

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Another year has flown by!! It must be true that if you choose a job you love, then you never work a day in your life. I am pleased to say, this is the case for staff at BPPS which makes the year fly by. Teaching is not just a job, but a passion and I am pleased to work with a group of teachers, paraprofessionals and support staff who fall into this category. Working together they have navigated the challenges of 2024 and ensured the students at BPPS have had every opportunity to be successful. I am sure the community will join me in thanking them for their hard work, dedication and commitment. They thoroughly deserve the upcoming break. Student reports were sent home on Tuesday. Hopefully there were no surprises. The vast majority of students did very well and work very hard. Remember, focus on the ABE (Attitude, Behaviour, Effort) section for I believe if a student is doing the best they can, then that is all we can ask of them. Class lists were also made available on the school website on Tuesday and a new transition process was trialled – hopefully this has helped reduce any anxiety for students and parents over the holidays. A reminder, there may be minor changes over the holidays. A number of staff will be leaving BPPS to pursue the next stage of their lives. We wish them well and hope they depart BPPS with fond memories. Goodbye and best wishes to: Renette Roth: heading closer to home at Maida Vale PS (Permanent position), Georgia Magill: heading to Wandina PS in Geraldton (Permanent Position), Rachel Bray: heading closer to home (Applecross PS) Comila Davesar: change to balance work / family, Jaimi Dent: Parental leave Charlie Cochran: LWOP, Lynsey Robinson: heading closer to home Wellard Village PS, Deb Tander: heading south to be closer to family, Pieter Jacobs: end of contract, Briana Honeywood: end of contract, May Wong (Chaplain) end of contract and Ella Dilber, school psychologist: private practice

To our hard-working School Board (led by Mr Denis Coldham) and P&C led by (Ms Vanesa Wetters) on behalf of the school community, staff and students a BIG thank you. We appreciate all that you do for BPPS. Thank you to the parents for your support, understanding and the care and love you show your child/ren. For it is you who are their 'first and most important teachers'. This was obvious by the turn out at the Awards night on Thursday 5th Dec and the Year Six Graduation earlier this week when parents beamed with pride. Finally, to our amazing students. Your happy smiles, eagerness to learn and enthusiasm is what makes being a teacher and principal such a great profession. I hope you enjoy a well-earned break and are ready for the challenges of another year's learning next year. I wish our departing Year Six students all the best for the future, and hope the school values and motto of Be Think Grow instilled in you will serve you well into the future. To the whole Bletchley Park Primary School community, I trust you have a wonderful summer break / festive season with family and friends, for they are the most important people in our lives. Stay safe. I look forward to reconnecting with you all in 2025.

Regards Wayne Walpole



Office Hours

Mon/Thurs - 8.00am - 4.00pm
Friday - 8.00am - 3.00pm

2025 TERM DATES

Term 1: 5th Feb – 11th April
Term 2: 28th April – 4th July
Term 3: 21st July – 26th Sept
Term 4: 13th Oct – 18th Dec



DATES TO REMEMBER

School Hours
8.30am – 2.30pm
Recess - 10.40am – 11.00am
Lunch - 1.00pm – 1.30pm

Students Last Day for 2024
Thursday
12th December

Students First Day for 2025
Wednesday
5th February



Awards Night/Concert 5th December 2024

Class Awards 2024			
Class	Award	Student Name	Year
SPORT	Junior (1,2)	Arlo	2
SPORT	Middle (3,4)	Oliver	4
SPORT	Senior (5,6)	Jayden	6
MUSIC	Junior (1,2)	Jazzlyn	1
MUSIC	Middle (3,4)	Gabriel	4
MUSIC	Senior (5,6)	Ethan	5
SCIENCE	Junior (1,2)	Layla	1
SCIENCE	Middle (3,4)	Tahlia	4
SCIENCE	Senior (5,6)	Dakota	6
LOTE	Middle (3,4)	Nevyn	4
LOTE	Senior (5,6)	Matilda	6
VISUAL ARTS	Junior (1,2)	Sana	2
VISUAL ARTS	Middle (3,4)	Imala	4
VISUAL ARTS	Senior (5,6)	Aksheraa	6
LA1	Respect Award	Stella	1
	Doing My Best Award	Leo	1
LA2	Respect Award	Mackenzie	1
	Doing My Best Award	Isra	1
LA3	Respect Award	Amelia	1
	Doing My Best Award	Chole	1
LA4	Respect Award	Aria	2
	Doing My Best Award	Ashvath	2
LA5	Respect Award	Scarlett	1
	Doing My Best Award	Jett	1
LA7	Respect Award	Royce	3
	Doing My Best Award	Olivia	3
LA8	Respect Award	Xavier	3
	Doing My Best Award	Grace	3
LA9	Respect Award	Alysha	3
	Doing My Best Award	Theo	3
LA10	Respect Award	Thomas	2
	Doing My Best Award	Olivia	2
LA11	Respect Award	Violet	2
	Doing My Best Award	Kingston	2
LA12	Respect Award	Adhvika	2
	Doing My Best Award	Caitlyn	2

