

BANKSIA PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter No.6

Term 2 Week 1

30 April 2025



Planner – Term 2

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	April 28	April 29	April 30	May 1	May 2
		SCISA Cricket	Anzac Assembly 9:00am	Edu Dance	
2	May 5	May 6	May 7	May 8	May 9
				Edu Dance Mother's Day Stall, Area 8	

Principal's Message

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope everyone had a great Easter break and have returned happy, healthy and ready for a busy term ahead. Some of the events ahead of us include Edu-Dance, our NAIDOC Celebration Day Assembly and our SCISA Winter Sports Carnival. Our P&C also has a full load of fundraising including the upcoming Mother's Day stall, disco and of course this weekend is the election day sausage sizzle. Get in early to vote and grab your "Democracy Day Sausage". See the flyer in today's newsletter.



ANZAC Ceremony 2025

Banksia Park held our commemoration service for this special event earlier today. At this special assembly we took the opportunity to remember the sacrifices of those who gave and continue to give service to our country and pay our respects to ensure that as a nation we never forget.

Some special mentions of appreciation for today's assembly:

- Mr McGuinness representing the Riverton RSL who addressed the assembly.
- Mr Victor Moss who played the Last Post and Rouse for us.
- Mrs Foreman, along with Mrs Sparg and Mr and Mrs Sewell who arranged the flowers so beautifully to create 4 wreaths to lay at the base of our flagpole and along with Mr Ewart who sourced rosemary for all.
- The student councillors for conducting the ceremony.
- Mrs Watson and Year 6 students for their organisation, setting up and display of poppies and stories for ANZAC Day.
- The AV students for their wonderful work
- The student Guard of Honour who came in their club uniforms.
- Students representing family members who have served/are serving their country.
- Ms Cullen and the Banksia Park School Choir and accompanying instrumentalists.



We would also like to thank Tina Muir Wilson, Sophia Shih, Rebecca Fanha and Mai Shimamoto from our canteen for making the beautiful and very tasty ANZAC Boxes for the staff and students to purchase. They were a lovely addition to the special day.

Finally, to our special guests who took the time to join us for our special assembly. We thank sincerely for your service on behalf of all Australians.





Leeming Combined Schools Band

We have had a great start to this new musical opportunity at Leeming High School who are working in partnership with Banksia Park PS to establish a new band program for our students. This is a great opportunity to make music while being a part of a group, share responsibilities, build teamwork, develop new friendship across local schools along with experiencing Leeming High School itself. There is still time to get involved. If you are interested, please contact the school office for more details. If you can play an instrument, you can join in, even if your instrument is not suited to a band. Your musicality and ability to understand notation and rhythm can be applied to other instruments so

Easter Raffle

A big thank you to our families who kindly donated Easter eggs and goodies to the P&C Fundraising Easter raffle last term. Congratulations to the students who were lucky enough to win a prize and well done to the fundraising team on the huge profit made which will go towards the 2025 fundraising goal.



Mother's Day

The P&C Fundraising Committee will be holding their annual Mother's Day stall this Thursday 8 May in Area 8 (OSH Room). There will be a variety of gifts to choose from. Students who wish to purchase a gift, are to bring cash (\$10 maximum) in a wallet or envelope to school.

Faction Cross Country Carnival

Cross Country is currently locked into Week June 6. Distances for Cross Country are 1.5km for the Juniors (1-4) and 2km for the Seniors (5-6). Cross Country is an excellent way for students to work on their overall fitness and resilience. Runner Club will begin on Tuesdays and Wednesdays starting in Week 2 from 8.20am-8.40am concluding Wednesday 4th June.

These will be endurance-based training getting students accustomed to running for longer periods of time. Parents are welcome to come and walk/ jog/ run laps with their children. Faction Tokens will be on offer for all participants.

