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School Holidays

We wish all our students and families a safe and relaxing holiday break. Students are on holidays for two weeks commencing Monday 9 July. Students return on Tuesday 24 July 2018 for Term 3.

School holidays

Student Reports

Student report cards were distributed to students on Tuesday 4 July. Our school reports a summary of your child's progress with written reports twice a year. If you wish to discuss this report and your child's progress with the class teacher please make an appointment through the office.

NAIDOC Celebrations

On Thursday 21 June BWPS celebrated NAIDOC Day.

All classes attended an incursion in the hall called Island Dreaming. It was an engaging and interesting performance that was enjoyed by all. With many teachers and students up on the stage and joining in.

The students were treated to a free sausage sizzle and drink. A big thank you to the parents who cooked and delivered the bbq to the students.

We had a smoking ceremony on the basketball court - performed by Uncle Ivan. The students were all very well behaved and listened intently to the significance of this ceremony.

We concluded our NAIDOC Day with a whole school assembly. Uncle Ivan and Mr Phil Dotti shared with us the importance of NAIDOC Day and explained what this year's NAIDOC Day theme means to them. This year's theme is "Because of her, we can".

The students were then treated to another performance from the Tharawal Lyrebird Dance Group. It was an engaging performance to watch and again our students took to the stage to join in.





NAIDOC celebrations at Busby West Public School

Reward Day

On Wednesday 4 July students who qualified attended our End of Semester Reward Day. Students had lots of fun jumping on a variety of jumping castles that were set up in the Basketball Court. Lots of excitement and joy could be heard throughout the day as students enjoyed interacting with their peers.

A second reward day will be held at the end of Term 4 and all students are encouraged to strive to attend by ensuring their behaviour is of a high standard. The same criteria will apply as in Semester 1.





Swim Scheme

As Australians, we spend a lot of our time in and around the water, it's a big part of our culture. For this reason, it's important that our students learn water safety and survival skills, so that they can continue to enjoy



aquatic activities. The Department of Education (DoE) runs the School Swimming and Water Safety Program (Swim Scheme). This is a Government-funded program that is free for students. All that's required is that the schools meet pool entry and transport costs are met. The program is aimed at students who cannot swim more than 25 metres and for students in Year 2-6.

Swim Scheme will be held again this year in Week 6 of Term 3 (27-31 August). A permission note has been sent home. If you would like your child to be involved please enclose the money and note and return to the office.

Anti-Racism Contact officer



Racism can take many forms such as jokes or comments that cause offence or hurt. Sometimes unintentionally or intentionally that inflames hostility towards certain groups. Each school has an Anti-Racism contact officer to ensure that staff members, students, parents and caregivers are treated equally and respectfully

regardless of appearance, belief, values, ways of living, view of life and attitudes. The Anti-Racism Contact officer for Busby West Public School is Mrs Paula Prendergast and she will assist staff, parents, and students who may have concerns regarding racism.

Canteen

Our school students have the opportunity to purchase food items from our school canteen. This canteen is not run by the school but as a private business of John and



Rhonda Laine. The canteen will no longer be providing credit. All purchases are to be paid for when ordering, or by having sufficient money available in an account that has been set up with the canteen. Please do not ask for credit as refusal can offend. Thank you for your understanding.

P & C

Our P&C President, Narelle Curry, has tendered her resignation. As a school community we would like to acknowledge the support Narelle has provided to our students and community in her role as



president. As school principal, I personally would like to thank Narelle for her commitment and dedication. At the next P&C meeting, at 9:15am on Tuesday 24 July 2018, nominations and voting for president will be taken. All welcome to attend.

Supported School Transport

The Australian Government has released a discussion paper about 'Supported School Transport and the National Disability Insurance Scheme' on their website via the link below:

https://engage.dss.gov.au/

As the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is rolled out across Australia, this paper asks for your feedback on how supported school transport could work under the NDIS.

This is your opportunity to have your say via a submission on how you would like to see supported school transport operate in our State. The consultation period will end on 20 July at 5:00pm.

There will be some face-to-face consultations held throughout the state, full details will be updated on their website when they are available.

For any further information about the discussion paper or submission you can email transport@dss.gov.au.

Online payments

Parents are able to make payments for school contributions, preschool fees, excursions and any other expense through the Parent Online Portal. Access to this is from the school website via the link below, and the "Make a payment" link on the right hand side on the top orange bar. Parents will have the option on notes sent home to indicate that they have paid through the Parent Online Portal. This is an easy and secure way to make payments.

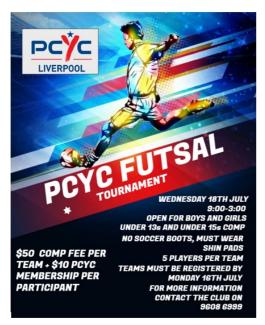
http://www.busbywest-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/





PCYC Holiday Programs

In the July school Holidays, PCYC will be running a wide range of Clinics and workshops through the holiday period. This could be a wonderful opportunity for your students to be involved in fun and engaging programs. They have special clinics and workshops run by Bunnings, GWS Giants, Wanderers, West Tigers as well as really cool programs run by PCYC.





What's happening at BWPS	
Term 2 2018	
Friday 6 July	Last day for Term 2 Pre School closed
Term 3 2018	
Tuesday 24 July	Students return for Term 3
Tuesday 24 July	P&C Meeting
Thursday 26 July	Athletics Carnival
Thursday 9 August	Education Week Open Day and assembly