

Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Caring, creative, challenging and achieving



Wednesday, 18 December 2024

CALENDAR

Week 10 Term 4 2024

December

Monday 16th Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am
Wednesday 18th Last day students
Thursday 19th Reports emailed home

Week 1 & 2 - Term 1 2025

Jan/February

Friday 31st School Development Day
Monday 3rd School Development Day
Tuesday 4th School Development Day
Uniform Shop 9 – 11am
Wednesday 5th School Development Day
Uniform Shop 9 – 11am
Thursday 6th First day students
Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am
Friday 7th Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am

Week 3 Term 1 2025

February

Monday 10th Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am
Friday 13th Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am

Future Dates:

- Wednesday 19th Feb – School Swimming Carnival
- March 12 – 24 - NAPLAN

2025 STARTING DAY

Next year, all students will be starting on Thursday 6th February (Kindergarten at 9:30am) following four school development days. These school development days provide our teachers time to be best prepared individually and collectively to implement curriculum.

Term 2 SDD – Monday 28th and Tuesday 29th April

Term 3 SDD – Monday 21st July

Term 4 SDD – Monday 13th October

CAPTAINS/ PREFECTS 2025

Captains

Emmett T & Alyssar B

Vice Captains

Rihanna H & Mohamed M

Prefects

Issa A, Medinah I, Ryan M and Saphia D

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Yesterday, there were 83 students who enjoyed an ice-cream as a reward for 100% attendance in Term 4. We also acknowledged the 17 students who had 100% attendance for the entire year. Congratulations to 1D who won the best class attendance award again in Term 4.

Attendance Top 5 Leaderboard for Term 4 as of W9

Term 4 - Mainstream Classes	Inclusive Class Leader
1. 1D - 94.34%	
1. 1S - 93.24%	
3. 4H - 92.93%	
4. 2B - 92.91%	
5. 4N - 92.49%	
	IC - Yellow - 95.56%





2025 BRPS SCHOOL FETE

At our last P & C meeting, we discussed the idea of organising a fete for next year, this will depend on the number of volunteers. If you are interested in joining the 'Fete Committee,' please contact the office.

SCHOOL REPORTS

Semester Two reports will be emailed to families on Thursday 19th December. You may also access your child's report through the School Bytes portal.

ENROLMENTS

It is most important that we have accurate enrolment numbers for 2025 as we wish to provide all students with a thorough and positive transition and accurate enrolment numbers.

If you have a child coming into Kindergarten in 2025 and you have not yet completed the application, please complete it as soon as possible.

If your child will not be returning to Banksia Road PS in 2025, please let the office know immediately, or email the school on banksiard-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

2026 SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION

This applies to Year 5 students only.

Selective high school applications are now open for Year 7, 2026. Here is the application link and information:

[Year 5 2024 for 2026 Selective high school placement](#)

The last day to apply is 21 February 2025.

2026 YEAR 5 OPPORTUNITY CLASS PLACEMENT

This is for students in Year 3 only.

Opportunity Class entry are now open for Year 5, 2026. Here is the application link and information:

[Year 3 2024 for Year 5, 2026 opportunity class placement](#)

The last day to apply is 21 February 2025. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

PSSA MIXED CRICKET - SPORT REPORT - 6/12/24

In the mixed senior cricket grand finals, Banksia Road Public School faced a tough match against Malek Fahd Islamic School. Despite our determination, great teamwork and strong support for one another, we fell short, losing 243 to 140 runs. The team's effort and hard work throughout this season is truly commendable. Congratulations to everyone for giving their best!

Mr Hamish Woudsma
School Principal

2024 PRESENTATION DAY

Congratulations again to the following students!

