

Week 8 Term 3, Wednesday 11 September 2019

DIARY DATES	
11-25 September	BPS Art Exhibition – Tuggeranong Arts Centre
Thursday 12 September	Canteen open, School Banking
Friday 13 September	Canteen open Assembly: Namadgi 9.15-10.00am Mystery Reader 1.00pm
Monday 16 September	Bonython Briefing Year 6 Graduation Photo 10.00am 3/4C, 3/4D & 3/4T Excursion to National Exhibition Centre
Tuesday 17 September	UC Teaching Clinics – Year 3/4 8.30-11.30am Kindergarten Dentist visit and Screening program
Wednesday 18 September	Canteen open Minister's Congress – Selected Students 8.30-11.30am
Thursday 19 September	Canteen open/School Banking
Friday 20 September	Canteen open Namadgi Fete – Whole school Mystery Reader 1.00pm Author, Lisa Kalma visiting Kindergarten 2.00-2.45pm
23-27 September	Year 2 swimming @ Civic Pool 12.30-3.00pm
Monday 23 September	Bonython Briefing Kinder walk to Art Centre & Tuggeranong Park 9.30am-1.15pm
Tuesday 24 September	UC Teaching Clinics Year 3/4 8.30-11.30am Year 5/6 Netball ACT Gala Day Lyneham
Wednesday 25 September	Canteen open Year 5/6 students walking to Tuggeranong Arts Centre 11.30am-3.00pm
Thursday 26 September	Canteen open, School Banking 3/4W & 3/4G excursion to National Capital Exhibition Centre
Friday 27 September	Canteen open Assembly: Tidbinbilla 9.15-10am GIDES for Success Awards and morning tea Mystery Reader 1.00pm LAST DAY OF TERM 3
Monday 14 October	FIRST DAY OF TERM 4

Dear Families and Friends,

What a fantastic art exhibition we had the privilege of attending last Thursday night at the Tuggeranong Art Centre. A packed house heard about the purpose of the exhibition and the importance that quality inquiry learning played in students completing their pieces for the exhibition and our student leadership team developing their understanding of how to curate the space. Once again, a huge thank you to the amazing Karen Wilson, who was the mastermind behind the concept for the show. Also, thanks must go out to both Marc Warwick and Amanda Hawkins who have been great support for Karen. If you haven't had an opportunity to visit the exhibition it is well worth the time. The exhibition is open until Wednesday 25 September, the last week of the school term.

You may have noticed some fencing at the front of our school over the past two weeks. We are getting ready for our new flagpoles to be installed. The flags will be the Australian, Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal flags. There is also work taking place out the back of our school. We are building a work shed and storage facility. This will allow Vince to have a designated and safe place where he can use electrical tools without having to worry about students being

nearby. The work shed will also allow some space for some much needed storage and will free up one of our containers to be used for sports equipment storage.

The school fete is fast approaching and the working party from the P&C need your help. They are asking for volunteers and if you can spare an hour or two of your time it would be much appreciated. This year's fete will be on 26 October from 3.00-7.00pm. A proportion of the funds raised will go towards upgrades to the school's electronic whiteboards.

We are also looking forward to the Namadgi fete on Friday 20 September. Part of the learning preparation involves students inquiring into financial literacy, collaboration, communication and critical thinking. The Namadgi fete raises funds that go towards the year 6 graduation and associated end of year events. We encourage our community to support this annual event. Please be aware the canteen will be closed on this day; however they will open on Tuesday 17 September instead.

All students at Bonython Primary School benefit each year from the voluntary contributions made from our families. This year we are hoping collectively to reach the target of \$15,000. Voluntary contributions are set by our School Board and begin at \$110 for one child and a slight increase for more than one child at the school. The contributions that each family make have an impact on what resources we are able to provide for all students at the school.

Although it is only Term 3, we are starting to plan for the 2020 school year. The current planning involved is projecting how many students and classes we will have for the next school year. If you know your child or children won't be attending Bonython in 2020 could you, please let us know by filling out the google form at the following link: <https://forms.gle/BTa2cJNzynyqfYF1a8> . This does not include students in Year 6 who are moving on to high school.

Thank you again for another great fortnight. Would love to hear your thoughts about your child's learning if you see me around the school.

Kind Regards

Greg Terrell
Principal



BPS AWARDS TERM 3 WEEK 8

Congratulations to the following students who will receive their Award at Friday's assembly.

