

BARDIA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

37 Arthur Allen Drive
Bardia NSW 2565



Term 4 – Week 2 – 2023

SEE SCHOOL BYTES FOR MORE DETAILS ON EVENTS

October 2023

Thursday 19 th	Year 2, Bilbies and Hakea Sealife Aquarium/Wildlife Sydney Zoo excursion
Thursday 26 th	Assembly (Kangaroos item – Blue Assembly. Wombats item – Gold Assembly)
Friday 27 th	Summer gala day

November 2023

Wednesday 1 st	P&C meeting 6:30pm in the library
Monday 6 th	Year 1 paramedic visit
Friday 10 th	Summer gala day
Thursday 16 th	Assembly (Sugar Gliders item – Blue Assembly, No gold assembly item)
Monday 20 th	Stage 3 Excursion Australian Museum – Casuarina and Waratah attending
Wednesday 22 nd	Stage 3 Excursion Australian Museum – Banksia and Waratah attending
Thursday 23 rd	Ingleburn High School transition program
Thursday 30 th	Swimming Carnival for 2024 – for children turning 8 in 2024 up to Year 5

December 2023

Thursday 7 th	Presentation day assembly
Monday 11 th	Year 6 Farewell
Thursday 14 th	Students reports to go home
Friday 15 th	Last day of Term 4

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Bardia Public School does not endorse any product or services advertised in this newsletter.

Message from the Principal

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to Term 4, a busy and exciting term packed with learning and celebrations of success. I hope that Bardia families had the opportunity to spend some fun time together making lasting memories over the holiday break.

A Warm Welcome to Karen

I am excited to inform you that Karen has been appointed as our new school crossing supervisor. Please follow her directions carefully as she supports the safe crossing of our students and their families.

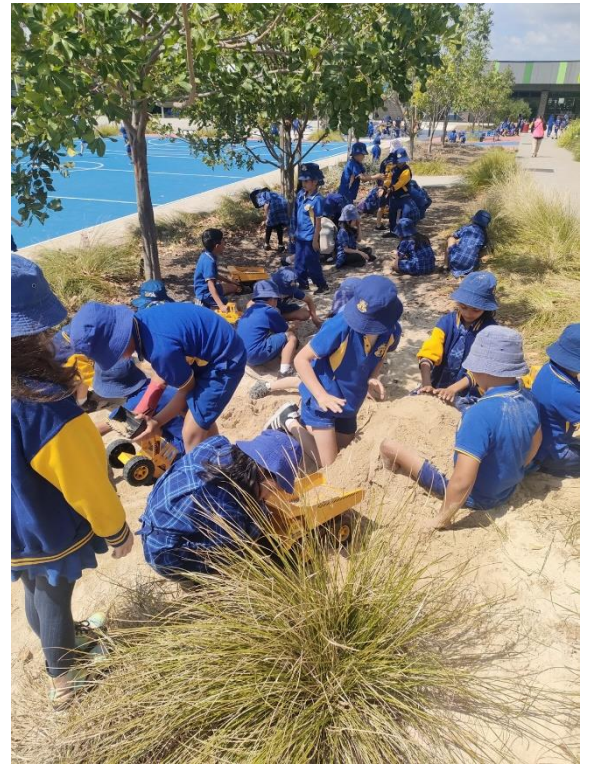


With so many new students this term, I'd like to take the opportunity to remind our families and friends of the road rules surrounding our school. As you are aware, driving offences carry large fines and loss of demerit points.

- Parking in front of our neighbours driveways. This carries a \$283 fine that rises to \$362 in a school zone.
- Approaching a children's crossing too quickly to stop safely - \$469 and the loss of 3 demerit points.
- Disobeying hand-held stop sign at a children's crossing - \$469 and the loss of 3 demerit points.
- Performing a U-turn across unbroken dividing lines such as the ones out the front of our school - \$337 and the loss of 3 demerit points.

Last week, several members of our school community were fined by unmarked police cars. Please drive carefully and continue to show care and awareness to pedestrians, particularly our students. Thank you.