Margaret Richardson Award	Daneen
Principal's Award	Sef
Ruby Veleski Creative Arts Award	Isabella
Dux	Aaliyah
Dux runner-up	Ayaan
Debating Team	Amira Lilya Aya Aaliyah Awa Sidra
Chullora Network Public Speaking	Layla 3C
Inclusive Classes	
Most conscientious	Shayna
Most improved	Kaamil
Academic	Felix
Fair Play	Christian
KC	
Most conscientious	Ana-Havea
Most improved	Zaynab
Academic	Muhammad
Fair Play	Noah
KJ	
Most conscientious	Mouhamad
Most improved	Mariyum
Academic	Tariq
Fair Play	Daisy

KM	
Most conscientious	Avery
Most improved	Ayla
Academic	Yousef
Fair Play	Malak

1D	
Most conscientious	Paris
Most improved	Ibrahim
Academic	Lana
Fair Play	Mohamed

1L	
Most conscientious	Noah
Most improved	Malak
Academic	Adyan
Fair Play	Haissam

1S	
Most conscientious	Zakariah
Most improved	Hanan
Academic	Alannah
Fair Play	Marcus-Elliot

1/2AF	
Most conscientious	Zayd
Most improved	Fares
Academic	Amina
Fair Play	Aleenah

2B	
Most conscientious	Rasha
Most improved	Jana
Academic	Aria
Fair Play	Jad

2E	
Most conscientious	Amara
Most improved	Yunus
Academic	Syed Atif
Fair Play	Natalie

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2V	
Most conscientious	Jaiyana
Most improved	Noah
Academic	Elijah
Fair Play	Amira

3B	
Most conscientious	Sophia
Most improved	Jibreel
Academic	Mya
Fair Play	Dorian

3C	
Most conscientious	Layla
Most improved	Maryam
Academic	Idris
Fair Play	Waseem

3F	
Most conscientious	Omar T
Most improved	Omar A
Academic	Zahraa
Fair Play	Amy

4F	
Most conscientious	Esiya
Most improved	Gazi
Academic	Nida
Fair Play	Hopisoni

4H	
Most conscientious	Mohomed
Most improved	Isaac
Academic	Loretta
Fair Play	Lamar

4N	
Most conscientious	Ibtissam
Most improved	Uthman
Academic	Jannah
Fair Play	Omar

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5A	
Most conscientious	Emmett
Most improved	Nour
Academic	Ryan
Fair Play	Aya
5E	
Most conscientious	Malik
Most improved	Sara
Academic	Rihanna
Fair Play	Saphia
5I	
Most conscientious	Mohamed
Most improved	Alisha
Academic	Mansour
Fair Play	Sami
5N	
Most conscientious	Syeda Safiya Zahra
Most improved	Shedya
Academic	Hamza
Fair Play	Amira
6A	
Most conscientious	Yusuf
Most improved	Abdullah
Academic	Aaliyah
Fair Play	Sahzaib
6R	
Most conscientious	Daneen
Most improved	Annabelle
Academic	Imran
Fair Play	Tarek
6T	
Most conscientious	Sidra
Most improved	Yasin
Academic	Ayaan
Fair Play	Sef

Punchbowl Boys HS Scholarship	Sef	6T
Bankstown Girls HS Scholarship	Khadija	6R
Bankstown RSL Scholarship	Lamees	6A
Bankstown RSL Scholarship	Jacob	6R
Bankstown RSL Scholarship	Omar	6A
Bankstown RSL Scholarship	Annabelle	6R
Jihad Dib service to others	Amira	6R
Inclusive Classes Mayor's Merit Award	Jana	IC
Kindergarten Mayor's Merit Award	Israa	KM
Year 1 Mayor's Merit Award	Mohamed	1D
Year 2 Mayor's Merit Award	Jana	2B
Year 3 Mayor's Merit Award	Lucy	3C
Year 4 Mayor's Merit Award	Yumna	4H
Year 5 Mayor's Merit Award	Maryam	5E
Year 6 Mayor's Merit Award	Yasin	6T

