

Eora Nation - Biddegall/Bidjigall/Bedegall

Coming events

TERM 2

Week 2 Fri 6 May
Cross Country

Week 3 Sunday 8th
May Mother's Day

Week 3-4
NAPLAN (Years 3&5)

Week 4 Saturday
21st May **Election Day**

Week 5 Mon 23
May **School Photos**

Week 10 Wed 29
June **Reports to families**

Week 10 Friday 23
September
Last day of term

PRINCIPAL NEWS

Attendance

We appreciate all the effort that families are making to ensure that students don't come to school if they are feeling unwell. We know that this means families are using their supply of RATs responsibly. This has greatly reduced the number of students who are presenting at school with COVID-19 symptoms. While students are COVID-19 negative, the number of students with cold and flu has made a sharp rise in recent weeks. Be reminded that it is still vitally important that students with cold and flu symptoms remain at home until they are symptom free and come to school only when they are well.

Free Flu Shots from 1 June!

Please see this important message from NSW Health

Free flu jab will be available to all NSW residents in a month-long blitz from June 1 in an effort to combat this year's expected severe influenza season. With a sharp increase in flu cases already, the NSW Government will fund flu vaccinations at GPs and pharmacies until June 30. "We strongly urge everyone over six months of age to get a flu shot as soon as possible to protect themselves and their loved ones, as the virus is easily spread and potentially deadly." Dr Chant said. NSW Health has also permitted pharmacies to administer flu vaccines to children aged five years old, reduced from 10 years, making it easier for families to be vaccinated together. Other protective measures individuals can take include staying at home if sick and washing your hands. Find out more about how to protect yourself from the flu at [Influenza \(flu\) | NSW Government \(30.5.2022\)](#)

Thank you – P&C Executive and Parents and Carers

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our P&C president, Melinda Wood and the P&C executive team for their co-ordination in organising the P&C election BBQ and cake stall. Thank you to all our parents and carers who supported this event by giving up their time baking, selling, cooking, or preparing for the BBQ and cake stall. This was a wonderful achievement and community spirit. Thank you!



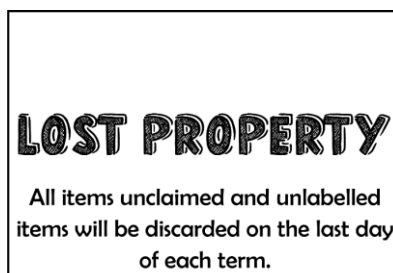
Winter is Here! Label your belongings

Winter has come a few days early this year! As a result, we would like to take this opportunity to remind families to ensure students are wearing their full school winter uniform including a 'named' jumper or jacket, particularly on cold windy mornings. If your child does not have a school jumper or jacket these can be purchased, second-hand or new through the school office.

Lost property is now located outside the library and managed by Mrs Digiglio and the school leaders. Please encourage your child to check the lost property box if they have lost their belongings at school to promote our school value of responsibility. A great time to do this would be in the mornings as students arrive at school and in the afternoons as they leave for the day. The school leaders will endeavour to return labelled items to their owners each week, where possible. All unclaimed and unlabelled items will be donated or discarded at the end of each term by Mrs Digiglio. Please leave a message at reception for Mrs Digiglio if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you

Mrs Vicky Digiglio



Late arrivals

In the last few weeks, we have seen a consistent pattern of some students arriving late to school. Whilst a couple of minutes here and there does not mean much, regular missed time at school can have a negative impact on children. Lateness to school can increase anxiety in children. Often lateness contributes to children missing daily organisation explicitly articulated to the class, the first part to their literacy session, an opportunity to change their home reader or hand in notes. Your child's best learning time starts at the beginning of every day. Arriving to school on time is important in positively setting up your child's learning for the day. Please ensure that your child/ren arrive at school by 9:20am. This will support establishing good habits of punctuality, organisation skills and contribute towards positive learning experiences. Thank you to all parents and carers who continue to work in partnership with regular attendance and punctuality.

Every Minute Counts...

Lost minutes mean lost learning!

When your child misses just...	That equals...	Which is...	And therefore, from Reception to Year 12, that is...
10 Minutes a day	50 Minutes of learning time each week	Nearly 1 ½ Weeks per year	Nearly ½ a Year of school missed
20 Minutes a day	1 Hr and 40 Minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2 ½ Weeks per year	Nearly 1 Year of school missed
30 Minutes a day	½ a day of learning each week	4 Weeks a year	Nearly 1 ½ Years of school missed
1 Hour a day	1 Day of learning each week	8 Weeks per year or nearly a term a year	Over 2 ½ Years of school missed

Kind Regards

Lauren Phillips

CELEBRATION TIME – Student Awards

Congratulations to our award winners who consistently display our school's core values.



