



The Governor's Gazette

Marie Bashir Public School

Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 1, 2019	
11 April	Chess 10am Years 3-6 ANZAC Day Assembly
12 April	Winter PSSA commences Last Day Of School Term
Term 2, 2019	
29 April	Staff Development Day
30 April	Students Return
1 May	Years 3-6 Assembly
7 May	School X Country
8 May	Years K-2 Assembly
9 May	Mother's Day Stall Recorder group to Rehearsal
14- 16 May	NAPLAN
15 May	Years 3-6 Assembly P & C Meeting
21 May	Stage 3 Boys to Homebush Boys (Linkages Program)
22 May	Years K-2 Assembly
29 May	Years 3-6 Assembly
5-7 June	Music Camp
10 June	Queen's Birthday (Public Holiday)
12 June	Years 3-6 Assembly
19 June	K-2 Assembly 6:30pm P & C Meeting
20 June	Cup Cake Stall Year 6 Fundraiser
24 June	Parent/ Teacher Interview
26 June	3-6 Assembly
3 July	K-2 Assembly
5 July	Last Day of School Term

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

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I am pleased to announce that the Australian Curriculum and Reporting Authority (ACARA) has identified Marie Bashir Public School as having demonstrated **substantially above average** gain in reading and numeracy achievement, as measured by NAPLAN.

I would like to extend my congratulations to students, teachers, parents and our school community on this achievement. Improvement in student literacy and numeracy of this magnitude, as measured by NAPLAN, is significant and has been highlighted and acknowledged by ACARA.

ACARA publishes the latest data on Australian schools on the *My School* website each year. The 2019 update has been published and includes:

- 2018 NAPLAN results for schools
- 2018 school profile and population data
- 2017 school financial information, including capital expenditure and sources of funding and
- The latest school comments from principals, and other data.

SCHOOL DATES

The last day of school term is Friday 12 April. Students return to school on Tuesday 30 April.

Students are asked to return to school after the school holidays wearing their winter uniform.

During the staff development day at the beginning of next term, staff will be completing first aid training.

ANZAC DAY SERVICE

Marie Bashir Public School started a fine tradition which sees our captains represent the school each year by laying a wreath at the Club Burwood ANZAC Day Dawn Service. This would be an educational experience and highlight of the year.

We would also encourage other students from Marie Bashir Public School to attend the dawn service.

The details for this year's service are as follows:

- 6:25am meet Ms Attard, Ms Le, Mrs Moi and Mrs Mourad at Burwood Park on Thursday, 25 April, 2019. In the event of wet weather, please meet Ms Attard at Burwood RSL.
- 6.30am service begins at Burwood Park. School captains lay a wreath organised by the school.

Please note, captains and other students attending are to be in school uniform (Winter Uniform).

OPERATION ART

Congratulations to Ian Jang! His art work was selected for the 2019 Operation Art Exhibition. Operation Art is an initiative of the Children's Hospital at Westmead in association with the New South Wales Department of Education. Young people creating art for children in hospital.



EASTER EGG HUNT

Thank you to stage 3 students and teachers who organised the egg hunt on Monday 8 April.



OPPORTUNITY CLASSES

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2020, you need to apply soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from **Tuesday 30 April 2019** at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

The application website opens on **Tuesday 30 April 2019** and closes on **Friday 17 May 2019**. You must apply by the due date.

Please see information below for more details.

DEBATE

Congratulations to our debating team on their first debate for 2019. They performed extremely well winning their first debate. We thank the students as well as Mr Merlino and Mrs Tan for their efforts in preparing for the debate.



CHARITY DAY

On Tuesday 9 April, Stage 3 organised a Charity Day for all K-6 students to raise funds for the global charity UNICEF. This complimented the research and study they had been completing on migrant groups to Australia and their contributions to our diverse multicultural community.

Stage 3 had great time serving the food delights and entertaining the students. It was a fun!

The day was a huge success raising over \$2,000 for UNICEF.

We would like to thank the parents for their generous contributions which contributed to making the day a huge success and the Stage 3 students and teachers for their tireless efforts to raise funds for such an important cause.



Intention to apply for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Opportunity classes cater for academically gifted and talented students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the combined results of the Opportunity Class Placement Test and school assessments. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on **Wednesday 31 July 2019**.

