



BSPS NEWSLETTER

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Newsletter, Term 1 February 2020

From the Principal's Desk

Welcome back to BSPS for another exciting year of teaching and learning. I hope everyone enjoyed a safe and restful holiday. Students have returned eager to see their friends and return to school life. We have had 47 new Kindergarten students start their schooling and wish them all the best as they embark on their educational journey. I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome all our new students, their families and friends to our Belmore South Public School community. We look forward to forging strong partnerships with each of you to ensure every child thrives at school.

We have observed that all our students from kindergarten to year 6 are organised and already demonstrating a smooth transition to 2020. Thank you parents for doing a great job in preparing your children for the year ahead. This year we have had a number of new enrolments and also seen some of our families either change schools, or not return to school on the date they indicated after school holidays.

We formed our 2020 Classes on Wednesday and have decided to school fund an additional class for the primary area to reduce class numbers across 3-6. We will have 13 classes in 2020.

The organisation of classes this year will be a mixture of stage based and grade based classes. This is necessary because of the numbers of students in each grade. The teachers at BSPS work very hard to organise classes and spend a huge amount of time making sure that each and every student's individual learning and wellbeing needs are considered. Every decision that is made is done with the student's best interests at heart.

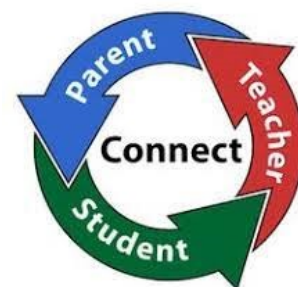
You can support us to make your child's transition to their new class a smooth and positive experience by assuring them that even though they may feel strange and unsettled for a while, they will settle and feel better over time.

We are off to a great start – we have enthusiastic learners, a committed staff and a wonderful environment. Have a fabulous year.

Lurlene Mitchell

Principal

Parent / Teacher Information Sessions



Monday 17 February 2020

Attached to the newsletter is a schedule for our Meet the Teacher sessions. This is a great opportunity to meet your child's class teacher for 2020 and hear about class activities, programs and routines.

We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at these sessions. It is through developing a strong home/school partnership and working together that we can help our students achieve their very best, not only academically but in all aspects of their development.



**In 2020 our newsletter is once a month,
delivered straight to your Email!**

Staffing Update

2020 sees us welcome new members to the BSPS Staff. Ms Sleiman & Ms Haridimos join Stage 3, Ms Huang joins Stage 2, Ms Vilarrubi joins Early Stage 1, Ms Cooper Joins Stage 1, Ms Alcock our New Teacher Librarian and Mrs Freeman who joins the support staff. Ms Sallis & Ms Li are on leave for 2020. We congratulate Ms Hargraves on obtaining a promotional position as a Curriculum Advisor with the Department of Education. During term one, the school will be following the Department of Education Staffing process to appoint a new Assistant Principal. The recruitment process will hopefully be completed by the end of Term 1 and it is hoped that the new staff member will take up their permanent role at the beginning of Term 2.

Principal

Lurlene Mitchell

School Executive

Alenka Madzar - Assistant Principal K-2

Laura Sleiman - Assistant Principal 3-6

Elza Filacouridis - Assistant Principal 3-6

Kieran Aggett - Relieving Assistant Principal T1 3-6

Classroom Teachers

Kathryn Hionis

Irene Petrides

Cristy Rinaldi

Diana Petkovski

Ashleigh Cooper

Manal Kassem

Elena Haridimos

Emma Vilarrubi

Joanne Huang

Jude Hines

Office Admin Team

Lisa Trewin - School Admin Manager

Eleni Venizelou - School Admin Officer

Sue Dias - School Admin Officer

Specialist Teachers

Vanessa Jenkins - Instructional Leader EaFS

Michelle Jeffriess - Lead Trainer EaFS

Paula Horton - Literacy Numeracy Interventionist

Helen Kuzmanovska - CAPA and Support Teacher

Lisa Thomson-CAPA and Support Teacher

Serena Auld - Learning and Support

Ahmad El-taraboulsi -Arabic Community Language

Iman Jabakhanji - EALD

Janet Freeman -EALD

Helen O'Brien—Interventionist

Emma Alcock - Teacher Librarian

Michelle Booker - School Psychologist

Douglas Creighton - Senior Psychologist

SLSO Team

Alex Dos Santos

Patricia Maher

General Assistant

Scott Bentley



Make This Year Your Child's Best Ever at School

A new school year means a clean slate for students. Regardless of your child's performance last year, they start school with a clean slate. A break offers students the chance to begin new habits and adopt new behaviours. Here are 7 ideas to help you make the most of the fresh start and make this year your child's best year ever at school.

