



## Principal's Report

### Settling into school

All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 have settled back into school routine very quickly and smoothly, including all new students. Our seniors in Year 6 have commenced the year in a very calm & positive manner, conducive to successful learning and preparation for high school.

### Kindergarten

Routines for Kindergarten have been set up very quickly and the students are enjoying their time at school.

**Buddies:** The buddy system is working well now even though we have more Kindergarten students than buddies, so two students have been allocated to some lucky Year 5 students. Kindy students will have access and time with their buddies over the next two years while the buddies are at Bellevue Hill. The buddy system is a highly valued program at BH.

### Change for Kindergarten next week:

1. Parents will need to drop their children at the gate every morning. The students can then move to the COLA to be united with their teacher;
2. Kindy recess time will be moved forward to allow the Kindy children free access to the playground and play equipment before the other children from Year 1 to 6;
3. This week, there was a lot of confusion resulting from different dismissal times and exit locations. As well, many parents have chosen the later pick up time.

So, **next week, all Kindy students will be dismissed at 3.15 pm** to their dedicated afternoon location eg parent pick up at the carpark gate, BASC, Jems, older sibling pick up and/or *Go With the Flow*.

### Music at Bellevue Hill

There is a comprehensive music program at BH for all students. Please find details inside and attached regarding our band and tutor program.

### Uniform

Students are looking very smart in their uniforms this year and I understand that hats will be back in stock at the uniform shop very soon. I have noticed however that while the vast majority of students are complying with our school rules, some students, even in Kindergarten are not wearing their black shoes.

**NB Black shoes** are a vital part of our BH uniform and complete the smart look of a proud Bellevue Hill Public School student. Please ensure your child has fully black shoes with no brands or white markings.

### Meet the Teacher

Our *Meet the Teacher/Parent Information evenings* are being organised for next week commencing on Monday 15 February. The sessions will last about one hour and include an introduction to all teachers on the grade followed by information about the program for Term 1. An information newsletter will be sent out from each grade prior to the evening. A link to the session will be sent out next week.

The schedule is:

	Monday 15 Feb	Tuesday 16 Feb	Wednesday 17 Feb
5.00 pm	Year 6	Kindy	Year 1 & 5/6B
5.30 pm	Year 4		Year 3
6.00 pm		Year 2	

Later in the term, individual interviews will be conducted by telephone/zoom to report on your child's progress.

If you need to contact your teacher, individual emails will be provided in the newsletter.

**Sue Bennett**  
Principal



## **Leadership**

### **2021 School Captains**

#### **Jamie**

Hi everyone my name is Jamie and I'll be one of your school captains for 2021. My interests are technology, playing games and puzzles and sport, especially soccer and basketball. I am a keen Manchester United fan. I have two brothers and a dog named Hugo.

A lot of my relatives and family friends have attended Bellevue Hill. My cousin was a sports captain in 2017. In 2018 my brother and other cousin were the respective boy and girl school captains. I guess you could say it runs in the family.

I am going to put an ideas box in the office so all students can have a voice and share ideas to make student life at Bellevue Hill better. Bellevue Hill is a wonderful community and I feel honoured to be this year's school captain. I have had 6 great years and have made some amazing friends. I'm looking forward to inspiring the students to be the best they can be. We had a tough year last year but am confident that 2021 will be a lot brighter for all at Bellevue Hill.

#### **Riley**

I'm Riley and I'm one of the school captains for 2021. I'm so excited to be one of the leaders at Bellevue Hill Public School this year. My family has been a regular fixture at BHPS for so many years. My oldest sister, Zoe, started Kindy in 2010, which means that this will be my family's 11th year at this amazing school! Not only did I have all of my siblings at BHPS when I started in 2015, but I was lucky enough to have my twin brother and 3 cousins begin their school journey with me as well!

I love playing lots of different sports and I will make sure to encourage our school in everything we participate in this year. I am so excited for the PSSA tryouts that are happening over the next 2 weeks. I encourage as many students as possible to try out because it is so much fun just to give it a go and to represent the school in one of the sports teams.

I love helping others so if you ever need anything just come to me and I will do my best to help you out. I have so many great ideas to make this school even better than it already is and I can't wait to see what new and exciting things we will be doing this year!





# Leadership

## Congratulations

Congratulations to Year 6 students Jaimee A and Luka B for gaining Freeman house leadership positions. Jaimee, who was a House Captain will now take on the role of House Prefect and Luka has taken up the position of House Captain with its responsibilities.

Both students were ecstatic when Mrs Bennett presented their badges at a special presentation yesterday.



Our 2021 leadership team have taken on their responsibilities with great gusto, greeting students and parents each morning with a smile at our front gates.

Using 'Leading by Example' as their motto, they have been outstanding role models and proud BHPS students.

Well done to our 2021 leadership team.

