



# Bert Oldfield Public School Newsletter

Safe Responsible Respectful Learner



## Safe, Respectful, Responsible Learners

**Term 4 Week 6**

**Thursday 22nd November 2018**

### DIARY DATES

22nd November	Year 6 and SRC Disco
23rd November	Principals Assembly
27th November	Royal Life Saving Incursion K and Year 4
27th November	Scripture Final Catholic and Protesant
3rd/4th December	CommBank Start Smart Incursion
7th December	Service Awards Assembly
7th December	P and C Carols evening



### From the Principal's Desk

#### P & C "Winter Wonderland" concert @ Christmas

Another year has passed and now it's time for our "Winter Wonderland" themed Christmas celebration here at Bert Oldfield Public School on Friday 7th December. This year our P & C led celebration is combined with a Christmas market Night, with a variety of food, beverage and shopping vendors to possibly assist you with your Christmas shopping. Gates will open from 4:00pm for the market stalls and our students will be performing from 6:00pm.

We hope that every member of the school community can come along and join us in celebrating the festive season through singing. Our students are practising in class and preparing for the evening.

Please keep an eye out for additional information to keep you informed about the format of the night, and what to bring etc. to make it a special night for you and your family.

My thanks again to the P&C Committee for the amazing amount of work and planning they are devoting to the Christmas 'Winter Wonderland' event. I hope you can support them in their major fundraising initiative.

#### Staffing 2018

Staffing a school is a very complex process and we rely very heavily on information from you regarding your intentions for the 2019 school year. We would of course hope that every student and every family will return to Bert Oldfield Public School for 2019, but unfortunately, our reality is that some families will move away from sunny Seven Hills and move to new growth areas or return overseas or head interstate etc. I am very thankful to those families that have returned their 2019 yellow enrolment note indicating whether they are returning to Bert Oldfield Public School. For those families that have not yet returned the note, it would be greatly appreciated if they could be returned by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November so we can assess our 2018 staffing needs.

#### P & C meeting

Last night we held our final formal P&C meeting for the year. I would simply like to acknowledge at the end of this year the outstanding work produced by a very small number of devoted P & C parents. They have worked tirelessly across a number of projects this year to provide our students with great experiences and resources. I know that they would greatly appreciate extra support at the executive level as well as the event level for the 2019 year and I hope that you are able to consider supporting them next year.

#### Possible Canteen Closure – Request for help- Please volunteer

Our P & C Committee and canteen supervisor dedicate long hours to ensure that our canteen service can remain open and provide healthy lunch and snack choices for our students. However, a lack of volunteer help is seriously effecting its viability, and in the event that additional volunteer assistance is not offered, it will be forced to close. Currently there are only between 4 and 6 volunteers that are assisting with the service, and that is simply not sustainable. We have a parent body of approximately 500 parents and carers and all that is asked is for you to volunteer for 3 hours or less each time you work in the canteen. Depending on the number of volunteers, this may only need to be 2 or three times a year. Our canteen will integrate with the NSW Health canteen Strategy in 2019 and we would love your help.

#### Staff Development Days - Term 4, 2018

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December are Staff Development days. The last day for students is Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. The staff of Bert Oldfield Public School will be involved in professional learning activities over the two days.

## Service Assembly

This year's Service Assembly will be held on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 9:15am in the school hall. We invite you to attend to recognize those individuals who give up their personal time to fulfil vital roles within the school, all designed to support our students and teachers through extra curricula activities and our well-being initiatives.

## Presentation Days

This year's academic and sports presentation assembly will be held on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December commencing at 9.15am.

This gives us an opportunity to celebrate the exceptional talents, successes and achievements of not only those students who will receive awards and trophies, but of all students who have made 2018 a memorable year.

## Thankyou Community Morning Tea.

Each year we like to pass on our thanks to the many volunteers in our school that devote their personal time to supporting our students and their learning. This year we would again ask all parents and carers that have helped out in classrooms with student learning, or helped within P & C events or the school canteen, or supported our teachers through various sports carnivals or sporting events, or who have been a supportive helper to The Community Hub, to come along to our community morning tea from about 11:00am, at the conclusion of the Presentation Assembly 14<sup>th</sup> December, so we can say a big thanks and pass on our sincere gratitude for your service to Bert Oldfield Public School.

## Milo Cricket

We have managed to secure an extension of the Milo Cricket program, and it will now run until the end of week 7. We are very impressed with the level of skill development within our students, focusing on catching, throwing and striking skills, and we are appreciative of the work done by Cricket Australia and their Milo Cricket initiative.

