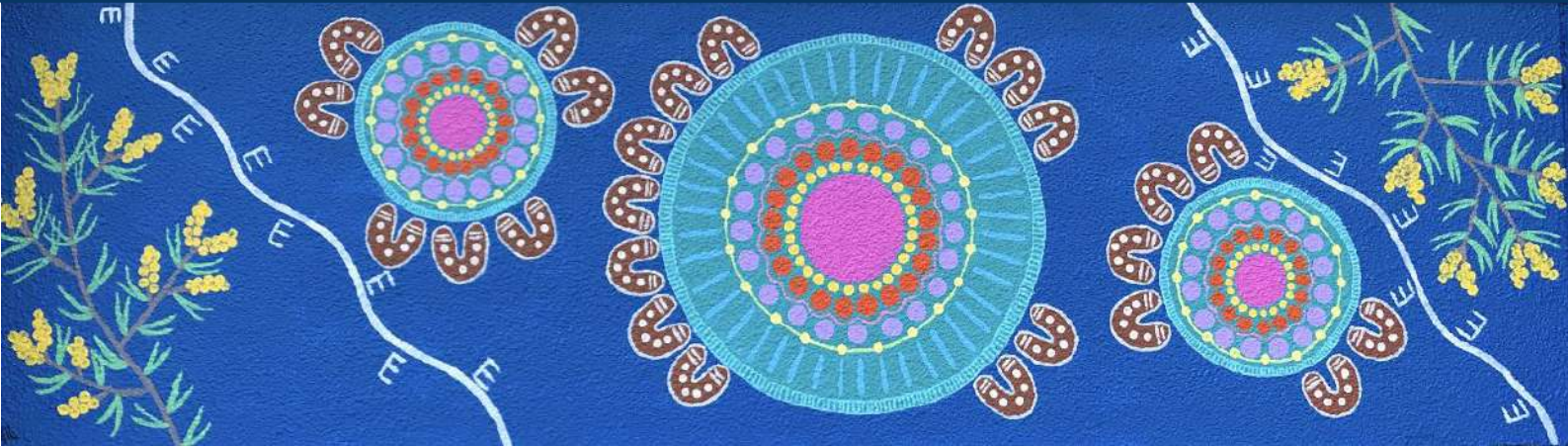




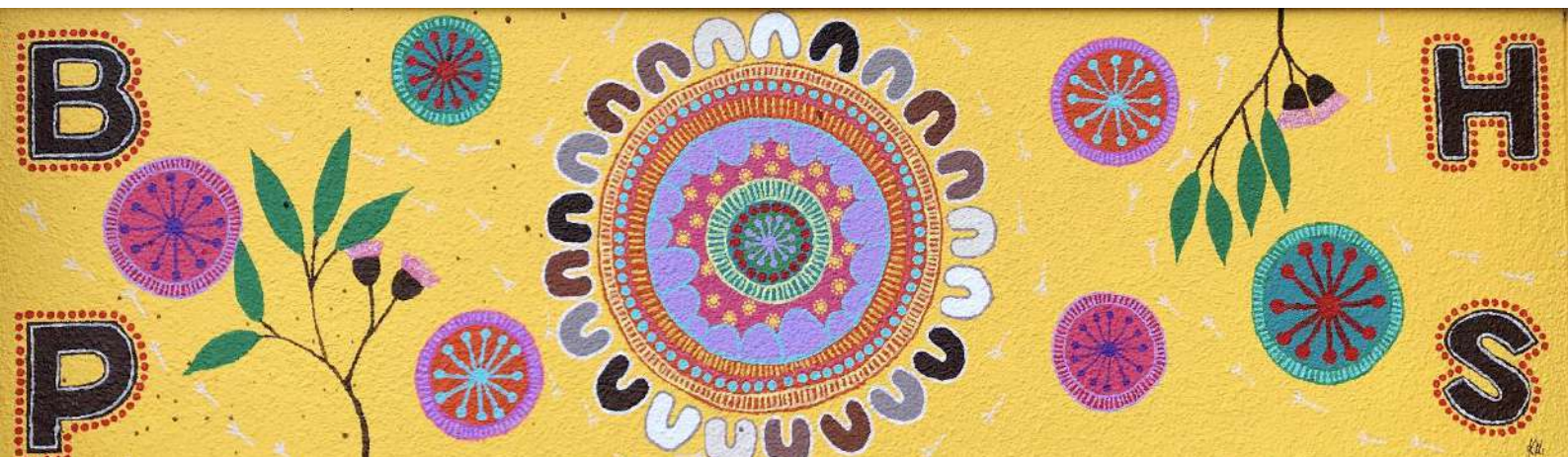
# Bass Hill Public School

Term 4 Week 4



*We at Bass Hill Public School acknowledge the Dharug People as the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet, connect, learn and grow on today.*

*Together we live, discover and respect the connections to land, water, skies and community. We commit ourselves to nourish and empower future aspirations of all who meet here today with a mutual respect fostering authentic relationships between all, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians and non-Indigenous Australians.*





# Bass Hill Public School

Term 4 Week 4

## Principal's Message

Term Four has been an action-packed event so far. The Term commenced with Swimming Scheme. This initiative saw 50 students attend intensive swimming lessons every day in weeks one and two. This year saw unprecedented interest in the scheme from our families. Please note that Swimming Scheme will run again in 2024.