Training at home can also be a big help. For the level of fitness needed for 2km a 10-to-15-minute brisk walk/ jog 3 times a week will be enough. Keep the pace at a slow conversational pace. Parents are encouraged to participate with their children. Side to side activities have been shown to help conversations between people as it minimises direct eye contact and can be seen as a more comfortable or less confrontational approach to communication.

For older students looking for a goal to chase there are 5km Parkrun events in Shelley, Bibra Lake and Applecross that start at 8am on a Saturday morning (register at parkrun.com.au). For these events children under the age of 11 years old are the responsibility of their parents or guardians and need to be accompanied at all times before, during and after the run. It is a longer than needed run but could be a good family activity. There are always walkers with prams so speed is not an issue. Finishing time usually vary from 20 minutes (very fast) to 50 minutes (walking).

Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's reading challenge is back for another year. The 2025 challenge will run from the **April 7 to June 27**. This year, the challenge is open to all students from Kindergarten to Year 12. The purpose of the challenge is to encourage students to discover the joy of reading whilst also improving their literacy skills. There are weekly prizes that students can go in the draw to win. For more information or to register please follow the link below:

www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au

School Hat Policy

A reminder our school policy is for students to wear bucket hats (no caps) at school. Students are allowed to wear plain blue navy bucket hats with **no logos**. Students without a suitable hat will need to play in shaded areas only. Hats are available to purchase from the Uniform shop via the QuickCliq app. We also have some hats in the office available for purchase.

Lost Property

Our schools lost property is located in our Performing Arts Centre outside of the uniform shop. Currently, there are many items in the box. If your child has misplaced something, please feel free to come and have a look and remember to make sure everything is labelled with your child's name.

Voluntary Contributions

A friendly reminder that voluntary contributions are now due. The money collected from voluntary contributions provides our school with the opportunity to purchase much needed resources and materials to support the curriculum content for your child's learning journey. If you have already paid via Campion, we thank you for your contribution.



The contribution amount approved by the School Board is **\$60.00** per child.
Payment can be made by cash or card at the front office, or via direct debit as follows:

Account Name: Banksia Park Primary School
BSB: 066-040 Account Number: 19907101
Reference: VC and Students Surname

Thank you for your contribution.

Bell Times

Please be reminded of our school times. Where possible we would encourage students to arrive between 8.30am and 8.50am. Students arriving at school before this time should go to the PAC and wait quietly until 8.30am.

8.50am Learning block one
10.50am – 11.10am Recess
11.10am – 1.10pm Learning block two
1.10pm – 1.50pm Lunch
1.50pm (Toilet and drink)
1.55pm – 3.05pm Learning block three
3.05pm (End of the day)



Serena Gosnay
Principal

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Crunch & Sip

Eat a **RAINBOW** of vegetables everyday!

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Different coloured vegetables provide different nutrients for growing bodies. Supplying kids with lots of different coloured vegies and fruits each day is the best kick-start we can give them for health, growth, and concentration in the classroom.

RED

Cherry tomato, radish, red capsicum, red apple, cherries, strawberries

ORANGE & YELLOW

Corn, yellow capsicum, apricots, mandarin, carrots, rockmelon

WHITE & BROWN

Cauliflower, nashi pears, mushrooms, white nectarine, banana

GREEN

Sugar snap peas, green apple, pear, cucumber, broccoli, grapes, frozen peas

PURPLE

Purple grapes, purple carrots, blueberries, plums, blackberries

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Ms Cullen's Music Matters



Congratulations to Area 14 on running such a fantastic ANZAC Ceremony Assembly. Well done also to our choir and special thanks to Max, Kaiden and Harriet for accompanying the choir so beautifully.

Congratulations to the whole school for being such an attentive audience at this important assembly.

School Chaplin's Chat



This year, students in Years 1-6 will have the opportunity to participate in the RAINBOWS program during Terms 2 and 3.