Spotlight on Learning -



Our students were excited to see a large sand pit created by Mr Pearson, our general assistant, over the school holidays. It is wonderful watching our students imagine, play and laugh together during their break times.

I would also like to thank our wonderful P&C for the kind donation of 10 outdoor tables. This provides students with an area for quiet play and outdoor learning.

Kind regards,
Yvonne Quinlan - Principal Bardia Public School



TERM 4 WEEK 2

LIBRARY NEWS

GOLDIE'S LIBRARY BARDIA PS

Reminder!!!



If you have some spare time to assist in the library with shelving etc during Weeks 7-10 this term please contact Mrs Wyber or Ms Denning at the school. Your assistance is much appreciated



Library Bags

We now have our own WATERPROOF school library bag!

We are selling the library bags at the office for \$10 only.

They are also available from the uniform shop in Ingleburn.



THE LIBRARY IS A GREAT PLACE TO BE!

Written by Mrs Kathy Wyber & Ms Kylie Denning

Hi Everyone,

Welcome back to the library for Term 4. I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and enjoyed some of the interesting activities at our local public libraries.

This week, Early Stage 1 have been learning about seasons through the book, 'The ABC Book of Seasons'. Year 1 have been coding with the Bee Bots. Year 2 have been preparing for using the Chromebooks in the library by discovering the keyboard and how to type in their username and password. Stage 2 will be exploring and reading information texts for research and reading the beautiful novel, 'Talking to Alaska'. Stage 3 will be reading a verse novel titled, 'Worse Things' and undertaking Digital Citizenship lessons which cover topics to help students to become responsible and safe online users. See over for more information about our Digital Citizenship program.

WELCOME BACK
The books missed you ♥

WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE LIBRARY...

We are excited to see the students borrowing again this term. Please ensure your child has a library bag to borrow. All books will need to be returned by Week 7 this term as we prepare for stock-take which is our annual organisation of all library resources. This process requires us to scan every book and resource in the library, report on any books that are missing and to calculate the cost of missing books. In order to help us with this process we will be sending home notes with students who have overdue books requesting payment of these books if they can't be found. If the book is eventually found, your school account will be credited the amount paid. We thank you for your cooperation with returning books.

Welcome Term 4 Library Monitors

Welcome to our Term 4 Library Monitors. We appreciate the important work these students do to assist with shelving, putting up displays, handing out and packing up lunch time games, assisting younger students and other library tasks.



Teach your child how to care for books. Children should learn at an early age not to harm or disrespect books. Teach the proper way to handle library property — no holding books with dirty hands, bending the cover or pages, scribbling, or tearing. Young readers need to understand the importance of protecting books so that everyone who uses the library can enjoy them, again and again.



Share your child's passions. Join in their excitement at discovering a book they like, even if you don't think it's a great "take-home" book. Ask them what they find interesting about it. Notice something about it to celebrate, whether it's the colours on the cover, the topic of the book or if it's written by their favourite author.

BOOKS
aren't just made of
WORDS...
they're also filled with
PLACES
to visit and
PEOPLE
to meet.

**LOVE
YOUR LIBRARY**



Don't forget a book for you. Borrow a book you're eager to read from your local library— this models a love of reading that will stay with your child their whole life.

Grades 5-6 Digital Citizenship Curriculum Letter to Parents

Dear parents and caregivers,

Your child is taking part in classroom lessons from **Common Sense Education**. Common Sense helps kids learn the habits and skills they need to use technology safely and responsibly in school, at home, and beyond.

WHAT IS DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP?

Kids today may seem like experts at using technology, but the digital world requires all kinds of skills and habits that kids don't just pick up as they go. Digital citizenship helps them learn those skills.

The Common Sense lessons help students in grades 5 and 6 reflect on their tech use and make thoughtful choices about how and when they use it. Kids also learn about how to stand up to cyberbullying, use social media carefully, and look critically at the news.