We hope to be able to continue with a variety of external sports providers in 2019, again being partially funded by both state and federal grants, aiming to get students *moving* and tackle health and obesity. To help us secure this program for 2019, I would be grateful if all families could pay the \$20.00 sports levy that we have requested through your individual invoices. So far, only half of the school has paid for the program, which has included 2 terms of Gymnastics and 6 weeks of Milo Cricket skills, and we need every student to contribute this small amount to ensure its future. Both programs would normally cost in excess of \$100.00 per students, but we are just asking you to contribute \$20.00. You will continue to be invoiced for the amount so please help us out and pay the invoice.

## OOSH

Our OOSH providers at the start of 2019 will again be *Helping Hands Network* as they commence their 6<sup>th</sup> year of service. They are a highly accomplished and accredited service provider of before and after school care and are very excited to be continuing their tenure at Bert Oldfield Public School in 2018 and beyond.

This service will be available to provide vacation care over the coming January holidays for any families who might like to use that service.

Details are within this newsletter about their vacation program and opening days. The full OOSH service will re-commence from 28<sup>th</sup> January, the first day back at school for teachers.



Please make contact with *The Helping Hands Network* on 0448 003 267 for all related matters.

## KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS, 2019

Enrol now for 2019. We have had a great response from the community so far. If your child, or the child of someone you know, is turning 5 before 31<sup>st</sup> July 2019, they can enrol at Bert Oldfield Public School for 2019.

Any student turning 6 in 2019 must commence school.

Please collect an enrolment package from the front office and return it as soon as possible, as places are filling fast. Proof of age and residency status will be required.

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<b>1/2F</b> Divyanshi P Charli G Phillip L		<b>1/2F</b> Divyanshi P	
<b>2T</b> George T Sophie C Thaaksha K Ekampreet S		<b>2T</b> George T Sophie C	
<b>3/4A</b> Caleb R			
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# How to help kids and teens be more active

- Be a good role model and have a positive attitude to being active. If your children see you enjoying physical activity and having fun, it can motivate them to participate.
- Encourage them to play in the backyard, dance to music, ride a bike or get involved in vigorous activities like running, swimming or playing sports like soccer, netball or basketball.
- Make time to be active as a family – walk to the local park, go bike riding or take the dog for a stroll.
- Encourage 'active play' by buying gifts that get kids and teens up and moving, such as balls, bats, skipping ropes and other equipment. It also helps them develop and practice new skills.
- Park some distance away from your destination – school, sport or the shops – and walk the rest of the way.
- Make sure kids and teens have an opportunity to be active after school, either through active play or organised sport.
- Encourage kids and teens to try different sports or activities so they can find one or more that they really enjoy and want to continue with.
- Start slowly and build up the amount of physical activity that your children do, particularly if they haven't previously been very active.
- Limit the amount of time that kids and teens spend on 'small screen' entertainment – such as watching TV, going online or playing computer games – to no more than 2 hours a day.
- Kids and teens should wear hats, appropriate footwear and 30+ sunscreen when they're being active outdoors.
- Make sure they drink plenty of water when they are physically active or playing sports.
- An active lifestyle is fuelled by healthy foods – make sure your children make healthy food and drink choices and limit foods that are high in added sugar, salt and saturated fat





**Building Brighter Futures Together**

**Bert Oldfield**

**Monday, 07th January to Friday, 25th January 2019**

**NOTICE - ALLERGY - Please ensure all food is nut free**

**EX** CURSION

**IN** CURSION

### Monday 07 January

#### SUMMER PICNIC

IN-SERVICE

Let's get outside and enjoy some games and races followed by a big picnic together! Don't forget your sunhat.



### Monday 14 January

#### OOEY GOOEY

IN-SERVICE

No need to worry about making a mess today! We are going to be up to our elbows in sticky fun!

Slimey, Foamy, Ooey, Gooley lets get messy!



### Tuesday 08 January

#### ANIMAL CRACKERS

IN-SERVICE

Can you swing like a Monkey or run like a Zebra? Unleash your inner animal love and wear your favourite print as we learn new things about animals.

Which animal is your favourite? Let's find out all the interesting facts we can about them!



### Tuesday 15 January

**EX** + \$32.00

#### DINOSAUR DIG

EXCURSION-LOLLIPOPS PLAYCENTRE AND CODE RED LASER

Get your game on at Code Red Laser and bounce, jump and slide the day away in the massive playground of Lollipops play centre!