MURRUMBIDGEE

Cahlem C
Meg M
Coopeer K
Evie T
Sanjula P
Georgia W



YERRABI

Dylan L
Callum C
William K

BRINDABELLA

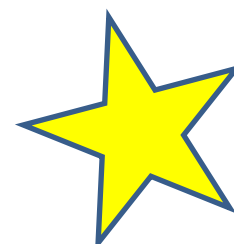
Oscar P
Reiko S
Taha M
Edith L
Myles C
Charmini P
Mary Mackillop I
Maleeyah M
Asher B
ART
Oscar P
Montana G
Aaliyah P

TIDBINBILLA

Rory C
Laela W
Manny B
Leia H
Ollie L
Mikayla H
Jasmine O
Alana H
Lachlan O
Lawson D

NAMADGI

Asha P
Taya H
Hannah B
Natalie R
Odette P
Sophie B





The Bonython Bonanza is on the 26 of October and the P&C is working hard to put together an awesome event! Please read the notices below to keep updated with what is happening. This is a big community event and with our goal to donate \$12 000 to help the school replace a portion of the Smart Boards this year, we really need everyone to pitch in where they can to help us reach this goal! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via our Facebook page or bpspca@hotmail.com

RAFFLE TICKETS

Thank you to those who have brought their tickets back already! There are more tickets if anyone would like to sell another book. Please see Sandie at the front office to collect more.

SCARECROW COMPETITION

Each class will be making a Scarecrow for the fete. As an extension of the school's sustainable practices, we would love to reuse/recycle as many of the Scarecrow elements as possible. We are on the hunt for:

- Newspaper
- Balls of twine
- Old shirts/Jeans/overalls/dresses/hats that would suit a scarecrow.



Please bring them to school asap so that the kids can get started!

Chocolate Toss



Our most popular game will be back at the Bonython Bonanza on October 26. The Chocolate Toss! In the lead up to the fete we are asking families to donate blocks of chocolate for the chocolate toss.

And to make it fun it is class competition time again. The class who raises the most blocks of chocolate will win a fun class prize! Competition closes October 18.

Keep an eye out for chocolate on sale! Coles has Cadbury's on sale for 50% off, a couple of blocks for us, and one for you for when the kids are in bed.



Many hands make light work! This year, for the Bonython Bonanza, we are allocating a stall or area of the Fete to families of each class, to organise volunteers to work the stall. Stall and class allocations will come out in the next couple of days, and we urge people to get involved!

Doing a couple of hours at the Fete can be a lot of fun, and it shows your children what coming together as a community to work towards a goal looks like. More info will come out soon but put the date in your diary and consider putting your name down once the info comes out. We love our parents who volunteer regularly, and it would be great to see others volunteer as well!



Do you have a business that might like to support our Fete? We are currently collecting donations of prizes and are grateful for anything big or small. If you, or someone you know, would like to donate a prize please contact bpspca@hotmail.com or drop donations into the office. Please make sure to include your business details or name so we can do a shout out on our page!

Popular prizes in previous years have included gift vouchers for local businesses, activities and services, food and beverages to contribute to hampers, sports gear/clothes etc that could contribute to a prize pack.

We are also looking for a major sponsor to sponsor our rides! Please get in touch for more information!

We would love some more book donations! All genres welcome. Have a look over the school holidays and we will be back open to receive books in Week 1!



NAMADGI FETE

I wonder what some of the raffle prizes on offer are at the Namadgi Fete this year?

Every token purchased will be placed into a raffle which will be drawn at the end of the day. We would like to thank the following businesses for their support and their kind and generous donations.

- National Dinosaur Museum – 2 x family admission passes worth \$45 each.
- iPlay – Play packs/Mega play packs and swiper cards
- Flip Out (Mitchell) – Voucher pack
- Questacon – 1 x family admission pass worth \$70



COMMUNITIES@WORK

Below is a link to our School Holiday Highlights of what we are offering families for the October School Holiday Programs.

Enrolments are open and families are welcome to enrol via our website.

<https://commsatwork.org/services/children/?category=school-holiday-programs#services>

PARKING RESTRICTIONS PROTECT SAFETY

Parking restrictions are used around schools to increase safety for children. Some of the [common signage](#) used in school zones includes:

- No stopping – vehicles are not permitted to stop or park for any purpose
- No parking – vehicles are permitted to stop, however only to pick up or set down passengers and must drive on within two minutes of stopping
- Bus zone – the area is reserved for use by buses only, unless signposted for other use at certain times
- Children's crossing – a part-time crossing that operates when one or more crossing flags are displayed, giving all pedestrians priority over vehicles.

Parking Operations and police regularly patrol school zones to enforce safe behaviours, so please remember to play your part in helping to build a safe school environment.



**Here to assist any
person who wants
information or to
chat about
parenting**

Call us
6287 3833
9am–5pm



SCHOOL CLOTHING

Please remember to name all school clothing in case it goes missing.

If your child's clothing is named it can be returned to them but if not it will be donated to the 2nd hand clothing shop.

Isabella Plains Early Childhood School is turning 10!

