for a very successful year ahead. I look forward to seeing/meeting you at the Welcome Picnic this Friday.

We are always looking for helpers at events – even if you can only give half an hour, please do consider volunteering. It's always great fun, you meet new parents, and it helps with the fundraising efforts.

Some roles on the P&C will need new volunteers by the end of year. If you are interested (it doesn't have to be for years) then please do reach out to me at bpspandc.president@gmail.com We'd be very pleased and lucky to have you on board!

Over the coming weeks I will be setting a date for a planning session – all interested parents and teachers are welcome. We aim to design a five-year plan for the P&C's contributions to the school. If you would like to be involved in this session, keep an eye out for relevant information, or email me to register your interest.

See you on Friday at the picnic!

WELCOME FAMILY PICNIC FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY

We look forward to seeing you on Friday 24 February from 5:00pm-7:00pm for the Welcome Picnic on the school grounds. The end of year picnic was a huge success in December so get there early to grab your spot.



Some important points to remember:

- Pre-order pizza by COB Wednesday 22 February for delivery to school on the night from *Oregano & Co* (order form attached) or purchase food on the night

- 7:00pm pack up and please take your own rubbish home - help make the picnic safe, clean and green by not bringing any glass and by dropping your eligible containers into the *Return and Earn* bins
- Entry and exit from the Pittwater Road gates only

Thank you to our event sponsor *Cassidy's Real Estate* who will be supplying and selling delicious food including BBQ smoked ribs and donating all proceeds to the P&C. We look forward to seeing you there.

CHANGE IN DATE

Our Parents' Night will be moving to Friday 26 May – the events team have some amazing entertainment lined up and more details will be distributed soon. This is sure to be the biggest (& most fun!) night of the school year so we hope you can make it.



CANTEEN

- Mondays: Sushi \$3.70
- Tuesdays: Roast chicken rolls \$5.00
Salad boxes with chicken \$5.50
- Wednesdays: Chicken and beef burgers
- Thursdays: Sushi \$3.70

FRIDAY 3 MARCH

The canteen will not be open in the afternoon (after school) on Friday 3 March. The canteen will operate as usual for recess and lunch.



Oregano & Co

Proudly Supporting BPPS P&C

Pre Order Pizzas by
Wed 22 Feb COB for the
BPPS Picnic Fri 24 Feb

Name _____

Number _____

Delivery Time To School (Circle)

5:15pm 5:30pm 5:45pm

6:00pm 6:15pm 6:30pm

		Quantity
Plain Cheese	\$10	
Margherita <small>tomato base, mozzarella cheese & basil</small>	\$17	
Vegetarian <small>tomato base, mozzarella cheese, mushroom, onion, capsicum, olives & oregano</small>	\$19	
Pepperoni & Cheese <small>tomato base, mozzarella cheese & pepperoni</small>	\$19	
Hawaiian <small>tomato base, mozzarella cheese, pepperoni & pineapple</small>	\$19	
BBQ Chicken <small>BBQ base, mozzarella cheese, mushroom, onion & chicken</small>	\$22	
Peri Peri Chicken <small>tomato base, mozzarella cheese, capsicum, onion, chicken & peri peri sauce</small>	\$22	
Meat Deluxe <small>bbq base, mozzarella cheese, pepperoni, pulled beef & shredded basturma</small>	\$24	
Supreme <small>tomato base, mozzarella cheese, mushroom, onion, capsicum, olives, pepperoni & pulled beef</small>	\$24	
Total		

Call Us To Order (02) 9817 7070

Or Drop into 99 Pittwater Road, Hunters Hill

Amount Paid:
Date Paid:
Ordered With:



BUS SAFETY WEEK

SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS TOOLKIT

20 – 26 FEBRUARY 2023



Bus Safety Week reminds all road users to ‘**Be Bus Aware**’

Our school bus operator Busways is reminding all road users, parents, and students to ‘be bus aware’ as part of Transport for NSW’s Bus Safety Week campaign, running 20 – 26 February.

