

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### *Autism and Me*

April is World Autism Awareness month. The social enterprise, MyCareSpace, founded by mum Nicole Gamero, is sponsoring an event called *Autism and Me* which gives the centre stage to a group of young people with autism brave enough to get up and speak about their experiences. This wonderful event is being showcased at the Randwick Town Hall tomorrow April 6 from 3-5 pm. See flyer inside the newsletter today.

### **Eggstra-ordinary Egg Challenge**

Thank you to the many families who submitted imaginative creations in our Eggstra-ordinary Egg Competition this year which were displayed outside my office. Entries included the following decorated eggs: *eggshibition*, *eggsercise*, *eggshausted*, *eggscuse*, *eggshume*, *eggsporer* and so on. Original entries this year included displays entitled *Leggo*, *Eggs Factor* and *Eleggtion* which was apt at this time. The challenge closed today, Friday 5 April. Prizes will be awarded on Monday 8 April for creativity and originality.

### **Easter Baskets for Meals on Wheels**

All students at Bellevue Hill have made an Easter basket and card to be included on trays for Meals on Wheels recipients over the Easter holidays. We usually receive lovely letters of thanks from elderly people after receiving these simple gifts. The school has purchased one small chocolate egg to be placed in the basket, however students are at liberty to add other small eggs as well if they so wish.



### **P&C**

Many thanks to our generous P&C who voted to donate \$22,715 from the Building Fund to pay for the tinting of windows in the new building as well as tinting of windows on the eastern side of the old building. This tinting drastically reduces glare and heat inside both buildings.

Attending the P&C meetings is a very pleasant and informative event. Topics about the school and the children's education are always discussed. Members of P&C committees such as the traffic, fundraising, environment as well as the uniform shop and class parents give reports. So, join us next term on 6 May at 7.30pm.

### **Some Important Dates for your Diary**

Throughout the year, we have major events which are important for parents to diarise:

|            |                             |
|------------|-----------------------------|
| July 31    | Year 3-6 Athletics Carnival |
| Aug 7      | School Photos               |
| Aug 14     | K-2 Athletics Carnival      |
| Sept 18-20 | Year 5 Camp                 |
| Oct 14-16  | Rehearsals for Musical K-6  |
| Oct 22-24  | SCHOOL MUSICAL Sths Jnrs    |
| Nov 6-8    | Year 4 Camp                 |
| Nov 15 -17 | P&C Camp                    |
| Dec 16     | Year 6 Farewell             |
| Dec 17     | School Picnic               |
| Dec 18     | Last Day Term 4             |

Our usual calendar inside shows weekly events.

### **Hot Cross Bun Day**

Next Thursday, there will be a recital by the band before school and hot cross buns will be sold on Thursday morning to raise funds for the BH school band. Woolworths at Bondi Junction have generously donated 200 buns for this purpose.

Sue Bennett,  
Principal

# BELLEVUE HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL

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5 April 2019

## Create East 2019

Students from NSW Public Schools throughout the Sydney East area are invited to apply to audition for this Gifted and Talented Creative Arts program. This is an intensive 3 day program that requires a high level of talent and commitment from students. The program runs over three days (21-23 August 2019) at NIDA, culminating in a theatrical performance.

Students from Years 4 to 6 at Bellevue Hill PS, who are gifted and talented in Band, Choir, Dance, Drama, Visual Arts or Film Production, are invited to request to be nominated to attend the audition process for Create East.

Please note that each school is able to send a maximum of 30 students to the auditions. This number is spread across all the Creative Arts areas. Students are able to attend one audition only.

Please read the information overleaf before applying for nomination. Please note that the student fees are payable only by those students selected by the audition process to participate in the program.

Return the form below to Ms Keeble by Tuesday 9 April. No late applications will be accepted. The BHPS Creative Arts committee will then consider all applications and select the students to represent Bellevue Hill PS at the Create East auditions.

Ms Kay Keeble, Assistant Principal

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

I would like my child to be nominated by Bellevue Hill PS to audition for the Create East 2019 program.