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There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Team for assistance after **30 April 2019**.

You must submit only ONE application for each student.

Remember: The tear-off strip below is not an application and the school cannot apply on your behalf.

Yours sincerely,

Jacqueline Attard

Principal

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below by next Friday.

Note: THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO AN OPPORTUNITY CLASS. This is a notice to your primary school only that you intend to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

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Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I intend to apply for opportunity class placement in 2020. Yes ☐ No ☐

I understand that I need to register and then apply through the department's website. Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, either:

I have internet access and will be applying online ☐

OR

I do not have internet access and will use the public library to complete the application ☐

Signature of parent/carers: _____ Date: _____

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3 DAY BASKETBALL CAMP



DATES: 15, 16 AND 17 APRIL

LOCATION: STRATHFIELD PARK

TIME: 9AM-11AM

COST: \$50

For kids age between 5-14 years.

Active Kids voucher applicable. For more info visit
www.sport.nsw.gov.au/sectordevelopment/activekids



Join us for a fun three day basketball camp. Basketball camp is suitable for children who have played little or no basketball. Our experienced coaches will ensure every player practices the fundamentals of basketball in a fun, safe and friendly environment. Children will learn dribbling, ball handling, shooting, foot work, passing, rebounding and defensive concept skills over the three days.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Bookings

- Registrations for Strathfield Council activities must be completed on the official form.
- Please note places for Strathfield Council activities will be allocated on the following priority basis:
 1. Children who reside in the Strathfield LGA
 2. Children who attend school in the Strathfield LGA
 3. Children from other areas will be placed on a waiting list until applications close, at which time, if there are vacancies in the activity requested, a place will be offered.
- Registrations will be confirmed to listed parent/guardian by email or phone after registrations have closed.
- Activities have a nominal booking fee.
- **Fees must be paid to Strathfield Council prior to the activity.**
- **Fees are non-refundable and non-transferable** in the event of a participant being unable to attend.
- The capacity of each program is strict.

Age Restrictions

The Basketball camp program is designed to meet the needs of children under 14 years of age.

Supervision

All basketball camps are fully supervised by qualified staff.

Physical Activities

Participants must wear appropriate clothing for the activity including closed in shoes/runners, water bottle, and a hat and adequate sun protection for outdoor activities. Please remember to label your child's water bottle and hat.

Cancellations

Outdoor activities are affected by weather conditions and therefore Council may be required to cancel or postpone activities. In the event of cancellations for wet weather, safety or unforeseen circumstances, fees are non-refundable, however the program will be rescheduled for another day.

Parent/Guardian attendance

Parents or guardians who wish to attend activities are requested not to approach children, other than their own, due to NSW Child Protection laws.

Photography

For the protection of all children, parent's are advised no photography of children is permitted.

PRIVACY STATEMENT

Council manages privacy and personal information in accordance with relevant legislation and Council's Privacy Management Plan. Information on how Council handles your personal information is explained in Council's Privacy Management Plan.

Council collects and stores your personal information in relation to school holiday program participation. You accept the provision of personal information is voluntary but failing to provide all or part of the sought after information may mean Council cannot process your application. Information provided by you may be accessed by government agencies and members of the public in accordance with relevant legislation. Council is to be regarded as the agency that holds the information.

Under the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 and the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 you can apply to access records of personal information Council holds about you, and then apply to amend or correct personal information.

You can access your personal information by writing to Council's Privacy Contact Officer at PO Box 120, Strathfield NSW 2135. You can view Council's Privacy Management Plan by visiting www.strathfield.nsw.gov.au/council/privacy-management/

CONSENT AND RISK WAIVER

If the applicant is my child/ward, then I consent to his/her participation in the Strathfield Council school holiday program. Should my child/ward suffer an injury or there is an emergency during the program, I authorise Council or persons subject to Council to arrange for medical or surgical treatment and/or evacuation services as Council or persons subject to Council deem necessary. I agree that any information which I or my child/ward has supplied to Council may be provided to medical or emergency staff in the event of an injury, accident or emergency. I also under take to pay or reimburse any costs which may be incurred for any medical attention, ambulance transport, emergency services or drugs related to my child/ward while my child/ward is enrolled with the program.

