



THE BULLETIN



Christmas Giving Tree

A very big thank you to all of our families and staff who were able to support our Christmas Giving Tree. Uniting Harrison at Knox was over whelmed with the generosity of our BSPS community in helping to support those in need this Christmas.

Key Dates- for your diary

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
to all our BSPS families.



Term Dates 2019

Thu Jan 31	School begins for 2019
Fri Apr 5	Term One ends
Term 2	Tue Apr 23—Fri June 28
Term 3	Mon July 15—Fri Sept 20
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Learning & Leading *through Languages*



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Principal's Message— Goodbye 2018, Hello 2019

Dear Parents, Staff & Students,

So another year ends, with another new year around the corner. This week we have said goodbye to our Graduating class of 2018, some of our inspirational staff and of course some of our families. We sincerely thank everyone of them for their contribution to our wonderful school community and wish them all the very best for the future.

As we ride into the sunset the following is some final information for your reading pleasure.

Farewell

Just in case you missed it, the Staff we say goodbye to are:

Lucy Derix and Tiia Wilson- who have both worked enormously for us over the year and will spend next year with a new little member in their families. We look forward to them visiting us in the new year.

Tom Nguyen- our sporting soccer star and coach who has done a great job replacing Lucy.

Lisa Gilson- our mature graduate, who has developed her craft as a student and teacher here at Bayswater South. I know she is looking forward to working closer to home.

Ben Zonca- our PYP coordinator, who leaves us too soon after an impressive first year, but Assistant Principal opportunities beckon. Our journey towards IB accreditation is well underway due to Ben's leadership this year.

Kiran Oates Pryor- our Wellbeing Coordinator, who has been instrumental in the development of our social and emotional program here at BSPS. Her leadership in this area will be sorely missed, as she has been a role model of how to effectively build relationships with students and staff. Further family opportunities leads her to Tasmania where I expect her to take out a North Melbourne membership.

Linton Roe- one of the key members of our staff behind the development of our successful BSPS Bilingual program. His leadership and musical nous has been invaluable. Linton will spend next year working as an expert Language Consultant for the Catholic Education Office.

Council- we say goodbye to our leaving committee members, thank you to Steve Halliwell who has been instrumental in the school building a sustainable financial model. Thank you to Mandy Jarvis for over a number of important years now, who has made important suggestions and contributions that have helped shape BSPS to what it is today and to our President, Martine Edlinger who has been a softly spoken voice of reason, a contributor behind the scenes who has provided a balanced supportive presence to all. We thank them on behalf of the community for their passion, time and commitment to our school.

Finally to our graduating class of 2018, the doors of opportunity are open for you enter, and we



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know your years at Bayswater South will stand you in fine stead. A special thank you to all the parents who supported and helped with the Graduation, especially Sladjana, Christina and Tracey P and family (for the amazing student legacy posts).

Staff and Class organisation for 2019

So here is the outline for next year at your fingertip. We start with the staff organisation followed by the room allocation for 2019:

CLASS	HOMEROOM TEACHER
Prep A	Astrid May
Prep B	Sylvia Schmelzle
Prep C	Megan Payne
1/2A	Maria McCluskey/Alice Wirth
1/2B	Annette Schmelzle/Janene Hill
1/2C	Jessica Koch
1/2D	Tayla Devilee
1/2E	Desiree Blaich
3A	Christian Morf
3B	Kate Williams
4A	Dan Zielinski
4B	Melanie Chadwick/Tim Aris
5/6A	Paul Wilson
5/6B	Mark Williams
5/6C	Emily Corcoran
Specialists	
Art	Petra Murrihy
PE	Matt Campbell
EAL	Andrea Dell orso
Education Support	Judy Williams, Faye Minahan

So we say a special welcome to Jessica Koch, Emily Corcoran, Tim Aris, Paul Wilson, Melanie Chadwick, and Brooke Leslie. We look forward to learning more about them and we are sure they will make a big impact in 2019.