I understand that if he/she is nominated, I will be responsible for arranging for transport to and from the audition venue on Wednesday 12 June 2019 and paying the audition fee of \$10.

I understand also that if he/she is accepted into the Create East program, I will be responsible for arranging transport to and from NIDA for the three days of the program (21-23 August 2019) and for paying the participant's fee of \$190

I would like my child to audition for

☐

Dance

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Drama

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Choir

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Band

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Visual Arts

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Film Production

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Any further information (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

# Bellevue Hill Public School

## Stay informed with the SkoolBag App



The SkoolBag app is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minutes notices, newsletters and all school communications.

**1**

### Download the app

Search for the free SkoolBag app in the Apple App or Google Play Store

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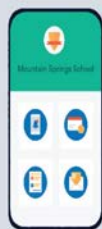
### Create an account

Sign up in seconds with your email address

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### Add your school

Search for your school and add your subscription groups



SkoolBag

***Thank you to those parents who have promptly paid their school levies. All funds are expended on student resources to improve our education delivery at BH.***

### School Levies 2019:

**Year K - \$443.00**

**Year 1 - \$448.50**

**Year 2 - \$437.50**

**Year 3 - \$437.50**

**Year 4 - \$437.50**

**Year 5 - \$437.50**

**Year 6 - 437.50**

## Advance Notice: Calendar

### APRIL

- 11 Hot Cross Bun Concert - 8:30am HALL
- 12 Last day - End of Term 1  
PJ MUFTI DAY! –Gold Coin Donation

### TERM 2

### APRIL

- Mon 29 Pupil Free Day**
- Tues 30 Students return to school**

### May

- 3 SCPSSA Sport begins
- 6 P&C Meeting 7.30 pm
- 13 Kindy Excursion to Calmsley Farm
- 14 NAPLAN online Y3&Y5 commences
- 21 Zone Cross Country
- 22 Musica Viva
- 23 NAPLAN online ceases
- 27 Living Eggs in Kindy
- 28 Peer Mediation Year 5

### June

- 3 P&C Meeting at 7.30pm
- 10 Queen's Birthday - Public Holiday**
- 11 Amazing Me Parent Night
- 17 Amazing Me Year 6
- 18 Amazing Me Year 5
- 24 Strings & Recorders Rehearsal  
Amazing Me Year 6
- 25 Kindergarten incursion Shelter Building  
Amazing Me Year 5

### July

- 1 Year 1 Excursion to Vaucluse House No. 1
- 2 Year 1 Excursion to Vaucluse House No. 2
- 5 SCPSSA concludes  
Last day Term 2

### Term 3

### July

- 22 Teacher's Professional Learning Day
- 23 All students return to school  
NAIDOC WEEK

## Merit & You Can Do It Awards

**Year K:** Ashley M, Jet J W, Libby N, Cole S, Zev G, Piper W, Sophia R, Gabi K F

**Year 1:** Lucas G, Hannah K, Hana S-P, Angela W, Abigail S, Elaad S, David L, Sapphire K

**Year 2:** Mia B, Noa B-I, Max G, Paula Q, Kian O, Amy S,

**Year 3:** Coby S, Jedd M, Daniel M, Aden M, Jeremy S, Ariana T

**Year 4:** Jamie L, Tony Z, Eden S, Joaquin D W, Kayla A, Elizabeth H

**Year 5:** Joe M, Heath B-A, Robbie C, Nela F

**Year 6:** Feliz C, Lucy E, Ben L, Cameron V H, Rashelle S, Adrian Q

### Hebrew:

Yr K - Joshua CSebastian L, Joshua M, Erez M, Taylor O, Shalev S

Yr 1 – Stella I, Judd C, Rafaella A, sapphire K,

Yr 2 – Chloe G, Ethan E, Uri M, Rachel J

Yr 3 – Noa M, Yonni S, Aden M, Joshua S

Yr 4 – Jaimie L, Leah M

Yr 5 – Shiri G, Shannon K, Zaneta D, Zac P

Yr 6 – Isabella G, Corey L

**Italian:** Natalia A (YrK), Rio K (Yr2), Alexis W (Yr3)  
Cameron V H (Yr6)

**Russian:** Libby N (Yr K), Victoria B (Yr2), Anastasia L (Yr3), Anna O (Yr5)



### Woolworths Earn & Learn is back!

Wednesday 1 May to Tuesday 25 June 2019

Woolworths are giving Bellevue Hill Public School a chance to earn some amazing new educational equipment from Modern Teaching Aids.



