

Banksia Bulletin

Banksia Road Primary School

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Caring, creative, challenging and achieving



Tuesday, 8 April 2025

CALENDAR

Week 11 Term 1 2025

April

Monday 7 th	Uniform Shop 8.45 -9.15am Stage 2 Sydney Harbour Excursion
Tuesday 8 th	K-2 Easter Hat Parade
Wednesday 9 th	Cross Country
Thursday 10 th	ANZAC assembly Ice-cream truck
Friday 11 th	Uniform Shop 8.45-9.15am Last day for Term 1

Week 1 Term 2 2025

April-May

Monday 28 th	School Development Day
Tuesday 29 th	School Development Day
Wednesday 30 th	Students return
Friday 2 nd	Uniform Shop 8.45-9.15am

Week 2 Term 2 2025

May

Monday 5 th	Uniform Shop 8.45-9.15am
Thursday 8 th	Mum's in School
Friday 9 th	Uniform Shop 8.45-9.15am PSSA winter Gala Day #1

Future Dates:

Week 2 P&C Mother's Day stall, Date TBC

Monday 12th May Stage 1 Science excursion

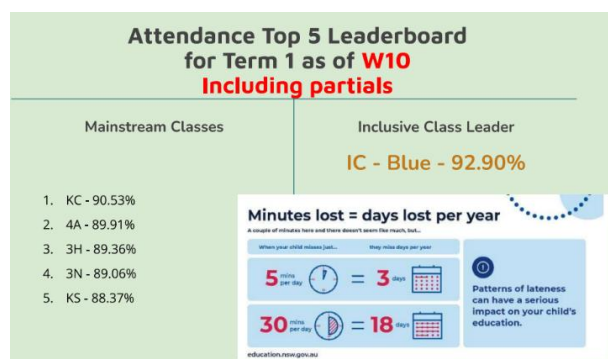
Tuesday 20th May Yr 5 Sydney Zoo

Thursday 22nd May Yr 6 Sydney Zoo

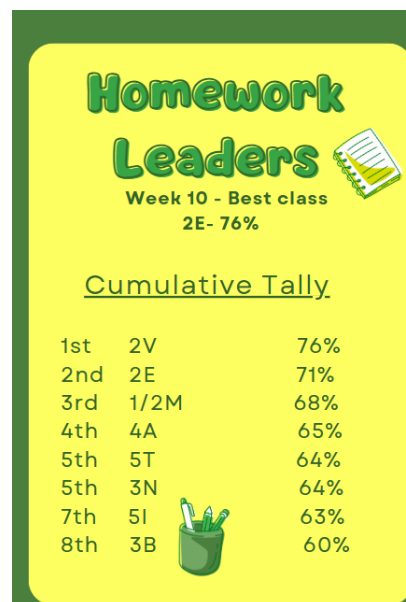
STAFFING

Mrs Nadia Matouk was successful in gaining a transfer to Ryde PS which is closer to home. We are in the process of finding a permanent replacement.

FINAL ATTENDANCE DATA



FINAL HOMEWORK LEADERBOARD FOR TERM 1



AFTERNOON PARKING AT SCHOOL GATES

Please consider the following road rules:

- A reminder that the kiss and drop zone is not for parking
- Stay only 3 minutes in the drop off/pick up zone
- Be considerate of our neighbours and other road users. Do not leave rubbish behind.
- Double parking is a safety issue and a fineable offence

**YEAR 3 – 6 CROSS COUNTRY AT GOSLING
PARK
WEDNESDAY 9TH APRIL**

All parents are welcome. Students will complete the course of roughly 1.5km – 2km in either:

- Junior (8 and 9 years old)
- 10 year old category
- 11 year old category
- 12 years or above category
- Girls and boys are in separate categories
- The age is what you turn this year

Students are reminded to wear house colours or sports uniform. They will need a hat, sunscreen and a water bottle. Any students who suffer asthma will need to have their Ventolin inhaler.

Students may order lunch through the canteen and collect upon arrival back at school at 12pm.

ISRE TEACHERS

Islamic Special Religious Education are looking for new teachers to join their team. For more information, please call 9708 0880 or email info@isre.org.au.

2025 HARMONY DAY



Mr Hamish Woudsma
School Principal

THANK YOU, P AND C

Thank you to all the parents who donated Easter Eggs and to all the P and C who organised the Easter raffle and prizes. Congratulations to all the winners.



