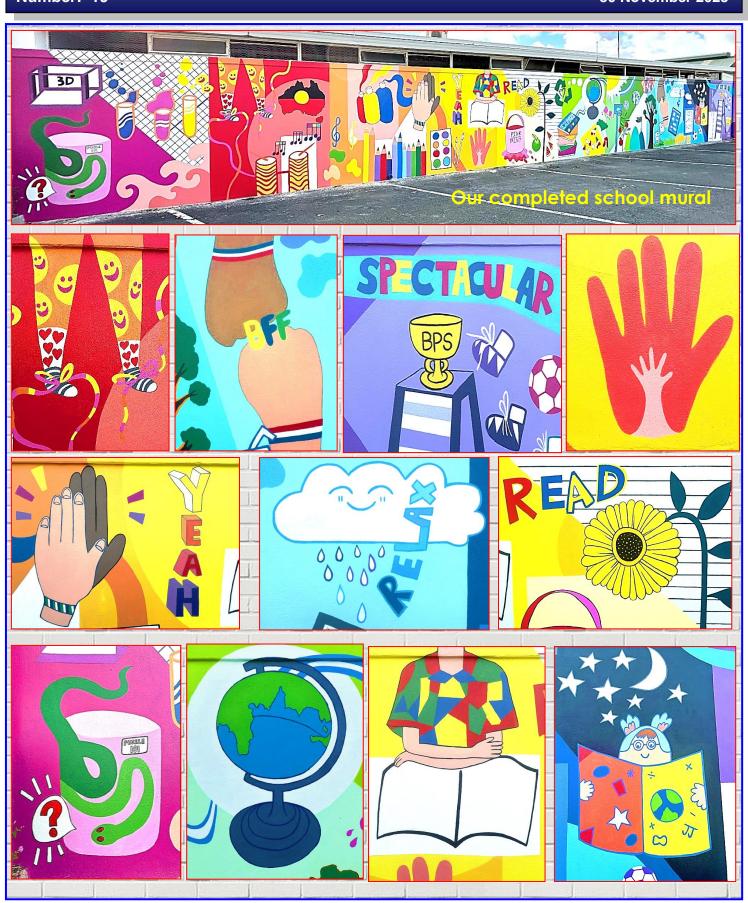


# BALCATTA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# **NEWSLETTER**

Number: 19 30 November 2023



# **PRINCIPAL'S PATTER**

Hello Everyone,

It was a pleasure to watch our Pre-Primary's perform their Christmas item at our school assembly last Friday. They sang beautifully and displayed great enthusiasm – well done!

With the end of the school year fast approaching, we are still very busy until the students break up on Thursday 14 December.

The Year 6 Graduation will be held on Friday December 8, commencing at 9.00 am, and we would like to invite parents, grandparents and friends of our graduating class to this special event.

Also, our annual class awards will be held on Tuesday December 12, commencing at 9.00 am and everyone is invited to attend.

Please note that the Personal Items lists for next year have been sent home today (one per student). Please also note the order deadline and delivery information. Orders may be made on-line at <a href="www.campion.com.au">www.campion.com.au</a> or by visiting their retail store in Malaga. Please note that Campion has been chosen by the School Board as our preferred supplier, but there is no obligation to use them.

Home delivery orders placed on or before Friday 22 December 2023, will be dispatched no later than 19 January 2024 and will be delivered free of charge. Orders placed after this date cannot be guaranteed delivery prior to the commencement of the school year and will be delivered at a maximum cost of \$8.00.

Orders placed on or before December 22 will go into a draw to select one student from each year i.e. P/P – Yr. 6 to receive a free order (students will be notified by phone).

Also coming home today will be a schedule of charges for 2024. Please keep this schedule as a reference for next year.

The P & C are also holding a mini fund-raising raffle to be drawn on Tuesday December 12 at our Book Awards assembly.

Enjoy your weekend – welcome to summer! (on 1 Dec)

Peter Gates Principal

# Pre-Primary Item Assembly Friday 24 November



### **YEAR 6 GRADUATION AWARDS - 2023**

The Graduation Ceremony for our Year 6 graduating class of 2023 will be held on **Friday December 8** commencing at 9.00 am in the undercover assembly area. The Year 6 students are invited to attend a special morning tea with their parents along with staff and our special guests at the conclusion of the awards presentation.

#### **ANNUAL SCHOOL CLASS AWARDS - 2023**

Our Annual School Class Awards will be held in our undercover assembly area on **Tuesday December 12** commencing at **9.00 am**. We would like to invite parents/guardians of all award recipients to attend this very special morning for our students.