In addition, many of our stage three students attended a basketball tournament. I was incredibly proud to hear positive feedback about student behaviour and participation. Thank you to our organising and attending teachers.

Our Preschool has been a busy place with a visit from Healthy Harold as well as lots of preparation for Big School. Please keep an eye out for information regarding Preschool Graduation at the close of this term. It is hard to believe that our youngest students will soon begin their first steps into formal schooling!

Our Support Unit welcomed Mrs Zreik, the new Assistant Principal permanently appointed to Bass Hill PS. Mrs Zreik was welcomed with an afternoon tea attended by our parents. This was a great opportunity to welcome our newest permanent staff member. Thank you to all who attended. Thank you to Ms Gonzales for organising this opportunity.

Term 4 has also seen our annual RESPECT launch. RESPECT includes weekly workshops for year 6 students on singing and song writing through the lens of identifying and preventing violence against girls and women, particularly around gender stereotypes and anger management. A group of year 6 boys wrote, rehearsed and performed at a special school assembly to the entire school community. You can view the final product at the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zN-5iTWBEfY>

With upcoming excursions planned to Calmsley Farm for Kindergarten and Symbio for Stage One students, there is certainly lots happening with many opportunities for students at Bass Hill PS.







# Bass Hill Public School

Term 4 Week 4

## Principal's Message

Our parents, carers and community members may have noticed new signage around our school in Term 4. This signage is in place to encourage safe driving around our school. It is important that parents and carers follow the road rules, especially as they apply in a school zone when dropping off and collecting students. Please drive as though each student was your child. Together we can ensure that our school community is a safe one.



At Bass Hill Public School, we look forward to ending our school year on a positive note.

We look forward to our centenary celebrations and thank Mrs Gray for her efforts to organise this special occasion for us as we acknowledge 100 years at Bass Hill Public School on Friday 24 November 3:30-7:30pm

Mrs Jahshan



# What's going on at BHPS?

## TERM 4 CALENDAR

WK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5		Stage 2 Skyworks Incursion	Kindergarten Orientation (Final Session)		Remembrance Day
6				Kindergarten & Support Unit Calmsley Hill Farm Excursion	
7					Centenary Celebration 3:30-7:00pm
8					
9	Presentation Day  Preschool Blue Graduation		Year 6 Farewell	Preschool Yellow Graduation	
10		Year 6 Graduation Assembly			



# What's going on at BHPS?

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## Swimming Scheme

This term, in weeks 1 and 2, students had the opportunity to participate in the annual swimming and water safety program.

Students learned vital swimming and water safety skills across 10 lessons. They developed water safety awareness and focussed on competitive strokes.







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# What's going on at BHPs?

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Kindergarten 2024

## Enrol now for Kindergarten in 2024

Enrolments are currently being taken for Kindergarten in 2024. Please visit our front office in person to collect an enrolment form or download the enrolment form from our school website.



Kindergarten Orientation is currently underway. The 3<sup>rd</sup> and final session will be held on **Wednesday 8th November from 9.15-10.45am.**

We would love to see all of our 2024 Kindergarten students attend.





# What's going on at BHPS?

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## BHPS Centenary

This year, Bass Hill Public School celebrates it's 100<sup>th</sup> year!

In 1923 the school opened with just one building adjacent to the Hume Highway. As enrolments grew, more buildings were added to facilitate an Infants Department, a Boys Department and a Girls Department (that's right, in the primary, boys and girls were once in separate classes).



1A in 1953

Photo taken in front of what are now our Kinder rooms – they were very modern in 1953!

42 children in the class. Wow!



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5A in 1959

Photo taken in front of the building in Area A.

41 girls in the class.



6A in 1958

Photo taken on what is now, the basketball courts.

40 boys in the class.