### TO GET INVOLVED, SIMPLY:

Shop at Woolworths and earn 1 sticker for every \$10 you spend

Stick them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. You can pick one up from the school office or any Woolworths store.

Once you've filled your Sticker Sheet, pop it into a Collection Box at Double Bay or Bondi Junction



# Bellevue Hill Public School



## WELCOME TO KIDS CLUB Before Care, After Care and Holiday Club

Kids Club is a fantastic Before and After School Care Centre in the grounds of Bellevue Hill Public School where your child/ren can come along with their friends for a morning or afternoon filled with sport, science activities, indoor and outdoor games and loads more.

If you are interested in finding out more please visit our website at [www.kidsclubosh.com.au](http://www.kidsclubosh.com.au)

Enrolling at Kids Club is easy, just click onto Forms on our website then download, complete and return your Enrolment Form to the centre or email it to [admin@kidsclubosh.com.au](mailto:admin@kidsclubosh.com.au).

We have both permanent and casual bookings available.

If you have any questions or would like to come in and have a look around please call 9369 3643 or email [bellevuehill@kidsclubosh.com.au](mailto:bellevuehill@kidsclubosh.com.au)

*Please see our next school holiday program that is attached to this newsletter!*

## P&C Fundraiser

### The Entertainment Book 2019

For great deals on dining, takeaway, attractions as well as travel and retail offers.

**[www.entbook.com.au/204v973](http://www.entbook.com.au/204v973)**

If a hard copy book is required rather than the electronic version, once payment has been made, bring along your receipt or you may like to send it with your child to collect your book from the office.

**Contact: Vanessa Fajwul: Mob: 0411 376 395**

**Email: [fudges@gmail.com](mailto:fudges@gmail.com)**

## Green Team



**Congratulations to 2S for being the Waste-Free class of the week. 100% of students in 2S class were waste free!** It is fantastic to see so many students with waste-free lunches. Please add a stripe of paint to the pot and place the succulent in a sunny spot for the week.

Unless someone like  
you cares a whole  
awful lot,  
nothing is  
going to get  
better.  
It's not.



**BHPS kids need your help NOW!**



## PARENT TUTOR PROGRAM

Bellevue Hill Public School runs a unique and essential Parent Tutor Program that caters for students who have not acquired the basic skills needed to become functional readers.

Children who have failed to learn to read in the first few years of schooling need intensive, systematic reading instruction if they are not to fall further behind, or even become complete non-readers.

Parents, grandparents and friends of BHPS can volunteer as much or as little of their time to give one on one support to children who qualify for the program.

The Parent Tutor Program is an extremely valuable program in our school that supports students learning to read. It involves the school and our community working together to help our children achieve their potential.

**TRAINING WILL BE SUPPLIED AT THE SCHOOL.**

For more information please contact:

Vivienne Beck – Parent Tutor Program Coordinator – [vivienne.beck@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:vivienne.beck@det.nsw.edu.au)

Please note: anyone interested in volunteering will need a current Working with Children Check.



**TUTORS NEEDED URGENTLY!**



**Reminder**  
**Pyjama Mufti Day**  
**Last Day of Term**

## AUTISM AND ME

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SYDNEY ... IT'S TIME AGAIN TO GIVE THEM THE STAGE



Hear the unique stories  
of our young people on  
the spectrum

Join us at The  
Randwick Town Hall

Date: Saturday April 6  
Time: 3.00 - 5.00 pm

Address: 90 Avoca St  
Randwick, Sydney

Proudly supported by



**\$30 for Single Ticket**  
**\$60 for Family Ticket**

Bookings at <http://bit.ly/autismandmeevent>

## Mufti Day - Last Day of Term!

Pyjama day! It's always a pleasure to spend all day in pyjamas, just lying there doing nothing...