Our class structure for 2019, has taken into account the number of students for 2019 (up from 337 to 350) and future year projections, the potential mix of the students, key strategic plan goals, DET guidelines, teacher expertise and collaborative opportunities. Here it is for 2019:

Class Number	Year Level	Building
Prep A	Prep	Building A—Room 5
Prep B	Prep	Building A—Room 3
Prep C	Prep	Building A—Room 4
1/2A	1/2	Room 14
1/2B	1/2	Room 11
1/2C	1/2	Room 12
1/2D	1/2	Room 10
1/2E	1/2	Room 9
3A	3	Portable Room 6
3B	3	Portable Room 7
4A	4	Portable Room 8
4B	4	Portable Room 17
5/6A	5/6	LLC Room 4
5/6B	5/6	LLC Room 3
5/6C	5/6C	LLC Room 2
Other Rooms		
1	Office	Building A
2	Meeting Room	Building A—Room 1
3	EAL	Building A—Room 2
4	Library	Building B
5	Art	Building B
6	Music	Building B—Room 13
7	Hall	Building B
8	Science	LLC—Room 1
9	Media Room	LLC—Room Entry

In other important news we congratulate the following students who will form our Year 6 Leadership team in 2019:

- Captains Deakin K & Amelie P
- Vice Captains Anders F & Hannah L
- Wellbeing captains Cian E & Mia L
- Academic Captains Sashenka F & Josiah S
- Sports Captains Ella W & Patrick W

Signing off

As I sign off for 2018, here is some work and thoughts from Mav, a year 5 who shared with me some of his thoughts on 2018. It was great to see him excited about his work and grateful for the support he had received from the special staff we have at BSPS.

A small assortment of poems about this year. Written By Maverik Grassby 5/6Z

The water gushed through main door covering the floor muddy water from the oval. The water kept going with the force of one thousand newtons soaring down the ramp. It bounced off the stairs one by one etching into the stone micrometer by micrometer. Flushing away the scent of any inhabitants. And now people try to fix it, or at least delay it.

As people slowly wandered up the stone steps, the smell of hot chocolate and coffee flew through the air. People kept walking up the stairs. Until the clock hit 8:30. We all grouped onto the train, and then the trip began. We arrived at Southern Cross Station and walked down to the hotel and dropped off our bags.

The end of the year is close and school at an end, for the year. I'd like to thank all the teachers for surviving another year without going mad. I would like to especially thank Mr. Zonca for being an amazing teacher this year and unlocking my hidden talents. Farewell Mr. Zonca.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and the very best for 2019

Jayson Williams

Principal

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Tweetification of the week

Year 6 mystery tour

Follow US!

This week's Oscar was presented to - Our Year 6 Graduating Class

BSPS Reminder & News Snippets



- ✓ **Emergency details**— It is every parents' responsibility to ensure your emergency details are updated regularly.
- ✓ **Bike safety** - Students are reminded to walk their bikes and scooters on school grounds. While on pathways all students must look out for pedestrians and keep a good distance between themselves and other children.
- ✓ **Dogs on the school grounds**—Could parents please refrain from bringing their dogs onto the school grounds, as per School Council regulations. Any dog on school grounds must have obtained special permission from the Council.

BSPS Effective Communication Channels

- ◆ Student query/issue= Contact the classroom teacher
- ◆ School wide query/issue = Contact Jayson or Bret
- ◆ Financial - Administration query /issue = Contact the office.

NB. Our Parents' Club's Facebook page is not an *official* communication channel of BSPS.



Birthday Wishes go the following students who had a birthday last week and will have one over the holidays

Sahara F, Maverik G, Tobias W, Katarina G, Zack A, Harper E, Lucas W, Marley B, Daniel D, Maxim G, Mila R, Lillian D, Matthew R, Ved V, Cooper W, Thomas C, Jackson G, Jessica T, Ryan T, Abby L, Charlotte B, Seb Saad, Declan C, David G, Kyle H, Liora J, Chelsea S, Princess V, Declan S, Kayla W, Jannis F, Mihajilo G, Lyman E, Elise T, Taj O,





From the Assistant Principal



As we come to the end of another busy year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of our BSPS community, parents, teachers and students, for the role they have had in making our 2018 school year so successful. Given the outstanding achievements and performance this year, our hopes are only getting higher for the upcoming school year, BSPS Parents/Carers,

On behalf of our school, I want to thank all the parents, carers and families who have taken on the demanding job of being engaged in your child's education. Parents, the importance of your support is immeasurable. When we educators hit a bump, help us plough through it. We simply cannot succeed without you.

