

# BARRINGTON

## PUBLIC SCHOOL

Integrity and Excellence



Term 2 Week 5 Tuesday 29 May 2018

### Weekly Awards

**K**

**Kelly Laurie** – ‘clever skills when sounding out words’

**Luke Thurlow** – ‘speaking very clearly and saying the ‘th’ sound correctly’

**1/2**

**Eli Kisi** – ‘an excellent job remembering and presenting his news!’

**Stella Thurlow** – ‘her wonderful reading’

**3/4**

**Sienna Macdonald** – ‘always being focused and on-task’

**Joshua Jones** – ‘fantastic work in hands-on math groups’

**Bradley Rayner** – ‘his unfailingly cheerful ‘can do’ attitude’

**5/6**

**Elana Pope** - ‘her excellent comprehension in reading’

**Paige Connell** - ‘her well structured writing’

**Edward Hollingsworth** - ‘his improvement in reading fluency and comprehension’

**Georgia Graham** - ‘her excellent co-operation in group work’

**Charli Macdonald** - ‘her excellent comprehension in reading’

### Commendation Certificates

Luke Thurlow, William Coombe, Allira Wilson, Sai Chintala, Renee Carr, Edward Hollingsworth, Emma Woods, Summer Edwards, Charlie Coombe, Kane Germon, Thomas Coombe, Nathaniel Graham, Harry Kauter and Irellyn Want.

### BPS Values Award

**Georgia Graham** for the value of CARE and RESPONSIBILITY.



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### COMING EVENTS

#### TERM 2 2018

**Tuesday 29 May**

ICAS Science Assessment.

**Wednesday 30 May**

Yrs K-4 visit to Gloucester Historical Museum/Old Bowman School house.

**Thursday 31 May**

Life Education Van - Yrs K-6.

**Tuesday 5 June**

Whole School Assembly, 2.15pm in 5/6 room. All welcome. Year 6 Grip Leadership Conference at Forster.

**Wednesday 6 June**

BPS Soccer team - soccer gala day at Wingham.

**Monday 11 June**

Queen's Birthday - Public Holiday.

**Tuesday 12 June**

ICAS Spelling Assessment.

**Wednesday 13 June**

Manning West Small Schools Athletics Carnival for Yrs K-6 at the South St Oval, Tuncurry.

**Thursday 14 June**

ICAS Writing Assessment.

**Wednesday 27 June**

Responsible Pet Visit - Yrs K/1/2.

**Friday 6 July**

Last day of Term 2.

## Parent Webinar

As a school with a Parenting Ideas membership, we have access to yet another free webinar. (This is a session where you log on to a website at a specific time and watch a presentation.) This topic is particularly relevant and we would urge as many people to take advantage of this opportunity as possible. Please contact the school to obtain a copy of the voucher and log in details.

### Understanding Anxiety:

How it impacts kids and the important role of parents

When a child experiences anxiety it can be really hard for parents to understand what's happening and how best to respond. In this webinar, Dr Jodi Richardson helps parents to recognise and understand anxiety, how it affects learning and happiness, and the practical steps to lessen its impact on your child and your family's quality of life.

Listeners will also learn:

- the origins of anxiety
- signs and symptoms of anxiety
- practical strategies to help anxious kids
- the importance of validation
- when and where to seek help

When: Tuesday 5 June, 7.30 – 8.30pm

This webinar is usually \$37 per person to attend but is free of charge to families at schools that have a Parenting Ideas membership. It will be hosted by Michael Grose with presenter Dr Jodi Richardson.

Please contact the school to obtain details of how to log onto this webinar.

## Permission Notes

Please be aware that this year continues to be a very busy time and it is really important to keep up to date with what is happening at school. Up-coming events are always listed at the top of the Bulletin and where individual permission is required, a separate note is always sent home. Whilst we endeavour to chase these notes up on an individual basis, it will not always be possible for us to do this. If your child, does not return a signed permission note for a specific activity by the due day, it makes it extremely difficult to finalise the myriad of arrangements that are necessary for any of these activities. If they do not return the note at all, they will not be able to attend.

## Uniform

As the colder mornings approach, we are finding a large number of discarded jumpers in the playground each afternoon. A lot of these do not have names and this makes it impossible to return them to their owners. The lost property box is currently overflowing. Please ensure that all of your children's belongings are labelled so that they can be returned to them if need be.

At BPS we take great pride in our school values and being in full school uniform. There is a copy of the uniform policy attached to this Bulletin for your information.

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## Birthdays

Jarrah Wilson 1.6.2018 (10)  
Hamish Laurie 4.6.2018 (12)  
Logan Webeck 5.6.2018 (9)



Congratulations to the following students who have demonstrated the school's values:

### Week 3

Charlie Coombe, Isoa Kisi, Hayden Schultz, Eli Kisi and Georgia Graham.

### Week 4

Kane Germon, Renee Carr, Naomi Kilby, Eli Kisi and Charlie Coombe.

## Canteen Roster

### Monday 4 June

Georgie Edwards and Anita Forbes.