Children who are grieving may sometimes appear sad, talk about missing a person or display inappropriate behaviours. Other times, they play, interact with friends, and do their usual activities. They may also develop ongoing sleep difficulties, low self-esteem and become disinterested in school-related activities.

Situations which may cause feelings of grief in children include:

The death or serious illness of a family member- either in Australia or overseas.

Change in the parental relationship- separation (temporary or permanent) or divorce.

Having a parent work in a fly-in-fly-out situation.

Loss of support services or routines, change in family lifestyle.

In these situations, some children may benefit from extra help with developing resilience and social/emotional skills. The RAINBOWS program provides this support and is a safe place for children to express their feelings in relation to grief and loss.

The RAINBOWS program is not counselling, or therapy and it is not a religious program. It will be conducted in small groups of 3-6 children, with a trained adult facilitator (School Chaplain). Groups will meet weekly, for 10 weeks for 45 minutes during class time. Each week there will be an activity (writing, game, craft) and a discussion time (sharing is voluntary) covering the topics listed in the table below.

Week	Discussion points
1	Journals, confidentiality, group rules and respect.
2	Different types of feelings. Sharing feelings with trusted adults can help us.
3	How things are different now.
4	Getting used to change. Being angry is OK, but we must show it in the right way.
5	Worries about the future are normal. Talking can help us sort things out.
6	There are many kinds of families. Everyone always belongs somewhere.
7	We will always have good memories and can look forward to new goals.
8	There are difficult times in life, but things will get better.
9	Getting used to change can be hard. Thinking about other people can help us enjoy life.
10	Everyone is loved. The benefits of forgiveness.

If you would like to discuss RAINBOWS further, please contact the school on Monday or Tuesday on 9266 6400 and ask to speak with the chaplain OR email louise.lathbury@youthcare.org.au. If you feel your children would benefit from being a part of this program, please complete a nomination form and return it to the school, in an envelope marked Confidential- Mrs Lathbury by **MONDAY 12TH MAY 2025**.



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UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform Orders: via or in person. Online orders will be delivered to class.

Uniform Shop Hours: 2:30pm-3:00pm every second Monday, starting week 2 (EFTPOS available).

Cooler mornings means Winter is on it's way! The Uniform Shop has stock of long sleeve polos and polar fleece jackets to keep our students warm.



Purchase online via Quickcliq or during opening hours - every second week (even weeks) 2:30pm - 3pm

CANTEEN

Opening Times: every Wednesday and Friday.

Order: via <https://www.spriggy.com.au> or via Canteen by 08:50am.

Volunteers: Thank you in advance to spend some free time to help our lovely canteen manager Mai.

The online **Food Safe Handling** course is compulsory for canteen volunteers and can be accessed via <https://foodsafeline.com.au/> for **FREE** - Please contact Liana or Mai for the new code.

COFFEE POD RECYCLING + CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE



Used coffee pods and drink containers can be recycled by dropping off in the respective bins located in the undercover area, near lost property and the canteen.

For those who wish to donate funds for us, please use our code **C10419600** when dropping off your cans or bottles at the collection centres. Thanks!

MEMBER NUMBER
BANKSIA PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C ASSOC INC



FUNDRAISERS

Term 1 Fundraising Calendar

Banksia Primary P&C Fundraising 2025

GOAL: Upgrade to Kindy & Early Learning playground space

GOAL: The P&C are in the process of planning some great things for BPPS so stay tuned

<p>Saturday May 3rd Election BBQ and cake stall</p> <p>We will be taking baked goods donations on Friday and Saturday. We will also need some volunteers so please sign up if you can.</p>	<p>Thursday May 8th Mother's Day stall</p> <p>Bring some money to school for our Annual Mother's Day stall. We have some great items for sale</p>
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Easter Raffle

Congratulations to all our Easter raffle winners!! We hope you enjoyed your goodies over the holiday break. Thank you again to everyone for their donations and buying up tickets. We managed to raise a total of **\$1176** which is amazing!