WHAT FAMILIES CAN DO

Common Sense Education provides resources to help you support your kid's learning. As we teach these lessons in class, we'll be sending home tip sheets and activities for you to do with your kids. You can visit the Common Sense website at www.common sense media.org for more.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions. Working together with Common Sense Education, we can prepare today's kids to think critically and use tech in positive, creative, and powerful ways.

Sincerely,

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To learn more about Common Sense Education's tools and resources, visit www.common sense.org/education.

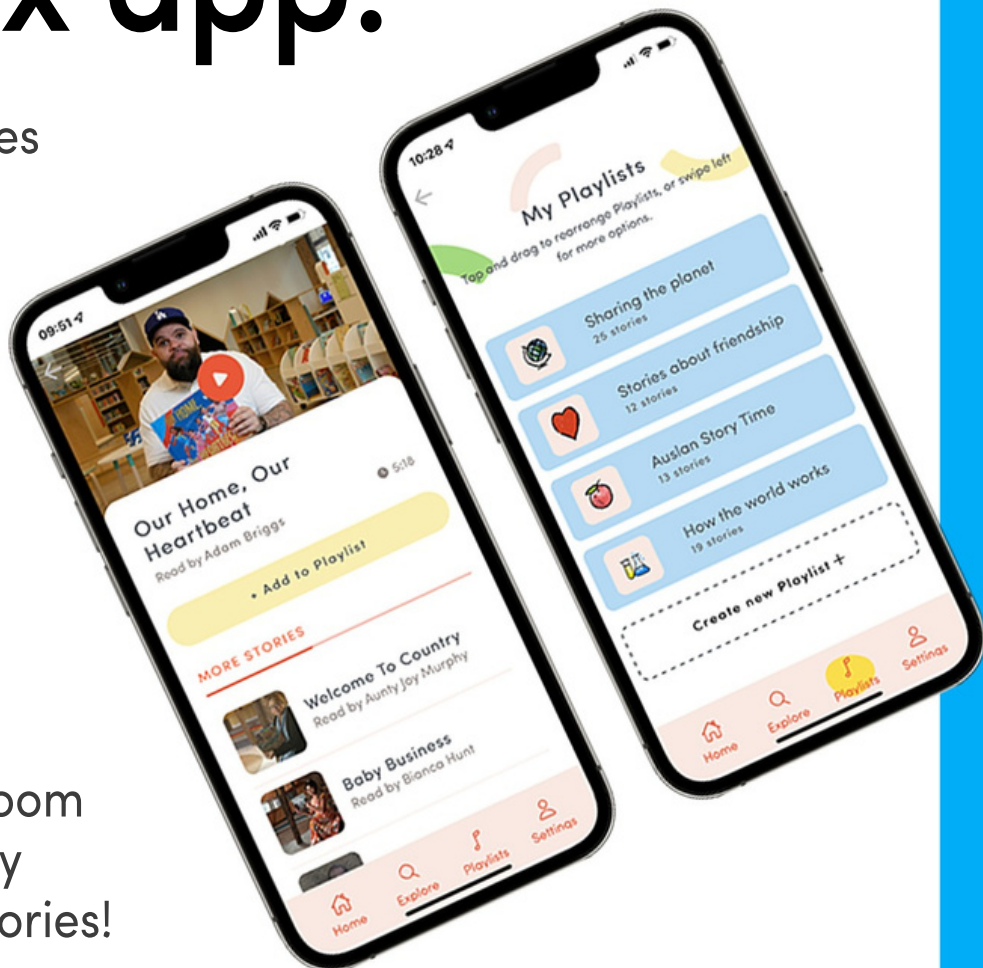
Download the StoryBox app!

Explore favourite stories read by our best storytellers

Discover an ever-growing digital library

Ad-free, safe & educational

Download onto classroom & child devices for easy access to a world of stories!



Your school login details

Username: **bardiaps**

Password: **bardiaps**



YOUR CHILD'S LIBRARY DAY...



In the library we value reading, borrowing books and learning.