LA13	Respect Award	Reyansh	2
	Doing My Best Award	Zara	2
LA14	Respect Award	Jared	3
	Doing My Best Award	Evonie	3
LA15	Respect Award	Olivia	4
	Doing My Best Award	Imala	4
LA17	Respect Award	Sebastien	3
	Doing My Best Award	Kylie	3
LA21	Respect Award	Moksha	4
	Doing My Best Award	Asher	4
LA22	Respect Award	Aswaita	4
	Doing My Best Award	Jack	4
LA23	Respect Award	Agamjot	5
	Doing My Best Award	Pavithra	5
LA25	Respect Award	Aba	6
	Doing My Best Award	Nikki	6
LA26	Respect Award	Jasper	6
	Doing My Best Award	Hudson	6
LA27	Respect Award	Cole	6
	Doing My Best Award	Kripa	6
LA28	Respect Award	Lily	6
	Doing My Best Award	Andy	6
LA32	Respect Award	Philemon	5
	Doing My Best Award	Luke	5
LA33	Respect Award	Tate	5
	Doing My Best Award	Sahil	5
LA34	Respect Award	Charlene	5
	Doing My Best Award	Lilly	5
SCHOOL BOARD	Be Think Grow Award	Siena	6
CITIZENSHIP	Year 6	Curtis	6
DUX	Year 6	Aksheraa	6

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Library NEWS

Merry Christmas from the Library!

As we wrap up 2024, I wanted to take a moment to share some exciting highlights from this year and give you a preview of what's to come in 2025.

2024: A Year of Incredible Growth and Engagement

- **29,700 Borrowings!** 2024 was officially our *Year of Borrowing*, with a record-breaking total of 29,700 books borrowed - our highest number ever!
- **Community and National Engagement:** We had 334 students register for the *Premiere Reading Challenge*, and a special shout-out to Year 5, who had the most readers with 12 or more books completed. We were also a part of the National Simultaneous Storytime 2024 with the whole school reading: *Bowerbird Blues* by Aura Parker.
- **Book Week Success at Bletchley Park:** Our *Book Week* was a huge hit, with authors Isobel Bevis and Lisa Van Der Wielen visiting and illustrator Anne Farrell, inspiring our students with their stories.
- **Garden Bookfair:** A fantastic event, with over \$6,500 in book sales, supporting the growth of our library's resources.
- **Kindy Visits:** A big success as Kindy students started visiting the library earlier this year, building excitement for books and reading.
- **BEES:** Mr Betts BEES completed and displayed the amazing *Avatar Adaptations*.
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Top Borrowers & New Initiatives

- **Top 3 Borrowers:** LA23 had the most borrowers for 2024:
 1. Evan: 106 books
 2. Agamjot: 98 books
 3. Natasha: 95 books
- **Book Reviews:** Students in LA21, LA23, and LA32 learned how to write *Book Reviews* in the Oliver LMS system. These reviews are now proudly showcased under *Highly Recommended* on the search page, providing great recommendations for our whole school community.
- **Book Tasting Café:** LA32 had a fantastic time participating in the *Book Tasting Café*, organised by Heidi and myself. They were then able to extend this activity through Keynote, where each student selected a book they hadn't read before to explore.

Looking Forward to 2025:

- **Genrefying:** We are thrilled to announce that in 2025, we will be *genrefying* the library! This means organising our collection by genres to make it even easier for students to find the types of books they love and to explore new interests.

Thank you all for your continued support in making our library a thriving hub of learning and excitement.

Have a wonderful festive break and here's to another wonderful year ahead!



Happy Growing

We are grateful to Bunnings Harrisdale for their generous support in providing everything the Kindergarten students at Bletchley Park Primary School needed to do some gardening. The students were inspired by Eric Carls's book, *The Tiny Seed*. We are excited to see the students care for and nurture their plants, helping them grow strong and healthy . We looked forward to seeing some flowers. Happy growing!



P&C News

Our final fundraiser for 2024 was a huge success, raising a total of \$2174. Thank you to all those families and staff who purchased tickets and congratulations to the very lucky winners. Thanks to Retravision, Attree and Terry Healy for supporting Bletchley Park PS by providing the wonderful prizes, and a special thank you to the P&C members who spent hours compiling, sorting and recording the raffle tickets.



The P&C were delighted to present Bletchley Park PS with a cheque for \$30,000 at the end of year presentation evening. This is the result of countless hours that our P&C and Fundraising Team have provided, bringing to life so many wonderful events across the year. Thank you to our dedicated small team of volunteers for giving up your time to help enrich the lives of our school community, and for all your hard work throughout 2024. A special mention to our outgoing member Rob De Guzman for his years of support for the P&C and Bletchley Park Billy Goats – you will be missed!

P&C News



[Second Hand Uniform Shop News](#)

What an amazing year we have had! Thanks to your generous donations of preloved uniforms, we have sold hundreds of items, raising a total of \$3,406. We look forward to being able to continue to provide our school community with this wonderful initiative in 2025 with your support.

[Bletchley Park Billy Goats](#)

The Bletchley Park Billy Goats have had a great year forging new friendships while providing opportunities for the Dads and Father figures in our school community to connect with each other and their kids. We can't wait to see what fun activities they have in store for 2025.

P&C News

P&C 2025 AGM

If you would like to join our P&C for 2025 then pencil in Monday 10 February at 7pm for our 2025 AGM.

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook: **Bletchley Park PS P&C** and **Bletchley Park Billy Goats** to be the first to know what is on and keep up to date with upcoming events in 2025.

We hope you have a wonderful festive season and a happy New Year.

