

#### **Booragul Public School**

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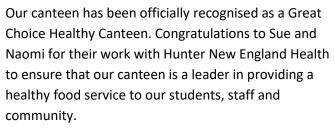
Mrs Kristy Luff - Principal

Dear Parents, Carers and Families

I was truly inspired after attending the HeadStart Transition Information Evening at Lake Macquarie High School on Tuesday night. Mr Maher and his team are doing a marvellous job in developing cross curricula and future-focussed learning aimed at preparing our students for their lives as adults in a rapidly changing world.

The high school have designed learning experiences aimed at developing creative minds. Mr Maher and his team spoke to the audience about drawing being a fundamental building block for design, augmentation and virtual reality. In Kindergarten this year, our teaching staff have been experimenting with drawing as the first crucial step to crafting and creating texts. Have a look at the great work from KS. Huge congratulations to Elea who returned to school yesterday as a Grand Finalist in the 2019 Hunter Inter-Schools Public Speaking Competition. Elea was representing not just Booragul Public School but all of West Lake Macquarie. We are incredibly proud of her achievement.









Congratulations to the amazing Stage 3 for their outstanding representation of our school in Canberra and at the snow. The students had a wonderful time and the teachers have praised the students for their exemplary behaviour. Please join me in thanking Mrs Pallas for the many hours that went into organising the trip and to Mrs Pallas, Mr E, Mrs Williams and Mrs Mott who supervised the students for the 4 day excursion.



We are in the midst of improving our outdoor learning spaces. Our students are loving the updated sandpit. What a great place to play!

Unfortunately this week, we had an incident of a student being approached by a stranger in a car in Bell Street. Police were notified of the incident and attended the school. We have spoken to all students about strategies for remaining safe in the community. We ask you to reinforce the "*Stranger Danger*" message with your child/ren.

Kind Regards Kristy Luff

Principal

## Attendance

At BPS we work with our families to ensure students' regular attendance at school. Please be reminded that it is a parent responsibility to provide an explanation for absences by means such as a telephone call, written note, text message or email to the school within 7 days from the first day of any period of absence.

## **Spelling Bee**

Last week our very talented spellers participated in the Regional Premier's Spelling Bee Finals. Our Stage 2 students, Alakai and Sharla, did fantastically well. Alakai remained until Level 4 while Sharla remained until Level 7, as one of the final three participants. Of our Stage 3 students, Indi was unfortunately unable to attend on the day. Tahlia remained one of the last four participants progressing to the unseen word lists, well beyond the practised word lists. Well done all!

## **Upcoming Events**

#### Term 3 Week 8

Uniform Shop opens 8:30am – 9am **Kindy Club** Tasty Taco Pre-orders due to canteen

#### Term 3 Week 9

Assembly in hall at 11:35am Teen Talk Year 5 & Year 6 students Student Dollarmites banking Uniform Shop opens 8:30am - 9am Kindy Club Sport-a-thon P&C Movie Screening Fundraiser 'Ad Astra' Thursday 12 September Friday 13 September Friday 13 September

Monday 16 September Monday 16 September Tuesday 17 September Thursday 19 September Friday 20 September Friday 20 September Saturday 21 September

#### Term 3 Week 10

Assembly in hall at 11:35am Intensive Swim Scheme deposit due to office Student Dollarmites banking Uniform Shop opens 8:30am – 9am Kindy Club

Monday 23 September Monday 23 September Tuesday 24 September Thursday 25 September Friday 26 September

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Skool Bag 3

**Uniform Shop** 

**Open on Thursday mornings only during** Term 3 from 8.30am – 9am. **Open on Monday and Thursday mornings** during Term 4 from 8.30am – 9am.

#### **Current Price List**

Polo Shirt Sky Blue \$25 Polo Shirt Red \$25 Shorts Navy Blue \$20 Skorts Navy Blue \$20 Jacket Navy Blue & Red Trim \$45 Long Pants Navy Blue \$30 Hats Navy Blue Bucket \$12 Beanies Navy Blue \$10 Hair Accessories Navy Blue & Red \$4 Library Bags Navy Blue \$5 **Recycled Uniforms \$5** Summer Pack – 2 x Polo Shirts, 1 x Shorts or Skorts, 1 x Hat \$75 Winter Pack – 2 x Polo Shirts, 1 x Long Pants, 1 x Jacket, 1 x Beanie or Hat \$130 Please be advised we suggest you try on uniforms as sizing has changed. When paying by cash, we would appreciate the correct money if possible. If paying by EFTPOS, payment must be made at the office before any uniforms can be taken.