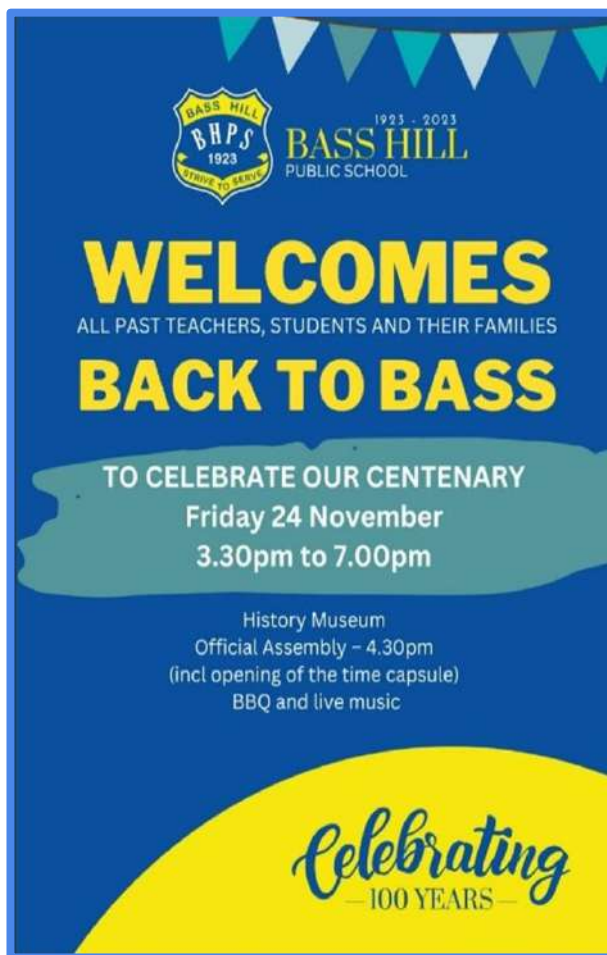


# What's going on at BHPS?

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You will be able to see and learn so much more about Bass Hill Public School at our very own museum when we celebrate our centenary on Friday 24 November, between 3.30pm and 7.00pm.

It is a chance for all past students and their families to come 'Back to Bass' and join us in the celebrations. Spread the word, tell all of your old school friends. Everyone is welcome!



*If you are an ex-student or you have older children who once attended the school and you have any memorabilia, such as photos, uniforms, dress-up costumes, awards etc, we would love to include your items in our museum. Please contact the school or see Mrs Gray.*





# What's going on at BHPS?

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Mufti Day



## Spooky Mufti Day

**Tuesday 31 October 2023**



All students are invited to wear 'spooky mufti' to school (no knives, blood or guns) and purchase a treat from the wide variety of candies being sold by Year 6.

Students can also purchase a lucky dip – it might be a treat, but it might be a trick!!!  
Prices range from \$1 - \$3.



There will be a limit of two candies per student.

Thank you for supporting Year 6.







# What's going on at BHPS?

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RESPECT

## RESPECT Video Launch

Last week, we launched our 2023 RESPECT music video.

Stage 3 students participated in the RESPECT program throughout the year. The program involved weekly workshops on singing and songwriting through the lens of identifying and preventing violence against women. Students wrote, rehearsed and performed the song:

### **'Good At The Start, Good At The End'**

To see the 2023 music video, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zN-5iTWBEfY>







# What's going on at BHPS?

Term 4 Week 4

Support Unit

## K/2M, K/4P and 2/5G

We have had a great start to Term 4 and are looking forward to the many exciting events we will get to participate in throughout Term 4. Also enjoying our Hip Hop Lessons with Mr Hernan, our Fit Future lessons, our Song Room lessons with Mr Watego and the activities with our buddies from 6G! Thank you to all our staff and whole school community for your support.



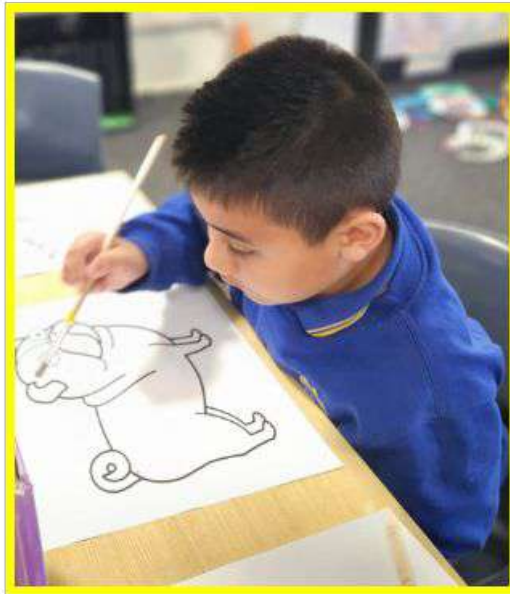




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## Fit Futures Program





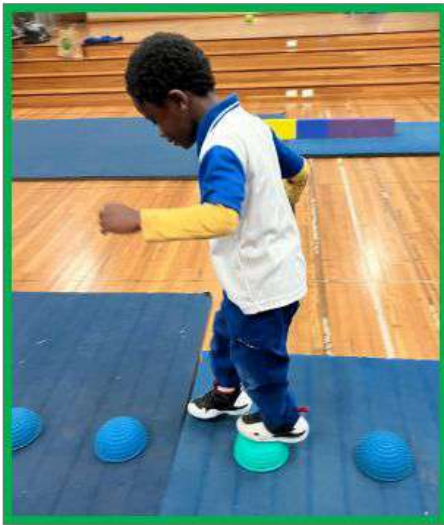


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## Fit Futures Program







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## Song Room





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## Hip Hop







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Support Unit

## Bandanna Day







# What's going on at BHPS?

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Preschool

## Healthy Harold

Healthy Harold visited our Preschool to teach the children how to be super safe. The children listened to the story 'Super Safe Harold' and learned about how to be safe in the car, leaving preschool, in the home, near water, and how to ask for help.







