

# **Blakebrook Public School Bulletin**

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	T4 Week 1	Mrs Tate on leave: weeks 1 & 2 / Mr Haban Mrs McInnes on leave: week 1 / Mrs King				
U	Thu 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct	* Deadline: Gymnastics permission note & \$20 payment				
	Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	* 3pm Awards Assembly * School Gymnastics sessions start W1/8				
	T4 Week 2	Mrs Tate on leave week 2 / Mr Haban				
	Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	*				
	Tue 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	*				
t	Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	*				
	Thu 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	*				
	Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> Oct	* 3pm Awards Assembly * School Gymnastics W2/8 * Public Speaking @ Jiggi PS 5 students attending *Book club due back				
V	T4 Week 3					
	Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	* Kinder Orientation half day 9.15am-12pm #1				
1	Tue 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	* Kinder Orientation half day 9.15am-12pm #2				
	Wed 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	* Book Sale in School Library: Discarded books 50c each				
Π	Thu 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	* Kinder Orientation half day 9.15am-12pm #3 * Book Sale in School Library: Discarded books 50c each				
Ŋ	Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	* 3pm Awards Assembly * School Gymnastics W3/8				
	T4 Week 4					
	Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	* Kinder Orientation whole day 9.15am-3.15pm #4 FINAL DAY Deadline for ALL enrolment paperwork				

#### 2019 Kinder Orientation info

We have three half days and one full day (see dates above). Children may be dropped off and picked up from school—please be prompt with times. There will be no parent sessions during Orientation as we've already held our Info Evening. Please ensure your child has a packed lunch, water bottle and broad brimmed hat each day. If they're attending the whole day orientation they'll also need a packed recess. Uniform orders can be placed by completing one of the forms. Payment is required at time of ordering. Forms will be available during orientation plus are always available from the P&C tub located in the office foyer. All uniform enquiries are to be directed to the P&C email: bpspca@gmail.com The P&C uniform officer will fill orders and notify you when they are ready to collect from school.

	<u>PRINCIPAL'S AWARD</u> Dane for being an exceptional role mod <u>CITIZENSHIP</u> Baylie <u>CAPA</u> Beau <u>ENVIRONMENT</u> Jasmin	
	PBL Sienna <u>GOOD FRIEND</u> Beau chosen by Kobi	
F	PBL Snappy Award T3 W10 Lillian M, Austin, Massimo, Lilly C and Brayden	
ACADEN	ЛС	
К	Massimo for exceptional handwriting and awesome Stellaluna recount	- A A A
1-2	Rhys for explaining the features of 3D objects	AAA
3-4	Amber B for her effort and improvement in all KLAs	HHHH
5-6	Willow for excellent mathematical thinking	HAM
<u>GO FOR</u>	<u>IT</u>	
К	Darcy for always trying his absolute best to follow classroom agreements	
1-2	Sienna for demonstrating a positive mindset towards all KLA tasks	
3-4	Daniel for his skills improvement in making isometric dot cubes	
5-6	Millie for enthusiasm towards learning	
POSITIV	E BEHAVIOUR LEARNING (PBL)	
К	Alicia for modeling correct lock down procedures and showing excellent	100
	maturity	
1-2	Kobi for always walking, not running, on the wet concrete	
3-4	Django for his effort in drawing and painting artwork showing perspective	CAPA work sample by Beau
5-6	Simon for showing respect toward others	

### Applications for selective high school placement for Year 7 in 2020

Applications for placement in Year 7 in selective high schools in 2020 open on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018 and close on 12<sup>th</sup> November. Parents of primary school students have the opportunity to apply online at https://www.shsocplacement.org.au/registration/

Late applications will not be accepted. Online applications close by 10pm on Monday 12th November 2018 (T4W5). The selective high school placement test will be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

A full list of selective high schools is on their website. The nearest partially selective high schools to Blakebrook PS are Grafton High School; Armidale Secondary College; and Peel High School, Tamworth—however Aurora College is also an option. Aurora College is a virtual selective high school and only students who will be enrolled in government high schools in rural or remote areas may apply (Richmond River College and Nimbin Central School qualify).

## **Principal News**

#### Welcome Back

Welcome back to an action packed last term for 2018. I trust you have all had an enjoyable and restful holiday. There are many things happening this term and I ask that you read this weekly bulletin to keep abreast of all the happenings at Blakebrook PS.

#### Garden Club

Our internationally acclaimed vegetable garden group has entered some vegetables into the North Coast National Show. I sincerely thank John and Marion who work with our students to learn more about growing vegetables. Well done and we look forward to the judging.

#### **Gymnastics**

Our school will be running an 8 week gymnastics program commencing this Friday. The cost is \$20 per student, which is less than \$2:50 per week. This has been heavily subsidised by the school and the P&C. The gymnastics program will bring along specialist equipment, which we normally do not access. This is a fantastic opportunity for our school and aptly supports the PE curriculum. I encourage you all to support this program.

#### PBL awards for end of term 3

Congratulations to the following students who won major prizes for our end of term PBL reward system. Skateboard – Alicia for Learning Headphones – Dane for being safe Headphones – Melanie for learning Freetime card – Jasmine W for learning Freetime card – Ryan for respect

### Music Lessons

Students who have signed up for music lessons with the Music Conservatorium in Lismore will commence lessons this Friday. Please be reminded the school is not coordinating this program but merely providing a venue to practice and access to the students. Any enquiries regarding this program should be made to the Conservatorium.

#### For Sale

We have a spare year 6 shirt size 14 at the school (new). It is for sale for \$25. First in, best dressed (no pun intended!). Contact the office if you wish to purchase.