Commit to your child going to school every day on time

One of the most important things you can do to ensure your child has a bright future is to make sure he or she goes to school every day and arrives on time. Kids spend more time asleep than at school, so we need to maximise every day to get full value.

Help kids start each day well

A good night's sleep, a healthy breakfast and some words of encouragement from you will help set a positive tone for a day of learning. This may mean that you adjust your morning routine so that kids have plenty of time to get up, eat and get ready for the day.

Establish work and study habits

The most successful students are those that develop regular study habits that suit their lifestyle, their study style and their school's expectations. Find out the work expectations from your child's teacher and help them establish a work routine that matches.

Make sure your child gets enough sleep

Many children and young people are sleep deprived which impacts on their wellbeing and their learning. A good night's sleep consolidates learning, as well as assisting future learning. Children need between 10 -12 hours of sleep each day, while teens need a minimum of 9 hours. Help kids get sufficient sleep by having a regular bedtime and get-up time each day. Have a 45 minute wind-down time each night, and remove screens and mobile phones from bedrooms.

Insist kids exercise

The old saying about a healthy body and a healthy mind is so true. Exercise releases the chemicals needed for learning and wellbeing yet kids today get less exercise than those of past generations, which is an impediment to learning and mental health. Health professionals recommend a minimum of 60 minutes of exercise per day for kids of all ages. Encourage your child to play sport, promote free and active play and look for ways to make moving part of their daily lives.

At the start of the school year children are likely to adopt changes better than at any other time. Make the most of the opportunity by focusing on two or three areas to really focus on and you'll find that the rest will fall into place.

Focus on being friendly

Schools are very social places requiring kids to negotiate many different social situations each day yet we often only focus on academic learning. There are strong links between social success and academic success & wellbeing. Encourage kids to be open and tolerant, to be friendly, to be sensitive to others and to be involved in plenty of activities. These are all characteristics of socially successful kids. At the same time discourage anti-social behaviours such as over-competitiveness, self-centredness and lack of sharing.

Develop self-help skills

Successful students are often well organised, self-directed and self-motivated. Personal organisation seems to come more naturally to girls than boys; however, both genders benefit from coaching in this important area. You can foster organisational skills and self-direction by developing simple, age-appropriate self-help skills related to their everyday lives. Such skills as making lunches, packing school bags and organising after school schedules can be great lessons that impact on how kids perform at school.

For more information visit:

www.parentideas.com.au

2020 Student Leadership Team

At our Presentation Day Assembly last year our Captains and GLT Leaders were announced.

School Captains - Salvatore and Chloe

Vice Captains - Thomas and Sadie

Gemstone Team Leaders

Rehan, Charles, Aysel, Serene, Amin, Zacha, Jeremy, Mo'ui, Munkhmaa, Laeticia,

Congratulations – we look forward to the wonderful job you will all do this year.

COMMUNICATION WITH TEACHERS

We believe it is extremely important to keep the lines of communication open between parents and teachers. This assists in passing on valuable information so that we have the best possible outcome for your child.

Generally, teachers are available before and/or after school most days of the week. However, once the school bell rings at 9:00am, teachers are responsible for the children in their class and are not able to have important conversations at this time. If you would like to discuss a matter with your child's teacher please either send a note with your child or call the school office to arrange an appointment.



Thank you, we look forward to working closely with you in supporting and enriching your children's education in 2020.

STAY UP TO DATE

Daily www.facebook.com/BelmoreSouthPublicSchool/

Monthly Newsletter - Delivered to your inbox

Class News SeeSaw - your class teacher will provide this login

Department of Education and School Routines

www.belmoresth-p.school.nsw.gov.au

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Attendance at school on a daily basis is required by law. If your child is sick or you have a situation arise where you are unable to send your child to school for a day or more, you are required to inform the school of the reason why your child is not attending school.

When your child is absent you need to provide in writing an explanation as to why your child has been absent. This should be returned on the same day your child arrives back at school. If your child is absent for 3 days or more, a phone call to the school is required.

The Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO) visits our school on a regular basis and checks the class rolls. If your child has had unexplained absences, the HSLO may contact you therefore it is important that all absences are explained as soon as your child returns to school.