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Preschool

We learned about sun safety while singing a sunscreen song and practised how to correctly apply sunscreen.



The children then looked in Harold's mystery bag of safety items and discussed how each item keeps them safe.



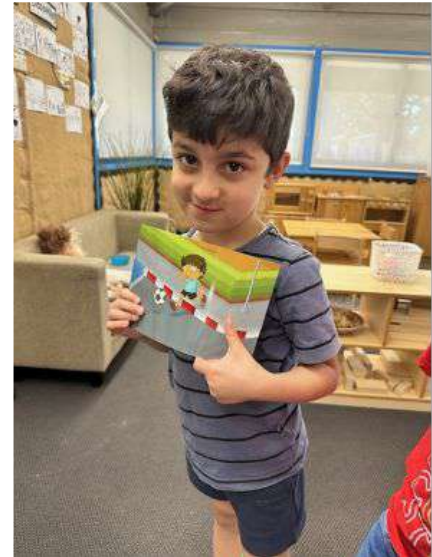


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Preschool

We then looked at pictures of scenarios and discussed if they were safe or unsafe scenarios. If unsafe, we discussed how we could make it safe.



The children had lots of fun learning about water safety. They learned the safest place at the beach to swim is in between the red and yellow flags, with an adult supervising.







# What's going on at BHPS?

Term 4 Week 4

Early Stage 1

## ES1 Learning

Kindergarten have been working hard all year in the area of literacy. We have been learning the letter names, sounds and new sight words. We have also been working to put all this new knowledge together to read simple texts. We do this each week at the reading table. Something else that we are improving with are our writing skills. We do a lot of writing on whiteboards to help refine our skills and we also write in our books each week too. We are currently writing about the farm and farm animals in preparation for our visit to the farm in Week 6.



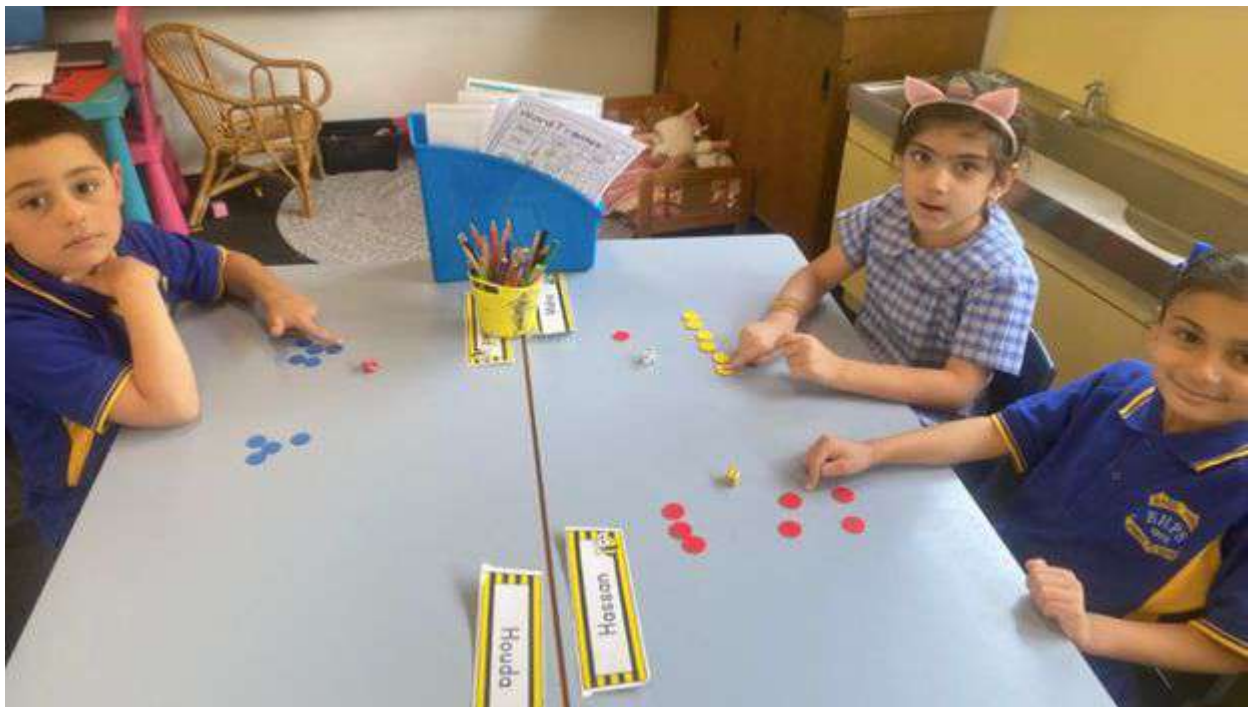


# What's going on at BHPS?

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Early Stage 1

In numeracy, we have been doing lots of counting- forwards and backwards. We have been practising our teen numbers and saying the number before and after a number. We have been learning to combine and separate groups when doing addition and subtraction. We have used lots of hands on equipment when learning these skills.