**Arrive by 8.30am, Don't forget your socks!**

### Wednesday 09 January

**EX** + \$32.00

#### WILD WEST

EXCURSION - EVENT CINEMAS PARRAMATTA

Today we're off to the movies to see Ralph Breaks The Internet, popcorn and drink included. (Movie time to be confirmed, please see coordinator)



**Arrive by 8.30am**

### Thursday 10 January

**IN** + \$17.00

#### TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

INCURSION- BUILD A BEAR WORKSHOP

Bring to life your very own Build A Bear in our FURbulous Build-A-Bear Workshop! Your new furry friend will be pre-filled with just the right amount of cuddliness, ready for you to add your own heart and personal touches.



### Thursday 17 January

#### THE BEST STORY EVER!

IN-SERVICE

Dress up as your favourite storybook character today as we write our own adventure stories to share and tell!

Come and share your favourite story as we explore the world of books.



### Friday 11 January

#### TURN BACK THE CLOCK

IN-SERVICE

Step back in time, and come dressed as someone from the past. Astronaut, explorer or something else? The choice is yours!

Let's wind the clock back and learn about our favourite people in history.



### Friday 18 January

#### WATER PLAY DAY

IN-SERVICE

Getting wet! Today is about having fun with water.

Let's splash our way through the day to try and stay cool!



Mon - Fri 6:30am - 6:00pm  
Bert Oldfield - 0448003267  
Bert Oldfield Public School Old Field Road Seven Hills NSW 2147

Daily price: \$51.00 | Excursions and incursions are an additional cost to the daily fee and are charged for each child that attends whether they choose to participate or not.

Book now at [helpinghandsnetwork.com.au](http://helpinghandsnetwork.com.au) | be quick as places are limited

Customer Service 1300 612 462



**Junior Adventures Group** continues to pioneer the OSHC sector, building stronger communities and brighter futures for more than 70,000 children, 40,000 families and more than 400 schools across Australia.

#### Our Values

- Considerate - Be there for others
- Passionate - Bring energy and determination
- Courageous - Challenge ourselves



The values we share guide our behaviour as we work towards our vision to **build brighter futures together.**

### Monday 21 January

(IN) + \$12.00

#### LET'S GET CREATIVE

##### INCURSION - SELF GUIDED CANDLE MAKING

Mix and match your colours to create cold wax candles.



### Tuesday 22 January

#### TRICKY TRIVIA

##### IN-SERVICE

Get your 'gameshow game' on today as teams battle it out to tackle an array of testing trivia challenges!

Test your trivia knowledge today as we embark on a trivia challenge!



#### What we offer

- A healthy, safe, respectful and engaging environment
- Caring, enthusiastic, fun and friendly team
- New and popular excursions, incursions and theme days
- Stimulating experiences tailored to children's interests, abilities and current trends
- Helping Hands endeavour to link each fun experience to key learning outcomes

#### What Does My Child Bring?

Please bring Lunch and a refillable drink bottle. If bringing food please make sure it's nutritious and doesn't require heating or cooking.

Please be mindful of the planned incursion/excursion and ensure your children are dressed appropriately. Don't forget your sun smart hat, comfortable clothes, closed shoes and a drink bottle.

To avoid loss or disappointment, please leave your valuables, money and electronic toys (including tablets and smart phones) at home.

### Wednesday 23 January

#### EVERYONE LOVES A GIFT!

##### IN-SERVICE

We all love to give and receive gifts so lets do that today!

Let's share a gift with our friends



#### We are a child safe organisation

##### Healthy Eating

Helping Hands follows the Australian dietary guidelines which can be found at <https://www.eatforhealth.gov.au>

##### Activity Changes

If an excursion or incursion (due to unforeseen circumstances) is cancelled, the activity will either be postponed or an alternative activity of equal value will be provided where possible.

##### Children with additional needs

We support all children including children with additional needs. If you would like to provide additional information about your child and his/ her needs or require inclusion support funding, please contact us 6 weeks prior to program commencement on 0448003267 for staffing purposes.

##### Child care subsidy

Our services are registered with Centrelink, so you will be able to claim Child Care Subsidy on your fees. For further information please visit <https://www.education.gov.au/new-child-care-package-frequently-asked-questions>.

