Term 1 Week 8 >>>> NEWSLETTER <</td> DATE: 19/03/2024 BARRINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

Integrity & Excellence

CALENDAR

Term 1 2024

13-25 March NAPLAN online testing period

21 March Easter hat parade/egg drop challenge Year 6 fundraiser – 2pm

22 March Gloucester Show excursion

28 March Teen Talk - Year 6 only (Stroud PS)

9 April Basic CPR - Year 3-6

10 April Soccer School Gala Day

12 April Last day term 1 SRC fundraiser

30 May School Photos

CANTEEN

18/3/24 Jo Charlier





REGIONAL SWIMMING

Last week, four of our students traveled to Newcastle to compete in the Hunter Regional Swimming carnival. Saige, Edward, Sophie and Nikita were part of the PP5 Small Schools relay team to see if, once again they could make it through to the state finals. Saige was also competing at an individual level, running in the senior girls 50m backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly and freestyle events. She put in an excellent effort but just missedout on placing through to the next round. The team put in a fabulous effort, shaving three seconds off their Zone time. The Hunter team now proceed at the State Finals. This will be the third consecutive year BPS has made it through for this event. We wish them all the very best in the upcoming finals on Friday 12th April.

At Barrington Public School, we acknowledge and pay respect to the Worimi and Biripi elders past, present and emerging, and extend that respect to all Aboriginal people we live and work with, for they hold the hopes and dreams for the future of our country.

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Easter Hat Parade/Egg Drop Challenge

Please be reminded that this Thursday, 21 March is our annual Easter hat parade. Students from K–3 will parade their Easter hats from 2pm. This will be followed by our years 4–6 Egg drop challenge. Our year 6 Easter egg fundraiser will also be drawn on the day. Parents and carers are invited to attend.

Attendance/Wellbeing

As part of our new attendance procedures if your child is absent and no explanation is received on the day of the absence our office staff will make a courtesy call just to check in. Your child's attendance can then be updated on our records. Please be aware that there are many ways of notifying us of an absence either planned or unexpected. e.g phone call/email to the office, SeeSaw message, School Bytes or a handwritten note

SRC Zooper Dooper Day

Our SRC Zooper Dooper days will continue again this year. The SRC will be selling Zooper Doopers on Thursday at lunchtime for 50c each.

Book Packs

At Barrington Public School we supply all of the essential supplies that students will need throughout the year including, pens, pencils, rubbers, glue sticks, work books, tissues etc. We ask, if parents are able to afford it, a donation of \$50 be paid towards the supply of these items.

This can either be paid via cash directly to the office, online via our school website - make a payment option or our new School Bytes parent portal.

Term 1 Fundraisers

Year 6 have an Easter Egg raffle for their Term 1 fundraiser. Thank you to all the wonderful families that donated Easter eggs to go towards this activity. You can still purchase tickets in the raffle at recess, lunch, the office and on the day. The raffle will be drawn at the Easter hat parade/ egg drop challenge on Thursday 21 March.



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ICAS

ICAS is an academic competition that challenges students and recognises their achievements in core subjects such as English, Maths and Science. The competition was started over 40 years ago and has since become an internationally-recognised annual event competed across 41 countries. The questions are engaging, fun, and written in a way that is entirely different to regular school assessments, aiming to test students' higher-order thinking and problem-solving abilities. ICAS assessments are open to students from Year 2 to Year 6. Please note that these assessments are NOT mandatory and are to be purchased at parent cost. Assessment scores do not go towards individual student school based assessments and are completely independent from our own school based assessment schedules.

Below is the access details for parents to purchase tests and a calendar of sitting times.

Access details for parents

Please make a note of this information and keep it somewhere safe. Your school access code is: YAP923 Your parent page link is: https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps

15 July	Last day to register for the Parent Payment System (PPS)
29 July	Last day for school and parent ICAS purchases
5 – 9 August	ICAS Digital Technologies & Writing sitting window
12 – 16 August	ICAS English sitting window
19 – 23 August	ICAS Science & Spelling Bee sitting window
26 – 30 August	ICAS Mathematics sitting window

SCHOOL PHOTO'S 2024

School Photo's are Thursday 30 May 2024





School Bytes portal is available for you to register and begin using.