# What's going on at BHPS?

Term 4 Week 4

Early Stage 1

**KD** students have been hard at work learning our sounds, sight words and improving our writing skills by practicing writing sentences about farm animals.



In Mathematics, **KD** students have been working on number skills and combining numbers together from 1-20.





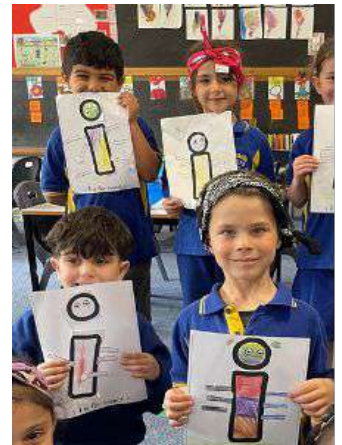
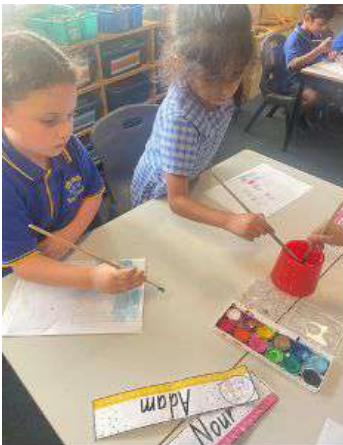


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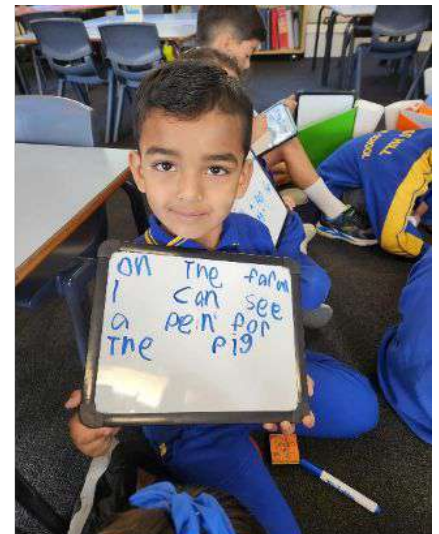
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Early Stage 1

**KD** have been enjoying art and craft! We have been drawing and painting farm landscapes and farm animals!



In Writing, **KT** have been exploring the farm and constructing sentences of farm animals and their characteristics.





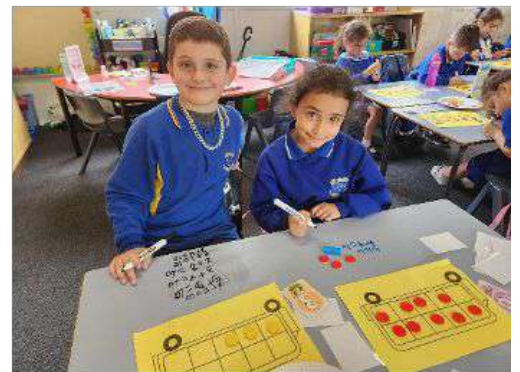


# What's going on at BHPS?

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Early Stage 1

**KT** engaged in hands-on learning to solve number bonds to 10. Look at these busy bees at work!





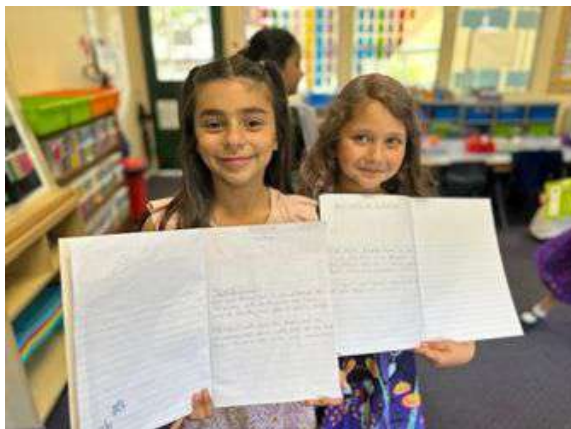
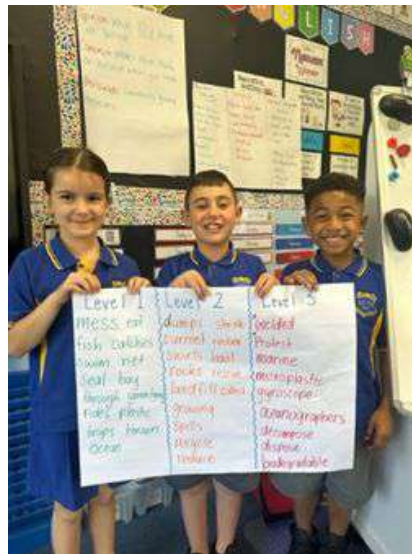
# What's going on at BHPS?

