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*'Together We Succeed'*

Term 4 Week 5

## Principal Report

### WHAT I LOVED ABOUT THE WEEK

It is so pleasing to see the number of students who have been attending swim school this year. It is such an essential life skill, especially considering our close proximity to the Bay and Basin beaches/waterways. Students are making great progress and enjoying their time at the pool, although they are getting weary from 2 weeks of swimming.

### BHERWERRE WETLANDS

What a wonderful community initiative this local art installation is. I had the pleasure of escorting our school captains to the launch last week, where we were lucky enough to listen to one of our local elders, Uncle Paul Mac, give us some history and a wonderful welcome ceremony. The High School Indigenous Rangers also joined in with some dancing and didgeridoo playing from Joe Brown. The artworks are based on local endangered birds and were inspired by the photos that were taken by a local resident, Chris Grounds, who has a passion for our local wildlife. A local artist, Vanessa Barbay, has done a wonderful job of bringing these images to life in her art works.

### KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

We are looking forward to welcoming our new kindergarten students for 2019 into our school next week, with their parents, for a fun afternoon of activities. If there are any children who turn 5 next year and haven't made a connection with our school please encourage their parents to come and see us, so they can participate in our Kinder start sessions happening later in the term.

**Belinda Doyle (Principal)**

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## **Blast Off**

### **Bronze**

**Buru** Indie Barratt

### **Silver**

**Birdhuulay** Lauchlan Hunt, Matilda Berthon, Tam Grant Kavanagh.

**Guraban** Caleigh Blanch, Marlie Hampton-Olive, Laci Joe, Lucas McGarrell, Zoey Murray, Tyler Reid, Maddison Shaw, Anthony Stone, Jack Wallis, Cade Campbell.

**Gungara** Kane Silk, Hunter Parsons, Eboony Ware, Arora Allison-Carr

**Buru** Gary Ayre, Kahlia Knight, Layla Mulquiney.

**Maaran** Bridie Hilton, Liam Goldspring, Riley Phillips.

**Gurimbaga** Sophie Green, Michael Dargin, Jonno Parkes

## **Home Readers**

25 Nights Mia Wagner

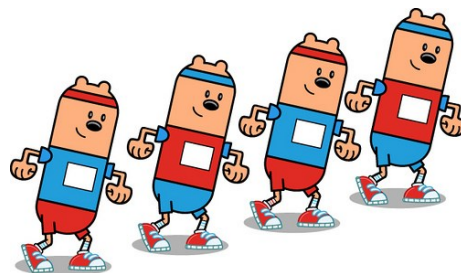


## **Dates to Remember**

5th to 16th November	Swim School.
16th	Camp Quality Puppets
21st	Kinder Orientation
22nd	Kidz Wish

## **Sports Groups**

Babadhal	Geebung	3896
Wandaama	Appleberry	3691
Bidhudhu	Wattle	3580
Galangara	Lilly Pilly	3553



## **Primary Assembly Awards**

### **Merit:**

Kaden Zeiher, Saskia Van Huisstede, Levi Paskins, Deaklan Stewart, Abby Warren, Shauna Short, Alicia Butler, Brianna Vale, Hunter Johnson, Vincent Blades, Chelsea Murray, Maddison Coward, Jonno Parkes, Dylan Spargo, Abbie Richardson, Millie Jenkins, Piper O'Connell, Connor Sumner, Matilda Scheib, Emmet Burnett, Tyrone Ginn-Evans, Zac Lloyd, Deegan Gibson-Knight, Sharnie Hampton, Tom Olesen, Nat Grey, Ryan Kelso.

### **Achievement:**

E.Jay Taylor, Remus Chilby, Charlie Garrett, Isaac Mounce, Thomas Walker.

## **Clothing Pool**

We are in need of school uniforms in all sizes but mainly sizes 12—16. It would be greatly appreciated if you can help out.





Bhewerre Wetlands Art Panel Launch on Friday that Ms Doyle, Ms Williams and the School Captains attended.