I understand and accept that the program involves physical activities and that these activities have an inherent risk of personal injury and that accidents do happen. I also understand and accept the risks of possible injury and harm and physical exertion for which my child/ward may not be prepared, property damage or loss, remoteness to normal medical or emergency services, weather extremes including sudden and unexpected changes, and evacuation difficulties.

I hereby fully release and agree to indemnify Council, its officers, employees, volunteers, agents, contractors and sponsors from any and all claims for injuries, damages or loss that may be sustained by my child/ward as a result of being a participant in the activities connected or associated with the program. I agree to allow Council or persons subject to Council to take, print, publish and show photographs, sound and video recordings of my child/ward in relation to the program to be used for Council's reports and publications including but not limited to internet and promotional materials. I waive the right to receive any compensation or make any claim for the use of such photographs and recordings.

Please complete and return to Strathfield Council via email council@strathfield.nsw.gov.au or to Council's Customer Service Centre at 65 Homebush Rd, Strathfield. Please do not return via fax. Payments must be made to secure booking. Payment can be made by credit card over the phone to 9748 9999 or in person at the Customer Service Centre.

BASKETBALL CAMP REGISTRATION

CHILD DETAILS

Full Name

Address

Postcode

DOB

Gender ☐ M ☐ F

Health conditions, allergies or disabilities that may affect participation?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Details

Medication

PARENT/GUARDIAN DETAILS

Title Full Name

Mobile

Email

DECLARATION

I understand the terms and conditions and agree to allow my child to participate in this program subject to these terms and conditions.

Parent/Guardian signature

Date

CHILDREN WITH SOCIAL ANXIETY WHO MAY BENEFIT FROM TREATMENT.

Macquarie university is offering children who have social anxiety with programs.

All assessments and treatment is at the Center for Emotional Health Clinic, Macquarie University.

For more information please visit:

<https://www.mq.edu.au/about/campus-services-and-facilities/hospital-and-clinics/centre-for-emotional-health-clinic/programs-for-children-and-teenagers>

Any families that would like to apply for the subsidised treatment for Social Anxiety should click on "Cool Kids for Social Anxiety". Here is a direct link:

<https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/2317168/CoolKidsSocial?source=social>



FREE PLAYGROUP FOR

PERSIAN/FARSI SPEAKING FAMILIES

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THIS GROUPS OFFERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO:

- Builds long term friendships as your children grow and learn fun things, discover, create, improvise, build confidence and express feelings.
- Find out about what services and supports are available in local area for mothers and their children.

When: Tuesday 10:30am – 12pm
(during school terms)

Where: Burwood Community Welfare Services:
2 Wyatt Ave
Burwood 2134

For more information & registration contact:

Maria on: **(02) 9744-1866**

Free Morning Tea

This project is proudly presented by Burwood Community Welfare Services Inner West Family Support Service

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Are you preparing your child for success in the 'Asian Century' by learning Chinese? Facts: **Mandarin Chinese is the world's most spoken language** with 1 in every 5 people in the world speaking it, and the second most spoken language in Australia; in NSW primary schools, Chinese is the most popular LOTE program; China is Australia's largest trading partner; and **learning Chinese enhances cognitive capabilities by using both sides of the brain** (whilst most other languages including English, French, Spanish etc only use the left side of the brain)!

ChiFUNese is the leading provider of Chinese language education at 60+ schools and early learning centres around Sydney. Our students feel happy and inspired to learn because it's fun and easy!

Classes at Marie Bashir Public School are held on **Tue 8.15am-9.15am**. To enrol, please go to www.chifunese.com/enrol/. Get a **\$100 discount** for the ChiFUNese Mandarin classes by applying for a **Creative Kids voucher** at <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-creative-kids-voucher> and email the voucher details to admin@chifunese.com to redeem.

The ChiFUNese difference:

- **Fun, multi-sensory learning** through games and hands-on activities;
- **Clever mnemonics** for remembering pronunciation and characters;
- **Small classes** for maximum engagement and participation;
- **Cultural enrichment** through Chinese festival celebrations;
- **Multimedia online learning** for additional practice at home;
- **Support and feedback to parents** including student reports;
- **Team of professional teachers** who are experienced and passionate.

