

# Bankstown South Infants School

**Creating Our Future** 

Newsletter Term 3 Week 9, 2019



**Tuesday** - School Banking Day

Wednesday - Playgroup 9:15am

Friday (Even Weeks) - K-2 Assembly

Friday P-2 Sports Pro Program



# What's on @ BSIS



#### Term 3 Week 9

 Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September - Padstow North PS Year 2 students visit BSIS

#### Term 3 Week 10

- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September Year 2 Excursion to the Apple Store Miranda
- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September Aboriginal Artist visit
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September Last day of Term 2

#### Term 4

#### Term 4 Week 1

- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October All students return to school for term 4
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October Multicultural Day
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October Sports Pro Gymnastics Beains

#### Term 4 Week 2

- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October K-2 Assembly hosted by 2H
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October World Teacher Day

#### Term 4 Week 3

- Thursday 31st October Teeth on Wheels dentist visit
- Friday 1st November Teeth on Wheels dentist visit









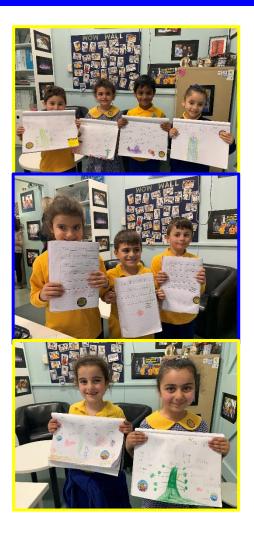
## **Principal's Report**

As we move towards the end of term I would like to thank everyone for their contribution and efforts this term. We have been very busy both in and out of the classroom. We have enjoyed sharing lots of community events with you. Thank you to all our hardworking and dedicated staff and to our wonderful students for making Bankstown South such a great place to be.

I love seeing all the wonderful work our students produce and how they are continuing to achieve their individual learning goals. We have been working really hard around providing clear, timely feedback to all students especially in writing. I am so proud what brave, engaged learners we have at BSIS.



Thank you to all the parents who joined us for parent teacher interviews last week. We trialled having three way interviews with our students where appropriate and the feedback has been positive. Please remember you can make an appointment at any time during the term to further discuss your child's progress or any other concerns.



#### <u>Father's Day Stall</u>

Well done to the P&C and parent helpers for all your work at our recent Father's Day Stall. Thank you for providing this opportunity for our students. I hope all the Bankstown South Infants fathers and grandfathers enjoyed receiving their presents. All money raised from this event goes straight back into supporting our students and school.

#### <u>Hats</u>

With Spring now upon us, it is a good time to remind everyone about our hat policy. All students need to bring and wear a school hat each day. If for some reason your child does not have one on during recess and/or lunch they will be asked to stay in the shade. School hats can be purchased from the office at a very reasonable price.

#### **Gymnastics**

Sports Pro will be running gymnastic lessons for 8 weeks on a Friday during next term. This is an important part of the PD/H/PE curriculum and very enjoyable for students. Please return all permission notes and money to the office by Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019 to participate.

#### **Network Awards**

Congratulations to Miss Cathy & Mrs Chamron who were recognised at the Bankstown, Beverly Hills & Chipping Norton Directors Network Awards. They were both awarded Principal Network Awards for their outstanding work at Bankstown South Infants School.

Miss Cathy is our amazing School Administrative Manager and works tirelessly in the office to support our students, staff and community and goes above and beyond to ensure the smooth running of all things administration at BSIS. She has streamlined our office procedures and ensures that everyone is organised and has what they need each day.

Mrs Chamron is our wonderful English as a Second Language teacher and works in all classes at BSIS supporting our writing program. She has introduced the fabulous gardening program and established our school veggie patch. She goes above and beyond to ensure all students are supported and are given a wide range of learning opportunities both in and out of the classroom. We are so lucky to have such dedicated staff members at BSIS, we are so proud of them. Congratulations to you both!









#### Tell them from me Parent Survey

This Term, our school will be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student's wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

More information about the survey is available at: http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au. To access the survey for our school go to: https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/bsis2019

The survey is available in 23 languages. Please contact the office if you have any further questions or would like assistance completing the survey.

#### **Bankstown Network Public Speaking**

Congratulations to Layal and Raheel who represented BSIS at the Bankstown Network Public Speaking Finals last week. They were both outstanding representatives for themselves, their families and our school. They presented both a prepared and impromptu speech to a large audience with confidence and we are so proud of their efforts. Congratulations to you both!