Term 4 Week 4

Stage 1

## Stage 1 Learning

Students in Stage 1 have been learning about the effects of pollution on marine life! They have been doing a lot of reading and research to collect important information to prepare for writing! Students are planning to write letters to Mrs Jahshan about the importance of putting our rubbish in the bin and recycling correctly at school. They are hoping to convince her to get more bins in the playground at school.



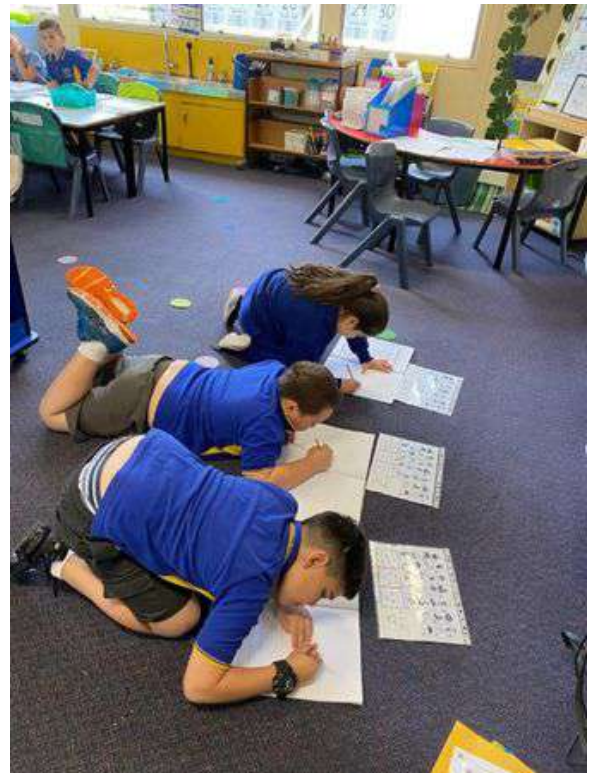
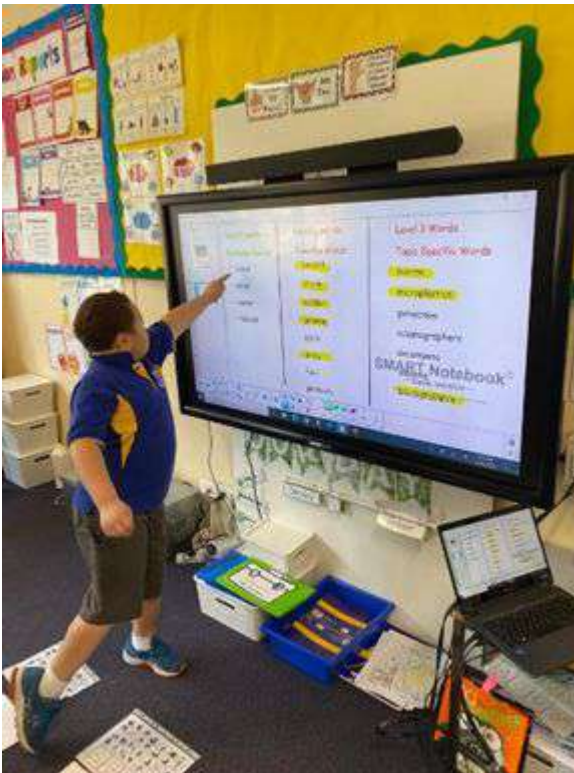




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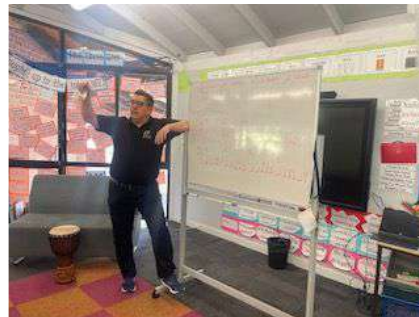
# What's going on at BHPS?

Term 4 Week 4

Stage 2

## Song Room

Every Stage 2 class enjoys a weekly music lesson with Mr Watego. In this lesson, students are creative and are learning how to read and make music on different instruments! Each class is working on their own song.