Bus Safety Week, part of the **Be Bus Aware** campaign, sees Governments, bus operators, and emergency services raise awareness about the importance of being safe in and around buses and spread the message to **Be Bus Aware**.

The initiative provides a timely reminder to parents to have a talk with their children about bus safety; to motorists when giving way to buses; to pedestrians to make sure they are alert of their surroundings; and to cyclists to ensure they can see where buses are. We all have a part to play in bus safety.

The **Be Bus Aware** campaign has been developed with input from Bus NSW, NSW Police and Transport for NSW. For more information on bus safety or to learn about Transport for NSW’s **Be Bus Aware** campaign, visit <https://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/campaigns/b-e-bus-aware/> or visit the Busways website www.busways.com.au



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OPEN DAY

SAVE THE DATE :

SATURDAY 4 MARCH 2023
12 NOON-3PM

Reiby Road, Hunters Hill / (02) 9817 4565
email: huntershd-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au
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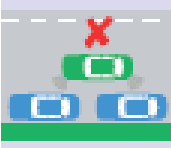


Term 1 - 2023



The beginning of the year is always a good time to develop safe habits for you, your children, and the surrounding community.

Road rules are there for a reason ...and so are our Rangers.

Please treat Council's Parking Rangers with respect as they do their job to patrol school zones and enforce parking rules to help keep our children safe.

ZONE	WHAT DOES IT MEAN?	WHY IS IT THERE?	PENALTY	DEMERIT POINTS*
	You cannot stop in a NO STOPPING zone for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space). 	Keeps clear sight lines between drivers and children / pedestrians.	EXCEEDS \$352 	(School Zone) 2 
	You can stop in a NO PARKING zone for a max. of two minutes to drop off and pick up passengers. If no spaces are available you cannot queue on the road way or in any other zones while waiting for a space. You will need to drive away and park elsewhere, only returning when there is space to pull up. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle at all times and cannot leave your vehicle unattended.	Provides a safe place for children / pedestrian set down and pick up.	EXCEEDS \$196 	(School Zone) 2 
	You must not stop or park in a BUS ZONE for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space) unless you are driving a bus. If times are shown on the sign, you are not allowed to stop during those times.	Provides a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up school children.	EXCEEDS \$352 	(School Zone) 2 
	You must not stop on or within 20 metres before a PEDESTRIAN CROSSING or 10 metres after a crossing unless there is a control sign permitting parking.	So drivers can clearly see pedestrians on the crossing.	EXCEEDS \$469 	(School Zone) 2 
	DOUBLE PARKING You must not stop on the road adjacent to another vehicle at any time even to drop off or pick up passengers.	Double parking blocks visibility and forces other cars to go around you.	EXCEEDS \$352 	(School Zone) 2 

Let's talk about the benefits of Active Travel

PHYSICAL

It gets you moving early in the day and again in the afternoon. In a world of high screen usage, physical movement is even more important for general health and wellbeing.

SOCIAL

It gives you the opportunity to spend time with your young child. Older students (age 11 and above) enjoy the opportunity to talk with their friends.

MENTAL

Being physically active can improve concentration, self-esteem and increase independence.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Less cars equals less traffic and congestion around schools which reduces pollution.



At school, your child will learn about road safety as part of Personal Development, Health and Physical Education.

For more information visit [Safety Town](#), an online resource available to teachers, students and parents to support the quality teaching of road safety in NSW.

Active Travel with primary school-aged children

- Walk, ride, scoot or skate with your child to and from school. If you do have to drive, try parking away from the school and walking with your child for the rest of the way.
- At the end of the day meet your child at the school and walk together back to your car, parked away from the school.
- Use this time to talk about their day as well as how to be a safe pedestrian.
- Encourage older children to actively travel to school for the physical, social, mental and environmental benefits (if it's safe to do so).