Election BBQ and Cake Stall 🍌🍰🔍

This will take place on Saturday the 3rd of May.

As always, we are asking for baked goods for our cake stall. We don't mind if you bake it yourself or buy from the shops, any donation is appreciated.

We will be collecting donations on Friday from 2:30pm and Saturday from 7am.

Please include a piece of paper with the item name and ingredients with your donation.

Alternatively, there are labels that you can fill in available at the front office you can collect.

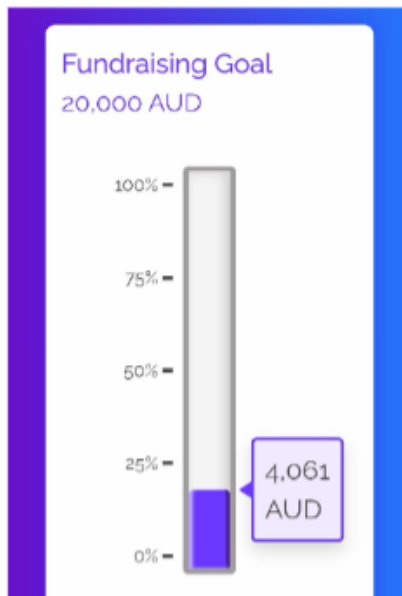
We are also looking for volunteers to man our BBQs and cake stall so please, if you have a couple of hours

spare put your name down via the link below, we really appreciate any help we can get!

<https://signup.com/go/PBoRdBS>

Fundraising Tracker

Two events down for the year and we are slowly getting towards our goal of \$20,000.
Thank You everyone for your ongoing support!



Entertainment Book Fundraiser

From Thursday 24th April to Thursday 29th April, you can snap up

- Multi City Membership – Just \$120 + a FREE \$50 Activ Visa Gift Card \$50
- Single City Membership – Only \$70 + a FREE \$30 Activ Visa Gift Card

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Physics Primer

🕒 Mondays 4:30 – 6:30pm

💰 \$225per student each term

Students perform calculations to solve problems of motion, including gravity and then other forces in the universe. Students may also train for the Australian Science Olympiads Examination for Physics and/or the Open Universities Australia units *General Physics* and/or *Principles of Physics*.

Chemistry Primer

🕒 Thursdays 4:30 – 6:30pm

💰 \$225per student each term

Students perform calculations to learn about atoms, molecules, elements and compounds and progress to calculations in topics such as gases, specific heat and chemical solutions. Students may also train for the Australian Science Olympiads Examination for Chemistry and/or the Open Universities Australia unit *Fundamentals of Chemistry*.

Mathematics Primer

🕒 Fridays 4:30 – 6:30pm

💰 \$225per student each term

Students consolidate their Arithmetic and are introduced to Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, followed by Calculus and other areas when required. Mathematical topics are taught at each student's pace, and students learn mathematical conventions and techniques.

The Murdoch University *After School Program in Mathematics and Physical Sciences* has been running since 2001.

All sessions are at Murdoch University, South Street Campus, Building 450, Floor 3, Room 001. Parking available in carpark 4.

Sessions are tailored to each individual student and students may begin at any time during the term. Refund will only be given if course is cancelled by our Program.

Sessions commence the second week of each school term and do not run on public holidays. All subjects require pen or pencil and notebook, and may require a scientific calculator. Bottled water is permitted in classrooms and students should bring a healthy snack.

Payment may be made online: payments.murdoch.edu.au/PrepCourses

To enrol

To obtain enrolment information provide the age of the student and email:

AfterSchoolProgram@murdoch.edu.au
or phone 0427 864 740 (afternoons and evenings).

If you are having financial difficulties, please call our Coordinator on the number provided.

BANKSIA PARK PRIMARY

P&C PRESENTS

**SATURDAY
3RD MAY**

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***SAUSAGE SIZZLE**

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