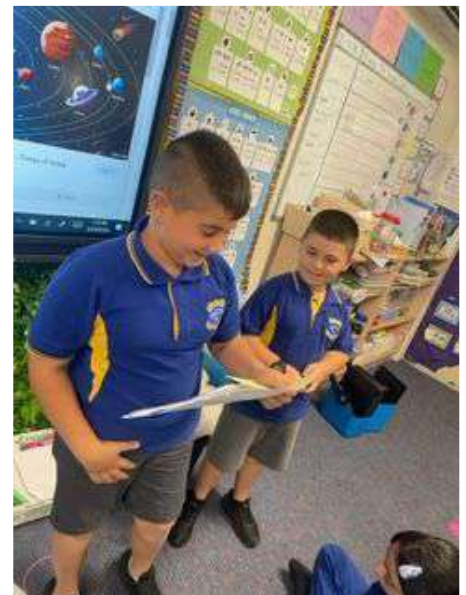
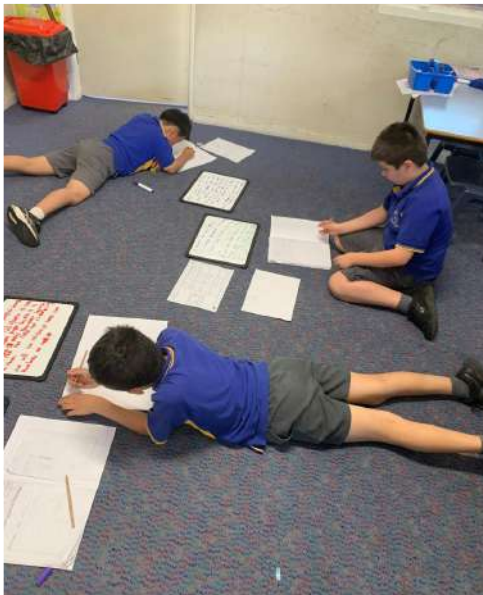
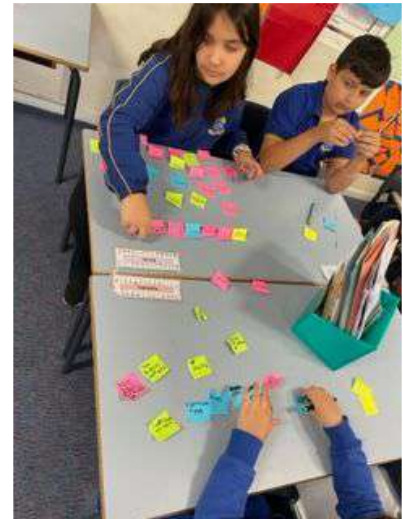
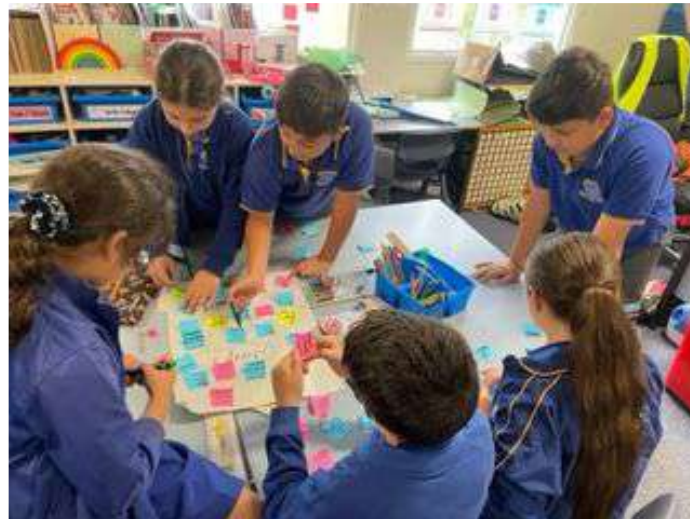
# What's going on at BHPS?

Term 4 Week 4

Stage 2

## Reading and Writing in Stage 2

Students are exploring their reading and writing skills as they learn about planets, the sun, stars, constellations and so much more. They were so fascinated with the new concepts and vocabulary... ***it was out of this world!***





# What's going on at BHPS?

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Stage 2



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## Stage 2 Skyworks Incursion

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

As part of Stage 2 teaching programs, students are combining their learning of reading and writing while investigating the Science content of Earth and Space.

To support learning, students have the opportunity to experience Skyworks Mobile Planetarium. The planetarium is a large mobile dome that fits a whole class inside. The dome creates the visual experience of the night sky, allowing each class the visual experience of being surrounded and learning about stars, planets, the moon, sun, constellations and more.

**Date:** Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023

**Location:** School Hall

**Cost:** \$10

**Due Date:** Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November

Thank you,

Stage 2 Teachers

## Stage 2 Skyworks Incursion



I give my permission to my child \_\_\_\_\_ of class  
\_\_\_\_\_ to attend the Skyworks Incursion on the 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023. I  
have included \$10 payment.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please remember to return your note and money by  
MONDAY 6TH NOVEMBER.**





# What's going on at BHPS?

## Term 4 Week 4

### Stage 3

A few changes this term as Stage 3 welcomed Mrs El-Jamalaoui as the class teacher of 5P and Ms Buckland as the RFF teacher for all classes. Term 4 has seen us off to an already very busy start with School Swimming Scheme and the Basketball Tournament. However, there are many more events to come.