Well, on the last day of the term we're having a pyjama day! There will be a movie playing and popcorn brought in from the amazing group organising it all – the SRC. All your child has to do, is wear some appropriate PJ's, bring in a gold coin and have fun!

**The gold coin donation goes to the Sydney Children's Hospital.** The reason that we're wearing pyjamas, is for the kids that have to wear PJ's all the time that they're in there because they're most likely going to stay there for a long time or are too sick to leave bed so please, help our cause and wear some pyjamas, bring a gold coin and have fun!

SRC Leadership Team

# Bellevue Hill Public School

## Yrs 3-6 Cross Country – Centennial Park

Bellevue Hill Public School students travelled to Centennial Park on Thursday 4 April to compete in the Cross Country Carnival.

The students were supported by many proud parents and grandparents'. Conditions were good and strong sense of camaraderie ensured the students were all excited and looking forward to their respective events.

In each event there were more than 30 competitors so competition for places was strong. There were some outstanding performances right across the board in particular Luca B. and Riley P. both of whom won their respective events and who will lead very strong age groups into the Zone Carnival

Congratulations to all of our competitors who completed the course. Doing so was a personal achievement and indicative of the strength of character that prevails amongst the students. Dean J. was superb and after not being able to complete the course last year finished in 14 place which was outstanding and something of which he should feel very proud. As should Cy P. who this year completed an extra lap, sensational boys !

The challenge now is for us all to train that little bit harder and improve our standing in the schools list and by so doing lift Bellevue Hill into the top 3 !

Thank you to everyone for their support. In particular I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Brash whose commitment , thorough organisation and planning ensured that the event was one of the best carnivals I have attended.

Regards

Darran Rawson

## PEER MEDIATION @ BHPS

From Term 2 BHPS will be using Peer Mediators to help resolve minor conflicts with students. Peer mediation programs are used in schools to teach students the principles and techniques of conflict resolution so that they can solve their own minor disputes. Year 6 students have been trained under the supervision of Ms Vlahos to use a systematic mediation process to resolve disputes. Peer Mediation fits into the Department's Student Welfare, Anti-bullying, Anti-racism and Anti-discrimination policies and procedures. Peer Mediation invites students (disputants) to take responsibility for their actions by working together to find solutions to conflict. It involves two trained students (mediators) leading the disputants through a structured process. The mediators do not take sides and conflicts mediated remain confidential. Ms Vlahos will provide ongoing supervision and support for Year 6 BHPS student mediators.

The program aims to:

- increase awareness of how conflict affects people's lives
- improve communication between students and between teachers and students
- empower students by having them take greater responsibility for resolving their own disputes

Congratulations to the following Year 6 students who were elected as Peer Mediators in 2019. Badges were presented at today's 3-6 Assembly. Lexie, Sonia, Annabelle, Lucy, Ashleigh, Nicola , Eden G, Sarah, Franki, Samara, Isabella Liebman, Isabella Lopez, Lily, Layla, Rashelle, Claire, Naomi, Joel, Ben, Kirill, Alessandro, Levi, Jonathan.



## Italian - Carnevale

**"A carnevale ogni scherzo vale!" - At Carnevale, every joke counts!**

Students of Italian in Years 1-6, participated and enjoyed a cultural event, Carnevale, by parading in their masks.