#### 2019 Kindergarten Enrolments

We are currently taking enrolments for 2019 Kindergarten. If you have a child who is coming to Blakebrook next year, please contact Wendy to arrange enrolment forms and other information. If you know of a family with a child ready for 'Big' school in the local community, encourage them to contact the school for an appointment to discuss enrolment or to have a look at our wonderful school.

Have a great week - Allan Duroux

**Book club** brochures were sent home today. All orders need to be in by Friday 26th Oct, no late orders will be processed. There is no obligation to purchase these books.

Student Transport NSW: School student applications for 2019 open from Monday, 15 October 2018. \* Students progressing to year 3 and year 7 do not need to re-apply if they:

are continuing at the same school .

- are residing at the same address •
- have not been sent an expiry notification from Transport for NSW.

\* Where a student meets the new distance eligibility, the system will automatically update their entitlement. If they do not meet the new eligibility, they will receive an expiry notification. Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

\* If students need to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails

\* Applications need to be submitted before 31 December 2018 to ensure student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card is not cancelled. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2018, the system will automatically cancel a card and a new one will need to be issued.

\*Students residing in Rural and Regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the commencement of the new school year from their nominated operator. Note: some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students should check with their operator for more information. \*Please see the latest school travel brochure below:

# **Rural and** regional school travel



#### Save time. Apply online

You can now apply online for free school travel in rural and regional NSW instead of using paper forms. This means you only need to complete one form, even for journeys using more than one bus company. It's also easier for schools and bus companies, as Transport for NSW now handles the applications.

#### Who can apply

To be eligible for free school travel, students may need to live a minimum distance from their school:

Years K-2 (Infants) There's no minimum distance.

Years 3-6 (Primary) More than 1.6km straight line distance or at least 2.3km walking.

Years 7-12 (Secondary) More than 2.0km straight line distance or at least 2.9km walking.

#### Who needs to apply

You only need to apply if the student has never been approved for free school travel before However, you need to update student details online if the student is:

- changing schools or campuses
- changing address changing operator
- requesting an additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

#### How to update your details

If the student has already been approved for school travel and they change addresses, schools or their name changes you will need to update your details at

#### apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updatedetails How to apply for free travel for the first time

#### You can apply for free school travel for next year from the start of Term 4 this year.

Step 1

Once you have enrolled your child at the new apply online at transportnsw.info/school-students giving your home address and telling us which bus company the student needs to travel with between home and school.

#### Step 2

The school then confirms to us that your details are correct.

Step 3

We will then work on your application. You will get an email confirming if the student is approved for free travel. If so, we will tell your local bus company who may send a school travel pass (if needed) to your school or, in some cases, the bus company v contact you directly about travel arrangements.

A parent or guardian must apply for students aged 15 years and under. Students who are 16 years and over must apply for themselves.

#### **Frequently asked questions**

How can I apply if I don't have internet access Call 131 500 to get help with your application.

Does the approved free travel include travel outside school hours?

Approved free school travel is only for travel to and from school. So for travel after hours, on weekends or during school holidays, students will need to buy a ticket.

What if there's no public transport in my area?

In areas where there is no public transport, you may be able to get a subsidy for driving the student to school For details visit transportnsw.info/school-students

How do I apply if the student needs to travel from two addresses because the parents live separately? Each parent (or the student if aged 16 or over) needs to apply separately for each address. The same

minimum distances apply.

SMITHTOWN - PRIMARY n ST AVENUE 12EN, John Albert Smith Street, ITHTOWN 2999 To SMITHTOWN STN

Want to know more? For more information call **131 500** or visit transportnsw.info/school-students For help in your language, call the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS) on **131 450**.

#### Term 4 Library class schedule

A reminder that the permanent library days for each class have been locked in permanently for Term 4.

> Wednesdays 1-2 and Κ <u>Thursdays</u> 5-6 and 3-4

#### **Book Sale**

I'm having a sale of discarded library books in Week 3 on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October & Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2018. All funds raised will be donated to The Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF). All books sold for just 50c each so grab a bargain at the school library.

Regards, Dianne McInnes Teacher-Librarian

		Term 4—Dates to remember
Week 3	Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Kinder Orientation: half day 9.15am-12pm for children starting Kinder in 2019
	Tue 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Kinder Orientation: half day 9.15am-12pm for children starting Kinder in 2019
	Thu 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Kinder Orientation: half day 9.15am-12pm for children starting Kinder in 2019
Week 4	Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Kinder Orientation: full day 9.15am-3.30pm for children starting Kinder in 2019
	Tue 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Y6 fundraiser: Obstacle course
	Thu 8th Nov	K-2 Overnite Camp at school
Week 6	Tue 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Nimbin Central School Secondary Sampler Day 1 of 3 for students attending NCS Y7 in 2019
Week 7	Tue 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	The Rivers Secondary College <u>Orientation Day 1</u> of 2 <i>for Y6 students attending RRHC Y7 in 2019</i> Nimbin Central School <u>Secondary Sampler Day 2</u> of 3 <i>for Y6 students attending NCS Y7 in 2019</i>
Week 8	Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	The Rivers Secondary College <u>Orientation Day 2</u> of 2 <i>for Y6 students attending RRHC Y7 in 2019</i> Nimbin Central School <u>Secondary Sampler Day 3</u> of 3 <i>for Y6 students attending NCS Y7 in 2019</i>
Week 9	Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Awards Presentation afternoon & Xmas Tree Night
Week 10	Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last day of Term 4 for all students K-6 + Magical Mystery Tour

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P & C Calendar	<u>Wee</u>	<u>k 4</u>	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	P&C meeting in Library (All welcome) 5:		5:45pm start
	<u>Wee</u>	<u>k 8</u>	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	P&C Meeting in Library (All welcome) 5:4		5:45pm start
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