#### <u>Date Change</u>

Please note that due to unforeseen circumstances we have changed the date of our Term 4 P-2 School Fun Day. This day will now be held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019. Parents are invited to share this day with us. Please also note the change of date for Multicultural Day to Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

#### **Spring School Holidays**

Term 3 concludes next Friday 27th September 2019. SMOOSH will be operating school holiday care onsite for the 2 weeks. More information about how you can enrol is included in this newsletter. I hope everyone has a safe and relaxing holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone back for Term 4 on Monday 14th October 2019.

Kím Collas - Príncipal

### Showcase of KS

In our kindergarten class we have been reading the story book The Little Red Hen. Students have been enthusiatic about reading this book and the moral of the story has been a great way of teaching students many lessons of life.

The story is about a hen who plants, harvests, mills the wheat and bakes fresh bread by herself, as her friends refuse to help her. After all the hard work she ate the bread.

Discussion in our class took place about working hard and never giving up. Just like the little red hen, if we work hard to accomplish tasks, we could be proud of our achievements later on.



respectful and helpful to our friends.

We had discussions about what a good friendship looks like. The students were able to talk about being caring,

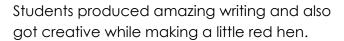
partner about what they will work hard to achieve at school. We had many great responses such as, 'go to a higher level in reading' and 'count to 100'.

What did the Story teach US?

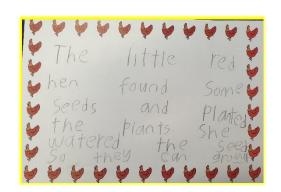








Students talk to a







Preschool

Blue

# **Showcase of Preschool Blue Group**

This semester the preschool children of blue group have been very interested in the natural environments in preschool. We have carefully followed the changes that are happening as the weather grows warmer. The children care for our gardens and ensure that they get enough water.

















The children have been practising their literacy skills and will take any opportunity to perfect their letter formation.



# **Showcase of Preschool Blue Group**



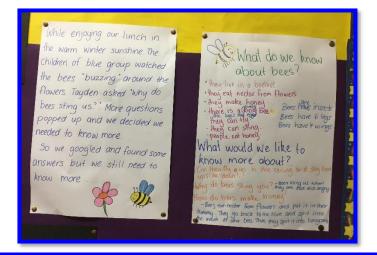
The children developed an interest in the bees that begun to visit the flowers in our gardens, we had lots of questions and set out to research and find out all we could about bees. The children were so excited by what we found out that they wanted to record their findings for themselves. We created a project wall so we could display our amazing work. We proudly showed Miss Collas our writing and she asked to display some in her office. We even created a bee hive for our bees to live in.











Our research project on bees

# Bringing back the Bush Excursion







On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September, Year 2 and SRC went to the Western Sydney Parklands to plant trees and grass.

Firstly, we sat at the table and we ate recess.

Next we walked to the gardening place and we sat underneath the gazebo. We listened to the man talking about planting.

Then we got a shovel and gloves and we put on the gloves.

After that we got plants. Then made a hole with the shovel and we put the plant in the hole. Then we pushed the dirt back in the hole and watered the plant.

Then we chose some new plants and we planted them in the dirt. Our school planted 600 plants.

Finally we got bags and T shirts. Then we lined up and got on the bus and we went back to school.

By Sara, Bonnie and Hannah





# Bringing back the Bush Excursion

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September, Bankstown South Infants School went to the Dairy at Western Sydney Parklands to plant flowers, trees, grass and bushes.

Firstly, the teachers marked the roll, then we got on the bus and drove to the Dairy.

Secondly, we got out of the bus. Then we lined up to walk to the benches. Then we ate crunch and sip. After that we followed our teachers to plant bush tucker.

Next, Paden, the excursion teacher, told us how to plant the flowers, trees, grass and bushes. Then we put on our gloves and got our shovels and got a plant. Then we chose a hole. Then put the plant in it. Then we put the soil back in the hole. After that we watered the bush tucker.

Finally, we took a photo. Then we walked to the bus to go back to school.

By Aizen, Michael and Ceydon





# **Book Week**



We had a fantastic day celebrating books and reading with our annual Book Week Parade. Thank you to all our families who had our students looking so good. We loved seeing everyone dressed up in their costumes. Thank you to all our parents and friends who came and supported our school and to our teachers who also looked wonderful. Thank you Mrs Stephandellis & Mrs Tamer for their wonderful organisation. 'Reading is our Secret Power!'









































# **NRL Clinic**























skills and understanding of rugby league.