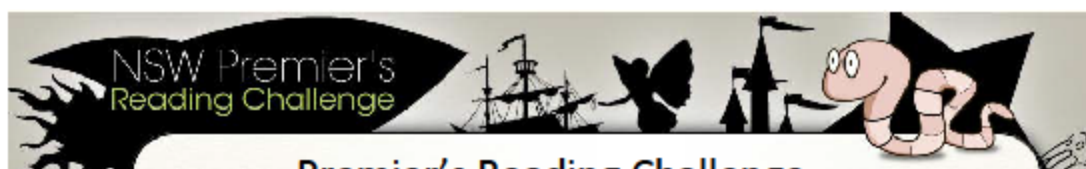
They enjoyed sampling "Crostoli", a traditional Italian sweet eaten during Carnevale; sponge biscuits, the main ingredient to make tiramisu; and a variety of biscotti. Students also had a joke to tell and every joke counted! Stage Three students performed and improvised role plays as improvisation was an acting technique used during Carnevale.

It was a wonderful experience to remember.  
Bravi ragazzi!

Signorina Infante







## Premier's Reading Challenge


This year in library class, BHPS students are being encouraged to participate in the 2019 NSW Premiers Reading Challenge. The challenge began on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March and concludes on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August. All books must be logged online by 11.59pm on this date for your child to receive a certificate at the end of the year. You may need to assist your child to log their books online, however extensive demonstrations have been given in Library lessons and additional assistance will be available in future lessons and at Library Lunchtime should your child need. All books must be logged online. The following instructions should assist you to do this at home. Don't hesitate to contact me should you have any further questions. Happy Reading!

*Miss Smith*

The PRC website is on the DET Portal. Students need to log into their DET PORTAL here, using their personal username and password; <https://student.det.nsw.edu.au/>

### To access the Premiers Reading Challenge Website;

- Go to the LEARNING link and click on More.
- Click on the Premiers Reading Challenge link.
- If you are not logged on, click Log On and use the same log in details as you do for your portal.

To access the new PRC website, follow the link on the homepage. If the 2019 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge heading is on a green background, you are already on the new website. Click the red arrow  to watch a video on how to use the new website.

- To view your child's Student Reading Record, click on the Avatar in the top right hand corner of the screen and then on My Reading Record to the left of the page.
- Click Saved Books next to the Student Reading Records link, to view books you have saved.
- To return to the home screen, click Home in the top right hand corner.

### To log books;

- Type the name of your book in the Blue Box and click Search. Scroll down to find your book and click Add to Student Reading Record.
- Alternatively, click on the appropriate year group and genre icons in the Yellow Box to guide your search, as described in the video. Once again, scroll down to find your book and click Add to Student Reading Record.

### Basic rules of the Challenge;

- K-2 students can log books from the K-2 lists, as well as the Year 3-4 lists if they want a greater challenge.
- Year 3/4 students can log books from the Year 3-4 lists, as well as the Year 5-6 lists
- Year 5/6 students can log books from the Year 5/6 lists, as well as the Year 7-9 lists (with parent consent)
- The rules indicate that Year 3-6 students must read the books themselves but K-2 students may have help.
- To receive a certificate, K-2 students must read and log 30 books.
- To receive a certificate, Year 3-6 students must read and log 20 books.
- 5 of the 20 or 30 logged books can be books of the student's own choice. This is optional. Pink icons will appear on the Student Reading Record for such books. The system will not let you log more than 5.
- Own choice books can be read in the student's first language, if English is their second language.

# You Can Do It!

## Student Wellbeing @ BHPS

### Confidence with Hebrew

#### Term One has been very busy in our Hebrew classes!

We have been learning about : "Who am I?" and "Who is in my family?"

*Mi ani? Mi Bamishpacha sheli?*

We created "Wanted "

*Mevukash/Mevukeshet* posters where we described what the people on our "Wanted List" look like.

Students wrote fantastic Hebrew sentences, and read all about "Myself and My family"

We sang traditional Hebrew songs with great gusto and plenty of actions.

For Purim Year 3 and Year 5 visited Our Big Kitchen. We baked Hamentashen and then shared them with all our friends at school.

We provide an opportunity for equal participation and create an open, positive environment for learning.

In every lesson we focus on improving our Hebrew skills and making the classroom a happy place.

We strive to make students feel confident and more motivated to achieve their Hebrew goals!

**BEHATZLACHA!**

