



Bert Oldfield Public School Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 2

Thursday 25th October 2018

DIARY DATES

29th October	BOPS Public Speaking Final
31st October	Stage One Excursion Botany Bay
1st November	Kindy Interviews Day 1 Music Count Us In program
2nd November	Kindy Orientation Program Yr 6 Lolly Guessing Competition
7th November	Early Stage One Excursion Sydney Botanical Gardens
7th/8th November	BLC Public Speaking Competition—District Final
8th November	Kindy Interviews Day 2
9th November	Remembrance Day SRC 11am Kindy Orientation Program

Kindergarten Orientation

Our 2019 Kindergarten Orientation is about to commence. Our Orientation program comprises a one to one interview with our new parents and students, commencing on Thursday 1st November and concluding on Thursday 8th November.

Our new students and parents all come to our first orientation day, commencing Friday 2nd November in KP classroom. At the first day, students will be involved in general play activities and we ask that Mum and or Dad stay with them in the classroom.

Our second orientation day is on Friday 9th November, where the students will participate in orientation activities with our Kindy Teachers. Parents are asked to attend our first information session in the school hall, where they will receive an array of information about school and the curriculum.

Our third and final Orientation day is held on Friday 16th November. The students again remain with the Kindy Teachers and the parents attend an information session in the school hall. The students will then join the parents in the hall and enjoy a morning tea.

It is important for our new students to participate in our orientation program. If you are aware of any students intending to enrol for next year (who haven't already done so), please advise them to contact the school as soon as possible to fill in enrolment forms and receive information about Kindergarten Transition and Orientation Days.

Our Kindergarten transition program is exceptional and will be a vital component of a student's successful transition to school.

Staffing changes

Miss Perente has unfortunately taken leave from school to pursue another career opportunity and will be working at another school in a consultancy role. Miss Perente will be within her new position until the end of 2020. Miss Perente's position has been advertised through an expression of interest (EOI) process within the Department of Education, and a number of people have applied for the position. The position will be filled temporarily for the remainder of 2018, with a possible extension of the position to the end of 2020.

In the short term I welcome Mrs Elsom to the Learning and Support Position, she filling the role until the EOI process has concluded.

I am also pleased to let you know that Mrs Chandran will be working on Mondays in a support role. We have employed Mrs Julie Darlington as an additional teachers' aide in the classroom to work closely with all children to support their learning and also work intensively with some of our English language learners to develop their English competency.

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and members of our community,

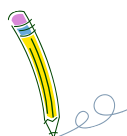
A warm welcome back.

The final term of 2018 is here. I would like to welcome back all our students and families and extend that welcome to some new students and families that have started at BOPS this week. I trust that all our students had a wonderful and relaxing holiday and had lots of fun.

Term 4 as always will be a very busy but productive term and I am looking forward to meeting the new 2018 Kindergarten students as they commence their transition to school program.

I am also excited about the great activities term 4 always brings and the many celebrations over the coming weeks, concluding with the Year 6 farewell and presentation day.

I would like to congratulate our wonderful and reliable Year 6 students who have now started their final term of primary school, quickly approaching the conclusion of their 7 years of primary education, many at Bert Oldfield Public School since Kindergarten. I am sure that many of them will miss their Primary School experience, but know that they are ready and eager to move onto the next part of their educational journey in high school. The very best of luck to our seniors for the coming last few weeks.



SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOLS APPLICATION

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2020.

Applications will open for placement in Year 7 in 2020 from 9th October 2018 to 12th November 2018.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

The Selective High School Placement Test is on 14th March 2019

Bert Oldfield Public School, Oldfield Road Seven Hills.

Website: www.bertoldfie-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Email: bertoldfie-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Parents apply when the student is in Year 5. The students sit the test in March of Year 6.

To be considered for placement students must sit the Selective High School Placement Test.

Some selective high schools have vacancies in Years 8 to 12. Applications open in late June for placement the following year. For information about applying and the placement process go to the selective high school placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Unit.

Contact details—High Performing Students Unit NSW Department of Education Email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au

Telephone: 1300 880 367 Fax: 02 9266 8435

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Selectivehighschoolplacement>

The application process is only available online.

It is very important to note that late applications will **not be accepted**, so please ensure that you have submitted your application online by the closing date.

There are 17 fully selective high schools, 25 partially selective high schools, four selective agricultural high schools and one virtual selective high school offering selective placement in Year 7 in NSW. Parents can apply for up to three selective high schools.

School Payments. Please help.

I am asking for your assistance when paying for school events and or programs. Our school endeavours to include as many extra curricula activities in our learning program as possible and unfortunately, most of the time, they incur a financial cost.

As all activities and events are strongly related to the curriculum, all students should attend. Notes received home for these events and opportunities, such as incursions and excursions, will always contain a due by date, generally set 3 weeks before the event.

It is important that you endeavour to complete the permission note and payment for the activity or event by the due date. It will greatly assist our already overworked office staff who are required to process the payments and notes. Paying for an event the day before is **not sustainable** for our school, as many of the events and activities, particularly those where our students are required to leave the school, require full payment 3 weeks before the event.