##### Before making your booking & cancellations

All children must be enrolled with Helping Hands prior to booking via [helpinghandsnetwork.com.au](https://helpinghandsnetwork.com.au). Bookings made within 5 days of a Vacation Care session will incur an extra charge of \$4.00 per day per child. 7 days notice is required for cancellation of a Vacation Care booking to ensure you will not incur out of pocket costs. Please note that bookings can not be made online within 5 days of the session commencing. In order to book within this period, you will need to contact the service directly, the Customer Service and Billing Team on 1300 612 462 or by emailing [accounts@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au](mailto:accounts@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au).

### Thursday 24 January

(EX) + \$37.00

#### A DAY IN PARIS

##### EXCURSION - KICKS TEN PIN AND ARCADE

Bring on the fun at Kicks Tenpin and Arcade. Will you Strike it lucky with Tenpin Bowling, or challenge your friends on the arcade games such as Space Invaders, Twin Moto GP and or enjoy the Interactive XD Dark Ride.



Arrive by 8:30am

### Friday 25 January

#### THE LAND DOWN UNDER

##### IN-SERVICE

Celebrate our land down under with all things Australian today.



Book now at [helpinghandsnetwork.com.au](https://helpinghandsnetwork.com.au) | be quick as places are limited

Customer Service 1300 612 462

## BREAKFAST CLUB

The Breakfast club is open on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 8.30am – 8.55am. Thank you to the many children who were happy to donate their gold coin for slices of toast with honey or vegemite together with a cup of milk.

**Enjoy toast with Vegemite or honey and a healthy glass of milk**



**When:** Mondays and Wednesday

**Time:** 8.30am – 8.55am

**Where:** Mrs Oldfield's Room

**Cost:** A gold coin donation

**Mums, Dads, Grandmas and Grandads - Volunteers are required for Breakfast Club on a Monday or a Wednesday from 8.30am – 8.55am to assist with preparing the food for the students who attend Breakfast Club.**

**If you are able to assist please contact Mrs Browing so that a roster can be organised.**



## MONEY SENT TO SCHOOL

When sending money to school we ask that you send it in an envelope with your **child's name, class and what the money is for**. We are experiencing too many students bringing money into the office or handing it to their class teachers without envelopes which is leading to misplaced money.

We request that you purchase a pack of envelopes, especially for school.

Thank you.

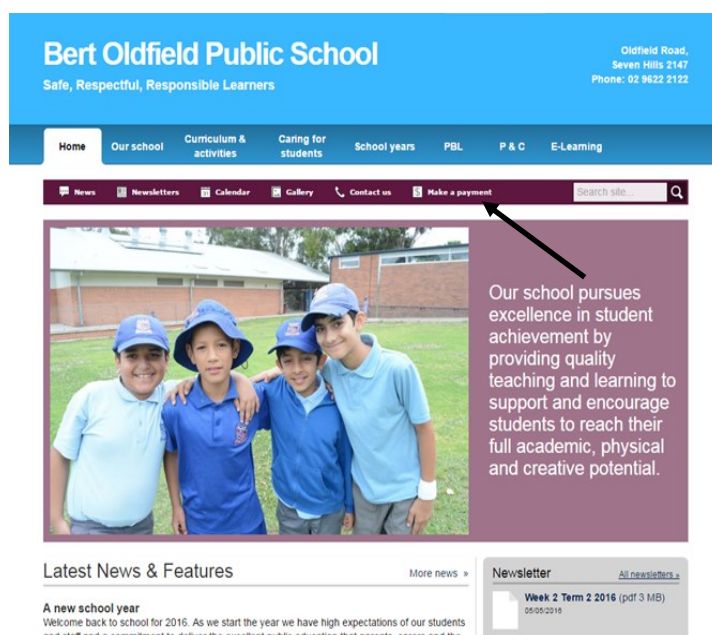
## MAKING AN ONLINE PAYMENT

Did you know that you can make an online payment for most school transactions?

Just go to the school website at [www.bertoldfield-p.school.nsw.edu.au](http://www.bertoldfield-p.school.nsw.edu.au) and click the \$Make a Payment tab. It's that

## STAFF CAR PARK

A gentle reminder that parents and students are not to walk through, or park, in the staff car park area—this is a WH&S safety rule. We need to keep our children safe at all times. Please enter and exit through the gate near the school sign and crossing, or the gates on Wall Park and Orana Avenue.







# Skoolbag

Smartphone school to parent communication

Skoolbag is a mobile App for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). Ideal for:

- > School, free push notification alerts
- > School events
- > School newsletters
- > School documents
- > School RSS feeds
- > School social media (Facebook, Twitter)

Skoolbag delivers school notices directly to parents and students



## How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

### iPhone & iPad Users

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.




### Android Users

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.



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