**Summer PSSA** – Students representing the school in summer PSSA (basketball, softball, tee ball and touch football) will play four more rounds before the finals. Please ensure you make your Term 4 payment as soon as possible. Good luck to all teams. Students participating in school sport are playing basketball, cricket, soccer, touch football and tennis. Please ensure your child has a school hat and enough water, especially on Fridays.



**'Spooky Mufti Day'** – Tuesday 31 October 2023.

**Mini-Fete** – This Year 6 fundraiser will be held on Tuesday 28 November. Tokens will be sold in the week prior.

**Presentation Day** – Our annual Presentation Day assembly where we acknowledge achievement across all key learning areas will be held on Monday 4 December at 9.15am.

## Year 5

**Check-Ins** – These reading and numeracy tests will be held in Weeks 3 and 4.



**Leadership Team 2024** – Processes for electing our school leaders for 2024 will begin in Week 5. School captains, prefects and house captains will be announced at our annual Presentation Day Assembly.



# What's going on at BHPS?

Term 4 Week 4

Stage 3

## Year 5

**Selective High School 2025** – For those students wishing to apply for placement in a selective high school, applications are now open. You must apply online and then let us know by returning the slip attached to the note you received. Students who apply will need to sit a test in early 2024.

Visit the '*Selective high schools and opportunity classes NSW*' site. Select 'Year 7' and complete the online enrolment. **Applications close Monday 20 November 2023.**

## Year 6

**Mini-Fete** – Tuesday 28 November. The mini-fete is the major fundraiser for Year 6. All monies raised go towards our end of year farewell. Students have already selected their activities and the students they will be working with. Each student is expected to contribute to the making and running of their stall. They will need to purchase the items needed to run their stall or the prizes they will be offering.



If everybody plays their part, it will be an extremely successful day.

## **WANTED –**

Any mums or dads who could help out with face painting. Please see Mrs Gray or Mr Chehade.

**Farewell** – Save the date. **Wednesday 6 December** at Club Condell, 6.00pm. Invitations will be handed out later this term.

**Graduation Assembly & Walkout** – **Tuesday 12 December** at 2.00pm in the school hall. All Year 6 parents and carers are invited to attend.







# What's going on at BHPS?

Term 4 Week 4

Stage 3

## Geography in 5P

Students in 5P have been working extremely hard during geography lessons. During week 1, they finalised the continent of Asia by making Chinese lanterns with oil pastels and watercolour paints in a creative arts lesson.

5P are now learning about the continent of South America. Throughout week 2, they have been researching a country, designing the flag and answering questions about things like climate, population and currency. 5P has worked extremely hard on gaining knowledge about different countries within South America, as well as showing pride with their research task.





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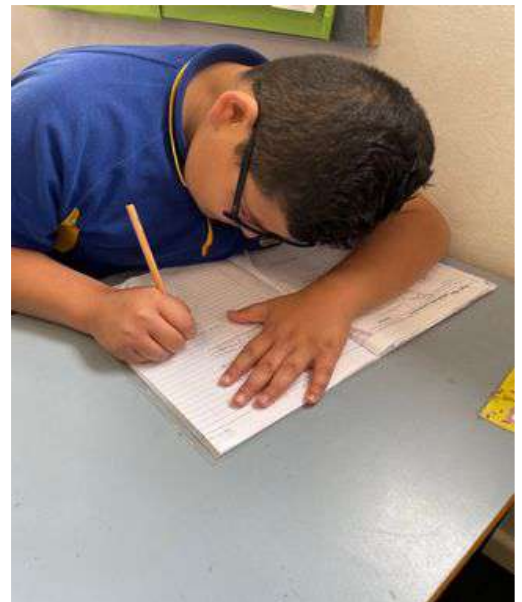
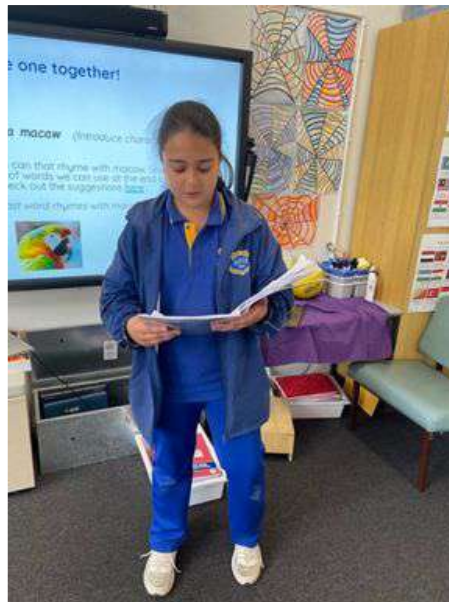
# What's going on at BHPS?

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Stage 3

## Writing in 5P

Students of 5P have been working on different forms of poetry within writing. In this lesson, we were looking at limericks. Students were fascinated by the rhyming patterns and excited to try and create one as a class. We created our limerick about a macaw which is a native bird within South America which students loved. Some students also took the initiative and created their own limerick and presented it to the class.





# What's going on at BHPs?

Term 4 Week 4

Stage 3

