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Marie Bashir-Public School

Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 3, 2018	
23 July	Staff Development Day
24 July	Students Resume to School
25 July	3-6 Assembly
26 July	8:30am Chess
27 July	School Spectacular Rehearsal
31 July	3-6 Athletics Carnival
1 August	OC placement Test K-2 Assembly
2 August	10am Chess
9 August	8:30am Chess 10am Education Week Concert
15 August	K-2 Assembly
16 August	8:30am Chess
23 August	K-2 Mini Athletics carnival
30 August	8:30am Chess Father's Day Stall
5 September	School Spectacular Rehearsal
6 September	8:30am Chess
10 September	Opera House Performance (Choir and Dance Group)
13 September	8:30am Chess
20 September	8:30am Chess Book Week Parade and Donate a Book Scheme
26 September	Prefect Nominations due
27 September	8:30am Chess
28 September	Last Day of School Term

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal's Message

Welcome to the new school term. I look forward to all the events and wonderful teaching and learning ahead.

I'd like to welcome our new staff members, Miss Makisi, Miss Ho.

Congratulations to our Dance group who successfully auditioned to perform at the Sydney Opera House. The efforts by Miss Skaf, Miss Chan, Miss Tan and the dedication of our dancers and parents has continued to support our endeavours to provide a world of creative experiences for our students.

On Thursday 5th July, our SRC led by Miss Smith and Miss Tan organised a 'Crazy Hair Day' to support the charity 'Camp Quality'. The teachers and students dedicated their lunch time to organise and prepare for the charity fundraiser. Their hard work and effort resulted in raising \$1380.00. Congratulations to the teachers, students and families who donated money to support our SRC's initiative.

Aussie Of The Month

As part of the school's student welfare program, each month at a special assembly a student is named *Aussie of the Month* and presented with a certificate.

Our Aussie of the Month for July is Jane.



Congratulations Jane!!!

Kindergarten 2018

I encourage parents of children who will be starting **Kindergarten in 2018** to submit an enrolment form as soon as possible. To be eligible to start school, children must turn 5 on or before 31 July, 2018. Packages will be posted shortly for new children who will be starting in Kindergarten through to Year 6 at Marie Bashir Public School next year inviting them to orientation. Parents will be asked to attend two information sessions. If you would like an enrolment form they are available from the school office or online from the Department of Education's website.

Supervision

Please remember that supervision commences at school at 9.00am and ceases at 3.25pm. It is extremely unwise to leave your child unsupervised in the playground outside these hours.

The school has an onsite Out of School Hours service. Please see the front office for more information.

Swimming Scheme

Arrangements have been made to include a learn to swim program in our school curriculum.

The Department of Education School Swimming and Water Safety Program is an intensive learn to swim program which develops water confidence and provides students with skills in water safety, correct swimming stroke and survival. The scheme is conducted over 10 days. Each daily lesson is 45 minutes.

All students in **Years 2** are expected to attend this swimming scheme.

Instruction will take place at Enfield pool. The Scheme will continue **daily for two weeks** from Monday, 3rd September, 2018 to Friday, 14th September, 2018. There will be no charge for instruction, however transport, entry into the pool and lane hire for the 10 days will cost a total of **\$111.00**.

See note below for more information.

Child Protection Program

The child protection component of the Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE) program, will be taught annually in Term 3. The program consists of a series of child protection lessons prepared from the NSW curriculum for each class. As we will be teaching child protection this term, some parents might like to read what is in the program beforehand. (Kindergarten or other new parents who have not experienced the program previously might be particularly interested in the lesson content.) If you would like access to the lesson plans, please see your class teacher.

Library

There are books that require covering for class use. If you can spare 30 minutes or more in the morning or throughout any part of the day we would appreciate your assistance in the library. Please see Mrs Scully Monday to Thursday.

Kiss and Ride

Thank you to all the parents who obey the road rules to ensure our Kiss and Ride Zone runs smoothly. This is a great step on everybody's part which contributes to the safe arrival and departure of our students.

We ask that parents ***do not arrive at the Kiss and Ride Zone prior to 3:25pm to ensure the road is free of traffic driving up to the cul de sac.***

Never double park or call your child across the road. Never do a u turn in front of the school and never use the school driveway. Parents are asked to drive to the end of Albert Road where they can safely turn their vehicle at the cul de sac. Please cross at the pedestrian crossing.