GOLD AND SILVER AWARDS



Week 5

GOLD / SILVER AWARDS

Front row: Jacob El Abdullah, Rachel Lo, Zara El Hindi, Logan Prowse

Back row: Louis Skarvelis, Cruz Mason, Faith Ta'ale

Week 6

GOLD / SILVER AWARDS

Front row:
Sophie Ogden, Lucy Nanevski,
Jada Masri, Connor O'Riordan,
Cameron Tonna

Back row:
Blake Fotheringham, Jack
Ogden, Violet Dierikx, Isabella
Sullivan



SAFETY WEEK 5



Front row:

Jada Masri, Cameron Tonna, Isaac Potente, Arwen Wiki

Back row:

Tahsin Sadit, Joycelyn Lee, Kayley Edwards, Emma Pryor-Midson

RESPONSIBILITY – WEEK 6

Front row:

Tahl Rathbone Ferguson, Terence Chow, Avaiyah Parker, Omi Huang, Seve Merlino, Alfie Whalley, Abbie Jomaa

Back row:

Zachary Diamond, Clarisse Dung, Harshwinder Saggu, Solomon Heuschkel, Ethan Lee



District Cross Country

On Thursday May 26th, our students proudly represented our school in the District Cross Country, held at Olds Park. The students displayed exemplary behaviour and were complimented on this as well as the school spirit they displayed towards their teammates. They were heard cheering for each PWPS runner and showed genuine care and encouragement for each other. You made Penshurst West Public School very proud.

Following the events, the scores were tallied and.....

WE CAME 5TH out of 14 schools!!!!!!!

The good news doesn't stop there.....Gypsy (Year 4) and Maia (Year 6) have made it through to Zone.....CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

Thank you so much to Mrs De Santis for all your organisation and for Mrs Cavallaro and Mr Mulhern for supervising and encouraging them on the day.



District Netball

On Monday 30th May, Maia and Jasmine represented our school in the district Netball, held at Menai Indoor Sports Centre.

The girls played extremely well and walked off the court knowing they had done their best!

Well done girls!!!



What's hot in our classroomfrom 3-6R

Can you smell...what 3/6R are cooking!?

3/6R have been cooking up a storm this term with 2/5T. We have enjoyed making everything from pizzas, to Vietnamese beef salad, to tacos and thanks to our official photographer, Zach, we have some brilliant photos to show!

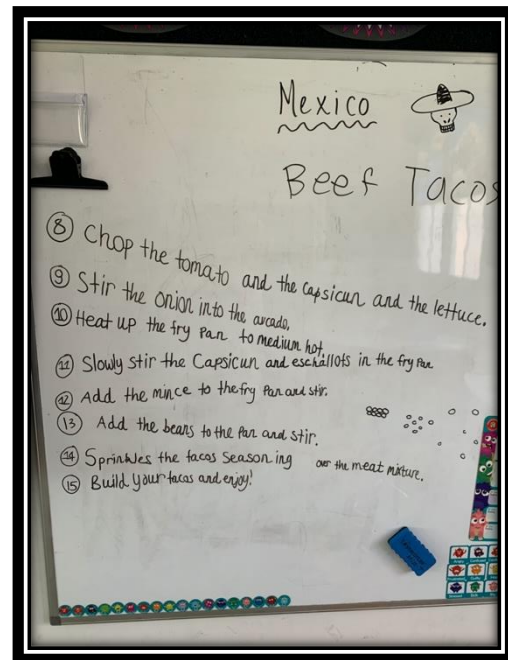
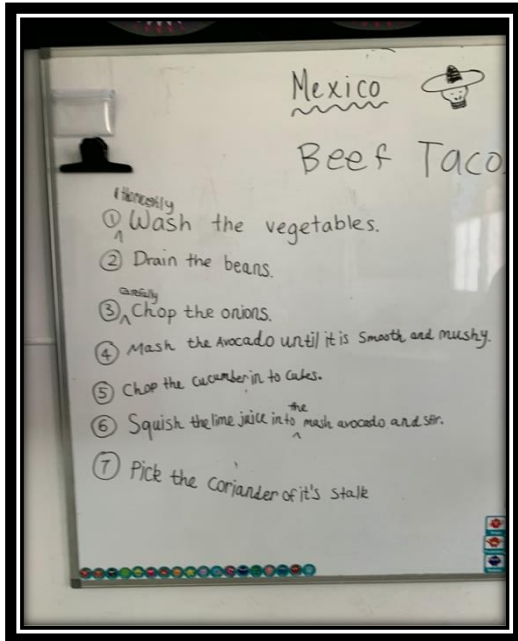


As we are cooking and eating delicious food, we have taken this opportunity to learn about measurement. We have learnt that we can use cups to measure volume and that 1 cup has the same capacity of two $\frac{1}{2}$ cups. We have been exploring the difference between volume and capacity by comparing the capacity of the taco shell versus how much volume of filling we have filled into our shells.



Our writing focus this term is 'informative texts', so we have been working very busily to put together a recipe book with so many of the delicious things we have cooked! We have enjoyed writing recipes on the big whiteboards on the go, as we are all cooking. This has helped us to learn to re-read and edit our work, adding adverbs and adjectives.

(Check out Peri's writing below!)