Register for the Parent Portal via the QR Code or visit https://portal.schoolbytes.education





CLASSROOM CAPERS

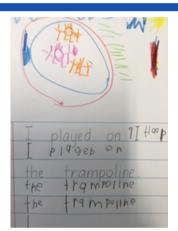


K/1

This term Year 1 have been writing some amazing recounts concentrating on their super sentences. A super sentence begins with a capital letter, ends with a full stop, tells the reader about someone or something, has finger spaces and makes sense. Kindergarten have been practicing copying the words from their sentences and reading their writing out loud.









2/3

This term in Geography we have been looking at some of the Natural Features of Australia. Students created these beautiful Great Barrier Reef artworks during visual art lessons to tie our learning across the two different areas.

Students used a number of different media including paint, pencil, crayon and paint markers to create their art works.

4/5/6

This week, the class geography project is due. The students have been working on these research projects, learning about their individual countries and how and what they trade with each other, based on their location, resources and climate. They've had to finish up on this research project by creating a brochure to sell a top export product to one of their neighbouring countries.

In art, we focused on the work of Japanese artist, Katsushika Hokusai, most famous for one of his 36 views of Mt Fuji, 'Great Wave of Kanagawa' in which the students have to create the four "views of?...." from around the playground somewhere.



Responsibility

CLASSROOM AWARDS

K/1

Jack – excellent effort writing his numbers

Isa–Meri – always trying her hardest in all class activities and participaing in everthing with great enthusiasm

Pearl – an excellent improvement in using the correct punctuation when reading text out loud

Clancie – always working enthusiastically to complete class tasks



Year 2/3

Freddy – consistent effort across all learning areas

Grace - always being a kind and caring class member



Year 4/5/6

Lilly - working well on her fractions

Edward – excellent effort in narrative writing

Level 2 – Silver Commendation Certificates

Koby, Elizabeth, Harry, Baxter, Chelsea and Freddy











How many books do students need to read?

Students in Kindergarten to Year 2 are challenged to read or experience 30 books. 20 of these books must be from the relevant Challenge booklists, and up to 10 books can be personal choice books. Books can be read with a parent, carer, teacher or another student.

Students in Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 20 books independently. At least 10 of these books must be from the relevant Challenge booklists, and up to 10 books can be personal choice books.

If a book is from an approved PRC series, students can enter up to 5 books as Challenge books, and can read up to 10 other books from the same series as Personal Choice books. More information on the rules of the Challenge can be found on the PRC website.

Books must be added to a student's online reading record by Friday 23 August 2024 in order for their reading record to be validated and receive a certificate.

How do students log their reading?

Students can access the PRC's Student Experience site using their DoE username and password, or can log into the site via the Student Portal.

If you have any questions regarding the challenge or issues with logging books, please speak to Mrs Sansom.

My child/children ______ would like to participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge.

I understand that I will need to log the books that they read into the PRC system via the internet at home.

Parent Signature

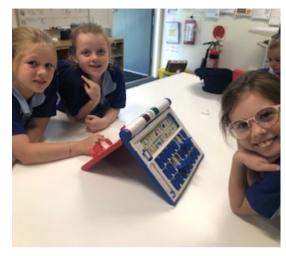
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Lunch time Activities We have been having lots of fun with our Term 1 lunchtime activities!



Books and Board Games







Garden Club

Garden club has had a few gatherings this term to put some plans into action. Two of the beds have been cleared out with only one left to go. The club has made some plans to start planting some winter crops, so stay tuned for that. In addition, the 4/5/6 class were given two vertical growing towers for STEM activities.

They are currently using one and the other will be managed by the garden club so getting that up and running will be their next task. Seeds have been planted in preparation and when these are established enough, they can be transferred to the tower.