### Tuesday 12 June

Sharee Pope and Donna Partridge.

## Athletics Carnival

This event is for all students and will take place on Wednesday, 13 June at Tuncurry. Please find attached a permission note. A canteen will operate on the day, run by the Bunghwahl School P&C. Please find attached a copy of the menu. If you would like to place an order, please write your order on a lunch bag, with correct money, and return to school by Wednesday 6 June, 2018.

## Gloucester Junior Hockey

We still have a few shirts missing from last season. If you could check and if you still have a shirt please return to Cook Park clubhouse on Wednesday (or see Ollie Rinkin or Paula Blanch 0400581972). Thank you.

## Hunter Regional Cross Country Carnival

Best of luck to Kaitlyn Commons and Edward Hollingsworth of Year 6, who will be competing in the Hunter Regional Cross Country Carnival at Cessnock this Friday, 1 June 2018.

## Copeland Tops Rainforest Excursion

On Monday, years 5 and 6 went on field trip to the Copeland Tops Rainforest area to back up work they are learning in science this term. With a guided tour from Ranger Pete, the students had a chance to check out the inner workings of a dry rainforest from the forest floor. On this two hour walk (extended to close to 3 hours), the students used magnifying glasses to look up close at mosses and lichens, they saw a range of epiphytes and even had a very good showing of a Lyrebird that cheekily came down on to the boardwalk. They played on the large buttress roots of a fig and witnessed the slow strangulation of a giant red cedar by the strangler fig. Some were a little weary after the walk but all seemed to enjoy the opportunity. I hope they were paying attention, because they are going to be tested on it!!! Great behaviour everyone.



Bucketts Way Group  
of Primary schools  
annual art exhibition



from 24th May  
until Sunday 17th June 2018  
25 Denison St, Gloucester

**Alison Fittler  
Principal.**

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## Barrington Public School Uniform Policy

### Rationale

Our school uniform policy reflects school community standards. Economic, personal, social and cultural factors affecting students and their families must be considered when deciding on uniform. The school's uniform policy should be reviewed at least every five years and amended where necessary. Students are encouraged to be in full school uniform to reflect their respect for the school and membership of the school community.

### Dress Code

	Summer	Winter
<b>Girls</b>	Blue and white summer tunic Blue school polo shirt Royal blue shorts or skorts Royal blue jumper White socks Black shoes or sneakers Wide brimmed school hat Light blue long sleeved buttoned shirt	Winter tunic Blue polo shirt or skivvy Light blue long sleeved buttoned shirt Royal blue track pants or slacks White socks / navy blue tights Black shoes or sneakers Wide brimmed school hat Royal blue jumper / hooded jacket Royal blue waterproof jacket
<b>Boys</b>	Blue school polo shirt Royal blue shorts Royal blue jumper White socks Black shoes or sneakers Wide brimmed school hat Light blue long sleeved buttoned shirt	Light blue long sleeved buttoned shirt Royal blue polo shirt Long, grey trousers or blue track pants Grey socks Black shoes or sneakers Wide brimmed school hat Royal blue waterproof jacket Royal blue jumper / hooded jacket

To ensure student safety, the following practices apply:

- jewellery is not permitted at school apart from watches, medical alert information, sleepers or stud earrings and items of religious significance which should be protected under clothing
- students without hats are to play in the COLA shade area
- all students are expected to remain in school uniform. If this creates difficulties for families they are asked to contact the school for support.
- bike pants or shorts are not permitted.
- Nail polish is not permitted.

# insights

## Staying relevant in a Digital World

by Martine Oglethorpe



*As technology continues to advance and our lives become more immersed in everything digital, the challenges faced by parents can often feel overwhelming.*

We know that the technology is here to stay and we also know the many benefits that we can reap from the digital world. There are amazing ways we can connect and collaborate, raise awareness, create, learn and share. We are also frequently made well aware of the dangers and pitfalls of this connected world. We hear often about the predators, the pornography, the paedophiles, the gaming obsessions, the screen-time addictions and the cyberbullying.

So how do we ensure that our kids are getting the very best that the technology has to offer whilst avoiding those negative elements?

One of the best ways we can do this as parents is to remain relevant. But how do we stay relevant in a world that seems to move so fast? In a world where our kids already seem to know so much?

It starts by taking the time to get to know the world your children are growing up in and work to understand the challenges they face. Because kids do face challenges and they will make mistakes. We need to ensure that those mistakes are ones they can learn from and aren't life changing.

### **Be the Wise ones**

Well they may well have a lot of knowledge when it comes to all things technical. But they are not necessarily wise like us. Now I use the word 'us' very loosely here in referring to the adult population, because anyone who has spent any time online knows there are many adults who are not wise. But generally speaking, adults have a lot more understanding of the intricacies of interactions, relationships and the complexities of human behaviours than kids do. Our kids are interacting and connecting with others in a world that is often beyond what they are developmentally and emotionally ready for. We need to help them with that.

