### Bass Hill Public School



Newsletter Term 2 Week 6 2022

#### PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thursday 26 May saw staff and students attend a special assembly to acknowledge National Sorry Day. This date carries great significance for the Stolen Generations and other First Nations people and was marked by our school community through the creation of Purple Hibiscus flowers, the national symbol of Sorry Day. Students and staff recognise that the land we work, learn and play on always was and always will be Aboriginal land.

Upcoming Events	
June	
Fri 3	Winter PSSA Gala Day
Thur 9	Stage 1 Excursion – Sydney Aquarium
Fri 10	Year 6 Fundraiser – Footy Fever

At Bass Hill Public School, we have had a very sporting fortnight!

Congratulations to our BHPS Cross Country team. We were sad to see the carnival postponed yet again but we look forward to seeing our students head off to represent our school next week. I know that the students on the team are looking forward to this opportunity.

We also wish luck to all participants in Gala Day 1 for Winter PSSA scheduled to be held on Friday 3 June. It has been wonderful to watch our teams train as we enjoy some drier weather. Thank you to all of our amazing staff organisers and coaches for ensuring that our students have access to this wonderful opportunity.

With stage one students due to head out on an excursion shortly, it is certainly an action-packed Term at BHPS! This makes for a very welcome change from the last few years and the many impacts of COVID 19. While we are excited to offer our students many opportunities, please remember that students should not attend school if they exhibit any symptoms of COVID 19. If your child has COVID 19 please remember to inform our school on 9644 3431. This is an important measure to ensure that we continue to do our best to keep everybody safe as we move into Winter.

#### STUDENT WELLBEING

### **Positive Behaviour For Learning**

Each week at morning assembly, we continue to teach students '5 things to remember' for different school settings.

This week, our focus was the wash sheds and bubblers and our 5 things to remember were

Go during the break

Wait my turn

Move in and out safely

Use water wisely

Keep food and drinks outside





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Students continue to be rewarded with raffle tickets on the playground if they can name any of these expected behaviours. They can then earn a 'Playground Award'.

Next week, our focus is **assembly** and our 5 things to remember are ........

Enter and leave quietly
Eyes on the speaker
Listen at all times
Avoid distractions
Clap appropriately



### **Surprise Weekly Draw**

Each week, on any one random day at morning assembly, all students are in a draw for a \$2 canteen voucher. One name is drawn from Early Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3.

To claim the prize, students simply need to do two things .....

- Be on time for school so that you are at morning assembly
- Be in full school uniform

Congratulations to this week's winners,



Jawad (3/4G) and Mohamed (5/6L).

### **Wellbeing Lessons**

Students continue to enjoy our Wellbeing Wednesday lessons. Each fortnight, classes explore one of the characteristics of a learner.

I am attentive. I am focused. I am determined. I am collaborative. I am creative.

Here are some fun 'Minute to Win It' games that the whole family can play. They encourage your children to persist, to keep trying, even when something is difficult!

I am determined.



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You have one minute to .......

- stack 4 apples
- move twenty smarties from one plate to another using a straw, no hands
- move a cookie from your forehead to your mouth using just your facial muscles
- bounce a ping-pong ball into a cup, 12 balls, 12 cups

#### **First Mates**

Congratulations to the students who earnt their First Mate award at this week's assembly. Remember, as soon as you have three awards (Merit or PBL), show them to your teacher to earn a First Mate Award.





### **DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY**



What a great lesson in patience our cross-country runners have been given! After two postponements, hopefully it will be third time lucky next week. Thank you for your continued cooperation in getting all notes signed and returned to school.

Good luck to all of our Bass Hill competitors.



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### **GAMES ROOM**

The Games Room is open Monday to Thursday at the first break. It definitely looks like our students are enjoying spending time in there.





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### **NATIONAL 'SORRY DAY'**

This week, at our Monday morning assembly, we recognised 'National Sorry Day'. We listened to messages delivered by our school captains, Hamza and Lily, on the mistreatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who were removed from their families. We reflected on and acknowledged the strength of the Stolen Generations Survivors.

All students coloured a native hibiscus, which is known as 'The Sorry Day' flower, and displayed them in their classrooms.







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### **ELECTION DAY BBQ**



Our Election Day BBQ was a huge success!

We made a great start to our Year 6 fundraising efforts for the year.

A huge thank you to the many families who came and purchased a sausage sizzle on the day.

Special thanks to the following Year 6 families who supported our efforts, either on the day or through donations - Aayan, Abdulkarim, Adam, Barakat, Bozatzis, Craft, Dixon, Hussein, Hzaife, Issmail, Liu, Massoud, O'Dowd, Petrovski, Saleh, Yasier and Shah.

As well, thank you to Mrs El Nashar, Mrs Nashabe, Ms Bateman and Mr John, and all of the teachers who came along and helped out on the day.

#### **FOOTY FEVER DAY**

Next Friday is Footy Fever Day!

Wear any sporting team jersey or shirt or alternatively just wear your team colours. Remember to wear joggers as you will be participating in some football activities on the day.

A gold coin puts you in the draw to win a great prize.

If you would like a sausage sizzle on the day, orders must be in by this Friday, June 3.

Thank you for supporting Year 6.





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### **RESPECT PROGRAM 2022**

Every year, Bass Hill Public School has the privilege of partnering with Outloud for the RESPECT program. A group of Stage 3 boys work together each week to learn how they can advocate for healthy trusting relationships amongst their friends and especially with girls.

They consolidate their learning through song-writing and singing. Last week, I sat in on their session and was so proud to see all that they have learnt.