2024 SPORTS ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to all the PSSA teams and the following students.

SUMMER PSSA	
Junior Mixed Cricket Best and Fairest	Hamza
Senior Mixed Cricket Best and Fairest	Shahzaib
Junior Boys Basketball Best and Fairest	Abdullah
Junior Girls Basketball Best and Fairest	Aya
Senior Boys Basketball Best and Fairest	Mohammad
Senior Girls Basketball Best and Fairest	Daneen
Junior Boys T-Ball Best and Fairest	Kingsley
Junior Girls T-Ball Best and Fairest	Shedya
Senior Boys Softball Best and Fairest	Yazen
Senior Girls Softball Best and Fairest	Awa
Junior Boys Touch Football Best and Fairest	Luqmaan
Junior Girls Touch Football Best and Fairest	Jana
Senior Boys Touch Football Best and Fairest	Samih
Senior Boys Touch Football Best and Fairest	Layla

WINTER PSSA	
Junior Rugby League (mixed) Best and Fairest	Hopisoni
Senior Rugby League Best and Fairest	Muhie-Deen
Junior Boys Soccer Best and Fairest	Imran
Junior Girls Soccer Best and Fairest	Nida
Senior Boys Soccer Best and Fairest	Yaseen
Senior Girls Soccer Best and Fairest	Annabelle
Junior Netball Best and Fairest	Saphia
Senior Netball Best and Fairest	Daneen
Junior Newcombe Ball Best and Fairest	Maryam
Senior Newcombe Ball Best and Fairest	Lilya
Zone Representatives	
Zone Representative	Jameel
Zone Representative	Reem
Zone Representative	Sereen
Zone Representative	Muhammad
SWIMMING	
Junior Swimming Champion (Boy)	Muhammad
Junior Swimming Champion (Girl)	Saphia
Senior Swimming Champion (Boy)	Sef
Senior Swimming Champion (Girl)	Reem
ATHLETICS	
Junior Athletics Champion (Boy)	Luqmaan
Junior Athletics Champion (Girl)	Saphia
Senior Athletics Champion (boy)	Sef
Senior Athletics Champion (Girl)	Aaliyah
SPORTS PERSON OF THE YEAR	
Junior Sports Person of the Year (Boy)	Luqmaan
Junior Sports Person of the Year (Girl)	Saphia
Senior Sports Person of the Year (Boy)	Yaseen
Senior Sports Person of the Year (Girl)	Daneen

2024 SRC MEMBERS

Aleenah, Ezra, Aria, Chadi, Jaiyana, Elijah, Ali, Lana, Layla, Yusuf, Aleenah, Omar, Adam, Alanna, Sami, Mariam, Jannah, Hayssam, Amir, Nida, Mohamed, Alyssar, Sereen, Jad, Aya, Issa, Rihanna, Muhammad, Sarah, Malek, Aaliyah, Muhie-deen, Rayan, Mahmoud

THANK YOU

Thank you to the all the student leaders of 2024.

Captains – Amira and Adam
Vice Captains – Yasin and Safiyah
Prefects

Tarek, Ayaan, Sidra and Isabella

House Captains

Flinders – Ayah and Malek
Phillip – Jana and Abullah
Cook – Daneen and Adam
Banks – Awa and Umar

MEDALLION RECIPIENTS

KC - Mariam, Noah; KJ - Mouhamad Umar, Rawah; KM - Nouredine (Nour),Yousef; 1D – Lana; 1L – Noah; 1S - Fatimah, Zakariah; 2B - Aria, Chadi, Rasha; 2E - Amara, Lachlan; 2V - Elijah, Noah; 3B - Alanna, Bilal, Mya, Sara; 3C - Aaliyah, Amin, Lucy; 3F - Aleenah, Omar A, Omar T; 4F - Ayesha, Serena; 4H – Sami; 5A - Abdullah, Anam, Kerem, Mya, Nour, Talia; 5E - Medinah, Rihanna; 5I - Mansour, Sami; 5N - Jad, Jayda, Sereen; 6A - Abdullah, Awa, Ayah, Muhie-Deen, Safiyah; 6R - Amira, Daneen, Sarah, Soua; 6T - Ayaan, Isabella, Reem, Sef, Sidra, Yasin

THANK YOU TO OUR PERFORMERS

Thank you to the Beatz, Bouncers, Shakers and the RESPECT boys.