EASTER HAT PARADE

Our Easter Hat parade was a huge success. Thank you to all the parents and teachers who spent time designing and making an Easter Hat for the parade.

IC FORUM

BRPS staff and BRPS parents meet termly to discuss events and learning in our inclusive classes. We encourage more parents and caregivers from the IC to attend these meetings.



**DP HOME READING CHALLENGE 1
25 days of home reading**

WELL DONE

Congratulations to the following students who have also completed 25 days of Home Reading.

Salwa 6N
Lina 5T
Safiya 6M
Ghassan 3H
Sami A 6N
Malik M 4S

DP HOME READING CHALLENGE 2

50 days of home reading

OUTSTANDING!

Tariq 1S
Lana T 2E
Mya A 4N
Omar T 4S
Zoya S 4N
Yousef S 1/2/M
Karim M 6I
Lucy D 4S
Elijah D 6M
Noah E 2V
Ariana 2E
Maliha 2E
Saarah KC
Haniah 5I
Ayesha Q 6M
Amina Q 3N
Zayd M 2B
Kerem O
Liam H KC
Jackson H KS
Ayla K 1L
Noah D 1/2M

ICAS DATES

ICAS 2025

important dates.

Get a head start on ICAS 2025 by putting these dates in your diary.

Digital Technologies	4 – 8 August
Writing	4 – 8 August
English	11 – 15 August
Science	18 – 22 August
Spelling Bee	18 – 22 August
Mathematics	25 – 29 August

School registrations for the Parent Payment System (PPS)

- Ensure your school registers its PPS by 14 July 2025.
- Parents have until 28 July 2025 to enter the competition.

School Direct Orders

- Schools must finalise their registration by 28 July 2025.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN ICAS

If you wish for your child to participate in ICAS this year, please:

1. Read about ICAS subjects and prices here:
<https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas/>

2. Read the Privacy Collection Statement.

<https://www.janison.com/privacy-policy/>.

3. Read the terms and conditions here:

https://www.icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/2023-ICAS-Assessments-Schools-TsCs_S2023.V6-1.pdf

4. Go to the Parent Portal to sign up to chosen subject areas here:

Our Parent Payment System is currently active. Please see the attached link.

<https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/parent-payment/QED503>

6. Enter your child's details, select the subject areas your child would like to participate in, then proceed to payment.

Please note that the ICAS subject areas shown for selection are at the school's discretion.

After payment is made via the Parent Payment System, you will receive an order confirmation email, please keep this for your records.

All assessments will be conducted online, at school. We will notify you of the date(s) that we will run ICAS assessments, and when your child's ICAS results are ready. Your child's ICAS certificates will be delivered to school. Once we have received them, we will present them to your child to bring home. The back of the certificate will show your child's ICAS results.

ANZAC ASSEMBLY

On Thursday 10th April at 9:30am we will be holding an assembly to commemorate ANZAC Day. Our student leaders will be leading this assembly. All parents are welcome to attend.



FLOWER DONATIONS

If you would like to donate flowers for our ANZAC assembly, please deliver them to the table found under the Office COLA on the morning of the Assembly.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY CHARTER

I would like to take this opportunity to share the School Community Charter.

The attached 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.

HAPPY EASTER AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS

I would like to wish all families celebrating Easter a blessed time and I wish all families a happy and safe holiday.

Janice Azzopardi
Deputy Principal

COMMUNITY HUB NEWS

Term 2

Playgroup –

Wednesdays weeks 2 - 9 in school term
9.15am – 11.15am in the Hall

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.**

Conversational English-

Monday's 05/05/2025-23/06/2025

9.15am-11.15am in the Hub

All levels facilitated by teachers from BRPS. Free Childminding available

Take time Tuesday's

Bollywood – free exercise dance class

13/05/2025 – 24/06/2025 9.15am-10.15am in the Hall

Parent wellbeing program 13/05/2025 – 24/06/2025

10.30am-12pm in the Hub

Self-care, Physical Health, Healthy Eating, Fitness, Financial wellbeing

Registration open now 0401 712 793 or
Nivek.aoun@det.nsw.edu.au

Community Pantry –

Available all school terms

Non-perishable grocery items are in the Community Hub, for any families that need them.

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.