#### LET'S CELEBRATE!

**20 YEARS OF LAKE** MACQUARIE LANDCARE

14 September 2019 1-4pm Landcare Resource Centre, Booragul

#### Learning For The Future

## **Congratulations to Students:**

Poppy – Quality Student Badge Ollie – "R" charm Kimberley – "P" charm Kaila – "P, R, I, D, E" charms Imogen – Quality Student Badge & "P" charm Mason – "P, R, I" charms Charlie – "R & I" charms Lucas – "P & R" charms Dominic – Quality Student Badge & "P" charm Kranney – Quality Student Badge







Junior Kindness – Mason

Senior Kindness – Scarlett

Junior Citizenship – Meika

## **Kindergarten Orientation Sessions**

Kindergarten Orientation is a great opportunity for your child to familiarise themselves with their peers and teachers for 2020. It is also an invaluable opportunity for families to meet our staff, learn important information about our school and prepare your child for a fabulous first year.

The dates for Kindergarten Orientation will be:

- Friday 15 November from 9:15am-10:45am
- Friday 22 November from 9:15am-10:45am
- Friday 29 November from 9:15am-10:45am

The structure of all sessions will be as follows:

9:15- Parents sign themselves and students in under the COLA.

**9:20**- Buddies will walk them up to our Kindergarten classrooms.

**9:30-10:40**- Parents attend information sessions in the hall while students are completing activities with Kindergarten staff.

**10:45** - Students are signed out by parents/carers.

Students should come to school with a hat and appropriate clothing for outside play – including enclosed shoes and a shirt / dress with short sleeves (no singlets). Food and drink will be provided for students. If there are any allergies, please let us know prior to the day.

We look forward to meeting our future students and families.

# **DUGS DAY**















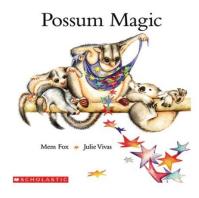












## **Possum Magic**

On Tuesday 27 August, our K-2 students travelled by bus to the Civic Theatre to see Monkey-Baa Theatre Company's production of Possum Magic, written by Mem Fox. It was a fabulous show and we really enjoyed ourselves.

Here are some students' comments reflecting on what they liked about Possum Magic:

When Grandma Poss cast her best spell to make Hush invisible and the stage was lit up with red lights that looked like fire.

When Grandma Poss did her magic and they travelled around Australia on the bike.

How Mitchell and Alex performed magic for us before the show began. The part where Hush brushed her teeth before bed!

How they showed the capital cities of each state as Grandma Poss and Hush travelled around Australia.

Every time Hush ate some people food, she made silly noises and burped at the end! I liked it when the actors and stage crew introduced themselves after the show and they explained their roles.

I liked the scene where Hush was invisible and she made the broom dance with Wombat.

I liked the party at the end when Hush was visible again and everyone danced under the disco ball.

My favourite scenes were in the supermarket in Perth and when Grandma Poss and Hush travelled across the water to Tasmania.

Everyone was scared when the snake tried to eat Hush!

I like how the snake was welcome to join in with everyone when he was being kind (although I think he wanted to eat Hush's birthday cake!)

# Lakeside Lunchbox News



# Canteen Roster – Term Three 2019

Wednesday 11 September	Thursday 12 September	Friday 13 September
Sherelle	Sally	Trish
Simone (9- 11am)		Michele
Wednesday 18 September	Thursday 19 September	Friday 20 September
Jo	Jodie	Julie
Naomi		Trish A
Wednesday 25 September	Thursday 26 September	Friday 27 September
Sherelle	Rachel	Rhonda
Trish		Haley

If you would like to become a volunteer come to the canteen on a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday and see Sue Robin, alternatively you can call her on 0407465893.

Fresh for Kids promotion running until Friday 20 September. Choose an option from the canteen that contains fruit or vegetables and receive a sticker for your entry form. Collect 2 stickers and receive a fruit scented stamper pen and bonus prize entry card. Lots of great prizes to be won state wide.

New Meal Deals:

Cheeseburger and drink	\$5.00
Lasagne, mini garlic bread and drink	\$6.00
Fried rice, dim sim, soy sauce and drink	\$6.00
(drinks include milk, juice, water and chill j)	

Try our delicious canteen made spaghetti bolognese Just \$3.50