Thank you for your entertaining performances.

TO THE YEAR 6 CLASS OF 2024

To the students in Year 6, stay focused and continue to be the best version of yourself at all times.

All the very best in high school.

TTFM SURVEY PARENT WINNER

Congratulations to Feroza for winning the \$50 canteen voucher.

T4 100% ATTENDANCE WINNERS

Congratulations to all the students. These students achieved 100% attendance in Term 4.



ATTENDANCE CHAMPS FOR 2024

Congratulations to all the students. These students achieved more than 98% this year in attendance. No more than 3 days absent.



COMMUNITY HUB

Thank you to Nivek Aoun and all that she did for our community. Here is a list of everything we offered to and held for our parents this year.

Conversational English Class
Certificate III in Education Support
First Aid
Microsoft Skills
Playgroup
Breakfast club
Community Pantry
NSW Health School Mobile Dental Program
Introduction to Beauty
Mum's and Bub's Yoga
Gentle Exercise
NAIDOC & Multicultural Day /Partnership with Curran PS
Partnership with Botanic Gardens
Tuning into Teens
Passport to Success
Learning for Life
SOA Espresso Coffee Making Course
Woman's Swimming
Tuning into Kids/Teens
S.T.A.R.
Resume writing

Next Year

Introduction to Cake decorating
Follow on course - SOA Espresso Coffee Making Course
Certificate 4 Education Support
Woman's only Swim Program
Bollywood/exercise
Karitane parent programs
Mixed activities, cooking, art etc

THANK YOU AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Thank you to all our students, parents and staff members for making 2024 another memorable year.

Thank you for your support and partnership during another year at BRPS. We achieved so much this year.

I wish you all a safe and happy holiday break and looking forward to welcoming you all back in 2025.

Mrs Janice Azzopardi
Deputy Principal

BANKSIA BRAVO TERM 4 WEEK 10 UPDATE

Welcome to the final Banksia Bravo update for 2024.

It's been another enjoyable and successful year with the Banksia Bravos here at Banksia Road Public School.

From Inclusive classes to Infants to Primary, collectively BRPS students have responded positively to the Banksia Bravos whole school approach to a positive Reward system.

It's been pleasing to see students proudly smiling away as they receive their canteen and prize vouchers, knowing that they have been recognised and noticed for the right reasons.

The Banksia Bravos is one way that motivates students to role model the desired PBL expectations safe, respectful, learner so others can also follow these standards that have been established and reinforced here at BRPS.

Moving forward into 2025, pictures of the Banksia Bravo winners for both Monday and Thursday assemblies will be posted on School Dojo for all members of the community to share in celebrating the achievement of the BRPS students.

We greatly value and very much appreciate your parental support throughout the year. The Banksia Bravos will be returning in 2025. Until then, we wish you all have a pleasant summer break and a safe start to the new year.

Bravo to our IC students for their continuous efforts this year!

The Banksia Bravos, the Banksia way!

Ms Fallah



PUBLIC SPEAKING CLUB TERM 4, 2024 UPDATE

The Public Speaking Club was a success at BRPS this year. It was held once a week for both Infants and Primary students. The students were highly engaged through fun and engaging public speaking games and simple impromptu speeches.

The public speaking club members improved in various aspects of their public speaking skills. Some of these included, enhancing their ability to maintain eye contact with their listeners, speaking with clarity and increased confidence, and using appropriate volume and stance when delivering their impromptu speeches.

Public speaking plays an integral part in developing students English speaking skills and creative thinking.

The Public Speaking Club will be held on a weekly basis from Early Term 1, 2025.

A very well done to all our public speaking club members and we look forward to having you along with new members in 2025. Until then, we wish you all a pleasant summer break and a safe start to the new year.

Your parental support for the Public Speaking Club has been greatly appreciated.

Ms Fallah, Mrs Hanna, Mrs Shephard.

COMMUNITY HUB NEWS

We want to hear from you!

