

# Blaxland Public School



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## Term 4 – Week 4

### Permission Notes and Payments Due

**Band Fees - Term 4 now due**

*Please note these amounts can be paid off in instalments*

### What's Happening

#### Term 4

#### Week 5

13<sup>th</sup> Nov. Kindy Academy, 9.15am – 10.45am  
15<sup>th</sup> Nov. School Mini-Fete

#### Week 6

20<sup>th</sup> Nov. Kindy Academy, 9.15am – 10.45am  
21<sup>st</sup> Nov. Years 3 & 4 Camp  
22<sup>nd</sup> Nov. Years 3 & 4 Camp

#### Week 7

26<sup>th</sup> Nov. Captains' Posters  
29<sup>th</sup> Nov. Christmas Hamper Mufti – Food Donation

#### Week 8

3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. Captains' Speeches  
4<sup>th</sup> Dec. Combined Scripture – 10.30am

#### Week 9

10<sup>th</sup> Dec. Presentation Day  
12<sup>th</sup> Dec. Year 6 Farewell

#### Week 10

16<sup>th</sup> Dec. Talent Quest  
17<sup>th</sup> Dec. Party Day: Primary Blue Gum Lodge  
18<sup>th</sup> Dec. **Students' Last Day**  
19<sup>th</sup> Dec. Staff Development Day  
20<sup>th</sup> Dec. Staff Development Day

## Value of the Week - Creativity

I am practising creativity when I:

- discover my gifts;
- use knowledge and training to develop them;
- use my imagination;
- do things in my own creative way and
- think of new ways to make things work better.

## Welcome Mrs Karen Ellis, BPS's new Principal

Mrs Ellis will start at Blaxland in 2020. She has been principal at Luddenham PS for 9 years and is excited to be joining the Blaxland PS community. She comes with a wealth of experience in public schools and will be a wonderful addition to the school!



## 100% Hats!

Thank you to all students for remembering to wear their hats during outdoor play and activities. Congratulations to 2/3P who all wore their hats every day in Week 3. Let's go for a whole school record of a week with everyone remembering their hats!



## PACER Rebate

We would like to acknowledge the support of the Australian Government through the PACER contribution of \$620 toward our Years 5 & 6 visit to Canberra. The children learned so much about Australian Government that only this excursion could provide.



5/6 with Susan Templeman in Parliament House

## 'Magic' Family Fun Night

Well done P&C and all of the people who helped to organize and run this fun-filled night! We have already booked the hall for next year's bigger and even better event on Saturday October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020- Halloween! Always looking for helpers with ideas and energy so keep it in mind Term 2 next year...





**School Mini-Fete**

On Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, the whole school will be participating in the school mini-fete run by senior students and staff. Children are to pre-purchase tokens for this event in order to 'buy' food and drinks or enter activities. Tokens are for sale each morning before school outside the front office. It should be a fun-filled afternoon for all of the students to enjoy. Children can dress in mufti, hats and sensible shoes. Students wishing to participate in the scooter run or the slip n slide need to bring a permission note and associated gear. Donations to the white elephant stall are still greatly appreciated.

**Remembrance Day**

On Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> the Blaxland Glenbrook RSL will be holding their annual Remembrance Day service at 11am at the RSL Club in Glenbrook. Our school captains and Mr Foye will be in attendance and will be laying a wreath. Parents are welcome to join them from 10:30am.

We will hold a short assembly at school at 10:50am in the hall on this day also.



**Kindergarten Enrolments 2020**

Kindy Academy is running brilliantly thanks to Ms Everett and her helpers. It's lovely to see the 2020 Kindies gelling so well and enjoying 'big school'.

If you know of any little ones due to start school next year who are in our area and haven't yet enrolled, please direct them our way. The ladies in the office will help new parents start their children's school journeys off on the right foot.

*They were so young  
They were so young  
I love them all.*



**Swimming Scheme**

What wonderful weather we've had at the pool these last two weeks. Thank you to Mrs Palmer, Mr Foye, Mrs Willett and Mrs Foye for accompanying the children and even taking a group for instruction. The children should be very proud of their progress and achievements in the pool.





### 3/4 Camp

Years 3 and 4 will be going to Winmalee for the annual 3/4 camp in Week 6, on Thursday and Friday November 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. Many thanks in advance to those parents who have shown their licence and registration to the ladies in the office and will be helping out with transport. We've fingers crossed for continued good weather and know the children will have a ball!

### PBL Winners

Congratulations to all of this week's winners and a special high five to PBL Badge winners Matthew S-L, Maddie M, Ned R, Aalia C, Aria M and Charlotte O.



### Wednesday Treat Stall

Commencing next week treat stall will be back to lunch times. A range of ice creams and ice blocks will be on sale for between 50c and \$3.



### P&C News

The Magic Family Fun Night was a huge success. We had a great turnout and raised an impressive \$1,399.78 to contribute to our school and educational outcomes. And most importantly our kids had a ball!

We are enormously grateful to all the staff and parents who volunteered on the gates, at the BBQ, in the kitchen and manning the activities. So many people gave their time generously and did double shifts to make it all happen. We couldn't have done it without you!