Special thank-you to;

- Library helpers for your long hours of hard work recently
- Graduation Parent helpers for your time and energy
- Parents who attended and supported school, district and regional sporting events
- Members of School Council for their work throughout the year
- Parents who came and listened to reading and helped in the class, we thank you.
- Parents Club led by Nicole Higham for a fantastic Christmas market.
- Thank you Parent Club for mothers and father's day stalls, icypoles and hot food lunches, movie nights, discos and raffles.
- Mums and dads that spend quality time each night to find out how their child's day went and to listen to them read and help them with their homework. We thank you for your support and partnership with our wonderful staff.

BSPS Staff

Working in a school can be a challenging but rewarding job. It is also one of the most important. To our wonderful staff, we hope you feel pride in your profession, and although you don't get the recognition you deserve most of the time, your dedication, caring, and expertise will leave life-affirming legacies in the students' lives you touch.

Special thank-you to;

- Chaplin Bronwyn, Psychologist Michael and Speech therapist Julie for their support of our students
- Her Roe and Frau Blaich for their leadership of our school choir this term.
- Staff involved in coordinating both prep and year 6 transition this semester
- All BSPS Staff for their positive impact and all that they have achieved with our students this year and for being so patient, kind, knowledgeable, enthusiastic and inspiring.

To our students

Since learning is a give and take, students aren't the only ones who gain from the classroom experience. Teachers also learn valuable life and academic lessons from their students when they take the time to notice and stay open to truly hearing the wisdom. Learning is a collaborative activity when it is happening at its best and we thank you for a terrific year.

Special thank-you to;

- 2018 School Captains for their leadership this year
- House captains, Wellbeing captains, Sport captains, and Academic captains, leadership is really important and we hope the year 5's can do as good a job as you next year, Well done.
- SRC leaders from each year level, for your work to improve the school
- Computer monitors, office monitors and class helpers
- Students that looked after our lovely snake and helped your teachers in other areas in your classrooms.
- Year 5's for being such terrific buddies to our preps this year
- Peer Mediators for the leadership and support you show out in the yard
- Environmental Crew – who are sweepers, leaf blowers, fence makers, sand bag fillers, rubbish picker-up-ers, vegie garden planters, mulch movers and much, much, more – thank you for all your hard work to keep our school looking great.

Have a terrific and safe holiday everyone and see you in the New Year!

Bret Mottrom - Assistant Principal

From Our Staff Wellbeing Coordinator



STAFF WELLBEING END OF YEAR UPDATE

Here at Bayswater South, a number of initiatives have been implemented since the start of the year to help improve the overall wellbeing of staff. Each term social events such as dinner or bowling are organised by a committee, to promote positive relationships between staff outside of the school environment. This year we have trialled having an afternoon tea on the last day of each term, which has provided staff with an opportunity to relax, reflect and acknowledge their many achievements from the term. During this time, we also recognise and celebrate staff birthdays. Last Friday staff got together for an end of year function at a restaurant in Wantirna. Staff also participated in a 'Kris Kringle' present giving game, which was lots of fun. We had a very enjoyable evening.

Herr Roe and Herr Morf also started an 'After School Running/Walking Club' during Term 3 which has been well received. A number of staff have taken the opportunity to get outside in the fresh air and walk or run around a circuit mapped out by Herr Roe and Herr Morf.

We also have a 'Staff Shout Outs' board in the staffroom, which has provided staff with an opportunity to write a note to thank each other for the many things they do. Staff use sticky notes to write their messages and these are collected at the end of each term and put into a jar. During our end of term afternoon tea, a staff member pulls out two notes from a jar and the writer and recipient of the note receive a small gift such as chocolates. All notes are then distributed to staff for them to read and keep.

In conclusion, it would be safe to say that the staff at Bayswater South always have each other's wellbeing and best interests in mind and support each other willingly.

Astrid May

Staff Wellbeing Coordinator





From Our Maths Coordinator



2018 in Mathematics

Our year has been a busy one. It is always a busy one. Which makes the achievements of the students and teachers this year extra impressive.

Let's start with the students...

We have happy, engaged and creative students across the school at Bayswater South. They constantly surprise us with their persistence and determination in their journey towards mastering Mathematics.

