

## Newsletter

Term 1 Week 4

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

According to the First Nations calendar we are in our 'second summer' I would have to say they have it spot on. It has been very warm to say the least. The students and staff appear to be coping but I think we are all hoping for an extended 'cool' period.

Our Year 4-6 students are now operating on 1:1 device which is supporting their educational journey. Approximately 98% of parents have provided the Year Fives with their own device. The school is currently monitoring the impact of this program with the view of possibly expanding it to other year levels in the school. Following the annual census, we currently have 731 students in the school who are all settling into school routines. It is great that all students are in uniform, wear the school hat and show a high level of respect to their peers, school staff and other members of the school community. We are very fortunate to have the support of a community that values education.

Students across the school are currently sitting assessments in Literacy and Numeracy (PAT, On Entry, SOCS). These assessments not only act as a benchmark for individual student achievement but also provide teachers with a clear picture of what their students can and cannot do. This data then drives the teachers' teaching and learning programs.

NAPLAN also occurs this term for our Year Three and Five students. Online assessment will commence from 13th March and run for approximately two weeks.

#### **Three Way Conferences**

Hopefully you have locked away Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March in your diaries. School will conclude for students at 10:40am with the first interviews commencing at 11:00am running through until 6:00pm. It is expected that all students will be collected at 10:40am on this day. Helping Hands PH 0488 040 839 is available to assist if parents are working. We hope to have the booking system live by 4:00pm on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February. Staff look forward to meeting face to face with you all. On the day, you may also receive a call from one of our specialist teachers (science, languages, physical education, visual arts, music) who will outline how your child is doing in their learning area.

## Students coming to school early

A reminder that students shouldn't be at school prior to eight o'clock as we do not have the capacity to provide supervision and maintain a safe environment. If you need to drop your child at school prior to this time, please contact Helping Hands Before/After School Care – PH 0488 040 839 and make arrangement for supervision. When students arrive between 8:00am – 8:15am they should be in the undercover area unless supervised by parents. Students should not be on any playground equipment before or after school. We appreciate your support in providing a safe environment for all students at BPPS.



Office Hours
Mon/Thurs - 8.00am - 4.00pm
Friday - 8.00am - 3.00pm

#### **2024 TERM DATES**

Term 1: 31st Jan – 28<sup>th</sup> March Term 2: 15<sup>th</sup> April – 28<sup>th</sup> June Term 3: 15<sup>th</sup> July – 20<sup>th</sup> Sept Term 4: 7<sup>th</sup> Oct – 12<sup>th</sup> Dec



#### DATES TO REMEMBER

School Development Days Term 2: Friday 31st May Term 3: Monday 2nd Sept Term 4: Friday 8th November

School Hours 8.30am – 2.30pm Recess - 10.40am – 11.00am Lunch - 1.00pm – 1.30pm

Students Last Day for 2024 Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December

Students First Day for 2025 Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February



#### Mobile Phone and Smart Watch

The latest version of this policy is available on the school web site under policies. The following are the two main paragraphs parents need to be aware of.

Definition

For the purposes of this policy, 'communication devices' refer to mobile phones, smart watches, smart glasses and other devices connected to or have the potential to connect to a mobile network.

Procedures

The use of 'communication devices' for all students will be banned from the time they arrive at school to the conclusion of the school day. This includes before school and at break times. Students are not permitted to have communication devices in their possession during the school day. Bletchley Park Primary has duty of care for all students when they are attending the school. Parents can contact their children by ringing the school phone number 92346400. If necessary, students can contact parents from the office phone. If you have questions, feel free to email <a href="mailto:bletchleypark.ps@education.wa.edu.au">bletchleypark.ps@education.wa.edu.au</a>

#### **Parking**

Parents are requested to park in the designated car parks along Balfour Street and Bletchley Parkway or to use the Kiss and Drop Zone located at the front and back of the school. Please remember if using the Kiss and Drive, the driver can not leave the car and must move as far forward as possible. Kiss and Drive locations are not parking bays. Children do not always act predictably so please take extra care around the school to avoid any dangerous or unpleasant incidents. Parking always presents a challenge around schools at the beginning and the end of the school day. Safe traffic flow depends on every parent observing the rules and conventions for safe parking. Students walking or riding to school greatly assists to reduce the traffic congestion. Bletchley Park Primary School is committed to the safe movement of all children and adults around the school. The Ranger periodically patrols all schools around opening and closing time and will issue infringement notices, and fines, when necessary. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding.

