



William Dean Public School

Bluey's Bulletin

TERM 4 WEEK 3

Friday 27th October 2017

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to Term 4. I hope you have all had a safe and enjoyable holiday and that it has been a great start to the Term. This last term is set to be a very busy one with some very important and exciting events occurring. Please make sure that you read all notes and newsletters to ensure that you and your children do not miss out on any of these events.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

We would like to congratulate all the speakers who represented their class in the school's Public Speaking Competition and to those who then represented William Dean Public School in the Mt Druitt/Minchinbury Public Speaking competition.

SWIM SCHEME

The two-week intensive swim scheme program will be starting on 6th November. We consider the swim scheme a very important program for students from Year 2 to Year 6 who are not confident swimmers. We hope students take the opportunity to be involved in the program to improve their swimming skills.

We would like to thank Mrs McVicar for the organisation of the program and for accompanying the students to the venue along with Ms Ibrahim and Ms Garland.

ROAD SAFETY INFORMATION SESSION

On Monday, Ms Fiona Frost, from Blacktown Council, presented a workshop informing community members of safety issues when driving and parking near school zones. During

the session there was also clarification regarding our current parking signage near our school and what it means.

WANDERERS CUP

On Tuesday, Mr Daglis and parent volunteers transported a selected team to participate in the Wanderers soccer challenge finals. We would like to congratulate the team and Mr Daglis for the wonderful result.

LITTLE SCHOOL

Last Friday, we held our first session of Little School which will continue each Friday for the next five weeks. The sessions provide an opportunity for students enrolling in Kindergarten in 2018 to experience what coming to school will be like.

If any of your children, relatives or friends will be starting Kindergarten at our school and have not yet enrolled please do so as soon as possible. Enrolment forms can be obtained from the school office from 8:30 am to 3:00pm.

MOBILE PHONES AT SCHOOL

If a student needs to bring a mobile phone to school it must be handed in at the office for safe keeping immediately. Students are not to take photos or videos with their phones under any circumstance.

COLOUR RUN

Please remember that we will be holding our first Colour Run on Wednesday 1st November. Thank you to our P&C and staff members who are working hard to ensure it will be a fun and successful

event.

STUDENTS NOT RETURNING OR TAKING EXTENDED HOLIDAYS

For students in Year 1 to Year 6 next year, school will resume on Tuesday 30th January, 2018. Students starting Kindergarten next year will begin school on Wednesday 31st January.

As we start to look at class structures for 2018, to ensure we have student numbers as accurate as possible, it would be greatly appreciated if you could let the school know if your child/children will not be returning to William Dean Public School or if they will be returning late due to extended holidays.

WORLD TEACHERS DAY

Internationally World Teachers' Day is celebrated on the first Friday in October. However, as this is usually during Australian school holidays, Australia celebrates the day on the last Friday in October of each year.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank our wonderful teachers for all their work and commitment they demonstrate every day to support our students. Congratulations on a job well done!

ATTENDANCE

We would like to congratulate all the students who had excellence attendance in Term 3. **Please see the name of students with excellence attendance in the newsletter insert.**

Regards

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EARLY STAGE ONE REPORT

Welcome back to term 4. We cannot believe how fast the year has gone. All the girls and boys look so grown up when we look at the new little school participants.

DANCE FEVER SKIPPING

The children have enjoyed the new skipping program on Wednesdays. They come back to class buzzing. If you have not paid for Dance fever skipping you are still able to pay at the office.

MATHEMATICS

We have been using our 'sweaty brains' with Number talks and games. We are so pleased with the progress children are making as they discuss big terms such as partitioning, multiplicative thinking and number sense.

HATS AND WATER

As it gets warmer during playtime please ensure your children are bringing clearly labelled hats to school. We also encourage children to bring drink bottles with water into classrooms so they can have a drink at any time they feel thirsty.

SCHOOL SHOES

We encourage children to wear black school shoes every day to school. Sports shoes can be worn on WEDNESDAYS only. Please ensure other days children are in the correct black shoes.

I Kraljevic
KI/ ES1 Team Leader

K Ryan
KR

R Naidoo
K/1R



ATTENDANCE

Once again we would like to remind all families about the importance for students to be at school on time and on a regular basis. Students' punctuality and attendance are monitored on a regular basis. Any concerns will be reported to the Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO).

It is also very important that the students arrive at school in time. Students should be at school by 8:50am ready to start by 8:55am; this will avoid missing out on valuable learning time and interruptions to the other students.

We would like to acknowledge and congratulate excellent attendance at a term, semester and yearly basis. As stated in the newsletter last term, the following explains what is required by students to be recognised for their excellent attendance.