Changes in Family Circumstances

Please let us know if you have any special family circumstances. Any changes to your child's family situation can impact on their emotional and academic well-being. Please inform your child's class teacher or the Principal about any changed circumstances so that your child can be supported if necessary. Examples of special circumstances include the birth of a sibling, divorce or the death of a loved one.

Allergies

If your child has an allergy or medical condition, please ensure the school is aware of it. Please see the office if you require a medical form for your child.

To ensure your child receives the very best of our care we insist that parents provide the school with:

An updated **Health Care Plan**

New medications that have at least a year until expiry

These are required to be provided to the office on the first day back of the new school year.

If you have not yet provided the office with these important items yet we urge you to obtain your plan and medications immediately so we can offer your child the best care possible.

Year 6 High School Applications

The time to act is NOW!

In the coming weeks there will be lots of information for our Year 6 students in relation to enrolling in a high school for 2021. Forms will be given out in week 4 and spoken about at Parent Information Night.

When the Expression of Interest forms are handed out, the Department of Education allows only a VERY short time for it to be returned. That means you should start exploring possible high schools this week. You can:

* Talk to other families

* Look at high school websites

* Find out if they have an Open Afternoon or Night and attend it

* Drive past and have a look



* Check their social media accounts like Facebook or Twitter

DO NOT leave it until the forms arrive to try and decide which schools you might like to attend next year.....that will not give you enough time to research them all.



**BELMORE SOUTH
PUBLIC SCHOOL
P&C**

MEMBER OF THE FEDERATION
OF PARENTS AND CITIZENS
ASSOCIATIONS OF
NEW SOUTH WALES

The Parents and Community members of Belmore South Public School call on all parents to join the wonderful P&C and be a voice for your children's education.

The Belmore South PS P&C became an Association in 2013 and have been a driving force in fostering parent / school relationships, creating outdoor learning spaces /playgrounds, pride in Uniform, hosting social events and being a voice for public education.

With our founding members having now left for high schools across NSW we are calling on our new parents to take up the challenge..... Be the ChangeCreate the Future

Membership is \$2 Please fill out an envelope at the front office today!

AGM : MARCH 2020 (Keep your eyes open for the flier and Facebook post)

What's On



February

Friday 7	Assembly 2:20pm
Monday 17	Meet the Teacher
Friday 21	Swimming Carnival
Friday 28	Clean up Australia

March

Friday 6	Assembly 2:20pm
Friday 13	School Photos
Friday 20	Assembly 2:20pm

April

Friday 3	Shine Pin Assembly 2:20pm
Thursday 9	Crazy Hat & Hair Day
	Last day of Term 1
Friday 10	HOLIDAYS START

TERM 2 STARTS

Tuesday 28th April 2020

School Uniform 2020

Pride in ourselves and our school image.

Please support our school by ensuring your child wears the correct school uniform every day.

Belmore South Public School Community expects students to show pride in their school.

Our Uniform shop is open on Tuesday mornings 8.30 - 9.30 this term.

The school and P&C uniform shop are only too happy to work with families should they be having difficulty with uniforms. Payment plans and second hand uniforms are all options.

If your children have outgrown school uniforms, please consider **donating them back** to the uniform shop so children in the future can make use of them.

SUN SMART

As the weather heats up, please make sure children come to school with their water bottle, school hat and wearing Sunscreen.

Our School's Sun Safe policy means:

"NO HAT - NO PLAY"

Please ensure that students have their own school hat every day so they can play.

Students should not share hats as this is how head lice spreads.



OUR UNIFORM SHOP IS PROUDLY RUN BY OUR PARENTS

OPEN Tuesday 8:30—9:30 am

Please help us keep our uniform shop run by our school P&C this ensures we can

keep prices down and support our school

To continue running our P&C uniform shop we need volunteers, just an hour and 1/2 on Tuesdays during term.

Please see Maggie or Seral in the uniform shop on Tuesday.

Getting Involved at School

Did you know research shows that children do better at school when their parents are involved in their child's education?

Children love to see their parents/carers at the school whether it be helping out in the classroom or being involved in other ways.

- ☐ Introduce yourself to your child's class teacher.
- ☐ Keep the teacher informed of any changes that may affect your child.
- ☐ Read the school newsletter and/or school website & facebook pages.
- ☐ Attend information sessions at the school.
- ☐ Talk with your child about their day.
- ☐ Join and attend Parents & Citizens (P&C) meetings.
- ☐ Volunteer in classroom activities such as children's reading.
- ☐ Participate in school social activities.
- ☐ Speak to your child's teacher or Principal about how you can be involved.