Our next P&C General Meeting will be held at 7.30pm this coming Tuesday 12 November in the staffroom. We'll be having a good debrief of the Family Fun Night and making plans for next year, so come along to help us plan for an awesome 2020! Everybody is welcome!

### The School Garden

Our garden is growing beautifully. Have you seen the pumpkin plants? Soon these will be overflowing the garden beds and taking over the whole area. The sweet potatoes are also flourishing and have gorgeous green leaves. I'm loving the tomato plants at the moment, we have several varieties growing: mini romas, cherry and some heirloom varieties. Newly planted is corn. I wonder if we need a big scarecrow to go with it?

We harvested the broad beans 3/4F planted and the kids enjoyed trying them. Some of the broad beans grew as long as their hands and housed delicious sweet beans. Thanks 3/4F!



We have been working on the mosaics for Connor's Corner. Maddie and her Grandma made the letter N and O over the school holidays. These can be seen in the big garden bed, so come and check it out! Feel free to also create your own mosaic paver. We love seeing the kids unique creations.



A special thanks to Sasha and Mia in 5/6E for watering the garden in the mornings. Our garden and plants need the drink and being water-conscious we are only watering for a few minutes before the sun gets too hot.

Help is always welcomed in the garden as there is always weeding and pruning and much more to be done, so join us and have some fun.

Happy School Gardening, Theresa aka Maddie's Mum.

Friday, 8 November 2019



We had visitors this week: one of our school totems!



### Student Awards

Term 4 Week 2 & 3

#### Mrs Lees & Mrs Daschke

Adalyn S – working really hard during Maths  
June C – having wonderfully presentable work  
William N – trying his best and working hard with challenging tasks

Ivy B – showing positivity in all that she does

#### APs Award

Sophia D – being a cooperative student  
Susanna T – being a courageous student

#### VIPs

Jia P, Chase J, Chloe C, Colten S

#### Mrs Shaw

Ned R – improvement in handwriting  
Taia A – enthusiasm for all he does  
Aalia C – her lovely attitude towards school  
Aria M – a great effort in Writing

#### APs Award

Madeline Mcl – always being a cooperative student  
Marcus M – showing courage in his learning

#### VIPs

Lachlan B, Joanna I, Conrad S, Oliver H

## Mrs Palmer

Maycee W-J – always being enthusiastic about her learning

Lewis S – excellent work in Reading

Thomas O – approaching all his work in a mature and responsible way

Dylan H – enthusiastic way he approaches his learning

## APs Award

Will H – great cooperation in class

Lewis W – showing courage during swimming

## VIPs

Jewel S, Suzannah O, Malakhai T, Lewis S

## Mr Foye

Ambrielle G – always displaying a positive attitude at school

Matthew B – mature behaviour in class

Amelie O – displaying resilience towards all tasks

Riley C – wonderful attitude and application to school tasks

## APs Award

Matthew S-L – Cooperation in Sport

Bradley L – displaying great courage at swimming

## VIPs

Lachlan C, Tatum S, Yazmyne C, Samantha O

## Ms Everett

Mia H – amazing creativity in class work

Joshua M – great focus during Reading Groups

Jude McC – extending his spelling by completing many Vocabulary Spelling City tasks

Angad P – a terrific sense of humour in Reading groups

## APs Award

Kobie T – great cooperation in class

Haile G – being a very courageous class member

## VIPs

Luke B, Willem H, Keira L, Rohan D

## Book Club

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# CHRISTMAS HAMPERS



Gateway Family Services

(an activity of Blaxland Uniting Church/Uniting Care)

We know it's early but...

The SRC are organising a collection of goodies for local families for Christmas in conjunction with the Blaxland Uniting Church in the hope of making the holidays a little bit special for those in need.

We ask that donations are taken to the office from Monday October 14<sup>th</sup> and placed in the decorated boxes there. Our last collection day is **Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**.

We respectfully request different types of products to hopefully provide a variety of goods to families.



Examples are:

**Tinned Food** eg. Canned vegetables (artichokes, beans, corn, tomatoes, etc), soups, fruit (pineapple, peaches, pears, etc), seafood (tuna, crab,

sardines, etc)

**Drinks** eg. Poppers, long life milk, bottles of juice and water, cans of softdrink

**Packet Food** eg. pasta, rice, soup, tea, sugar, flour, nuts, crackers, cookies

**Jars of Food** eg. pasta sauce, apple sauce, curry sauce, jam, pickles, Nutella, Vegemite, honey, peanut butter, olives, sun-dried tomatoes, coffee

## Toiletries

eg. soap, tissues, toilet paper, toothbrushes, floss, deodorant, talc, wipes, combs

## Christmas Fare

eg. Christmas crackers, puddings, custard, cake, cranberry sauce, candy canes, chips, lollies, gingerbread men, cookies, chocolates, advent calendars, zooper doopers



## New Toys and Books

Suitable for a range of ages and either gender. Please don't send in used or pre-loved toys and books.

**Monetary Donations are much appreciated also. Please ensure envelopes are handed into the office ladies NOT left in the food boxes. Donations over \$2 are tax deductible and Gateway Family Services will issue you with a receipt soon after collection.**

Thank you, in advance, for your generosity and support!

BPS SRC and Mrs Ellwood

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