



Bonnyrigg News

Public School



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CALENDAR FOR TERM 1 2024

13/03/2024-25/03/2024	NAPLAN Online Test Window
14/03/2024	Learning Conversations – PS Lavender group
14/03/2024	High School Transition Information – 2:30-3:00pm
15/03/2024	Camden Show Excursion Stage 2 and NAP students
20/03/2024	School Photo Day
21/03/2024	Harmony Day
22/03/2024	Assembly - 2:15pm
25/03/2024	Easter Hat Parade
26/03/2024	NAP Excursion
29/03/2024	Good Friday
01/04/2024	Easter Monday
05/04/2024	PSSA Gala Day – Day 2
11/04/2024	ANZAC Day Service
12/04/2024	PBL Attendance Celebration
12/04/2024	Last day of Term 1

From the Principal

FAREWELL

Congratulations to Ms Peggy Frantzoulis for her permanent appointment to Hoxton Park P.S. On behalf of the staff and community we wish her all the very best and thank her for her contribution to our school. Due to this staff change Ms Huynh will be filling the position of EALD leader in order to ensure continuity of support for our students. Ms Shabiena Masoom will be teaching 2HM full time from Monday 11th March.

REMINDER TO PARENTS

This is a reminder to all parents and visitors that if you wish to speak to your child's teacher about a concern, please make an appointment through the office. It is disruptive when parents wander into the school corridors seeking to speak to teachers. This is disruptive and does not allow teachers to allocate the appropriate time to address your concerns. Teachers have been instructed to redirect you to the office as they have a duty of care to ensure students are supervised at all times.

THANK YOU

I want to thank all our parents and community for respecting our request to remain outside the school until the gate opens at 2:45pm. Your support of this request is greatly appreciated.

Regards,

Ms Hatzi

Principal

Attendance

Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss days per year

5 mins
per day



=

3 days



30 mins
per day



=

18 days



Patterns of lateness
can have a serious
impact on your child's
education.



STUDENT ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE:

STUDENT ATTENDANCE
PERCENTAGE = **91.0%**



PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS WITH 5 DAYS

OR LESS A TERM:
STUDENTS AT 90% OR MORE
ATTENDANCE = **66.3%**



PBL Focus

Our PBL focus for Week 7 is:

*"We are ready to learn by
coming to school on time".*



School News

SWEATY BRAIN SPACE



Sweaty Brain Space

You can find it in Mercury, Earth, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn, but not in Venus or Neptune. What is it?

CLASS DOJO HIGHLIGHTS



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

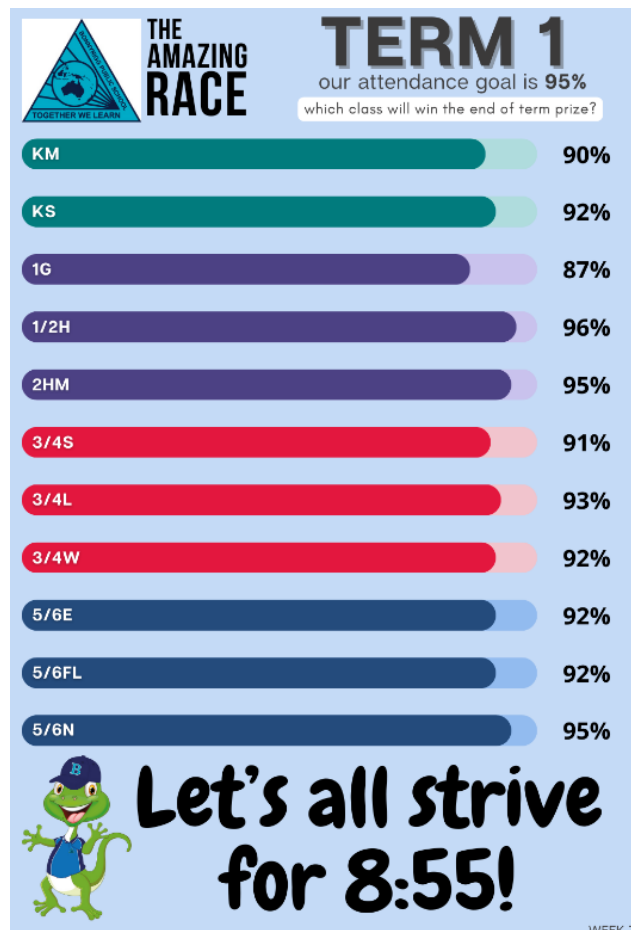
Our next school assembly will be in week 8 starting at 2:15pm. 2HM and 3/4W will be presenting an item.