So please help us and pay for any and all events that you wish your child to participate in before the indicative due date. Your anticipated cooperation is very much appreciated.

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.bertoldfie-p.school.nsw.edu.au and click the \$Make a Payment tab. It's that simple.

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Our school pursues excellence in student achievement by providing quality teaching and learning to support and encourage students to reach their full academic, physical and creative potential.

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A new school year
Welcome back to school for 2016. As we start the year we have high expectations of our students and staff and a commitment to deliver the excellent public education that parents, carers and the community expect. This year, we will...

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Week 2 Term 2 2016 (pdf 3 MB)
05/05/2016

100 Night Reading	200 Night Reading
KP Maria H KM Solomon M Jansi P KB Muhammad A 1M Kristelle C 2T Pranav D 	KP Sofia D Diyan K KB Manraag B Elise P K1/R Dilshan A Tejdeep S 1M Tobi A Khalfaan K 1/2F Lucky D 2T Tianna G Henil M Ekampreet S 3/4S Shobana G 5/6G Chrishika A Luke L

SHINING STAR AWARDS	
KB Namika C Junmahbi S Jaiveer S	KM Damon I Keerat S Kele N
KP Anushka T Saiyum G Pranav N	K/1R Stefan E Gavenpreet D Omar N
1M Komeil G Maddison S Ansh P	1/2F Reyansh O Jeremy B Olivia C
2T Henil M George T Ana D	3/4A Sidney N Christina B Joseph E
3/4L Andrew B Ella B Jasleen K	3/4S Leyla B Amarlie M Jeremy T
5/6G Sara M Luke L Evalina M	5/6H Isabelle G Nicole M Ivy P
Library Liam H Sofia D	Science Clayton D Isabella P

ALL STAR	ROCK STAR
KP Diyan K Anushka T KM Andalus F KB Hussain A Namika C Aleah F K1/R Rebekah M Akshayan K 1M Huseyin G Ansh P 1/2F Esala N Riley N Casey R 2T Kayla A Simran S Carson Z 3/4L Naison C 5/6H Ciara H Barnabas K Ivy P	K1/R Akshayan K Haniya H Stefan E 1M Ansh Patel Emma J 1/2F Aira F Avnoor D Indrakshee C Riley N 2T Ekampreet S Thaaksha K

Spotlight
Canberra/Snowy Excursion Stage 3



On Monday the 17th September, Stage 3 travelled to Canberra for three days activities in of National Capital and the Snowy Mountains. We visited the High Court, Questacon, Parliament House, the Australian War Memorial as well as travelling to the Perisher ski fields within the Kosciuszko National Park.



Questacon was a favourite for many as it contains many things that we could watch, participate in, learn about, or just have fun with. The free fall was a highlight of Questacon because the majority of Stage 3 went on it. Another fun thing was a lightning bolt that struck every 15 minutes. Everyone watched it strike. The lightning bolt lasted for about five seconds as it zapped about in a separate enclosed area.

It was also really interesting to learn about how laws are passed at Parliament House and how laws are contested (and decisions appealed) in the High Court. We learnt many things including the role of the Speaker

who lets people from the House of Representatives say what they think on whether or not the bill should become a law.

We had a tour of Parliament House and visited various places such as the House of Representatives and the Senate to watch Bills be debated by the politicians. We even had a chance to meet with, talk to and ask questions of our local federal member Michelle Rowland.



The weather up in the alpine country was... you guessed it, FREEZING! But that didn't dampen our spirits and the students took full advantage of the wide open spaces that Perisher provides for snow play. The Teachers vs Students snow ball fight was 'hotly' contested event with the teachers landing some great shots. But, in the end, we were overrun by the youthful enthusiasm of the students and Mr Perrot thankfully negotiated an armistice – not a surrender!

Overall our excursion to Canberra and the Snowy Mountains was a fantastic learning experience and a lot of fun. We highly recommended for students to visit again with their families.



Thank you parents for supporting this event and well done to students for their safe, respectful and responsible behaviour.

Sincerely, Mr Galloway-Smith, Miss Axiak & Mr Perrott



GROWTH MINDSET

I can't do it ...YET!





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.



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.

Celebrate Dīwalī with us!

EVERYBODY WELCOME!

COME IN YOUR BEST TRADITIONAL DRESS



WHEN: Friday November 2nd
1:00 – 3:00

School Hall, Bert Oldfield Public School
Seven Hills

Fun free activities to enjoy

- *Henna*
- *Craft activities*
- *Kids activities*



Please bring a plate of food to share together

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

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BERT OLFIELD MULTICULTURAL MOTHERS GROUP

TAFE is coming to BERT OLDFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL

Technology & Communication

*Come and learn Computer and
Communication skills
that can help you to prepare for work!*



WHEN:
STARTS Wednesday
October 24th
TERM 4, WEEK 2
9:30 – 11:30
COMMUNITY HUB ROOM

FREE childcare provided
by certified childcare workers

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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".
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