

# Banksia Bulletin

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Caring, creative, challenging and achieving



Tuesday, 18 December 2018

**Week 10 Term 4 2018**

**December**

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> 2018 Final day for students

We wish all our students and their families a safe and enjoyable break. To those celebrating Christmas, enjoy this special time with your loved ones. Happy holidays and see you back in 2019.

## DEPARTING STAFF

On behalf of the entire Banksia Road community I would like to thank our departing staff, Mrs Rodrigues, Miss Hammoud, Mr Craft, Mr Virgara and Mrs Kean.

## SEMESTER 2 REPORTS

Reports were sent home last Friday. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact your child's teacher.

## 2019 RETURN TO SCHOOL DATES

Students in Year 1 – 6 will return to school on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January. Kindergarten will start on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January.

## NOT RETURNING IN 2019

Please advise the school if your children will **not be** returning in 2019. You can advise via our school email, [banksiard-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:banksiard-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au).

## MOBILE PHONES

Last week the NSW Education Minister, Mr Rob Stokes announced the banning of mobile phones in all primary school classrooms in a bid to combat bullying and distractions.

Our policy at Banksia Road is students must drop their phone into the office before school and then pick up their phone at home time. I understand that students use the phone to communicate with parents from 3pm which is perfectly acceptable.

## PRESENTATION DAY

It was lovely to see all our parents and guardians at Presentation Day earlier in the month. The Banksia Shakers ignited the audience with an interactive performance.



Thank you to the Mrs Tleis, Mrs Khassouk, Mrs El-Chahal, Miss Bedran, Mrs Wassef and Mr Attia for the countless hours of choreography.

## SWIM SCHEME

Students in Year 2, 3, 4 and 5 participated in the swim scheme last week. Thank you to Miss Garvey and all the teachers involved. Learning to swim is a critically important skill given our affiliation with the water.



## COMMUNITY HUB NEWS

Below is a community hub survey which we would like you to complete. It will assist us to arrange programs that meet your needs and interests. This is an opportunity for you to tell us what you would like to attend by completing the survey at the end of the newsletter. Please kindly return the completed survey to the Hub Room and enjoy a coffee or tea when you stop in. Thank you  
- Leonie

## UNIFORM SHOP

Opening hours for 2019 is as follows:  
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January – 9 till 11am  
Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Feb – 8:30 till 9:30am.



## SCHOOL COMMUNITY CHARTER

We are lucky to have such a positive school culture. The department of education recently published this School Community Charter which outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers, educators and school staff in NSW public schools to ensure our learning environments are collaborative, supportive and cohesive.

Mr Hamish Woudsma



# School Community Charter

**Collaborative. Respectful. Communication.**

The following School Community Charter outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers, educators and school staff in NSW public schools to ensure our learning environments are collaborative, supportive and cohesive.

We treat each other with **respect**

We **prioritise** the wellbeing of all students and staff

**Unsafe behaviour** is not acceptable in our schools

We work **together** with the school

### What our schools provide

NSW public schools work to create positive environments for students, staff and the entire school community that support student learning. We strive to ensure that every student is known, valued and cared for.

The best education happens when parents and schools work together.

The School Community Charter aligns with the NSW Department of Education Strategic Plan 2018 – 2022.



### Positive environments

It is important that our NSW public schools are positive environments and that parents and carers are kept informed of students' progress and school announcements.

- Parents and carers can expect:
- To be welcomed into our schools to work in partnership to promote student learning.
  - Communication from school staff will be timely, polite and informative.
  - Professional relationships with school staff are based on transparency, honesty and mutual respect.
  - To be treated fairly. Tolerance and understanding are promoted as we respect diversity.

Ensuring respectful learning environments for all members of NSW Public Schools communities.

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We create **collaborative** learning environments

We all play **our part**

We work **in partnership** to promote student learning

### Communicating with our schools

Our staff will find a time to talk to you when they can give you their full attention. Please remember that while our staff are in class or dealing with other matters, they may not be available to answer your questions immediately.

Our schools and communities will make sure that written communication is appropriate, fair and easy to read. We encourage you to use email and social media appropriately to connect with your school and stay up-to-date with up-coming events in the school community.

Our guide for parents, carers and students provides useful information about the complaints process.  
[education.nsw.gov.au/about-us/rights-and-accountability/complaints-compliments-and-suggestions/guide-for-parents-carers-and-students](http://education.nsw.gov.au/about-us/rights-and-accountability/complaints-compliments-and-suggestions/guide-for-parents-carers-and-students)

### Respectful communication is a right

In all workplaces people have the right to feel respected. Unacceptable and offensive behaviour has no place in our school communities.