The students will also start on getting the composting bins going and learn to get a proper mix, working to build on the soil nutrients.





Congratulation Edward

On Monday 11th March, Edward went over to Taree to represent and trial out for the 2024 Zone Hockey Team.

He, along with a handful of Gloucester students were successful after a big day of drills and games.

He now goes on to try out for the regional Hunter hockey team. We wish him all the best in this endeavour.

YEAR 6 FUNDRAISER EASTER EGG RAFFLE

50C A TICKET

DRAWN THURSDAY 21 MARCH

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED FROM THE FRONT OFFICE AND AT THE EASTER HAT PARADE/EGG DROP





Moving into Year 7 in a NSW Government school

In NSW Government schools, applying to move from primary school to high school is a 2-step process:



The first step is to complete a **Moving to high school expression of interest.** When completing this form, you will be able to indicate which school(s) you would like your child to attend in Year 7.



The second step is to submit an **enrolment application**, which will be issued to you by the high school after they have assessed your expression of interest.

Expression of Interest Year 7 2025

'Moving to high school' will be emailed home this week via our School Bytes app to Year 6 parents/carers. https://year7.enrol.education.nsw.gov.au/?schoolCode=7303

STEWART HOUSE - 93 years caring for children



Donation Drive 2024 For over 40 years, the Stewart House Donation Drive has been a major annual fundraising event in NSW public schools. This year, Stewart House is proud to be celebrating 93 years of caring for public school children–in–need. We are asking you to show your support by donating towards the Stewart House Donation Drive. Every donation of \$2 or more will be eligible to enter a draw where you could win a prize valued at \$4000. Donating is easy! 1... Insert a donation of at least \$2 into the envelope and seal it. 2... Return the envelope to the office. Please return completed envelopes (with legible name & contact phone number) to the front office by the end of the term. Remember, your donation will be supporting the 1600 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT.



	Active OOSH Weekly Program						
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
	Easter Egg Decorating	Paper Plate Bunnies	Sock Bunnies	Dyed eggs	CLOSED - Easter Monday		
Creative Experiences Sourced By:	Child Interest/Input • Intentional Teaching •	Parent Input .	Child Interest/Input • Intentional Teaching •	Intentional Teaching • Child Interest/Input •	Easter Culture -		
	Egg and Spoon Race	Chicken Dance	Easter Pinata	Easter Egg Hunt	CLOSED - GOOD FRIDAY		
Active Experiences Sourced By:	Egg & Spoon Race Culture Intentional Teaching	Chicken dance!!! Intentional Teaching	Child Interest/Input Community	Intentional Teaching • Child Interest/Input •	Culture -		
	Hand print Easter Chicks	Tissue Paper Chicks	Easter Cards	Lets Draw - Easter Bunnies	CLOSED - GOOD FRIDAY		
Quiet Experiences Sourced By:	Culture • Intentional Teaching	Intentional Teaching •	Child Interest/Input - Community -	Intentional Teaching • Child Interest/Input •	Culture -		

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	hello monday	TUESday	WEDNESDAY	thusday	"hoppy" FRIDAY	
	<u>Breakfast:</u> Cereal, Yoghurt and fruit	<u>Breakfast:</u> Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt	<mark>Breakfast:</mark> Toast with fresh fruit	Breakfast: Egg on Toast with fresh fruit	<u>Breakfast:</u> Good Friday	•
					Happy Easter!	
•	<u>Afternoon Tea:</u> Ham, Cheese and salad wraps	<u>Afternoon Tea:</u> Cheese, Cabanossi, Crackers and fresh fruit	<u>Afternoon Tea:</u> Muffins and fresh fruit	<u>Afternoon Tea:</u> Vege sticks, crackers, cheese and a selection of dips	<u>Afternoon Tea:</u> Good Friday	
					Happy Easter!	
	Fruit Platter: A	Combination Of Seasonal F	ruits including; Apples, Pir	leapple, Oranges, Banana, 1	Vatermelon, Kiwi Fruit	