## Ice Blocks

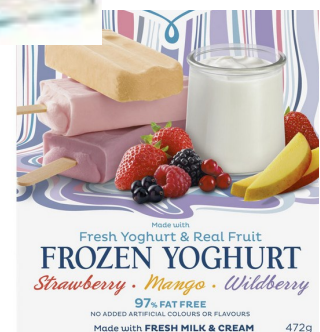
Every Tuesday and Thursday students may like to purchase an ice block from the canteen which is located under the COLA at recess time.

There are multi flavoured icy poles and multi flavoured yoghurt sticks as well as Berri Quelch frozen fruit sticks.

**All Ice blocks are \$1**  
**Small Bags of**  
**Popcorn \$1**

Kindergarten students are only able to purchase a Berri Quelch frozen fruit stick made with 99% real fruit juice. These will be delivered to their teachers prior to the recess bell.

From Term 2 Kindergarten will purchase their own ice block from the canteen .





# Student Wellbeing

## Year 1



### We Are All Bucket Fillers

To start the year in Year 1, we have been reading the Bucket Filler book to focus on our own and others' wellbeing. The book explains how everybody has an invisible bucket that we can 'fill' by being kind to each other and making good choices. Year 1 students thought about different ways they could fill their own and each others' buckets and came up with lots of ideas like;

- Giving compliments
- Trying your best
  - Sharing
- Playing with each other

Students then decorated their own 'buckets' to hang around our learning space. When they would like to fill somebody's bucket they can leave a special note or drawing in that students' bucket.



Students also drew self portraits using pencil and collage techniques to create beautiful artworks. These give students a sense of ownership over their home spaces as well as looking incredible on the wall!



# Primary ETHICS

## Could you be an **ethics teacher** for Bellevue Hill Public School?

We are seeking volunteers to provide ethics classes for all the families who have requested it for their children.

Ethics teachers receive full training by Primary Ethics, the not-for-profit organisation approved to design curriculum and training for the ethics program. Training consists of a two day workshop and short online modules. Lesson materials are provided.

Suitable volunteers have an interest in children's education and development of critical thinking skills and must be available for at least one class on Friday each week.

In ethics classes, children learn how to think logically, disagree respectfully and support their arguments with evidence, rather than act according to blind habit or peer pressure.

Children discuss topic such as:

- imagining how others feel
- how do we treat living things?
- what is laziness?
- how do we disagree in a respectful way?
- fairness

If you are looking for an opportunity to make a valuable contribution to our school, please visit

[www.primaryethics.com.au](http://www.primaryethics.com.au)

and/or contact

Our BHPS school Ethics CoOrdinator

Claire Kemperman

Email: [clairekemperman@hotmail.com](mailto:clairekemperman@hotmail.com)

## Thank you BHPS from the Sydney Children's Hospital

At the end of last year, my sister Keira, who was the vice captain of Bellevue Hill Public School, organised a gift drive for the Sydney Children's Hospital. Keira and I handed over the gifts to the Hospital on behalf of BHPS just before Christmas.

Thank you to everyone at BHPS who kindly donated to the gift drive. We collected so many awesome gifts such as stationery, lego, puzzles, games, Rebel vouchers and arts and crafts sets.

The staff at the hospital were so grateful for all the gifts. They said the children would be so excited. I was really happy to be able to help my sister do something good for the hospital because everyone at the hospital was so nice to me when I was there last year after I hurt my eye really badly playing soccer.

Thank you for making a difference to the sick children at the hospital!

Jamie -Year 4







## Merit Awards Week 2

### Kindergarten:

Juliet M, Dean K, Ella Rose M,  
William W, Samuel K, Beau B,  
Georgia F, Alex T, Aviel R, Remy N

**Year 1:** TBA next week

### Year 2:

Joshua H, Talia F, Rachel Q,  
Fiona I, Jet J-W, Jay T, Ella R, Theo  
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### Year 3:

Tommy C, Hannah G, Harry S-G,  
Henry V H, Lyla T, Hannah K

### Year 4:

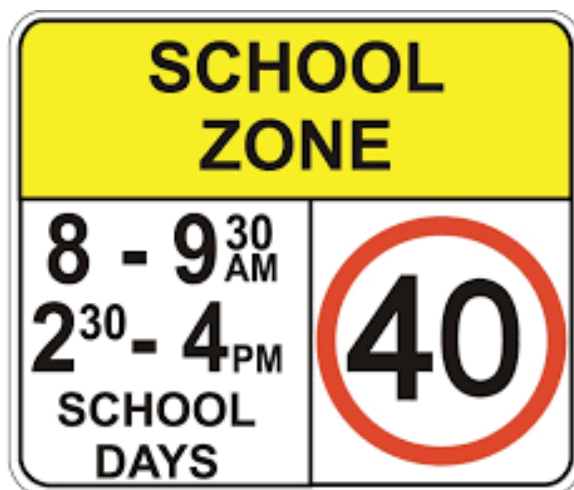
Sabal S, Tael Z, Adam K, Leona D,

### Year 5:

Jedd M, Kitty-S-G, Adrian P,  
Charlotte C, Anael M, Jordana G

### Year 6:

Eithann B, Phoebe D, Misheel M



**Fines around schools are  
more severe  
than other areas.**

## ILLEGAL PARKING PUTS CHILDREN'S LIVES AT RISK



Children are small, harder to see, behave unpredictably and are extremely vulnerable. They need YOU to take extra care when driving and parking around school zones.



