

 Planner – Term 3					
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5	August 18 Book Week	August 19 SCISA Interschool Cross Country	August 20 Newsletter	August 21	August 22 Book Week Parade – PAC 9:00am
6	August 25 Pupil Free Day	August 26	August 27 Assembly Area 7, Yr 2	August 28 SEDA Netball St John First Aid Course Yr 3 – 6 - Library	August 29
7	September 1	September 2 Parent Night 6:00 – 7:15pm Book Fair opening	September 3 Newsletter	September 4 P&C Father's Day Stall Yr 4 Excursion WA Museum	September 5

Principal’s Message

Pupil Free Day

A reminder to all parents **Monday August 25** is a Pupil Free day. We look forward to seeing everyone back on Tuesday August 26.

Canteen – NEW Roster Trial

Our canteen has gone from strength to strength under the dedicated guidance of a small group of P&C volunteers with orders at an all-time high and over 160 orders regularly received on a Friday. This is simply impossible task for our new canteen manager Rihan Tawdors to manage on her own. **The P&C is in desperate need for volunteers to ensure the canteens’ viability long term.**

They are planning to trial a NEW roster system. One class will be rostered on to a specific week throughout the term. This means just ONE WEEK a term will be allocated to each class. Volunteers will be called for, from the rostered class, through the parent reps in the weeks ahead of the rostered week. A signup sheet will also be available outside the canteen, so volunteers will be able to sign up the old-fashioned way. Volunteers are also welcome to stay any time on an ad hoc basis on a Wednesday or Friday **ANYTIME**.

Please be reminded that if you are helping in the canteen, you will need to sign in and out at the school office and have a current Working with Children’s card if you are not a parent. Parents of students enrolled at Banksia Park can sign a Parent Declaration. This may have been signed at the start of the year at your parent information session, otherwise forms are available at the office any time.

The hope is that parents, grandparents, family or even friends who are available and willing to assist, will volunteer for a few hours to help out in the canteen on the Wednesday or Friday keeping our canteen viable, raising valuable funds for our school.

Canteen Manager

A huge thank you to Mrs Mai Shimamoto, our outgoing canteen manager, who did such a wonderful job running our school canteen in partnership with the P&C. Mr Cassir and Mrs Gosnay spoke to Mai on her last day to pass on our appreciation from the staff, students and community at BPPS for all her efforts and wish her the all the best in her new role.



First Aid focus

Next week students from years 3-6 will be participating in a free one-hour First Aid training Course. St John WA provides this excellent learning opportunity, First Aid Focus, as a free in-school program that allows WA students to learn basic first aid skills. This program offers fun, engaging and age-appropriate classes for all students. This course will take place in the Banksia Park Primary School Library on Thursday 28th August. As this course is being delivered as part of our Health & Physical Education Curriculum, no permission slip is required. However, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher ahead of this activity.

Book Week - Author Visit

We were thrilled to welcome author Raewyn Caisley at Banksia Park for our annual Book Week Author Visit. The students were very excited, asked insightful questions and had the opportunity to learn about the writing process. A special thank you to Jane DiSabato and the English committee for organising this special event.

Book Week Dress-up Day

Friday 22 August will be our very popular Book Week Parade where students are encouraged to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. This event will take place in our P.A.C from 9:00am. This year's theme is *Book an Adventure*. Parents and carers are most welcome to attend in this wonderful event, and we look forward to seeing you there to join in the fun to celebrate the magic of books and reading.

As part of our Book Week celebrations, students are also invited to bring in books from home to **swap for another book**.

- Books to be swapped need to be brought to classrooms no later than Thursday, August 21.
- Books are to be put in the **Book Swap container in their classroom**.
- Books do not have to be brand new, but they do need to be in good condition (no torn covers etc please).
- Students can bring up to FIVE books.

The Swap will take place on Friday, August 22.

SCISA Cross Country Carnival Cancellation

Due to the storms and severe weather forecast on Thursday, the SCISA Interschool Sports Carnival had to be cancelled for the safety of all students, spectators and staff. The decision was taken in accordance with Department of Education guidelines in these circumstances. Banksia Park understands this was a very disappointing result knowing how hard many of our students along with Mr Edmonds and their families have trained in the lead up to this event.