#### **Bush Fire Plan**

As BPPS is classed as been in a high fire zone (due to the bushland on Balfour Street) we are required to have a stand-alone Bush Fire Plan. The plan outlines what action the school will take in the event of a bushfire, catastrophic weather warning or total fire ban. A copy can be located on the school's web page.

#### Supporting Student Behaviour

The behaviour at BPPS on a whole is exceptional with students consistently modelling the schools values and beliefs and adhering to the rules. A copy of our Supporting Student Behaviour Policy can be located on the school's web site.

## P&C

Congratulation to our 2024 P&C office bearers President: Vanessa Wetters, Vice President: Michelle Smith, Treasurer: Andrea Harvey and Secretary: Ashleigh Kennedy. I look forward to working with you in 2024.

A big thanks to our out going P&C office bearers: President: Paula Kontor, Secretary: Sarah Tidy Treasurer: Kylie McKivett for your support of the BPPS community, we appreciated your time, enthusism and energy.

Regards



## Library News



# Bletchley Park VOLUNTEERS **NEEDED**

If you have a spare hour or two?

We need you!

Help with shelving books **Basic library duties** No experience need! Welcome to come into the library, phone or email your interest!

Danette 9234 6400 danette.isgar@education.wa.edu.au





## Bletchley Park Primary School Term ONE Planner 2024



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School Hours 8.30am – 2.30pm Email: bletchleypark.ps@education.wa.edu.au
Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8.15am – 4.00pm
Friday - 8.15am – 3.00pm

Assembly Friday 8.30am

	Term ONE - 2024					
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
1	29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	
	Admin Open	Admin Open	Students First Day			
2	5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	
		Bees meeting				
3	12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	
					Senior Assembly – LA21	
4	19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	21st Feb	22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	
			Year 5 EEC Gov Incursion Yr 3&5 Naplan Parent Info Session		Junior Assembly – LA10	
5	26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	29 <sup>th</sup> Feb	1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	
					Senior Assembly – LA27	
6	4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	6 <sup>th</sup> Mar	7 <sup>th</sup> Mar	8 <sup>th</sup> Mar	
	Labour Day Public Holiday			Year 2 RAC incursion	Junior Assembly – LA11	
7	11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	
	School Board Meeting		NAPLAN	NAPLAN	Senior Assembly – LA15 NAPLAN	
8	18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	21st Mar 3 WAY CONFERNCE	22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	
	Grip – Yr6 NAPLAN	NAPLAN	NAPLAN	Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews NAPLAN	Junior Assembly – LA4 NAPLAN	
9	25 <sup>th</sup> Mar Harmony Week Incursion NAPLAN	26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	27 <sup>th</sup> Mar Harmony Day Picnic/lunch	28 <sup>th</sup> Mar Year 6 Summer Carnival	29 <sup>th</sup> Mar Good Friday Public Holiday	



## Swimming Lessons - Term 2

Bletchley Park Primary School Students will be attending Swimming Lessons at the Gosnells Leisure Plex - Thornlie

Please remember to bring Towel, bathers, change of clothes and a bag for wet bathers.

Please ensure all clothing items are labelled with students name.

Permission Forms are to be handed to the office.

Swimming Lessons for Year PP to 3 classes

Monday 22nd April 2024 to Friday 3rd May 2024

Swimming Lessons for Year 4 to 6

Monday 6th May 2024 to Friday 17th May 2024

Notes will be going home for Group 1 on the 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024 and for Group 2 on the 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024.







## Student Wellbeing

Student Wellbeing is a key area in our current Business Plan. We know, as educators, that a person's Wellbeing is paramount to academic success. Over the past year, we have been looking at revamping our approach to Wellbeing at Bletchley Park. We have formed a committee of staff and a student Wellbeing team. Parents were invited to attend a forum in 2023 to provide input and help us along our journey. We have come up with a vision statement that now drives our whole school approach to Student Wellbeing. We look forward to continued community support in 2024 as we work to implement our new, whole school Social and Emotional Learning programme.



At Bletchley Park Primary School, Wellbeing represents the person as a whole: mental, physical, social, emotional and cultural self.

As a school we acknowledge that Wellbeing is a complex and personal journey. It is more than the absence of challenges; rather, an individual's ability to *be think and grow* through connection, perspective and resilience.