Nivek Aoun

Community Liaison Officer | Community Hub Leader |
Banksia Road Public School | Mon, Tue, Weds 8am-
3.30pm, Thurs 8am-12pm 65 Banksia Road | Greenacre
NSW 2190 | 0401 712 793 | ☎: 02 9707 3424
| ✉: nivek.aoun@det.nsw.edu.au



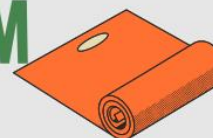
**Banksia Road Public School
Community Hub Timetable
Term 2 2025**

Day	Activity	Location
Monday	Conversational English Wk2 - Wk9 05/05/25 - 23/06/25 9.15am-11.15am English class for all ability + fun interactive activities facilitated by BRPS Teachers. Free Childminding for non-school aged children	Hub
Tuesday	Take Time Tuesday's Wk3 - Wk9 13/03/25 - 24/06/25 Bollywood 9.15am-10.15am Women's Wellness 1.30am-12pm Join us for a free women's only fun exercise class in the school hall, followed by a women's selfcare-wellness program in the Community hub!! Various activities and topics	Hall/Hub
Wednesday	Playgroup Wk3 12/02/25 - Wk10 02/04/25 9.15am-11.15am Come and join in the fun of playing and learning together at Play2Learn playgroup. Bring fruit, veggies, and a bottle of water for your children.	Hall

Contact Nivek 0401 712 793 email Nivek.aoun@det.nsw.edu.au

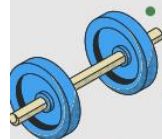


PARENT WELLBEING PROGRAM



Topics:

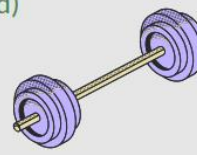
- Self Care
- Physical Health
- Healthy Eating
- Fitness Classes
- Financial Wellbeing.



Starts Tuesday 13th May
Time: 10:30am-12:00pm



Location: Banksia Road Public School
(Refreshments provided)



BOLLYWOOD DANCE CLASS

WHEN: Every Tuesday during term 2 and 3
Start Date : 13th May
TIME : 9:15am to 10:15am
WHERE: Banksia Road, Public School



Free Entry

Registration essential, closing 9 May
Please call Nivek at Banksia Road Public School
0401712 793
or
Greenacre Area Community Centre
02 9750 7982



10TH APRIL, 2025

Women & Girl's

LEARN TO SWIM AND RECREATION PROGRAM LAUNCH EVENT

Join **Western Sydney MRC** and **Belgravia Leisure** in launching an exciting new project specifically designed for CALD women and girls!

Learn more about the exciting initiative and engage with informative stalls, speakers and cultural performances. Plus, an optional tour of the facilities, henna and a taster yoga session!

Light refreshments provided.

Date: 10th April 2025

Time: 10am - 12 pm

Venue: Whitlam Leisure Centre

Please register via the QR code.

Play Our Way - An Australian Government Initiative





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.

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 Our Plan for NSW Public Education.



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.

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



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

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.



Collaborative.
Respectful.
Communication.

School Community Charter

education.nsw.gov.au

اخبار المدرسة

أيام الاثنين و الجمعة يمكن شراء الزي المدرسي قبل اليوم الدراسي

اخبار مهمة

الاسبوع ١١

الاثنين رحلة الصف ٣ و ٤ الى ميناء سيدني
الثلاثاء استعراض القبعات
الاربعاء مسابقة الركض
الخميس اجتماع الاحتفال بالشهداء. الرجاء احضار بعض الزهور
الجمعة آخر يوم في الفترة الدراسية

الفترة ٢ الاسبوع ١

الاثنين ٢٨ / ٤ يوم اجتماع المعلمين
الثلاثاء ٢٩ / ٤ يوم اجتماع المعلمين
الاربعاء عودة التلاميذ
الجمعة شراء الزي المدرسي من الساعة ٨،٤٥ الى ٩،١٥ صباحا
يوم رياضي ١٩ / ٥

توصيل و أخذ التلاميذ

بعد الساعة ٣،١٥ يمكن استلام التلاميذ من مكتب المدير
قبل الساعة ٢،٣٠ يجب استلام التلاميذ من ادارة المدرسة
يجب الجلوس في الملعب
مواعيد الادارة من ٨،٣٠ ص إلى ٣،٣٠ م