NAPLAN

Students in Year 3 and 5 will be participating in NAPLAN between Wednesday 13th – Monday 25th March. Students will sit assessments in writing, reading, numeracy and conventions of language. A note has been sent out with further information and a link to the demonstration site. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

THE AMAZING RACE – ATTENDANCE CHART

To ensure your class is winning The Amazing Race it is up to YOU! The winning class will be rewarded with a celebration at the end of each term.



LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

Thank you to all the parents that shared in the success of their children's learning so far this term. The students have been so excited to share their goals and what they have learnt so far this term. It would be great to get some feedback from parents

to ensure that we run these learning conversations as best as we can. We ask you to complete this short survey by scanning the QR code. Thank you.



PSSA GALA DAYS

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the PSSA Gala Day on Friday 8th March. Each student was given the opportunity to showcase their talents, learn new skills and make new friends from other schools. Thank you also to the parents who came out to support our students. We can't wait to see you all again at the next Gala Day on Friday 5th April.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Bonnyrigg Public School

Day of Photography

20/03/2024

1. Please wear your full school uniform
2. Please place your order online before the day of photography
- Go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter this code:
8CD 5PG 733
3. Payment can be made using Visa, Mastercard or PayPal
4. If you are unable to order online, please hand your completed order envelope directly to the photographers on the day of photography

If you have any queries concerning school photographs and ordering, please contact **advancedlife** directly:
www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

advancedlife
school photography & print specialists

MOVING TO HIGH SCHOOL

For students in Year 6 who are moving to Year 7 next year, now is the time to complete an expression of interest application for your choice of high school. We are holding an information afternoon for parents to go through this process in more detail on Thursday 14th March at 2:30pm in the hall. As the process is moving online, this session will be highly beneficial for parents in

understanding the process of completing the application form.

You can follow this QR code to watch a short video of the process as it is now completely online. This will also take you to the application form.



Library News

NSW PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge is now open. All students have received an information note and only need their school login to enter the books online through their student portal. It is a fantastic way for children to grow their reading skills and develop a love of literature. This year all students that complete the challenge will go in the draw to win one of **2 x \$50 Book Club Prize Packs!**

How many books do students need to read?

- Students in Kindergarten – Year 2 can 'experience' their books. Your child can listen to a book, participate in a shared reading of a book or read a book independently.
- Students in Years 3 – 6 will read their books independently.

Challenge	Number of books that must be read	Minimum number of PRC books	Maximum number of personal choice books	Books included in PRC book choices
K - 2	30	20	10	K-2, 3-4, 5-6
3 - 4	20	10	10	3-4, 5-6, 7-9
5 - 6	20	15	10	5-6, 7-9

Community News

EASTER RAFFLE TICKETS

Tickets will be available for purchase either at the Breakfast Club window in the morning, or by filling out the Easter Raffle note and returning it to the office with money enclosed in an envelope. Ticket prices range from \$3, \$5 and \$10. The raffle will be drawn at our Easter Hat Parade on Monday 25th March from 9.15am.

SPORTSPRO

2HM have absolutely loved our new SportsPro Program which they attend on Mondays. They have been reflecting on the skills they have learnt each week and sharing their anticipation for Monday to arrive so they can learn new skills.





ROAD SAFETY INFORMATION

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR CHILDREN'S SAFETY WHEN THEY ARE TRAVELLING TO AND FROM SCHOOL.

Drive and park safely near schools

The beginning and end of the school day are busy times for pedestrians and drivers outside schools.

You can help keep children safe by remembering the following:

- drop off and pick up children on the school side of the road
- never call out to children from across the road – it is very dangerous
- always take extra care when driving in 40km school zones
- follow all parking signs – these help keep children as safe as possible
- park responsibly even if this means you have to walk further to the school gate
- never double park – it is illegal and puts children at risk
- never do a U-turn or three-point turn outside the school as it puts children at risk of harm
- model safe and considerate pedestrian and driver behaviours to your children.