## Assembly - 16th February 2024

LA 21's assembly followed a student who was new to Bletchley Park Primary (really happened) and how he went from being worried that he wouldn't fit in to feeling he belonged. He learnt that the class was full of interesting people who had a lot of differences but also a lot in common. Knowing that everyone in the class agreed that is important to be kind, accepting, show respect and do their best, he gained the confidence to join his new class.











Be, Think, Grow Awards Date: 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2024						
Area	Year	Student	Teacher			
Indonesian	Class	Luke	Mrs Colquhoun			
Sport	Class	Evan	Mr Palmer			
Science	Class	Scarlett	Mrs Lumsden			
Art	Class	Thejus, Brax	Mrs Bryant			



## Assembly – 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Senior Assembly Merit Awards Date: 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2024					
Area	Year	Student	Teacher		
LA 15	Yr4	Paige, Zoe	Mr Betts/Mrs Clark		
LA 21	Yr4	Leo, Jayden	Mrs Roth		
LA 22	Yr4	Miah, Thejus	Miss Lopez		
LA 23	Yr5	Emelia, Natasha	Mr McKee		
LA 32	Yr5	Vivi, Meha	Mrs Gardin/ Ms Elkins		
LA 33	Yr5	Stojan, Emma	Miss Magill		
LA 34	Yr5	Luke, Riyon	Ms Neighbour		
LA 25	Yr6	Nikki	Mr Sullivan		
LA 26	Yr6	Sophia, Laith	Mr Cave		
LA 27	Yr6	Katelyn, Cooper	Miss Lombardo		
LA 28	Yr6	Yixuan, Kyran, Aila	Mrs Leslie		
Library	Class	LA26	Mrs Isgar		
Sport	Class	LA33	Mr Palmer		
Science	Class	LA33	Mrs Lumsden		
Indonesian	Class	LA32	Mrs Colquhoun		
The Arts	Class	LA33	Mrs Bryant		
Music	Class		Mrs Watson		

Senior Assembly Value Awards						
Date: 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2024						
Area	Year	Student	Teacher			
LA15	Yr4	Doing My Best – Easton, Respect – Noah	Mr Betts/Mrs Clark			
LA21	Yr4	Doing My Best – Adara, Respect – Alexis	Mrs Roth			
LA22	Yr4	Doing My Best – Isaac, Respect – Kody	Miss Lopez			
LA23	Yr5	Doing My Best – Mia, Respect – Mehreen	Mr Mckee			
LA32	Yr5	Doing My Best – Philemon, Respect – Gurfateh	Mrs Gardin/Ms Elkin			
LA33	Yr5	Doing My Best – Harley, Respect – Praise	Miss Magill			
LA 34	Yr5	Doing My Best – Lilly, Respect – Hannah	Ms Neighbour			
LA 25	Yr6	Doing My Best – Molly, Respect – Jayce	Mr Sullivan			
LA26	Yr6	Doing My Best – Jobe, Respect – Milania	Mr Cave			
LA27	Yr6	Doing My Best – Martin, Respect – Kori	Miss Lombardo			
LA28	Yr6	Doing My Best – Lily, Respect – Anton	Mrs Leslie			



## PSC NEWS

## 2024 Committee

A MASSIVE THANK YOU to all the new and returning members that attended our AGM last week.

We are so grateful that so many of you stepped up to take on roles and help the P&C continue to support Bletchley Park Primary School and the school community.

Welcome to our 2024 Executive Committee:

P&C President: Vanessa Wetters
Vice President: Michelle Smith
Secretary: Ashleigh Kennedy
Treasurer: Andrea Harvey

A HUGE THANK YOU to our departing committee members (Paula Kontor, Sarah Tidy, Robyn Moore) for their many combined years of dedication to the P&C.

#### Save the date

If you would still like to join the P&C but could not attend the AGM then please get in contact and we will see you at our next meeting on Tuesday 19 March @7pm in the Staff room.

We would love to see you there!

## Second Hand Uniform Shop News

We will be open Friday 23 February from 8-8.45am and 2.15-2.45pm. Come and find us outside the Art building to stock up on all your clothing needs.

Cash & EFTPOS available, items from \$5-\$15.

Donations of any school uniform items in good condition is <u>appreciated</u>, and can be placed in the lime green container outside the Admin building.

Please note we cannot accept any non-uniform items such as black leggings, skorts or shorts.



## Follow our Facebook Page

We are currently in the process of finalising our Fundraising and Fathering Group events for 2024, so follow our Facebook Page: Bletchley Park PS P&C to be the first to know, and keep up to date.





## English Classes at Bletchley Park Primary School





## Community News