Mrs Gatis and Mrs Conwell



positive partnerships

Working together to support school-aged students on the autism spectrum

Free
to attend

2 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers



Join other local families to learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the home-school partnership

Learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Understanding behaviour
- Sensory processing
- Working together with your school

Location:

Southern Sydney Event Centre
2 Crofts Ave
Hurstville NSW 2220

Morning tea and a light lunch are provided

Hurstville, NSW

Tue 28th and Wed 29th June 2022

9.30am - 2.30pm



Interpreters available



To register, visit

positivepartnerships.com.au OR,

contact Alison Macrae

amacrae@positivepartnerships.com.au



For help, call:

1300 881 971

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Keeping everybody safe



Bayside Council
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PARKING SAFELY AROUND SCHOOLS

ROAD RULES REMINDERS

HOLDING HANDS IN TRAFFIC

- Children need assistance in the traffic environment until at least the age of 10. They are not equipped physically or developmentally to make the crucial decisions to keep themselves safe.
- All children need to be actively supervised in and around moving vehicles including on footpaths, shared paths, driveways and car parks; at traffic lights, zebra and other road crossings; and on quiet streets and busy roads.
- Your children are always watching and want to be just like adults. Make sure you always set a good example around traffic and talk to your children about why you are stopping at the kerb and what you are watching and listening for. Explain where and when it is safe to cross and why.
- Hold hands with your children around traffic. If your hands are full, make sure your child holds onto your bag, pram or even your arm or sleeve.

Fines and demerit points for school parking infringements are determined by the State Government and subject to change.

The nominated fines and demerit points listed in this brochure are current as at July 2020 (updated Feb 2021).

Unaware of any changes to date

DOUBLE PARKING

Do not double park at any time. Double parking is illegal and dangerous especially around schools. It reduces visibility and blocks the road for other motorists.

FINE EXCEEDS \$349 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS

U TURNS

- Performing U turns or 3 point turns in school zones is extremely dangerous.
- Performing U turns across unbroken centre lines is illegal and is particularly dangerous around schools.

FINE EXCEEDS \$349 + 3 DEMERIT POINTS

PARKING/STOPPING NEAR INTERSECTIONS

It is illegal to park or stop less than 10m from an intersection without lights as this blocks visibility for turning drivers and creates a hazard for all motorists.

FINE EXCEEDS \$464 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS

PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS & CHILDREN'S CROSSINGS

- Slow down as you approach pedestrian crossings and children's crossings.
- Do not proceed if the road beyond the crossing is blocked.
- Do not stop or park in the No Stopping zones on either side of the crossing as this blocks visibility.
- At a children's crossing you must stop at or before the stop line if there is a pedestrian about to cross or already on the crossing.
- Do not proceed through a children's crossing until all pedestrians have completely cleared the crossing.

FINE EXCEEDS \$581 + 4 DEMERIT POINTS

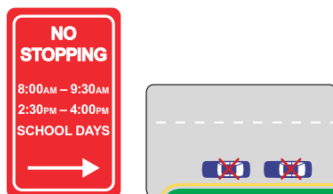
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NO STOPPING ZONES

No Stopping signs mean you must not stop here at any time. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times.

An unbroken yellow kerb line is a no stopping line. You must not stop for any reason.

FINE EXCEEDS \$349 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS

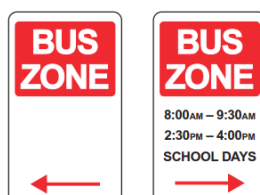


BUS ZONE SIGNS

A Bus Zone is a No Stopping zone for vehicles other than buses. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times.

You must not park your vehicle less than 20 metres before or 10 metres after a bus stop.

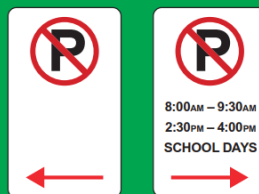
FINE EXCEEDS \$349 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS



NO PARKING ZONES

You can only stop in a No Parking zone while picking up or setting down passengers or goods. You have a maximum of 2 minutes from the time you stop and must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle at all times. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times. **THIS IS NOT A WAITING ZONE.**

FINE EXCEEDS \$194 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS



DRIVEWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

- When exiting or entering a driveway a vehicle must give way to pedestrians on the footpath.
- Driveways are not playgrounds. Be aware that children can go unnoticed in front and behind your vehicle. Do not solely rely on reverse sensors or cameras in your vehicle.
- Always supervise and hold a child's hand near/crossing driveways.
- It is illegal to park in or across any driveway or to block a footpath at any time.

FINE EXCEEDS \$349 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS



TIME RESTRICTED PARKING

Parking signs with specified time limits allow drivers to park their vehicle for a maximum period of time, eg 5 minutes, 1 hour etc. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times.

FINE EXCEEDS \$116



USING MOBILE PHONES

- It is illegal to make or receive a call on your mobile phone while you are driving unless your phone is secured in a fixed mounting or does not require you to touch or manipulate the phone in any way.
- It is illegal to use the other features of a mobile phone such as texting, emailing etc unless your car is legally parked and the ignition is switched off.
- Using mobile phones is a major distraction for drivers and incurs higher fines and demerit points in school zones.

FINE EXCEEDS \$464 + 5 DEMERIT POINTS



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