Jean Hailes is working to understand how we can better support women from multicultural communities with health information. We are looking for 5-7 women who speak Arabic, Vietnamese or Punjabi to join us in talking about women's health information.

We want to know:

- How we can create health resources that are useful and respectful of your culture
- How women from different cultures prefer to get health information
- What health topics are most important to you

This session will involve:

- Participating in a 1-2-hour discussion at your community hub
- Sharing your ideas and being a voice for women's health in your community
- Completing a short survey at the end of the session

We will provide morning/afternoon tea during the session and reimburse you for your time with a \$100 VISA gift card.

Session will take place in March/April 2025.

Please let your Hub Leader know if you are interested.



Coming 2025

Conversational English - Mondays in school term starting 17th February - 9.30am-11.30am

Fun and engaging English Conversational class facilitated by Banksia Road, all levels and all welcome! Free childminding available

Introduction to cake decorating with Bankstown TAFE – Tuesday's 18/02/2025 – 08/04/2025

9.30am – 1.30pm

Improve your cake decorating skills with this 10-week course and learn new cake decorating techniques. This fun and creative program is designed to help take your cake decorating to the next level. Great for birthdays and celebrations. **Program full, waitlist available**

Playgroup – Wednesdays in school term, starting 12th February 9.15am – 11.15am

Play2 Learn is a fun time to share with your child. This playgroup is for children aged 0 and 5 years old with the program focused on fun play-based learning activities, music, story time with the opportunity to build friendships and connections in your community. The playgroup is staffed by a Child Development Worker and Family Support Specialist who prepare each week's program based on the interests and needs of the children. **We ask you to bring fruit, vegies, and a bottle of water for your children for morning tea together.**

Programs/projects 2025

- Jean Hailes Woman's Health project
- Various fun exercise
- Cooking
- Tuning into Kids
- Tuning into Teens
- TBC a grant for Women's only swimming.

If you have any questions regarding the programs running or any future programs/courses that you would like to have run at the hub, to register your interest or join in any of the classes, you can contact me on the numbers and email below or pop into the Community Hub (next to canteen) for a coffee and chat.

Community Pantry - available all school terms - non-perishable grocery items are in the Community Hub, for any families that need them.

Nivek Aoun

Community Liaison Officer | Community Hub Leader | Banksia Road Public School | Mon, Tue, Weds 8am-3.30pm, Thurs 8am-12pm

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اخبار المدرسة

أيام الاثنين و الجمعة يمكن شراء الزي المدرسي في الصباح الباكر قبل الدوام
الاربعاء ١٨ / ١٢ آخر يوم دراسي
الخميس وصول التقارير للأهالي

الأسبوع ١ و ٢ من العام ٢٥

اجتماعات المعلمين

الجمعة ٣١ / ١ ، الاثنين ٣ / ٢ ، الثلاثاء ٤ / ٢ و الاربعاء ٥ / ٢
الخميس ٦ / ٢ اول يوم للتلاميذ
يمكن شراء الزي المدرسي في الصباح

مواعيد اخرى

الاربعاء ١٩ / ٢ استعراض السباحة
١٢ إلى ٢٤ / ٣ فحص اللغة والحساب

الحضور إلى المدرسة

استمتع ٨٣ من التلاميذ بالأيس كريم بسبب الحضور الدائم الى المدرسة

احتفال المدرسة

اجتماع الأهالي يرغب في معرفة إمكانية التبرع بالوقت
و المجهود لتحديد إقامة يوم احتفال بالمدرسة. يمكن الاتصال بالإدارة

التقييد بالمدرسة

يمكن التقديم للعام القادم في اسرع وقت
ايضاً في حالة تغيير العنوان او عدم عودة التلاميذ لأي سبب

مدارس المتفوقين

آخر موعد للتقديم للصف ٥ يوم ٢١ / ٢

مجتمع الاهالي


نشكر السيدة نيفاك و كل ساهم في المساعدة هذا العام
يوجد عدد من البرامج للعام القادم. يمكن الاتصال بمجتمع الاهالي للتفاصيل




Tips for Applying for a Job

Webinar

- workshop to learn practical strategies and expert advice on how to stand out in today's competitive job market.
- discover how to craft a compelling resume, write an attention-grabbing cover letter, and tailor your application to match job requirements
- receive tips for acing interviews and making a lasting impression on employers.