You, your child and the school all benefit from your involvement.



Every fortnight, Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is part of our Gemstone Learning Team meetings. This is a time where students discuss areas of concern that need to be focused on to ensure our school's wide expectations and school rules of being safe, being respectful and being an active learner, are followed.

The Fortnightly Focus is posted around the school

Weeks 3 & 4 the Focus is

I will wear my school hat in all outdoor areas.

ROAD SAFETY REMINDER

The 40km/h speed limit in school zones operate between 8.00 – 9.30am and 2.30 – 4.00pm on school days.

Please be aware of the time or you could get fined.

Children can be unpredictable and hard to see. It is important that parents and carers observe local school safety initiatives when dropping off and collecting children. Penalties are high and loss of demerit points apply for all fines. The worst penalty is knowing that you've caused an injury to a child.

If you are crossing the road with your child, please be aware of traffic. Remember that watching children is never enough. Keep your child safe by holding their hand as you cross the road.

We also remind all parents and carers, for our children's safety please do NOT park in the school carpark at any time.



The office hours are **8:30 am - 3:10pm** Monday—Friday during term

Parents and children are able to make enquiries, make payments for excursions and hand in notes during these hours.

EFTPOS is only available between 8:30 am and 11am daily.

If your child arrives late/departs early you will need to come to the office to sign your child in/out.

Should you be running late to collect your child, please contact the office prior to the 3:00 pm bell so we can advise your child to come and wait for you in the office after school until 3:10pm, Children will be taken to the Out of Hours School Care service if not collected by 3:10pm.

As there is no supervision on the playground after the 3:00pm bell, we ask that children are to make their way straight home and not stay back for a play.

Before & After School Care

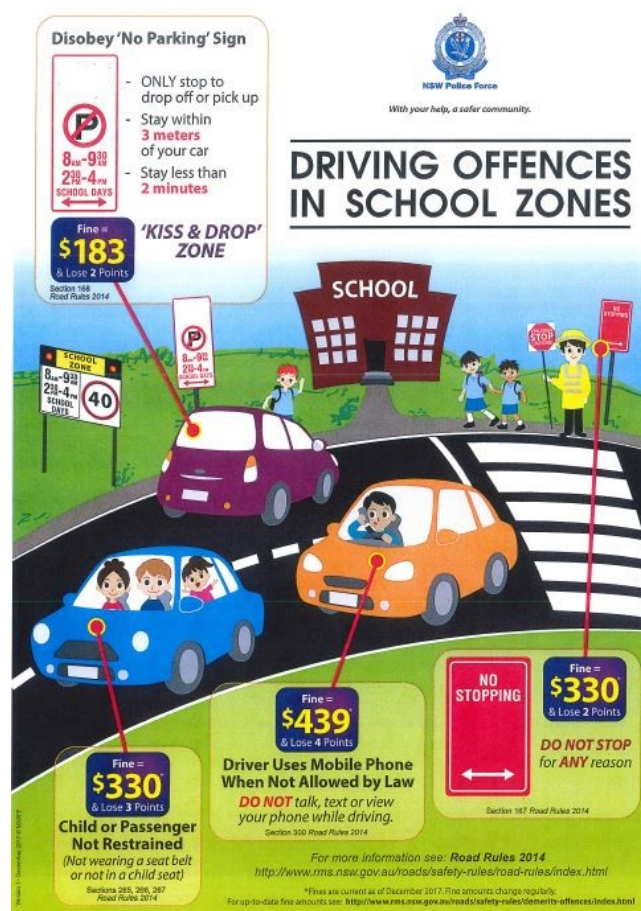
There is NO adult supervision at our school before 8:30 am and after 3:10 pm.

We understand that many parents have work duties but ask families to make arrangements with extended family, friends or neighbours for the supervision of your child/children outside of school hours.

Alternatively register your child with the wonderful onsite **Before and After School Care** provider TASK. They can be contacted on 1300 827 500 or visit task-kids.com.au

Registration is free !