### No Parking

No waiting. You have 2 minutes to drop-off or pick-up. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.



### No Stopping

You must not stop on a length of road with a No Stopping sign. The first 10m from an intersection is a no stopping zone. Yellow kerb lines are also No Stopping zones.



### Bus Zone

Only a public bus can stop in a bus zone.



### Mobile Phones

Extra fines apply for using mobile phones in a school zone.



May be subject to Double Demerits



### Speeding Offences

40km/h is the limit. Children are vulnerable, so slow down in school zones.



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### Pedestrian Crossings

1. In a queue of traffic, no part of your vehicle can stop on a pedestrian crossing.  
2. Do not let your child in or out of a vehicle at a pedestrian crossing as this is a No Stopping zone.



### Driveways & Footpaths

Do not park on or across a driveway or footpath.



### U turns

Illegal on or near a pedestrian crossing and across double white lines.



### Double Parking

Double parking is illegal and is very dangerous in a school zone.



**INNER WEST COUNCIL**

\*Fines current as of March 2018. Fines and demerit points are subject to change. For more information check out the NSW Centre for Road Safety website.

## DON'T BE LEFT OUT! WE NEED YOUR DETAILS

Your class parent is now putting together a class list so we need your details asap! This Parent Contact List is used for many things - passing on info from the P&C and the school about upcoming events, organising play dates and birthday parties.

It's so simple - all you need to do is fill out this form with your details:

<https://bit.ly/bhps-parents21> (it'll take less than one minute)

### BE A CLASS PARENT

We have THREE class parent roles that still need to be filled (4B, 5K & 6BG). If you would like to volunteer for any of the vacant class parent positions, please can you complete this form:

<http://bit.ly/bhps-classparent> Or email [LISAPELES@YAHOO.COM](mailto:LISAPELES@YAHOO.COM)

### MEET YOUR CLASS PARENTS FOR 2021

KA	Simita Banerjee	simitab@gmail.com		3V	Bridget Muir	bmuir83@gmail.com
KB	Nicola Schie	nicola.schie@gmail.com		3P	Lisa Peles	lisapeles@yahoo.com
KG	Laura Carmichael	lauragalvanek@gmail.com		3WB	Michael Schiavello	mikeymyx@gmail.com
KH	Simone Kery	simonekery2@gmail.com				
KV	Nadine Tuback	nadinetub@gmail.com		4W	Deena Sher	deena.sher@gmail.com
				4B		
1DM	Michelle Tsitalovskiy	michelle_tsitalovskiy@hotmail.com		4K	Caryn Joffe	caryn.joffe@gmail.com
1CR	Debbie Fooks	debbie@ivylanefloral.com.au				
1P	Abbie Lusthaus	abbiesl@hotmail.com		5A	Susan Uy	susan_uy@yahoo.com
1R	Lisa Peles	lisapeles@yahoo.com		5K		
				5/6B	Annette Olschewski	nettikroch@yahoo.com
2C	Monique Glatter	mglatter@me.com				
2L	Elisa Isaacs	elisalake@hotmail.com		6V	Michelle kasimov	michkasimov@gmail.com
2M	Heidi Jones	msheidijones@gmail.com		6BG		
2S	Krysha Ellis	krysha.ellis11@gmail.com				

Thank you to those wonderful parents who have already volunteered as class parents!

Please contact Class Parent Coordinator  
Lisa Peles with any questions - [lisapeles@yahoo.com](mailto:lisapeles@yahoo.com)

"YOUR  
MUSIC  
JOURNEY  
BEGINS  
NOW"



# MUSIC at BHPS

## START YOUR JOURNEY TODAY

We are so excited to be back with our music program at BHPS. Applications are open now until the end of WEEK 3. We have attached brochure below but you can find more info on the BHPS website. Lessons happen during school hours whilst our ensembles are held before school on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

We also invite any students learning outside of school to come and be part of our ensemble program. We have spots in our Senior and Training Band as well as Senior and Junior Strings. Please contact us at [info@themusicsuite.com.au](mailto:info@themusicsuite.com.au) for information.



**NB Flyer  
Attached to the  
newsletter**





## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT: BHPS GO WITH THE FLOW



- 1) Use common sense. Be courteous to and considerate of others.
- 2) No parking zone! Stop for 2 mins max
- 3) Remain in, or within 3 metres of your car.
- 4) NO DOUBLE PARKING
- 5) **AVOID** turning right from Victoria Rd. Use the roundabout on Birriga Rd to join the queue.
- 6) Kids enter & exit from the left car door only.
- 7) Don't cut into the queue from the right
- 8) Always **give way to buses**

You must register to use Go With The Flow.  
email: [bellevuehillgwtf@gmail.com](mailto:bellevuehillgwtf@gmail.com) for details.