### **Play and interact**

Sure we all love the lure of an iPad to ensure we can finish our coffee whilst it's hot or get the dinner cooked uninterrupted. But if we also take the time to play and interact with our kids and their devices, we get a different perspective about what they enjoy. We get the bonus of the interactive element as well as time to bond and enjoy

something together. We also put ourselves in a much better position to set relevant boundaries and help them understand those boundaries.

## Listen to others and listen to your child

If your friend's child is playing a game, has an account on social media or enjoys certain websites, then there is a good chance your child does too. Just as we would play at the park or hang out at the milk bar where our friends were when we were young, so too our kids will hang out where their mates are playing. So listen to those parents in the playground. Listen in to which popular apps and games are spoken about in the media. Listen to your child. Ask them what they like to do. Ask them about their concerns or their challenges. You may never keep up with every single app or site that your child visits, but if you have a good understanding of the ways kids are using technology and the sorts of things the technology is capable of, then you are in a much better position to help them use it safely and smartly.



## Be open and honest about what is out there

Whilst there are times we certainly lament the passing of the good old days where screens, and social media were not such an integral part of our lives, we cannot afford to be in denial about the role technology is and will continue to play in the lives of our children. So rather than shut it down and try to avoid it, we need to be ready to have conversations that we may prefer not to have. We need to know that the average age a child first sees pornography is about 11, so we should understand that this is a very real possibility for our children.

So how are we going to prepare them for that? What conversations would we need to have if we suspect this has happened? Because we do want to make sure that the education they are getting comes from us and not from the online world itself.

So seek out knowledge, interact, talk to your kids and put yourself in the best position to remain relevant to your child's world. Be the one they come to should things go wrong. Be the one they come to to share the positive experiences they have online.

Our role as parents is not to shut down the accounts and take away the screens, but rather to ensure we are giving them the skills, the understanding and the thinking to make the very best decisions every time they go online.



### Martine Oglethorpe

*Martine Oglethorpe is a speaker, counsellor and educator with a passion for building resilient kids in a digital world. Martine is available for student workshops focused on positive online behaviours, for teacher professional development on how the digital world affects what happens in the classroom and for corporate and parent information sessions.*

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

This year's Small School Athletics Carnival will be on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at the South St Oval in Tuncurry. This carnival is for the whole school and is always a fun and engaging day. We will be joined on the day by Bungwahl, Krambach, Stratford and Coolongolook Public Schools.

The students are asked to arrive at 9.15am and events will commence at 9.30am. Transport will be by private car. Please note that if you are transporting children other than your own on the day, you will need to provide your licence and insurance details to the school office. This is a DoE requirement.

The students are required to wear full school sports uniform. There will be a canteen operating on the day. Please find attached a canteen menu.

***Please sign and return the attached permission slip and canteen order, before Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018.***

Alison Fittler  
Principal

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### Small Schools Athletics Carnival Permission Note

I hereby grant permission for my child / children \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the Small Schools Athletics Carnival at Tuncurry on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> June 2018 (arrival @ 9:15am).

☐ I am able to transport my child/children to the carnival on the day.

☐ I am unable to transport my child so I have organised them to travel with

\_\_\_\_\_.

☐ I confirm that the school has sighted my current driver's licence and vehicle registration papers.

☐ I confirm that my child's medical details have not changed and the information form on file at school remains current.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Principal: Mrs Alison Wise







Manning West Small Schools Athletics Carnival 13.06. 2018  
 South Street Oval, Tuncurry

**Staff, Students and Parents.**

***Please pre order lunch items -as only a limited number will be available over the counter.  
 All orders to be written on lunch bags.***

**Lunch orders need to be returned to School by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June**

<b><u>LUNCH</u></b>	\$
Bacon and Egg Roll (pre- order for lunch)	\$5.00
Gourmet Hamburger (homemade pattie, cheese, lettuce, tomato + sauce)	\$6.50
Vegeburger (homemade vegetarian pattie, cheese, lettuce. tomato +sauce)	\$6.50
Sausage Sandwich ( white bread,sauce optional BBQ or tomato) (2 slices buttered bread, sausage & sauce if stated)	\$3.00
Toasties (pre-order only) ( white or wholemeal bread Ham, cheese 'n' tomato Cheese 'n' tomato	\$4.50 \$3.50
Homemade Soup + roll ( no pre order necessary)	\$4.00
<b><u>SNACKS</u></b>	
Natural chips 19g (plain, honey soy chicken)	\$1.00
Homemade Cakes/Slices	\$1- \$3
<b><u>DRINKS</u></b>	
Poppas – (orange, orange/mango, blackcurrant)	\$2.00
Bottles of Water	\$2.00
Water (from jugs) (BYO bottle or cup - we will provide fills and refills!) Paper cup	\$Free \$0.30c
<b><u>NO ORDERING on the following items:</u></b>	
Bacon & egg roll ( breakfast)	\$5.00
Barista Espresso Coffee	\$3.00
Extra short	\$0.50
Tea	\$1.50
Instant Coffee	\$1.50

**Services & Products are supplied by Bungwahl P&C Association's Canteen Committee**