قوانين انتظار السيارات عند بوابة المدرسة

ممنوع ترك السيارة في منطقة توصيل التلاميذ
يمكن الانتظار لمدة ٣ دقائق لا غير عند توصيل التلاميذ
الرجاء مراعاة الجيران و مستخدمي الطريق و عدم ترك أي قمامة
ممنوع ركن سيارتين جانب بعضهم. ممكن تأخذوا غرامات

معلمين للديانة الإسلامية

مطلوب معلمين ليوم الاربعاء

شكر

نشم كل الاهالي و المعلمات على الاحتفال باستعراض القبعات

الصفوف الخاصة

نرحب بالاهالي في الاشتراك في الاجتماعات

أخبار مجتمع الاهالي

وقت اللعب ايام الاربعاء
تعليم اللغة الإنجليزية ايام الاثنين تمارين الرقص البوليوود يمكن كتابة الأسماء

تهنئة

نهني كل من يحتفل بعيد القيامة المجيد و نتمنى للجميع عطلة سعيدة

FAMILY SERVICES SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN



Communities
& Justice

Holiday Play: 0-5 Years

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
- 10:00AM - 11:30AM
- No Childcare Available

- Thursday 17 April 2025
- Vera: 1300 254 657

Drums & Drama

This engaging and interactive one-day program is specially designed for young children aged 5 to 12 years, offering a fun and immersive way to explore music and drama. Through hands-on activities, children will develop their sense of rhythm by playing drums, enhancing their coordination and engage in lively drama exercises through charades, helping to improve their communication skills and confidence.

- Creating Links (Level 10, 66-72 Rickard Rd Bankstown)
- 11:00AM - 1:00PM
- No Childcare Available

- Tuesday 15 April 2025
- Edgee: 1300 254 657



Creating Art with your Children

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 4 to 10 years.

- Bryan Brown Theatre - Community Room 1
- 10:30AM - 12:00PM
- No Childcare Available

- Tuesday 22 April 2025
- Lan - 1300 254 657



DISCOUNTED DENTAL CARE FOR TEMPORARY VISA HOLDERS IN NSW

Shayna Humanitarian Services Inc. is collaborating with Parramatta Medical and Dental Centre through the Humanitarian Health Partnership Program to provide Discounted Dental Care for a check-up and clean.

To register your interest for an appointment with a dentist, please complete the online form here:

REGISTER

www.onlineform.org

Eligible Visa Holders:

- TPV/SHEV Visas
- Bridging Visas (BV051, BVA etc.)
- Temporary Partner Visas SC820, SC 309 SC 300
- Protection Visa SC866/Asylum Seekers
- Humanitarian Visas Subclasses 200, 201, 202, 203, 204 and subclass 851 Resolution of Status Visa
- New Zealand residents currently holding subclass 444 (SCV)

You will be contacted for an appointment with the dentist at Parramatta Medical and Dental Centre.

The service includes a dental clean provided by professional dentists, and a free dental check-up.

No Health Insurance/No Medicare required

Shayna Humanitarian Services



1/144 Marsden St,
Parramatta NSW 2150



Prosper
Project Australia



FREE CLOTHING AND GOODS EVENT

FREE WOMEN'S AND BABY CLOTHING +
SMALL HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND MORE
SOME NEW ITEMS ARE AVAILABLE BUT MOST ITEMS
ARE PRE-LOVED

THURSDAY 17th APRIL
9AM – 12PM

AT ROTARY COMMUNITY CENTRE
34 NORTH PARADE, CAMPSIE (1 block from Campsie train station)

**ALL CLIENTS MUST REGISTER
TO ATTEND AT**

<https://prosperprojectaustralia.org/event/>

PLEASE PICK AN APPOINTMENT TIME (BETWEEN 9AM
AND 12PM) AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION

No nappies or food packs are available at this event
FREE FOOD TRUCK WILL BE ON SITE APPROX 11.30AM



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Genuine interest
in Cabinet Making



Skills to make basic
calculations and
measurements



Ability to work as
part of a team



Willingness to build your
communication and
teamwork skills



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Banksia Rd. Primary School Canteen

Dear: **TEACHERS, PARENTS AND STUDENTS,**

We have good news for you!

The canteen has added an exciting food to the menu.

- **Tuesday Special - Sushi Roll**
- **Thursday Special – Butter Chicken served with steamed rice**
- **Kebeh wrap** will be available everyday

These changes will take place on **Term 2, Tuesday, 29th of April 2025.**

Once again, thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,
Canteen staff