See Page 10 for further details of the TASK service



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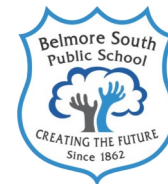
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2020 Annual Swimming Carnival

Dear Parents/Carers,

Belmore South P.S. is holding its 2020 Annual Swimming Carnival in Week 4 on **Friday 21st February 2020** at **Enfield Aquatic Centre, Enfield**. Students who are confident swimmers will participate in 25 metre and 50 metre races. Non-swimmers will participate in novelty events which are held in shallow water under supervision.

Parents are more than welcome to meet us at the pool and watch their children enjoy this wonderful event. **The cost for spectators is \$2.80 and is payable at the pool entrance gate.**

When:	Friday 21 st February 2020
Who:	All students from Years 1-6 are expected to attend as it is a <i>normal school day</i> .
Where:	Enfield Aquatic Centre, Enfield
Be at school by:	8:30am
Return to school by:	3pm
What to bring:	Recess, lunch, a drink bottle, towel, dry underwear, hat, jacket and sunscreen clearly labelled with their name.
What to wear:	Students must wear their swimming costume under their school uniform and bring a change of clothes. Students are invited to wear a t-shirt in their Gemstone Learning Colour.
Cost:	\$15
Payment due by:	Wednesday 12 th February 2020
Additional Information:	Canteen facilities will also be available on the day.

Kind Regards,
Mrs Li and Mr Hines
Teachers

Mrs Mitchell
Principal

Please complete the form below and return with the money to the office. Payments can also be made online via our website.

2020 Annual Swimming Carnival

I give permission for my child _____ of class _____ to travel by bus and attend the Belmore South P.S Swimming Carnival on Friday 21st February 2020.

I have enclosed \$_____ for bus and entry OR ☐ I have paid online: Receipt # _____

Parent/Carer Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

My child has the following special requirements which you should be aware of (allergies, health, medication):

Please tick one of the following and discuss this choice with your child.

- ☐ My child can swim **50 metres** on their own ☐ My child is a **non-swimmer**
- ☐ My child can swim **25 metres** on their own

HEALTH CONDITIONS –LIFE THREATENING

We have many students with different health conditions at our school. Some health care plans are due to be updated, as this must be done annually. Those affected will receive the new forms soon. Please ensure these forms are completed and returned to school in a timely manner, which will assist us in keeping your child safe and well at school.

If your child has a health condition and the school has not been informed, please let us know as soon as possible so that we can give you the appropriate forms.

Students with Severe Life Threatening Allergies

Schools are getting more students that present with allergies that can be life threatening.

Just a reminder that we have a number of students suffering from life threatening allergies within our school. These students are allergic to a variety of food products including nuts, nut products and foods containing nuts. I ask your help in keeping these students safe.

You can do this by:

- Talking with your child about **only eating** the food you send to school for them and **not sharing** or swapping their food or drink with anyone else.
- Keeping nuts and food containing nuts at home
- Encouraging your child to have other fillings instead of

Nutella or peanut butter on their sandwiches at school.

By supporting each other and making some changes we can help keep all students safe at our school.



SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Parents will receive notification of 2020 educational expenses, voluntary contribution and annual general permission notices early next week.

At Belmore South we pride ourselves on delivering a future focused education to all our students, to enable us to do this we ask for your assistance.

The Book Pack fee will cover textbooks, books, art, and craft, instruments and S.T.E.A.M resources your child will use at school every day.

The Voluntary Contribution assists the school to purchase play, sport, and music equipment and technology that secures the best future for our students.

Class Names 2020

Fun Fact: Every year Belmore South Public School chooses our class names inline with the **UN International Year**

The UN has dedicated 2020 to raise awareness about plant health and the impact of healthy plants and forests on food security, poverty, economic development, and sustainability.

Our teachers have chosen their favourite flowers for their class names: Sunflower, Gardenia, Poppy, Magnolia, Rose, Camellia, Wattle, Waratah, Violet, Acacia, Marigold, Sakura, Orchid.

For more information about the International Year 2020 please visit <http://www.fao.org/plant-health-2020/home/en/>



INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF
PLANT HEALTH

2020

The After School Klub – TASK

TASK is Belmore South's provider of before and after school care at school. We operate in the school hall from 6:30am-8:30am & 3pm-6pm, every day of school term

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE SESSIONS

TASK is open mornings from 6:30am until 8:30am: breakfast is provided

TASK is open afternoons from 3pm-6pm: afternoon tea, activities & homework included

All children at school OUTSIDE regular school hours must be in the care of an adult to ensure their safety.