From Prep – Year 2, our focus was always 'hands on' where the maths could be modelled and organised physically. The Years 3 – 6 while still using concrete materials, moved more toward representing their mathematical thinking through abstract expressions, equations and representations.

The students' response to assessments allowed us to target their point of need, zoom in and focus on specific skills and disciplines, as well as meaningfully report to you, the parents, at the end of each semester.

And now to the teachers...

Just like the students, we have happy, engaged and creative teachers at Bayswater South. Their expertise and intellect was the driving force behind a year of massive growth.

Teachers watched each other teach. This provided a platform for teachers to give and receive targeted feedback about their practice, language and dispositions – a huge success that will continue into 2019.

Our weekly coaching hours covered everything from inquiries into Mathematics, activities to support reasoning, important conversations about learning and teaching, assessment and data analysis. This was an important factor in the growth and development of the team. Look out 2019.

Finally, the entire staff aligned their focus around the power of formative assessment – building a picture of the needs of each student (social, physical, emotional, academic, cognitive, and behavioural). This is the corner stone of a meaningful and intentional learning environment and we can't wait to continue this important learning in 2019.

From the entire Mathematics Team, we thank you and look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Regards,

Dan Zielinski

Mathematics Learning Specialist.

A recap of 2018 from our Year Levels



It has been an amazing year for our Preppies!

Some highlights include:

- * Grandparent's Day
- * Mini Olympics
- * Mother's Day Afternoon Tea
- * Swimming
- * Letterland Dress Up Day
- * 100 Days of School
- * Father's Day Breakfast
- * Melbourne Museum
- * Healesville Sanctuary
- * Prep Presentation



On behalf of the Prep Team, we would like to thank the parents/carers for their support throughout the year. We are all very proud of the progress and development of the students.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!





Thank you from the Level 2 Team

Year 1 and 2 students have had a huge year of learning!

It has been exciting to develop our understanding and implementation of IB PYP program and to see the high student engagement in their learning this year. It is a privilege and honour to work with each student, and a gift to see their educational growth and their ability to use a positive growth mindset and The Seven Habits in their daily life. It makes our heart smile to see their confidence bloom.

The staff and students in level 2 would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank parents for their continued support throughout the year.

We wish everyone a safe and happy 'Festive Season!'

Kind Regards

Desiree, Kiran, Tayla, Lisa, Tiia, Paul and Kate

Years 3/4

WOW! What a wonderful year. The children had some amazing learning experiences and have grown in maturity and developed some critical thinking skills.

The year ended with an amazing camp experience that left the children with many long lasting memories.

Wishing all the families a merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

From the Year 3/4 team

Years 5/6

Fun, fantastic and fulfilled. Just a few words to describe the amazing year the year 5/6 students have experienced. The amazing times we shared at the Melbourne CYC camp, the Melbourne museum, the Footy days, German days and countless sporting events. We'd like to thank all the parents, teachers and school community for helping create these precious memories. The year 6 graduation was an example of how giving the parent community are in setting up such a magical night. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a safe holiday.

From the BSPS Year 5/6's of 2018.



From Our School Council President

Bayswater South School Council Wrap

WE ARE WORKING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

and

Happy Hanukkah

and

Happy any other celebrations I have missed!

A Warm Welcome all members of our school community to the 4th term edition of the 'Council Wrap'

We have come to the end of the 2018 school year. Time to take a break, enjoy some family time and recharge our batteries.

This year has been HUGE, with both expected and unexpected trials to test the mettle of our School & Council. Yet here we are at the end of it all stronger than ever.

This term has seen a couple of really marvelous celebrations.

Our Annual Weihnachtsmarkt. Largely organised by the Parents' Club led by our super-organiser Nicole Higham.

Huge thanks go out to all the stall-holders, staff, parent & community helpers, we couldn't do it without you.

In the week just past we have been celebrating the Graduating Class of 2018.

The Graduation itself was a wonderful celebration and I want to make mention of two very deserving recipients of the Sebald Prize and the K F Murphy Award in Declan Beekhof and Jack Gray respectively. Both students that are 'quiet achievers' and it's especially because of this that is gratifying that they have been recognized in such a special way.