100% attendance for a term, semester, year:

The student is at school and on time every school day

Excellent attendance for the term:

The student has a maximum of one partial absence less than 10 minutes

Excellent attendance for the semester:

The student has a maximum of one whole day and one partial absence less than 10 minutes

We would like to congratulate the following students for the 100% attendance during Term 3

Reilly D	1M	Chelsea H	3/4I
Casey J	1M	Arisha R	4/5H
Vishesh K	1M	Alanah W	Y5/6D
Kaela R	1M	Christian D	5/6K
Talia H	1S	Teodor P	5/6K
Aidan W	2/3N	Keian A	5/6D
Lachlan H	2S	Roland B	5/6K
Yousef N	2S	Grace M	5/6K
Davran Z	3/4H	Janece M	5/6K
Sarah B	3/4I	Kayla B	KR
Zachary G	3/4H	Triston L	KR
Saumya M	3/4H		

We would like to congratulate the following students for excellent attendance during Term 3

Matthew M	3/4H	Jaimee K	KI
Riya P	5/6K	Hannah C	1S
Nadia C	2/3N		
Ilisapeci S	4/5H		



“Participate and Communicate”

Wednesday 25 October

CUA Colour Fun Run – Wednesday 1 November

Dear Parents

It is almost here – the CUA Colour Fun Run is happening next Wednesday. If you have not started already, there is still time to fundraise.

You can fundraise online by setting up a profile at www.schoolfunrun.com.au or you can use the sponsorship booklet already handed out. If you need a sponsorship booklet, please see the office.

Raise just \$10 and you can redeem a reward, all fundraising money is due back no later than Thursday 2 November. If money is not handed in, rewards cannot be ordered.

If you have chosen not to fundraise, you can still participate in the fun run. If you do not wish your child to participate in the Colour Fun Run, please see the office to complete the necessary form.

Students need to come to school dressed in old casual clothes that they can get dirty and wear an old hat. If you do not have something appropriate, plain white t-shirts are available at Kmart for \$3. Parents and guardians who come to watch should also wear clothes that they will not mind getting dirty.

Volunteers are still needed to help with the obstacle course. Unfortunately, parents cannot just turn up on the day and decide to help. All helpers must complete a 100-point I.D. check with the office.

The more volunteers we have, the better the event will be so if you can spare the afternoon, please complete the form below and visit the office.

CUA Colour Fun Run – Wednesday 1 November

I, would like to volunteer to help with the CUA Colour Fun Run on Wednesday 1 November. I am available at noon to help set up the obstacle course.

I am the parent/guardian of from class.....

Mobile number



Reminder—Scholastic Book Orders are due by Friday 27th October.

BLUEY OF THE MONTH



Each month students have the opportunity to be named “Bluey of the Month”

This award is now allocated on a class basis and not a stage basis which enables more children the opportunity to earn the award. Each class will receive 3 awards throughout the year. To be a candidate for the award students must display the following attributes:- be hard working, dedicated, helpful, polite, encouraging, kind, thoughtful, confident, enthusiastic and participate in activities.

Congratulations to the following Bluey of the Month Winners.

K1 - Dexter D

1M - Savannah S

2S - Rihanna N

4/5H - Amelia H



WESTERN SYDNEY WANDERERS CUP

On Tuesday 24th October, a selected team of Stage 3 students represented our school at the Western Sydney Wanderers School Cup Finals. It was a very competitive day with students playing a total of 5 games, recording 1 draw and 4 losses. Despite the results, the team continued to demonstrate great sportsmanship and teamwork. William Dean Public School is very proud of your effort in qualifying for the prestigious tournament.

It is an amazing achievement.

I would also like to thank all parents for their support on the day.

Mr E Daglis



PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Congratulations to the following students who have received Principal's Awards.

Wk 2	"For being a great helper in the classroom"		"For taking pride in our school"
KI	Sienna-Rose G	KI	Kiannah D
K/1R	Lily N	K/1R	Amelia B
1S	Xavier N	1S	Danielle P
2/3N	Cooper G	2/3N	Brianna M
3/4H	Erica H	3/4H	Christella A
5/6D	Phillip H	5/6D	Phoebe D

Wk 2	"For being a great helper in the classroom"		"For taking pride in our school"
KR	Wirihana H	KR	Blake H
1M	Savannah S	1M	Autumn T
2S	Japjot S	2S	Talon S
3/4I	Shauna-Lee Y	3/4I	Issac M
4/5H	Teagan C	4/5H	Dominic G
5/6K	Martina C	5/6K	Tiana R



The **PaTCH** course (Parents as Teachers/Classroom Helpers) has now been completed. Ms Smoothy, Mrs Dernelly and Mrs Rios Martinez are now volunteering their time in the classrooms of KR, KI and 2S supporting the children in reading, writing and mathematics.

These parents have completed 20 hours training in literacy and numeracy sessions and supported children in the classroom. I would like to congratulate these parents on the completion of the course and for their continued commitment to the students and teachers at William Dean Public School.

We will be acknowledging their achievement at the Celebration of Learning later this term.