## SANCTUARY POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL

### Kindergarten Orientation 2019

2 sessions will be held on  
**Wednesday 21st November**

Session 1: 2-3pm Parent information/ Treasure Hunt

Session 2: 6pm Parent information only

*Parents, remember to sign up for our Kinder Start program at the  
Kinder Orientation session which begin on Monday 3rd of December.  
During these in class visits we will be providing IT, Literacy, Numeracy and  
Community learning sessions for parents in the Welcome Space.*

### Key Dates

Kinder Start Session	Dates	Parent Workshop
Kinder Start 1	Monday 3rd of December	Literacy and numeracy with Mrs Langenegger
Kinder Start 2	Friday 7th of December	Attendance and family support
Kinder Start 3	Wednesday 12th of December	Healthy Lunchbox
Kinder Start 4	Thursday 13th of December	Technology Talk





## What is Smile at Christmas?

Smile at Christmas is a 'giving tree' initiative. We have partnered with Rotary and various charities across NSW and will be placing Christmas giving trees far and wide in our community, complete with gift tags. The gift tags are complete with a either person's name or gender and age. Simply select a tag, and purchase a gift of your choice. Then place the gift under the tree before collection days on December 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. All we ask is that the gifts are new, wrapped and non-perishable **with the swing tags attached**.

'Smile at Christmas' is the brainchild of one of our agents, Ken Snell. Ken was the founder of the 'Little Ray of Giving' charity that has provided over 30,000 gifts across Australia to underprivileged children. We are proud to continue this legacy with Smile at Christmas and give back to our community.

Although Christmas is full of fun and laughter for most of us, it's not like that for everyone. For some, there's little to smile about.

Over 662,000 Australian children are living in jobless families due to financial hardship, disability, illness, homelessness or social isolation.

For these families, Christmas presents are a luxury they just can't afford.

This means that over 662,000 children will have a tough time this year, especially when seeing the excitement of their friends and neighbours.

## What can you do to help?

### By placing a giving tree in your school or place of business

Firstly, by setting up a giving tree. We can provide a tree or we can decorate your own tree with the special swing tags. If you have passing foot traffic, we would love to hear from you. We are setting up in schools, childcares, shops and among community groups – the more trees we get out there, the more gifts we can raise. These are families who receive nothing, and so having something to open on Christmas day is an amazing gift in itself.

### Because every person deserves a gift at Christmas

The Christmas season is about giving, goodwill and family. Get your children involved, make it a special event, and let them experience the true joy of the season.

Together we can make a difference.

Wishing you all the best for the festive season ahead.

[smileelite.com](http://smileelite.com) 1300 712 712

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# Attendance Matters

At Sanctuary Point Public School

## Celebrate Attendance

Hints and Tips No. 4: Good Attendance



There are a number of sound reasons for you to ensure that your child attends school regularly.

Give your child their **BEST** chance in life — get them to school **EVERY** day.

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.

— Nelson Mandela

In one school year  
a child spends:  
7800 hours at home  
&  
900 hours at school  
which teacher should be  
the most accountable?

— Jim Trelease—  
author of 'The Read-Aloud Handbook'

Firstly, attending school every day makes learning easier. For younger students, missing the basic skills often leads to learning problems later on and for older student's absenteeism often interferes with academic progress. Friendships with other students are also easier if your child attends school regularly.

The law in NSW states that all children between the ages of 6 and 15 years are required to attend school. Sickness or injury, attendance at a special religious ceremony or a serious family situation are satisfactory reasons for non-attendance. Please let the school know why your child is not at school and provide an explanation on your child's return to school.

Birthdays, haircuts, pension days, Mondays etc are not satisfactory reasons for absence from school. Also try whenever possible to arrange your holidays in school vacation times.

Please contact your school principal if you need any help or have any questions.



Missing school leaves gaps in your education

## Year 6 Students Trip to Canberra

Year 6 students from our school recently undertook an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate was paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.





## Camp Quality Puppets

We are excited to have Camp Quality puppets visiting our school on Friday 16th. There will be two sessions K-2 at 1pm and 3-6 at 2-3pm

# Taste of Tomerong

*Sat 24th Nov @ 6pm*

**80's Summer Party**  
**\$40 / ticket**  
**Includes great food**  
**by local chefs**  
**& live music by**  
**the Castaways**

**Lucky door**  
**Prize & Raffle**  
**BYO camp chair**

**All proceeds to Tomerong**  
**Public School P&C**  
**to support student learning**

**To purchase tickets deposit \$\$ into P&C account**  
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