On Thursday the Graduates enjoyed the Principal's Mystery Tour to Gumbya World at Tynong. A little cool for the water park side of things although looking pictures and videos on Twitter & Facebook it looks like everyone had a great day.

I want to make mention that we will be sadly losing some of our amazing teachers.

Herr Linton Roe who has always been a friendly face has spent many years as a senior member of the staff and has worked tirelessly promoting our Bilingual Model. He was the first person I spoke to when making enquiries into BSPS. His passion for our school was exciting and energising. I have never forgotten that first phone call, although I am sure Linton took many such calls and wouldn't remember at all!

Mrs Kiran Oates-Pryor such a caring, stable, comforting person to have around our school. She has always been a friendly ear. Always willing to spend time with people, a calm and steady presence in classrooms. Kiran has the love and respect of

everyone and will be sorely missed.

Mr Ben Zonka. WOW! in just one year Ben has had an enormous impact on both students and parents. The kids loved learning with him and parents delighted in the feedback coming home from the students. It wasn't expected that it would be long before Ben would move on to bigger and better things and we are really sad to be losing him after such a short time. It takes a special teacher and person to have the sort of impact that Ben has in such a short time.

Mrs Lisa Gilson I have not had a great deal of contact with Lisa in her time here, but when I have had occasion to speak with her, she has impressed on me her kind, friendly and calm manner—a great asset in a teacher. We hope she finds joy in working closer to home and cutting down the travel.

Although we are sad to see them leave us, we wish them all an amazing future and trust that they will be really happy on the path they have chosen and hope that they keep in touch and let us know how they are going.

Of course, this means a number of new teachers will be joining us in 2019. I am sure that they will be as energising as those who joined us in 2018 and look forward to meeting them.

2019 also brings the 50th Anniversary of Bayswater South Primary. The Planning Group have a lot of great ideas to celebrate and I can't wait to see what's in store. If you know any past students or staff please encourage them to get in contact with the school and join the celebrations.

It will also be our second year as an IB candidate school. We have high hopes that we will have accreditation/authorisation sometime in the near future.

I look forward to another year at Bayswater South and on behalf of the School Council I wish you well for the Summer Holidays!

Martine Edlinger
School Council President



**Our second hand uniform shop will
be open on open
on Wednesday,
6th February 2019 from
3.10pm - 3.25pm**

TeamKids Newsletter



What's Been Happening!

We have been busy with lots of Christmas activities including crafts, dance, Christmas dress up, Pass the parcel, charades, baking and more. We also had Royal dress up day; the children and staff dressed up as kings and queens along with making crowns and tiaras. Children enjoyed conducting all of the planned activities. We also had a big Christmas party and the children were blown away as they walked into the room of festivity filled with yummy food, cookies and prizes for everyone. Not only that but also, all of our children got gift packs from us, plus some activity packs for the Christmas. As this week is the last week of the term, we wish you a great and safe holiday. Our holiday program will be from 14th of Jan. Please make sure to book your child at least 48 hours before to save your spot.

Merry Christmas and happy new year!

Sherry and the team



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BAYSWATER SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL TURNS 50 IN 2019



WE ARE LOOKING FOR INTERESTED PEOPLE TO JOIN A
CELEBRATION COMMITTEE TO HELP WITH PLANNING
OUR BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS FOR 2019

50TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION IDEAS SO FAR

- * COCKTAIL FUNCTION *
- * OPEN SCHOOL DAY *
- * 50TH BIRTHDAY COMMEMORATIVE SOUVENIRS *
- * 50 YEAR HISTORY BOOK *



FOR MORE INFORMATION AND
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BAYSWATER SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL'S COMMITMENT TO CHILD SAFETY

Bayswater South Primary School is committed to safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This will be the primary focus of our care and decision-making.

Bayswater South Primary School has zero tolerance for child abuse.

Bayswater South Primary School is committed to providing a child safe environment where children and young people are safe and feel safe, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives. Particular attention will be paid to the cultural safety of Aboriginal children and children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, as well as the safety of children with a disability.

Every person involved at Bayswater South Primary School has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role he/she plays individually and collectively to ensure that the wellbeing and safety of all children and young people is at the forefront of all they do and every decision they make.

CHILD SAFE STANDARD

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Values : *Respect Empathy Honesty Teamwork*

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