



Barrack Heights Public School

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BARRACK HEIGHTS 2528
'WORKING TOGETHER'

Term 2 Week 1 Newsletter



YOU CAN DO IT!

Weekly Focus – “We are learning to follow our school values of SAFETY, RESPECT and ACCEPTANCE!”

TERM 2 – IMPORTANT DATES

What's On

30 April – Monday	Staff Return – School Development Day
01 May – Tuesday	Children return
03 May – Thursday	Equating NAPLAN Survey (selected children only)
03 May – Thursday	AECG Meeting Mrs Kocovska
04 May – Friday	External Validation Workshop: Mrs Murphy & Mrs Kocovska
05 May – Saturday	“The Traffic Jam In My Brain Workshop” all day – 10 teachers attending

What's Ahead

9 May - Wednesday	Stewart House clothing donation pick-up day
10 May – Thursday	Stage 3 “Into the Woods” Excursion at Wollongong Performing Arts High School
11 May – Friday	District Cross Country (selected children only)
11 May – Friday	P&C Mother's Day Stall

Week 3

15 May – Tuesday	NAPLAN Language Conventions
16 May – Wednesday	NAPLAN Reading
17 May – Thursday	NAPLAN Maths
16 May - Wednesday	P&C Meeting 9:00am – 10:30am
17 May – Thursday	“Breakfast with the Boys and Girls in Blue” – will involve our local police officers preparing and serving a healthy, nutritious and enjoyable breakfast for all our students.

Dear parents, carers, community members and students.

Welcome back to Term 2. I trust all our children had a restful break and are now ready for all the excitement that term 2 will bring. Yesterday, all staff returned to school and completed a “Kindness on Purpose” refresher workshop and participated in the department’s “Respect Reflect Reset” new campaign that addresses workplace bullying and works towards creating a positive and productive workplace.

All our non-teaching staff completed training in the new Performance Development Process that supports the department’s commitment of developing a skilled, engaged and professional workforce to ensure better outcomes for our students.

Miss to Mrs

Congratulations to Miss Connor who went from Miss Connor to Mrs Murphy during the holidays. Wishing Mr & Mrs Murphy a wonderful life together filled with love, laughter, prosperity and joy.

Barrack Heights Public School 'new' Values

The BHPS Wellbeing Team led by Mrs Murphy has been extremely busy enhancing all our programs to better support our children and staff working towards developing strong, confident, respectful, kind, caring and resilient children. The team's most significant work so far has been encompassing aspects from the various school wellbeing programs into our 3 new school values of SAFETY, RESPECT and ACCEPTANCE. Feedback from surveys and conversations with community, staff and students in 2017 also contributed to the selection of these values. Our new school values will be well supported by our You Can Do it! keys to success and Kindness on Purpose programs where teachers will be explicitly teaching how to be safe, respectful and accepting of ourselves and each other.

At Barrack Heights we value Safety, Respect and Acceptance!

ANZAC Service

On 25 April 2018, the BHPS Deputy-Governor General, Prime Ministers and Shadow Prime Ministers joined other students from local schools at the Shellharbour City Council, Centenary of ANZAC Commemoration Service. Our students represented our school with confidence and pride. Thank you to our wonderful parents who ensured our student leaders attended the service.



Hotdog & Popper Fundraiser for the Tathra Bushfire Appeal

Thank you to Ms Pasalic, Ms Hodge and the Student Finance Committee members for conducting a very successful fundraiser. The total funds raised was \$400.00.



Winter Uniform

Please remember, as the colder weather approaches, students will need to wear royal blue track pants and jumpers/jackets. These can be purchased from the School Canteen on Tuesday and Thursday mornings between 8.30am and 9.00am. We have a small selection of used uniforms for \$2 a piece available from the School Canteen between 8.30am and 9.00am. Royal blue tracksuits can also be purchased from retailers such as Best & Less, K-mart etc.

Students must continue to wear their royal blue school hat in the playground. Remember "No Hat No Play". There will be no spare hats available from the office to borrow.

P&C Mother's Day Stall

The P&C will hold a Mother's Day stall on Friday, 11 May. They have organised wonderful gifts for the students to buy ranging in price from \$1.00 to \$10.00. The gifts include candles, incense oils, travel mugs, cup & saucer, photo frames, caps, bath lotions, memo pads, bookmarks, pens, cards and more. Buy for mum, nana or grandma or for anyone special.

Mrs Kocovska
Principal
SAFETY, RESPECT and ACCEPTANCE

Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800
Lake Illawarra Police 4232 5599
Crimestoppers 1800 333 000

Strengthening Getting Along

YOU CAN DO IT!

Focus for the week - *'We are learning to follow our school values of **SAFETY, RESPECT and ACCEPTANCE**'*



This week Barrack Heights Public School will start to introduce 3 new school values of SAFETY, RESPECT and ACCEPTANCE. Students will be learning about what values and character strengths are and how they can help us get along with others and also how we accept ourselves.

At Barrack Heights Public School we value SAFETY, RESPECT and ACCEPTANCE and these values help us to get along.

Getting Along is revealed when young people work cooperatively with each other, resolve conflicts by discussion rather than fights, manage their anger, show tolerance, and follow class rules, including making responsible choices so that everyone's rights are protected.

Getting Along also involves young people making positive contributions to helping others and to making the school, home, and community safer, healthier, and good places to live and learn. When students are getting along they are working together as a team.

Have Conversations with your child about what it means to Get Along and work together as a team –

1. When your child is about to go off to school at the beginning of the year or a new term or

is attending a party or joining a group, say: "There are different things that you can do to make friends. When you are playing games, make sure everyone has a turn and you play by the rules. When you see someone who seems left out, go over and find out if he or she would like to join in or talk with you. It is important to contribute positively to help everyone feel happy, safe and respected. And when you have a disagreement with another, it is important to solve the conflict without fighting. In this way, we all can get along with each other. "

2. If you have a child who seems to be very competitive and mostly interested in him/herself, say: "I know that achieving at a high level and being the best is important to you. However, it is also important to be concerned about others at home and in your school and to make sure that what you say and do contributes to their success and well-being. Putting others interests at the same level of importance as your own makes our community a better place for everyone including you."

"Speech Sound"

Every Thursday morning at 9:00am, Jessica (the Speech Pathologist at Barrack Heights P.S) runs parent workshops to help children develop their speech sounds. If you have any questions about your child's speech sound development please make an appointment at the office to chat to your child's teacher or make an appointment to see Jessica.

P&C Committee 2018

President: Kally McLean
 Vice Presidents: Rosie Roach
 Kendal Williams
 Secretary: Erin Jongsma
 Treasurer: Narelle Adams

P&C Meeting Dates

Term Two	16 May Wednesday	9:00am – 10:30am
	14 June Thursday	9:00am – 10:30am
Term Three	8 August Wednesday	9:00am – 10:30am
	13 September Thursday	9:00am – 10:30am
Term Four	24 October Wednesday	9:00am – 10:30am
	29 November Thursday	8:00am – 9:00am
	Christmas Breakfast	9:00am – 10:30am



Dear Families,

Spoil Mum this Mother's Day with a gift from the Mother's Day stall. The P&C will be holding the Mother's Day stall for all students in the hall on the 11th of May.

Gifts will range from \$1.00 to \$10.00.

Thank you
 P&C



Mother's Day Stall

Spoil Mum this Mother's Day
with a special gift
from the Mother's Day Stall

Friday 11th May 2018

Affordable beautiful presents for
Mum's and Grandparent's

Prices ranging from \$1 - \$10

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