To ensure the wellbeing of students, staff and the community in our schools, steps will be taken to address unacceptable behaviour. This may include restricting contact with the school community or, in more serious cases, referral to NSW Police.

### Unacceptable behaviour may include but is not limited to:

- Aggressive or intimidating actions, such as violence, threatening gestures or physical proximity.
- Aggressive or intimidating language, including the use of obscenities, making sexist, racist or derogatory comments or using a rude tone.
- Treating members of the school community differently due to aspects such as their religion or disability.
- Inappropriate and time wasting communication.



School Community Charter  
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## اخبار المدرسة

الأسبوع العاشر

الاربعاء آخر يوم للتلاميذ

توديع معلمين

نودع السيدة رودريجس، المعلمة حمود، الاستاذ كرافت، الاستاذ فيرجارا و السيدة كين

تقارير المدرسة

يمكن مقابلة المعلمين لمناقشة التقرير

بداية العام الجديد

الصف الأول الى السادس يوم الاربعاء 30.1

صفوف الحضانة تبدأ الخميس 31.1

## دروس السباحة

اشترك تلاميذ الصفوف 2,3,4,5 في دروس السباحة الأسبوع الماضي

نشكر كل المعلمين على ترتيب البرامج

يوم الشهادات

نشكر المعلمين و الضيوف و الاهالي على الحضور و المجهود المستمر

ممنوع

ممنوع احضار التليفونات الى المدرسة بناء على قرار وزير التعليم

الذي المدرسي

يمكن شراء الزي من يوم الثلاثاء الساعة 9 الى الساعة 11 صباحا

من يوم الاربعاء الى الجمعة من الساعة 8.30 الى الساعة 9.30

Place a CROSS (x) through 5 of the programs that most meet your needs or interests:

English  
Conversation  
Classes

Playgroup

Road Safety

Cooking  
Classes

How to manage bullying

Knitting and Sewing  
Classes

Adult Learn to Swim  
Classes

Parenting  
Programs

Community  
Service  
Courses

Computer  
Courses

Fitness Classes

Family First Aid

Barista Course

Cake Decorating

Teachers Aid Course

Makeup Artistry  
Course

Children's Services  
Course

Fitted for work

Health and Nutrition  
Classes

Managing Children's  
Social Media

How to help your child with homework

Transition to school program for  
Kindergarten





# FREE BUS TO BEACH

We are providing free buses to Cronulla Beach for young people and their parents/guardians on the following days:

**Tuesday 15 January**

**Thursday 17 January**

**Tuesday 22 January**

**Thursday 24 January**

**Buses will pick up from the following locations -**

	<b>9am</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>9.30am</b>
Route 1	The Roundabout Youth Centre, Helen St, cnr Carlingford Rd, Sefton	Greenacre Senior Citizen Centre, 202 Waterloo Rd, Greenacre	69 The Mall, Bankstown (on Paul Keating Park side, opposite Lincraft)
Route 2	Panania Railway Station, Panania (on Weston St side)	Revesby Railway Station, Revesby (on Blamey St side)	Padstow Railway Station, Padstow (on Howard Rd side)
Route 3	Belmore Youth Resource Centre, 3/38-40 Redman Pde, Belmore	Riverwood Community Centre, 151 Belmore Rd North, Riverwood	
Route 4	Ashbury Senior Citizens Centre, 66 Princess St, Ashbury	Council Customer Carpark, 17 Shakespeare St, Campsie	

All buses depart Cronulla Beach at 3pm SHARP and return to the pick-up points as above.

The program operates on a 'first come, first served' basis. However, if you pre-register online before Friday 11 January, each passenger registered will receive a free BBQ and drink voucher, to be redeemed at Dunningham Park, North Cronulla, between 11am-1pm on the day of your choice.

**All passengers must comply with the conditions and warnings, which can be found at [cb.city/bustobeach](http://cb.city/bustobeach) or by calling 9707 9605.**





# ACTIVE CANTERBURY BANKSTOWN

December 2018  
Members'  
Newsletter



## December officially marks the beginning of summer!

This month, Active Canterbury - Bankstown will provide some great options on how to stay safe in and around the water and the various outdoor fitness equipment located in several of our beautiful parks.

Also, don't forget to 'slip, stop, slap' while outdoors!

@activecanterburybankstown  
Like Us On Facebook

### Water Safety – Learn To Swim

The City of Canterbury Bankstown has five Leisure and Aquatic Centres located across the City which provide swimming programs for children and adults.