A few steps on your part could save your child's life. Infringements for parking offences around schools have considerably increased and rangers have been regularly supervising the traffic in the area.

Spelling Bee

Well done to all the students who participated in the Spelling Bee. A special mention goes out to the following finalists:

Stage 2: Terrence (2/3N), Justin (2/3N), Sasha (3T), Celine (3T), Yasmeen (3B), Tanvi (3B), Aditya (4K), Lang (4K), Alannah T (4LG), Pranav (4LG)

Stage 3: Jamie (5/6S), Lucy (5/6S), Ahnaf (6K), Elaine (6K), Tameenah (5L), Asya (5L).

Congratulations to the top 2 winners from each stage. The following students will be going through to the Regional Finals:

Stage 2 Regional Representatives: Justin (2/3N) and Aditya (4K)

Stage 3 Regional Representatives: Lucy (5/6S) & Ahnaf (6K)

Debaters

On Tuesday 3rd July at 2:00pm, Marie Bashir Public School's Senior Debating Team participated in a debate against Strathfield North Public School. The topic was 'The Olympic Games are a Waste of Money' and Marie Bashir was the negative team. Although the debate was very close, Marie Bashir was victorious, winning their second debate out of three.

By Sarah (5/6S)

Taronga Zoo

On Wednesday 4th July, Stage 3 went to Taronga Zoo. It was a fascinating sight to see. Amazing animals roamed in their enclosures as we and other people passed by. The zoo keepers were very kind, offering us information as we stopped by the enclosures.

Taronga was a big place, with a lot of animals such as elephants, giraffes and seals. Most interesting though was the Sumatran tiger. The tiger was magnificent, it roamed around its enclosure, delighting the visitors to the zoo. Stage 3 had an amazing time, well except for the bush turkeys which liked to follow us around. Overall it was an amazing trip and one Stage 3 will all remember.

By Saira (6K)



SRC

On Thursday 5th July, the SRC decided to host a fundraiser to raise money and awareness for children with cancer and their families. Camp quality is a foundation that organises camps for children with cancer and their siblings or family. At the camp children are supervised by mentors and medical staff to ensure they can have fun and complete activities in a safe environment, which they otherwise wouldn't have the chance to do. On Thursday we asked students to come to school with a crazy hairstyle and to join us in the school auditorium for a movie and popcorn. The day was a huge success with \$1,380 raised.



SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME



Dear Parents/Caregivers

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Whilst we understand the high cost of the swimming lessons, we now have an eftpos machine for parents to pay electronically at the front office. Alternatively, payment can be made in four instalments.

Each child should bring a swimming costume, a towel, goggles, a rash shirt, a blouse or shirt and hat and warm clothing on a cool day. It is recommended that children use adequate sun protection, eg, an SPF 30+ broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen.

Students will be assessed during the School Swimming Scheme for ability to swim and water safety skills.

Please complete and sign the form below and return it the white school post box in the administration area.

Ms Attard

Principal

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RETURN THIS SECTION TO SCHOOL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

CHILD'S NAME: _____ CLASS: _____

- ☐ I wish to pay the full amount of \$111.00 (cash / cheque / eftpos)
 - ☐ **ONLINE PAYMENT:** Please use the payment description 'Swimming Scheme' when paying. This payment method can be located on the school website.
 - ☐ I wish to pay in instalments (See following page) (cash / cheque / eftpos)
- I have made an online payment – receipt number _____

For online payments, please submit the note the following school day.

Name of person paying for this excursion _____ (this is now a requirement)

I hereby consent to the attendance of my son/daughter/ward _____ at the School Swimming Scheme classes to be held at Enfield pool from 3 September to 14 September.

In the event of injury or illness, I also authorise (on my behalf) the seeking of such medical assistance my child may require.

Special needs of my child of which you should be aware (eg allergies, sensory impairment, etc):

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Instalment 1: \$27.00

Payment Due: 6 July 2018

Enclosed: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Instalment 2: \$28.00

Payment Due: 27 July 2018

Enclosed: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Instalment 3: \$28.00

Payment Due: 10 August 2018

Enclosed: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Instalment 4: \$28.00

Payment Due: 31 August 2018

Enclosed: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

EDUCATION WEEK

2018

Parents are invited to attend our

K-6 Open Day Performance

'Creating Tomorrow's World'

at

Marie Bashir Public School on



Thursday, 9 August , 2018

in the

Auditorium

at

10:00am