Please send a library bag to school with your child on their library day as this will protect our library books on the journey to and from school. During library lessons, we have discussed expectations for behaviour in the library, borrowing procedures, taking care of books and the importance of reading at school and at home. I encourage you to have a chat about these expectations with your child at home. Your assistance is greatly appreciated by encouraging your child to keep books in a safe place at home away from younger children, food and pets and to bring books back to school to be returned each week. This will allow others to enjoy the wonderful books in our school library.

Tuesday

Desert Flame
Casuarina
Dingoes
Lorikeets
Waratah
Wattle

Wednesday

Banksia
Grevillea
Koalas
Lilly Pilly
Potoroos

Thursday

Kangaroos
Wombats
Kookaburras
Goannas
Emus

Friday

Cockatoos
Sugar Gliders
Bilbies
Hakea
Echidnas



Register Now through School Bytes



PRESCHOOL READING PROGRAM

Help your child succeed at **big school.**



Would you like to help your child be ready for **reading at big school?**



Would you like to meet other parents who have **children attending school next year?**



Would you like to learn the best way to help your **child succeed at school?**

Then join Mrs Wyber our teacher librarian to read a book, sing songs and do craft activities.



**MONDAY
MORNINGS**



**FROM 9:10 AM
TO 10:00 AM**



**SCHOOL
LIBRARY**



**FREE OF
COST**



Who can attend: _____

Any parent, friends and relatives with a preschooler. Younger siblings are welcome.

Notes from the Office



We have a quite a number of uniform items in lost property with no names. If your child has lost clothing that does not have their name on it but you feel you would recognise it, please go through the lost property in the afternoon (located under the cola)



Our **Eftpos** service is available between 8:30am – 12:00pm



We kindly ask you to send tissues which are urgently needed.

OUR SHELVES ARE EMPTY !!!

WHEN YOU NEXT DO A GROCERY SHOP, PLEASE POP A BOX IN YOUR TROLLEY (if there are any on the shelves) AND GIVE TO YOUR CHILD TO BRING TO THE OFFICE.



What you need to do if you are planning a trip and your child will be absent from school for three days and over: If your child will be absent due to a holiday etc. (over 3 days), you are required to complete an application for extend leave **PRIOR TO YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE.**

Please come and see the office who will guide you through this simple process. This application will go to the principal for approval. Once approved a certificate will be provided to you to keep with your travel documents. We will then adjust your child's attendance record from unjustified leave to approved leave.

School Student Travel

Term 4 2023

2024 school travel applications are now open

Students who need a new or replacement School Opal card or travel pass for 2024 can [apply](#) now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement because of a new shared parental arrangement (e.g. joint custody).

Students who change address, school, campus location, have repeated a year or received an expiry notification for their school travel entitlement should [renew or update](#) their details **before the end of term 4**. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications, and travel passes remain valid for the start of the 2024 school year. School Opal card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card.

If a student's distance eligibility has changed based on their grade (i.e. grade two to grade three), the system will automatically update their entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new [eligibility criteria](#), we will send an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition that is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

[Term Bus Pass](#) holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their Student Opal card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2024.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the start of the new school year from their nominated transport operator. It may come via the school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note:** some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

Changes to your bus service provider

Within Greater Sydney, a number of bus service providers have changed their names.

Parents intending to lodge an application for a School Opal card will need to visit [transportnsw.info trip planner](https://transportnsw.info/trip-planner) to obtain the correct bus operator name servicing your area prior to lodging an application.

Travel from Term 1 2024

We ask that parents plan ahead and make sure their child knows which service/s to use and has a valid ticket to travel; either a School Opal card or Child/Youth Opal card (within Greater Sydney) or a School Travel Pass (outside Greater Sydney), from the start of the school year.

Applications for 2024 School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel open at the start of Term 4 2023, so parents/students can [apply](#) or [update](#) details early and be ready for the start of the new school year.

Most students using the Opal network will not need a new Opal card and can continue travelling on their existing card each year.

The start of the year is a busy period for local transport operators, and students travelling without a valid ticket make service planning and operations difficult.