### **ENROLMENTS - 2024**

If you **WILL NOT** be returning to Balcatta Primary School next year, please notify admin as soon as possible. This does not apply to our current Year 6's. **UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION** If there are any changes to students information, (i.e. address, phone no., immunisation updates) please also notify the office as soon as possible.

#### **SCITECH EXCURSION - YEAR 3**

On Monday 27 November, Year 3 went on a fascinating excursion to Scitech Discovery Centre.

We began by exploring the interactive general exhibitions, then it was off to a STEM show about the different types of energy called 'Power Trip' & the Human Potential exhibition. (the race track and sensory deprivation tunnel were favourites!) We then headed into the We also went to the Planetarian where we learned about the night sky, seasons and how night and day happens. It was a great time and the teachers saw many happy smiles on the students' faces. A big thank you to Mrs Bouhlas, Ms Johnston, Miss Amy, Mrs Lambe

and Mia's mum Carissa for coming along.

Ms Shaw & Ms Johnston Yr 3 Teachers













# **MERIT AWARDS**



# (congratulations to all students)





# **CONTRIBUTIONS & CHARGES FOR 2024**

Under the provisions of the Education Act, all schools must provide parents with a schedule of next year's contributions and charges. Contributions are the amounts of money paid by parents for children attending government schools. The maximum amount that schools can ask is \$60.00 per child. Our School Board has approved the amount of \$40.00 per child from Kindergarten to Year 6. Contributions remain voluntary under the Act. The School Board has also approved the Schedule of Charges for 2024. A comprehensive outline has been sent home with today's newsletter.

#### FROM THE LIBRARY

As 2023 draws to a close all student loans need to be returned to the library for shelving in preparation for 2024. If your child should bring home an overdue note from the library, please help them look around home for their book.

Back to the LIBRARY!

If there are any problems regarding an outstanding loan, please see me in the library (Wednesday or Thursday) or write me a note on the overdue notice. Thank you.

Kay Keen Library Officer





#### **END OF YEAR RAFFLE**

Due to unforeseen circumstance, we are unable to do our awesome Mega raffle this year – however we are excited to be able to do a Mini Raffle instead - yay. All tickets are online only and will be on sale later on tonight... buy ticket at: <a href="https://www.raffletix.com.au/raffles">https://www.raffletix.com.au/raffles</a>, search in WA, for Balcatta Primary School. The QR code will be posted on our P&C Facebook page and on Connect. Best of luck everyone!



Prize 1: Landsdale farm 4 free passes

Prize 2: Rollerzone Perth Family pass

Prize 3: Littleland Family pass

Prize 4: Rockface Rock climbing voucher

ROCKFACE buy ticket at: https://www.raffletix.com.au/raffles search in WA, for Balcatta Primary School

Drawn on Tuesday 12th December 2023, 8.30am, BPS

Winning ticket numbers will be published on the BPS P&C Facebook
Page & on Connect, on Tuesday 12th December 2023.
All prizes to be collected by Thursday 14th December 2023,
from the BPS front office.

This raffle is conducted by the BPS P&C Association on behalf of

Palcetta Primary School, Liquid To & Connection.

Balcatta Primary School . Usual Ts & Cs apply

Support Local business, who support us



#### **COLOUR, SLIME SPLATACULAR** - Wed 13 December

Please prepare a white shirt for this event so colours will turn out really vibrant. All participants will be provided with sun glasses and a head band.

The colour powder contains corn starch and yellow, red & blue dyes. The slime contains dyes and sodium polyacrylate. Students with lighter hair may wish to cover with a hat or bandanna as the powder and slime could permanently stain.

Each class will have 20 minutes, commencing with Kindy to Year 6. Children will complete an obstacle course where adults will squirt powder and slime throughout, aiming from the neck down to avoid the face. There will be water slides and blow-up pools at the end so children can rinse off before changing.

Please ensure they all have a towel & change of clothes in a plastic bag.

If there are any concerns, or do not wish for your child to participate, please complete the form to 'opt out' sent home today.

For further information, please contact:

**Shoshie Lam** balcattaps\_fundraising@hotmail.com



**YOLUNTEERS** If you are able to volunteer on the day, please email balcattps pandc@hotmail.com - it would be very appreciated!!

DATES TO REMEMBER DECEMBER	
Wednesday 6	KA Concert (2pm)
Thursday 7	KB Concert (2pm)
Friday 8	Graduation Ceremony (9am)
Tuesday 12	Book Awards (9am)
Wednesday 13	Colour Run
Thursday 14	<ul> <li>Newsletter 20</li> <li>Free Dress Day</li> <li>Reports Home</li> <li>Last day of the year for students</li> </ul>
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