- 2019 Term 1 Dates: Tuesday 29 January - Sunday 14 April
- 2019 Term 1 Enrolments: Monday 3 December
- 2019 Term 1 New Enrolments: Monday 3 December
- Holiday program

Week 1: 5 days	Monday 7 January - Friday 11 January
Week 2: 5 days	Monday 14 January - Friday 18 January
Week 3: 5 days	Monday 21 January - Friday 25 January

### Outdoor Fitness Equipment

Sped to see our a bliss this summer season by visiting one of our parks that offer FREE outdoor fitness equipment! You can find outdoor fitness equipment at these locations:

- Bankstown:** Grahame Thomas Oval, BM Campbell Reserve, Carlaw Reserve
- GeorgesHall:** The Crest of Bankstown
- GeorgesCross:** Norfcoote Park, Gooding Park
- Milperris:** Newland Reserve
- MountLewish:** Mount Lewish Park
- Padstow:** Playford Park, Virginia Reserve
- Penrith:** Lambeth Reserve, Kells of Park South
- Porta Hill:** Elocorne Park
- WillerbyPark:** Willerby Park
- Yagoolam:** O'Neill Park

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### COMPOST AND WORM FARMING WORKSHOP

**When:** Saturday 5 December  
**Time:** 10.30am - 12.30pm  
**Where:** Chiswick Hill  
 Cornwell Oval, Chiswick Hill  
 Cornwell Oval, Chiswick Hill

**Details:** This workshop will give a hands on demonstration on how to produce food waste going to your garden by creating a compost heap or worm farm.

**Register at:** [bit.ly/2A8ZU7C](http://bit.ly/2A8ZU7C)

#### INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY GALA

**When:** Thursday 6 December  
**Time:** 4.30-7.30pm  
**Where:** Bankstown Sports Club, EPPING RD 88 STREET, BISHOPSTOWN

**Details:** Come and celebrate the achievements and contributions of people with disability in our local community.

**Organised by:** [www.canteburybankstown.nsw.gov.au](http://www.canteburybankstown.nsw.gov.au)

#### JAPANESE PAPER GIFT WRAPPING

**When:** Wednesday 12 & Friday 14 December  
**Time:** 10am-12pm  
**Where:** Bankstown and Campsie Library & Knowledge Centres

**Details:** If you're looking for a way to personalise your gift wrap, bring your own ideas and materials or come along and learn the art of Japanese Washi paper.

**Organised by:** [www.canteburybankstown.nsw.gov.au](http://www.canteburybankstown.nsw.gov.au)

#### CARDIOLIN IN THE PARK

**When:** Sunday 17 December  
**Time:** 4-5pm  
**Where:** Wey Park  
 Any public park

**Details:** Bring a friend and join in the outdoor fun with FREE cardiovascular fitness stations and participating a walk for heart.

**Organised by:** [www.canteburybankstown.nsw.gov.au](http://www.canteburybankstown.nsw.gov.au)

#### ACTIVE CIPS JANUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS

**When:** June 2019  
**Details:** Active Canterbury - Bankstown will be holding winter school holiday clinics in the January school holidays. Go to [www.canteburybankstown.nsw.gov.au](http://www.canteburybankstown.nsw.gov.au) for more information.



- Contact your closest swim school for more information.
- Blrong Leisure and Aquatic Centre - 9644 83100
- Canterbury Leisure and Aquatic Centre - 97 89 9203
- Macquarie Leisure and Aquatic Centre - 9771 214 9
- Roseland Leisure and Aquatic Centre - 97 89 9502
- Warran Vale and Aquatic Centre - 97 82 9283





# Summer School Holiday Activities

for primary school students



## Check out our school holiday activities for primary school students!

Get an interactive presentation on the new \$50 banknote and discover banknote security features.

Explore the Museum with a treasure map and learn about the history of Australia.

### Summer Session Times

Wednesday, 9 January, 11.00 am – 12.45 pm  
Friday, 11 January, 11.00 am – 12.45 pm  
Wednesday, 16 January, 11.00 am – 12.45 pm  
Friday, 18 January, 11.00 am – 12.45 pm  
Wednesday, 23 January, 11.00 am – 12.45 pm  
Friday, 25 January, 11.00 am – 12.45 pm



**Cost: FREE (bookings essential)**  
**Email: [museum@rba.gov.au](mailto:museum@rba.gov.au)**  
**Phone: (02) 9551 9743**

Reserve Bank of Australia Museum  
Ground Floor, 65 Martin Place  
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To find out more, visit:  
[www.museum.rba.gov.au/events](http://www.museum.rba.gov.au/events)



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