We recognise that for some families last minute changes to school enrolments mean they may not have a School Opal card or Travel Pass for the start of term. In the Opal network, we strongly encourage these families to have their children travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

Bus operators are flexible and understanding, particularly at the start of the school year, and will ensure students can travel safely to and from school. But to best support our operators we encourage all students to have a valid ticket, as early as possible, from the start of the school year.

Students using School Opal cards are also reminded that they must tap on and tap off in line with the [Student code of conduct](#) and [Opal terms of use](#).



Further information can be found at [Plan your trip to school | transportnsw.info](#)

Enquiries can be submitted at [Fares, concessions, tickets & top-up feedback | transportnsw.info](#)

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JOIN ONLINE OR AT OUR NEXT MEETING**

BARDIA PUBLIC SCHOOL

P&C MEETING

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING



DATE

WED 1 NOVEMBER, 2023



TIME

6.30PM



VENUE

BARDIA PS LIBRARY

ALL PARENTS & CARERS WELCOME





DONATIONS WANTED FOR OUR PRE-LOVED UNIFORM STALL

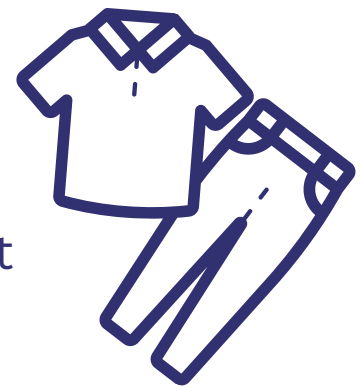
Dear Parents/Carers,

We have received lots of support for our pre-loved uniform stall and are keen to continue to offer this as a service to our community.

We will be collecting items at the school office over the next few weeks. They will then be sold at our next stall. This is a great opportunity to get uniforms in preparation for next year or to ensure uniforms don't end up in landfill. Good for the hip pocket and the planet!!

We ask that uniform items be:

- washed
- in good condition
- have name tags removed or crossed out
- no embroidered items



NEXT PRE-LOVED UNIFORM STALL



2.30 - 3.30PM

WEDNESDAY 16 NOVEMBER

At the COLA

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Thank you to our P&C members and to our parents that came down to Bunnings Crossroads to buy a sausage or two. We are pleased to announce that our BBQ raised:

\$1679.46



NEW BENCHES

We are very excited to see the 10 new benches installed under the shade cloth. The Bardia P&C is thrilled to have contributed to this improved playground amenity.



ADVERTISING

SUMMER BASKETBALL CAMP



Elevate Your Game!



Improve your basketball skills to the next level in our basketball camp program.

16-17th January

Mount Annan Christian College

OPEN TO KIDS

Ages 5-15
10am-2pm

\$180

FOR MORE INFO



Follow us on insta
@elevatebasketballaus



NSW ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER
ACCEPTED

Registration Link
www.elevatebasketball.com.au

Mount Annan Christian College
347 Narellan RD, Mount Annan

NSW Active Kids Voucher Accepted



BASKETBALL CLINIC

Learn the fundamental skills you need to develop to become a better basketball player.

TERM 1 REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

Macquarie Fields Indoor Sports Centre
Fields Road, Macquarie Fields 2564

Cost: \$180 per child
8 Week Program
Every Monday
4:30pm-5:30pm

Running from January 30-March 20

Register Here
www.elevatebasketball.com.au
Follow us on Instagram: @elevatebasketballaus





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advanced and learn
leadership skills!



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Lurnea Community Centre (couple
of minutes from Casula)**

0413 146 301

www.teammartialarts.com.au

NOTICES



The Fields Zone PSSA Social Media



Dear Parents and Carers,

Keep Updated

We would like to inform you that The Fields Zone PSSA is on Facebook and we have our very own website. Check us out!

We would like to invite you all to follow our Facebook page for all Gala day, Zone team and Zone carnival updates and celebrations.

Follow now!!



For all your Gala day, zone team and zone carnival information visit our website and stay informed.



www.thefields.primarysport.com.au

Thank you for your ongoing support,

Kind Regards,
The Fields Zone PSSA Executive Team