Families can enrol anytime - <https://belmoresouth-task.hubworks.com.au>

Costs vary, depending on your family's level of subsidy

Most families will pay between \$2.90-\$7.90 per morning & \$4.42-\$12.06 per afternoon once subsidy is applied.

HOLIDAY CARE OPTIONS

TASK operates at Marrickville West, Wilkins Public, Yeo Park Public, Taverners Hill Public during school holidays.

ALL children from Belmore South (actually any primary school) are welcome to attend TASK Holiday Program at any TASK service. All children attending must be enrolled: <https://www.task-kids.com.au/holiday-care>

OUR STORY

TASK was started in 2013 by Madi Morrison and Suzanne Tucker – two mums with 3 children each. We were experiencing the chronic shortage of after school care at our own school in Sydney's Inner West. We began as a small homework club – with 5 children (3 of them ours!) with one educator in a classroom. Our aim was to create a place that combined care, play and homework after school. In 2015, we became approved providers of out of school care. We have grown over six years and now operate in Newcastle, the Central Coast, Tweed Heads and Sydney in 15 schools across the public and independent/catholic school systems. **TASK is an ethically private service** – we channel monies back into our programs, people and resources. Madi and Suzanne are joint and equal owners of TASK. We employ 120 people – all of them from the local communities in and around the schools at which we provide service. Anyone wanting to work with us, please send us a resume. We love spending time with kids and love seeing them try new things, make new friends and develop new skills. We are passionate about improving, every day.

Madi, Suzanne and the TASK Team



LOOKING FOR FUN + AFFORDABLE
OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE IN YOUR AREA?

- SAFE & FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT
- DO A BIT OF HOMEWORK

HAVE A LOT OF FUN!

- REBATE AVAILABLE!
- GOVT APPROVED PROVIDER
- COST VARIES PER SESSION

EMAIL US AT ENROL@TASK-KIDS.COM.AU
1300 827 500 OR VISIT TASK-KIDS.COM.AU

THE
AFTER
SCHOOL
KLUB

The graphic features a blue background with a rainbow at the top left. A cartoon girl with black hair in a yellow dress with 'TASK' written on it is jumping. A boy is sitting on a green hill with a yellow ball. A girl is jumping rope. The text is arranged in a central column with boxes and speech bubbles.



Term 1 2020

All programs run once a week.

Free program for children aged

7-13 ABOVE A HEALTHY WEIGHT.

Children and parents/carers need to attend each week.

Programs in Sydney Local Health District

Where	Address	Day & Time	Starts
Dutton Centre	40 Augusta St Strathfield 2135	Saturdays 10am-12pm	1/2/20 For 10 weeks
Canterbury Aquatic & Fitness Centre	Phillips Ave Canterbury 2193	Tuesdays 3.45pm-5.45pm	4/2/20 For 10 weeks
Burwood Park Community Centre	2B Comer St Burwood 2134	Thursdays 4pm-6pm	6/2/20 For 10 weeks

For more information and to register your child,
free call 1800 780 900 or visit go4fun.com.au

GO4FUN®

HEALTHY ACTIVE HAPPY KIDS

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Fun program for kids to become fitter, healthier and happier

Help your 7-13 year old child get healthy, active and happy with Go4Fun®.

Go4Fun® is a ten week healthy lifestyle program for kids aged 7-13 who are above a healthy weight, and their families. Sessions run once a week for two hours after school, during term.

Registrations are now open.

Call to find out about your local program.



TO REGISTER: FREE CALL
1800 780 900

SMS 0409 745 645 for a call back

Register online at www.go4fun.com.au

www.facebook.com/go4funprogram/





O'GRADY
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ACT, CREATE, COMMUNICATE DRAMA DEVELOPS KIDS

For the past 30 years our self-development drama programme has been helping children (5-17 years) with their creativity, confidence and communication skills. Using fun, creative & educational activities our classes cover speech & language development, improvisations, mime, scripts, drama games & lots more.