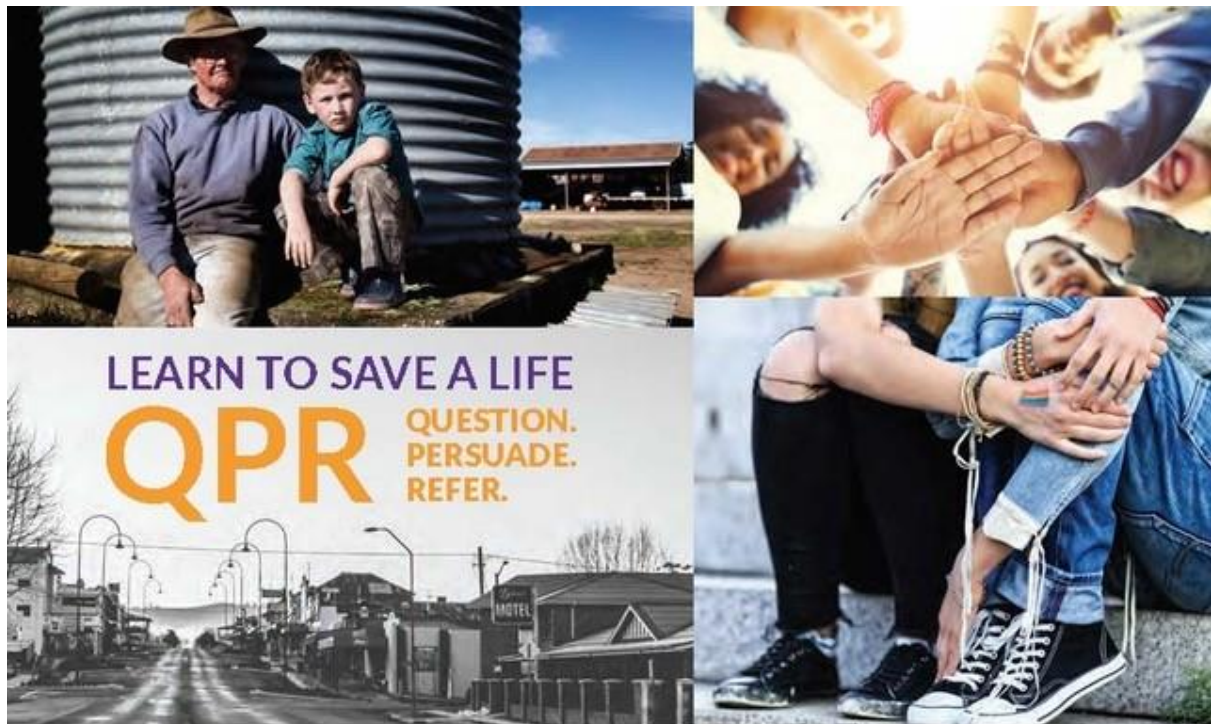
Please come and join us in celebrating our special day with the people who have made IPECS such a special place to be over the last 10 years.

Date: 12 September 2019

Time: 4.30pm-6.00pm

Where: Our school playground. BYO picnic to enjoy.

We hope to see you there



LEARN TO SAVE A LIFE

Many people who are experiencing suicidal thoughts communicate distress through their words or actions, but these warning signs may be missed or misinterpreted. We can all be trained to spot the signs. By building a network in our community, we will strengthen our local safety net. Suicide prevention is everyone's business.

Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) online training is for people with no assumed knowledge of mental health or suicide prevention.

QPR training will provide you with:

- knowledge and skills to identify warning signs someone may be suicidal
- confidence to talk to them about suicidal thoughts
- connect them with professional care

ACT Education are partnering with ACT Health to offer QPR for families and school staff. You can register for QPR at this link: <http://lifespansresearch.qprtraining.com/setup.php?myorg=ACTEDU>

The attached factsheet provides more information about the training.





Tuesday 17 September
7.00 - 8.30 pm

Centre for Teaching and Learning
51 Fremantle Drive, Stirling

Transition to School Parent Forum

**Tips for parents and carers to
support children who are starting school**

This forum will provide tips and resources to support you and your child's successful transition to school. Hear from experienced educators, researchers and parents who will also be happy to answer your questions.

This is a free event.

Register via email earlylearning@actparents.org.au or phone 6241 5759
by 13 September 2019

This event will also be made available as a podcast.



ACT Council of Parents & Citizens Associations

"NO HAT, SEEK SHADE"

Please remind your child to bring their broad brimmed or bucket hat to school. Caps are not a sunsmart accessory. Please write your child's name inside the hat and check the hat cord for a 'breakaway' clip, if not please remove the cord.



PARENT COMMUNICATION

Please make sure your family and friends know about our Facebook page. This form of communication provides instant updates and regular information for our families.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Bonython-Primary-School/102380009860463>

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM AT QPRC INDOOR SPORTS

Our popular School Holiday Program (SHP) is once again running this upcoming school holiday 30 Sept – 12 October (weekends excluded) at the QPRC Indoor Sports Centre (1A Yass Road, Queanbeyan).

The cost of the School Holiday Program is \$40.00 for a half day, \$70.00 for a full day or \$200.00 for a full week.

You can now book and submit your form online through the link

<https://qprcindoorsports.com.au/bookings/school-holiday-program/> or for further information please call 6285 6993 or email: indoorsports@qprc.nsw.gov.au



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