On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September Miss Alysha Janssen, a community Development Officer from the NRL and her colleague

introductory clinic with all of our students from Preschool to Year 2. The students had a fantastic morning learning how to hold, throw and catch a football correctly and

visited our school and ran a free

how to score a try! It was a great







# **SMOOSH Holiday Care**

Our SMOOSH is now taking bookings for the September school holiday vacation care. Places are filling up fast so please visit the office for an enrolment form or for more information. Holiday care is open to all students K-6 including siblings, cousins and friends from other schools, everyone is welcome.

Bookings Close: 24/9/19 South Eastern Community Connect SMOOSH programs are Government Approved for Child Care Subsidy. With the 85% subsidy the cost of a vacation care day will be \$8.86 plus excursion costs. Cost of a day without subsidy is \$46.00 plus excursion costs.





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# **SkoolBag App**

Thank you to the families who have already downloaded our SkoolBag app. We encourage everyone to download it as this is where important information, announcements and reminders are sent. A copy of all notes that are sent home are also stored here for parents and carers to access from their phone or tablet. Please ensure you have alerts turned on so you receive instant notifications and please regularly check our Facebook page and school website for updates and information.



# Term 3 Calendar

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	22/7 Staff Development Day	23/7 Students return for Term 3	24/7 K-2 Athletics Carnival	25/7	26/7 Sports Pro P&C Meeting
2	29/7	30/7	31/7	1/8	2/8 Sports Pro Assembly - SRC Jelly & Donut Muffi Day
3	5/8	5/8	7/8	8/8 Education Week Open Day	9/8 Sports Pro
4	12/8	13/8	14/8	15/8	16/8 Sports Pro Assembly - KD
5	19/8 East Hills PSSA District Athletics Carnival	20/8	21/8 Public Speaking Finals	22/8	23/8 Sports Pro K-2 'Sean Murphy Show' Excursion to Bankstown Library
6	26/8	27/8 Preschool Blue Father's Day Stall	28/8 Book Fair	29/8 Book Fair Book Week Dress Up Parade	30/8 Sports Pro Assembly - KS Book Fair Father's Day Stall
7	2/9 Book Fair	3/9 Book Fair	4/9 Book Fair	5/9	6/9 Sports Pro P&C Meeting
8	9/9	10/9 Year 2 & SRC Greening Australia Excursion	11/9	12/9 Parent Teacher Interviews	13/9 Sports Pro Assembly - 1/2E
9	16/9	17/9 Round 1 2020 Preschool Applications Close K-2 Gardening Day	18/9 Padstow North PS Year 2 visit BSIS	19/9	20/9 Sports Pro
10	23/9	24/9	25/9	26/9	27/9 Sports Pro Assembly - SRC Last Day of Term 3

# **Term 4 Calendar**

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	14/10 Students & Staff return for Term 4	15/10	16/10	17/10 Multicultural Day	18/10 Gymnastics P&C Meeting
2	21/10	22/10	23/10	24/10	25/10 Gymnastics Assembly -2H
3	28/10	29/10	30/10	31/10	1/11 Gymnastics
4	4/11	5/11	6/11	7/11 2020 Kindy Orientation Session 1	8/11 Gymnastics Assembly - K/1T
5	11/11 Remembrance Day Ceremony Dance Group Festival Night Performance	12/11	13/11	14/11 2020 Kindy Orientation Session 2	15/11 Gymnastics K-2 Russ the Buss Incursion
6	18/11	19/11	20/11	21/11 2020 Kindy Orientation Session 3	22/11 Gymnastics Assembly - KD Book Fair
7	25/11	26/11	27/11	28/11 2020 Kindy Orientation Session 4	29/11 Gymnastics P&C Meeting
8	2/12	3/12	4/12	5/12	6/12 Gymnastics Assembly - KS
9	9/12	10/12	11/12 Presentation Day	12/12 Semester 2 Reports home to parents P-2 School Fun Day	13/12
10	16/12 Year 2 Graduation Party at Chipmunks	17/12 Celebration Assembly & Graduation	18/12 Last Day of Term 4 for students	19/12 Staff Development Day	20/12 School Closed for School Holidays

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