Our teachers have received specialist training in the Helen O'Grady Drama System ensuring that:

**YOUR CHILD IS MADE TO FEEL VALUED
EVERYONE IS INVOLVED IN THE LEARNING PROCESS
EACH LESSON IS MOTIVATIONAL AND FUN!**

The acclaimed Helen O'Grady programme helps your child become:

**AN EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATOR
A CONFIDENT AND HAPPY STUDENT
AN EMPOWERED PARTICIPANT IN LIFE**

**WEEKLY CLASSES
ARE HELD IN:**

**CROYDON PUBLIC
HOMEBUSH
MAROUBRA BAY PUBLIC
RANDWICK PUBLIC
HABERFIELD**



To find out more, please phone or email the Principal - Mel Duke on:

0435 566 238

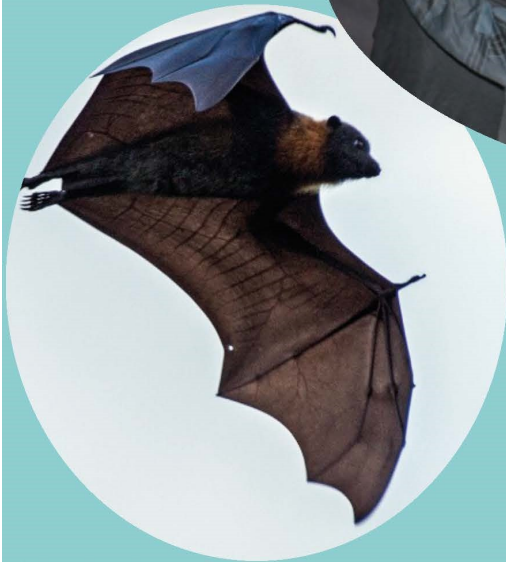
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‘Bat Watch’ Picnic

Friday March 6th

2020



Turrella
Reserve beside
Wolli Creek.
Activities from
6-30 pm

Come along and watch one of the great urban ‘David Attenborough moments’ during Australasian Bat Month

Just after sunset, watch Grey-headed Flying-foxes stream out in their thousands from their Turrella camp beside Wolli Creek.

Share this ‘wow’ experience with friends and family, and celebrate our amazing city wildlife

Learn more about these important night workers - our best long-distance pollinators, keeping forests healthy. Our forests need them more than ever now.

Bring a picnic dinner, rug or chair and insect repellent. There will be creative and crafty batty activities for young and old to enjoy.

Get into the spirit of things by coming in batty costume.

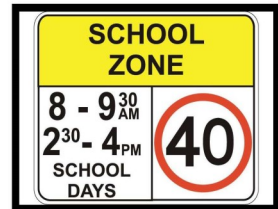
At Turrella Reserve: Enter via Henderson St. Turrella (close to Turrella Station) or Finlays Ave. Earlwood. For more info email bats@wollicreek.org.au

Organised by The Wolli Creek Preservation Society



with support from The National Parks & Wildlife Service (NPWS), Sydney Trains, Canterbury-Bankstown Council and the Australasian Bat Society (ABS)





Penalties that apply in School Zones - Parking and Traffic Rules
Choosing Safety over convenience

	<p align="center">NO STOPPING</p> <p>What does it mean? Under no circumstances are you permitted to stop in this area.</p> <p>Why is it there? To keep sight line clear for drivers AND Children so both have more time to avoid crashes.</p>	<p align="center">Penalty \$344 2 demerit points</p>
	<p align="center">NO PARKING</p> <p>What does it mean? You are permitted to park <u>for no more than 2 minutes</u> to drop-off/pick-up and you must stay <u>within 3 metres of your vehicle</u>.</p> <p>Why is it there? To provide a safe place for children to be set down and picked up without endangering other children.</p>	<p align="center">Penalty \$191 2 demerit points</p>
	<p align="center">BUS ZONE</p> <p>What does it mean? You must not stop your vehicle in the indicated zone unless you are driving a public bus.</p> <p>Why is it there? To provide a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up school children.</p>	<p align="center">Penalty \$344 2 demerit points</p>
	<p align="center">PEDESTRIAN CROSSING (INCLUDING CHILDREN'S CROSSING)</p> <p>You must stop within 20 metres before or 10 metres after a Pedestrian Crossing.</p> <p>Why is it there? To ensure children can be clearly seen by vehicles approaching the crossing.</p>	<p align="center">Penalty \$457 2 demerit points</p>
	<p align="center">DOUBLE PARKING</p> <p>You must not stop your vehicle or park in the middle of the road to drop off and pick up.</p> <p>Why is it there? Double parking forces cars to go around you causing traffic congestion and reduces the view of drivers and children crossing the road.</p>	<p align="center">Penalty \$344 2 demerit points</p>
	<p align="center">Mobile Phone Use</p> <p align="center">Do not use a hand held mobile phone while driving</p>	<p align="center">Penalty \$457 5 demerit points</p>

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