

NEWSLETTER

WEEK 8 / TERM 4



Kaayi families!

Welcome to Term 4, Week 8! It is hard to believe we only have two more weeks remaining of 2023! There are quite a few activities occurring in the next two weeks, please ensure you have the School Bytes Parent App downloaded so you do not miss out on any events. Regular calendar updates can be viewed in the weekly 'What's Happening' that is published on Audiri and Facebook every Sunday afternoon. Paper notes will be kept to a minimum and starting from next year the newsletter will be written on an online platform with no paper copies available.

Earlier this year we discussed major events and end of year activities at the P&C Meeting. It was discussed that many major activities and events would run every second year to ensure we can sustain their impact and the support of staff and community to organise the activities. Last year we had our end of year concert back for the first time since 2020. This year we are hosting a Performing Arts Expo with those students who engage in choir, dance, band and guitar as many of these activities incur a cost to families throughout the year. Next year the end of year concert will be back and we are looking into other options for the alternate years (2025) to accommodate all students such as a Christmas evening utilising the outdoor spaces.

Student Leadership 2024

Last Friday our Year 5 students delivered speeches outlining why they will make outstanding school leaders in 2024. The quality of speeches was exceptionally high and all the students are to be commended on the commitment they have shown our school. The staff and students had a very difficult decision of voting for their captains and vice captains for 2024.

The current student leaders and our future leaders will now have the opportunity to wear school blazers and pants (weather permitting) for formal occasions. A big thank you to the P&C for the donation of these items!



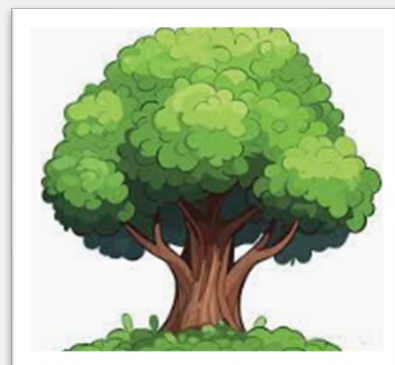
Home Reading

As the term is starting to wrap up we are asking all students to bring in their home reading logs for final certificates and Semester 2 reporting. Please ensure all logs are returned to school by **Friday 1st December**.



Landscapers – can you help?

Our school grounds is in much need of a 'tidy' up particularly around the fence perimeter and some areas require a dedicated team of landscapers. We are looking to contract landscapers to cull shrubs and trees to make the area safer, tidier and less prone to bush fire risk. If you know of any businesses that can help us we would love to hear about them!



Presentation Day Assembly

The end of year Presentation Day Assembly will be held on **Tuesday 12 December** (K-2 9:15am and 3-6 10:15am). This assembly acknowledges the achievements of our staff, students and our outgoing Year 6. Emails have been sent to families if their child is receiving an award at the assembly however all parents and carers are welcome to attend. The band and the K-6 choir will also be performing.

Class Structures 2024

Due to the continual fluctuation of our numbers, the start of next year will commence with students returning to their 2023 classes for at least the morning session until we check enrolments. If you are having an extended holiday that flows into Term 1 but are returning in 2024 we require this information in writing for auditing purposes. At this stage we will be having 9 classes as we have this year, the grade distribution will be different as we have larger numbers in Year 1, 4 and 5 next year.

The Department of Education has outlined class size averages for each grade K (20), 1 (22), 2 (24) and 3-6 (30). Classes are formed with these averages in mind as well as other considerations such as behaviour, academic, gender balance, social needs and allocation of SLSOs due to student funding. In addition to these factors, we will also survey students in the coming weeks about their friendship and social networks so that student voice is also taken into consideration.



P&C Membership and Raffle

Our P&C would love more members. Join our school P&C to collaborate with parents, teachers and the community about current and future events at our school. Meetings are always held at the school and via Zoom to accommodate families. Scan the QR code to join -



A big thank you to everyone for the kind donations. The P&C Raffle Tickets are now on sale. Scan the QR code or follow this link to purchase –

<https://rafflelink.com.au/bpps-xmas-raffle>

Prize winners will be drawn on Friday 15 December.



A Great Big
THANK YOU TO OUR
SPONSORS

The following local companies kindly donated to our raffle.

Toronto Repco, Toronto Coles, Toronto Post Office, Casa Nova, Greg & Audreys, Toronto Workers Club and Toronto Woolworths



It is so nice to see a local establishment supporting schools in this area. Toronto Hotel make regular donations to five local schools in their area. We are very fortunate to be a part of their generosity. This years money will go towards new bubblers with chilled water.

A big thank you also to our Breakfast Club sponsors

Bakers Delight, Foodbank and Toronto Diggers

Awabakal Word of the Week

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The Awabakal word for *tree* is

wadiilang



Awabakal Word of the Week

The Awabakal word for *grass* is

wuyiyu



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN 3/4K

VOLUME AND CAPACITY



3/4K have been learning about volume and capacity.

In our maths lessons we have been testing the capacities of various containers to find out how much they can hold.

We have also been experimenting to determine the volume of both regular and irregular 3D objects.



we worked in stages to create our crazy christmas cars. we

- designed our cars on whiteboards
- used white crayons to make our snowflakes
- painted the background with a wash of runny blue paint
- added our cars, presents and of course the tree

How cute is the finished product?

2N's amazing art works are on display in the foyer. Hope you can come and see them!



**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**

DATES TO REMEMBER

WEEK 8 / TERM 4

NOVEMBER	Thursday 30	Stage 3 Carwash Fundraiser
DECEMBER	Thursday 7	Performing Arts Expo
	Monday 11	Stage 3 McDonalds Trip
	Tuesday 12	Presentation Day
	Tuesday 12	Year 6 Farewell
	Wednesday 13	Kindergarten Graduation
	Thursday 14	PBL Rewards Day
	Friday 15	Last day of school for students






ENROLLING NOW FOR NEXT YEAR...

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BPPS 2023 PERFORMING ARTS EXPO

Thursday 7th December

3:30pm-4:30pm

Permission note and more information on **School Bytes**





Library News

All books need to be returned by the end of Week 9-Friday 8th December