For further support

Go to the department's Road Safety Education program at education.nsw.gov.au/road-safety-education or visit education.nsw.gov.au and search for road safety education.

When travelling in a car ensure your children:

- use a booster seat if they are aged between 4 and 7 years old – it's the law
- are correctly buckled up in their seatbelts
- always get in and out of the car through the 'safety door' – the rear door on the footpath side of the car
- are never left alone in the car.



Up to 6 months

Approved rear-facing child car seat



6 months to 4 years

Approved rear- or forward-facing child car seat



4+ years

Approved forward-facing child car seat or booster seat



145cm or taller

Suggested minimum height to use adult lap-sash seatbelt

Parking and traffic rules in school zones






You need to take extra care when driving and parking in school zones. Make sure that you and your child understand the road rules. If you break the traffic rules in a school zone you are putting not only your child but other children at risk. The parking and traffic rules around our schools are there to protect your children. If you break the rules you will be fined. **Please choose safety over convenience.**

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE TO IMPORTANT SAFETY TRAFFIC RULES

ZONE	WHAT DOES IT MEAN?	WHY IS IT THERE?	PENALTY	DEMERIT POINTS*
	You cannot stop in a NO STOPPING zone for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space).	Keeps clear sight lines between drivers and children / pedestrians.	EXCEEDS \$349	(School Zone) 2
	You can stop in a NO PARKING zone for a max. of two minutes to drop off and pick up passengers. If no spaces are available you cannot queue on the road way or in any other zones while waiting for a space. You will need to drive away and park elsewhere, only returning when there is space to pull up. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle at all times and cannot leave your vehicle unattended.	Provides a safe place for children / pedestrian set down and pick up.	EXCEEDS \$194	(School Zone) 2
	You must not stop or park in a BUS ZONE for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space) unless you are driving a bus. If times are shown on the sign, you are not allowed to stop during those times.	Provides a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up school children.	EXCEEDS \$349	(School Zone) 2
	You must not stop on or within 20 metres before a PEDESTRIAN CROSSING or 10 metres after a crossing unless there is a control sign permitting parking.	So drivers can clearly see pedestrians on the crossing.	EXCEEDS \$464	(School Zone) 2
	DOUBLE PARKING You must not stop on the road adjacent to another vehicle at any time even to drop off or pick up passengers.	Double parking blocks visibility and forces other cars to go around you.	EXCEEDS \$349	(School Zone) 2
	You must not stop on any FOOTPATH or NATURE STRIP , or even a DRIVEWAY crossing a footpath or nature strip for any reason.	You could easily run over a child or force pedestrians onto the road to get around you.	EXCEEDS \$194	(School Zone) 2

Please note: The above information is current as of 1 January 2020. Penalties set by NSW State Government and reviewed on 1 July each year.

Safety tips for school zones:

 EXITING THE CAR	Make sure children use the footpath-side door when getting in and out of a car.
 APPLY BRAKE	Make sure the park brake is applied when the vehicle is stationary.
 PARKING	NEVER double park.
 CROSSING	NEVER park across a pedestrian crossing.
 NO U-TURNS	NEVER undertake a U-turn in close proximity to the school.
 NO 3 POINT TURNS	NEVER undertake a three-point turn in close proximity to the school.

Safety tips for students:

 BUCKLE UP	Stay buckled up until the vehicle has stopped.
 STORE ITEMS	Make sure your school bag and other items are in a safe position
 BE READY	Be ready to get out of the car with your belongings when the car has stopped and you have unbuckled your seat belt.
 EXIT SAFELY	Always get in and out of the back seat through the safety door - the rear foot path-side door.

Demerit Points:

* The **Demerit Points** Scheme is a national program that allocates penalty points (demerits) for a range of driving offences. A driver who has not committed any offences has **'zero'** points. If you commit an offence that carries demerit points, the points are added to your driving record. If you incur the threshold number of demerit points within a three-year period, a licence suspension or refusal is applied. The three-year period is calculated between the dates the offences were committed. It ends on the day your most recent offence was committed.

For further information regarding demerit points please visit: [mts.nsw.gov.au/roads/safety/rules/demerits/](https://www.mts.nsw.gov.au/roads/safety/rules/demerits/)