Julianne Smith
Deputy Principal Instructional Leader

SAFE, RESPECTFUL LEARNERS AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have received Safe Respectful Learner Awards

Term 3 Week 10			
KI	Dexter D	KR	Hunter F
K/1R	Jasmine C	1M	Kemuel B
1S	Shehzad J	2S	-
2/3N	Deepansh B	3/4H	Davran Z
3/4I	Abigail V	4/5H	Deishya E
5/6D	Tia P	5/6K	Mya H

Term 4 Week 2			
KI	-	KR	Wirihana H
K/1R	Kaylee C	1M	Sofia U
1S	Bhavnoor S	2S	Isam U
2/3N	Daniel E	3/4H	Yianni V
3/4I	Skye L	4/5H	Antonio Z
5/6D	Ishita I	5/6K	Grace M

Term 4 Week 3			
KI	-	KR	Sophie F
K/1R	Elijah C	1M	Autumn T
1S	Olivia J	2S	Isata B
2/3N	Angelina F	3/4H	Luke G
3/4I	Sofia A	4/5H	Jamie-Leigh Y
5/6D	Breanna F	5/6K	Jordyn H



Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 15 March 2018.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2019, you need to apply soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 10 October 2017 in a printed application information booklet and at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>.

The application website opens at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7> on 10 October 2017 and closes on 13 November 2017. You must apply before the closing date.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 10 October 2017.

You must submit only ONE application for each student.

Remember: the tear-off slip below is **not an application** and the school cannot apply on your behalf.

Yours sincerely

Principal
Maria Dichiera

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by Friday 20th October, 2017.

Note: THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL. This is a notice to your primary school only that you *intend* to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS APPLICATION WEBSITE:
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2019

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I intend to apply for selective high school entry in 2019 Yes No

If Yes EITHER

I have internet access and will be applying online

OR

I do not have internet access and will use the public library to complete the application

Signature of parent/carers: _____ Date: _____

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TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS APPLICATION WEBSITE.

SCHOOL ZONE OFFENCES

WHAT ARE YOU RISKING?*



Children are small, harder to see, behave unpredictably and are extremely vulnerable. They need **YOU** to take extra care when driving and parking around school zones.



No Parking

You have 2 minutes to drop-off or pick-up. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle. No waiting.



No Stopping

You are not allowed to stop on a length of road with a No Stopping sign.



Bus Zone

You must not stop your vehicle in a Bus Zone unless you are driving a public bus.



Mobile Phone Use

Extra fines apply for using mobile phones in a school zone. *May be subject to Double Demerits*



Speeding Offences

40km/h is the limit. Children are vulnerable, so slow down in school zones.



May be subject to Double Demerits

Pedestrian Crossings

1. In a queue of traffic, no part of your vehicle must stop on a pedestrian crossing.
2. Do not let your child in or out of a vehicle at a pedestrian crossing or in a No Stopping zone.



Driveways

Do not park on or across a driveway.



U turns

Illegal across double white lines. Also illegal on or near a pedestrian crossing.



Double Parking

Double parking is illegal and is very dangerous in a school zone.



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Blacktown City Council

*Fines current as of March 2017. Fines and demerit points are subject to change.

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Singing



Rockband

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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4	30 th October S3 Brewongle Incursion	31 st October	1 st November Dance Fever Skipping ----- 1.30pm – Colour Run	2 nd November 9.15am Playgroup ----- 2pm – K/1R & KI Assembly	3 rd November Wk3 Little School 9.30-10.45am
5	6 th November SWIM SCHOOL ----- 2pm – P & C Meeting	7 th November SWIM SCHOOL	8 th November SWIM SCHOOL ----- Dance Fever Skipping	9 th November SWIM SCHOOL ----- 9.15am Playgroup ----- 2pm – 1M, 2S & KR Assembly	10 th November SWIM SCHOOL ----- Wk4 Little School 9.30-10.45am
6	13 th November SWIM SCHOOL -----	14 th November SWIM SCHOOL	15 th November SWIM SCHOOL ----- Dance Fever Skipping	16 th November SWIM SCHOOL ----- 9.15am Playgroup	17 th November SWIM SCHOOL ----- Wk5 Little School 9.30-10.45am
7	20 th November	21 st November	22 nd November Dance Fever Skipping	23 rd November 8.30am Community Breakfast / White Ribbon ----- 9.15am Playgroup	24 th November Wk6 Little School 9.30-10.45am
8	27 th November	28 th November 8.30am - Parent Helpers Breakfast	29 th November Dance Fever Skipping	30 th November 9.15am Playgroup	1 st December
9	4 th December 9.30am – Celebration of Learning Assembly	5 th December	6 th December - KI,KR,K1/R – Christmas Party ----- S2 End of Year Bowling Party ----- S3 – Christmas Party ----- Dance Fever Skipping	7 th December 9.15am Playgroup 5pm – Carols Under the COLA / William Dean’s Got Talent	8 th December
10	11 th December	12 th December Yr 6 Graduation Assembly and Formal	13 th December Dance Fever Skipping	14 th December 1S,1M,2S,2/3N Christmas Party	15 th December Last day of school