 Starting at
10:30 am - 11:00am

 Thursday, 19th Dec
2024

[REGISTER NOW!](#)

January School Holiday Program



TUESDAY 14th JANUARY

Roller Skating

TIME:

10-12pm

WHERE:

Roundabout Youth Centre

WHO:

5-18 years

WEDNESDAY 15th JANUARY

Lego activity

TIME:

1-3pm

WHERE:

Roundabout Youth Centre

WHO:

6-12 yrs

ROUNDABOUT YOUTH CENTRE

104 CARLINGFOD ST, SEFTON

CALL US

(02) 9644 9436

EMAIL US

cyfsassistant@chnc.org.au

CONNECT WITH US

Facebook: Roundabout Youth Centre
Instagram: @roundaboutyouthcentre

THURSDAY 16th JANUARY

Movie Afternoon

TIME:

1-3pm

WHERE:

Roundabout Youth Centre

WHO:

6-12 years

TUESDAY 21st JANUARY

Drop in

TIME:

10-12pm

WHERE:

Roundabout Youth Centre

WHO:

5-18 years

Please note:
You can only book a **MAXIMUM** of 2 school holiday activities.
To book please email cyfsassistant@chnc.org.au

Bookings are essential

THURSDAY 23rd JANUARY

Cooking activity

TIME:

1-3pm

WHERE:

Roundabout Youth Centre

WHO:

7-12years

TUESDAY 28th JANUARY

Roller Skating

TIME:

10-12pm

WHERE:

Roundabout Youth Centre

WHO:

5-18 years

THURSDAY 30th JANUARY

Arts & craft activity

TIME:

1-3pm

WHERE:

Roundabout Youth Centre

WHO:

6-12 years

Bookings are essential

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Please note:

A registration form will need to be filled out to secure your booking.



Please note:

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**BOOK NOW
TO SECURE YOUR SPOT**

FAMILY SERVICES SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN



Communities
& Justice

Sensory Holiday Play - PCMG

Children will have the opportunity to explore, engage and enjoy sensory play experiences while being confident kinesthetic and tactile learners. Children will foster their developmental domains, enhance their skills and knowledge of their world around them whilst gaining a sense of belonging and identity.

- Chester Hill Community Centre - Blue Hall

- Thursday 23 January 2025

- 10:30AM - 12:00PM

- Vera: 1300 254 657

- No Childcare Available



- Thursday 30 January 2025



Brilliant Communicator

This interactive one-day program is designed to educate and support primary school kids to learn how to communicate with friends, teachers and parents, improve interpersonal and social skills, improve confidence and self-esteem and increase awareness of different styles of communicating.

- Creating Links (Level 10, 66-72 Rickard Rd Bankstown)

- Friday 17 January 2025

- 11:00am - 1:00pm

- Sarah: 1300 254 657

- No Childcare Available



Creating Art with your Kids

Join us this school holiday for art and craft activities for young children and their parents in a nurturing environment to help develop parent/child bonding and children's creativity and social skills. For children aged 3 to 10 years.

- Creating Links (Level 10, 66-72 Rickard Rd Bankstown)

- Monday 13 January 2025

- 10:45AM - 12:15PM

- Lan - 1300 254 657

- No Childcare Available



- Tuesday 21 January 2025



Music Fun Made at Home

Join us this school holiday for a creative and fun music activity where you have the chance to design and build your very own musical instruments using everyday items you have around the house. You will get to learn how to play your musical instrument that will help speed up brain development and build on your fine and gross motor skills.

This activity is for children aged 5-12 years and their parents/carers.

- Creating Links (Level 10, 66-72 Rickard Rd Bankstown)

- Wednesday 22 January 2025

- 2:00pm - 3:30pm

- Edgee: 1300 254 657

- No Childcare Available