With respect to payment to attend this excursion, all students have had \$14 credited to their student accounts against future excursions/incursions. Please contact the office if you have any concerns.

With a solutions focus we will be proposing to SCISA participating schools that an alternative date is also planned in SCISA meetings for the Athletics and Cross-Country interschool carnivals at the start of each year, so that an earlier call can be made when dangerous weather conditions are forecast. Please note that we do go ahead in normal wet weather, however, the forecast of thunder and lightning and extreme winds will always result in cancellation. As these are rare events, it is hoped that by having an alternative date for all participating schools, there will be an option to reschedule, which is currently difficult with busy school calendars and the need to align 7 schools. We appreciate everyone's understanding and continued support.

Parent Night - Tuesday 2 September

Parents and friends are invited to join us on Tuesday evening (Week 7) 2 September, for our annual parent open night. Activities will begin from **5pm** in the Performing Arts Centre undercover area and this year also in the school library.

These will include: -

- BOOK FAIR sales – **Library 5.00 – 5.30pm, 6.00 – 7.00 pm**
- Sausage in bread fundraiser - \$2.50 (all funds raised will go to support student services)
- Drinks \$2
- Performance from our school choir
- Performance from our IMSS instrumental students (TBC)
- Gifted and talented artwork display.
- School Board meet and greet – An opportunity to meet your hardworking members of the School Board and a chance to chat and share your vision for our school.
- Survey – use your device to complete the Parent Survey for 2025 and have your say about what we are doing well and where you think we can improve.
- OSH Club before and after school care display.
- Leeming High School display.
- Lost property display.

And more...

This year the Banksia Park Primary School Choir will be opening our parent night at **5.30pm** on the stage. We will also have performance items from the Combined Schools Band. We have also confirmed IMSS flute will be performing and are working on expanding the entertainment from other instrumental students. All families are encouraged to visit the stage area for a 5.30pm start to enjoy this performance ahead of visiting classrooms at 6pm.

Mrs Cullen has asked choir students to arrive by 5.25pm ready for their performance. If students are in the Bands or IMSS as well as choir, they should meet their music tutors at 5pm for a quick rehearsal and can just come out to join the Choir on opening at 5.30pm.

Classrooms will then be opened from **6:00pm to 7:15pm**. Our parent open night is a fabulous opportunity to spend some time in your child's classroom and celebrate their efforts and recognise their developing skills across all areas of learning. We look forward to seeing all our families and friends at this special whole school event. The **BOOK FAIR** will be open in the library from 5pm – 7 pm for book purchases. It will close briefly during the student performances from 5.30-6pm before re-opening at 6pm.

Interm Swimming Lost Property

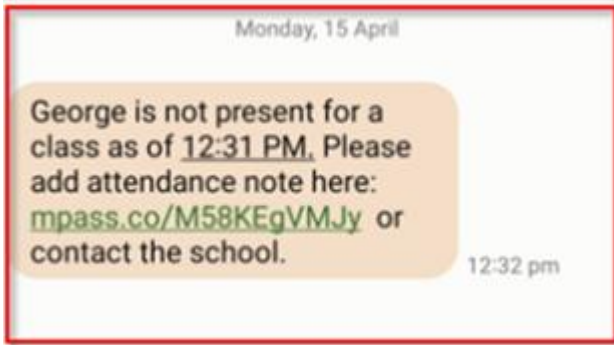
We have a collection of swimming goggles and head bands which have been handed in from our recent interm swimming program. Please come to our admin office if you are missing a pair.

Compass – Transition to a New Communication & Information Management System

The Department of Education will be transitioning Banksia Park Primary to the Compass application from our 'Go Live' date of **Tuesday, 16 September** (Week 9). As part of this process, an automated SMS system will be established from a school contact name of **BanksiaPPS**.

What will change for Families?

Compass will send parents/ caregivers an SMS to their mobile phone number recorded with the school when their child is marked absent without an explanation. A sample message is below:



Parents/ caregivers will use this link to add an explanation and any notes about their child's absence. Please note that the **link will be valid for only 48 hours, and do not reply to this message via SMS as the school will not receive it**. The phone must also be connected to an Internet data plan or have WIFI access to use the hyperlink. If the child is absent again without prior explanation, parents/ caregivers will receive a new one-time link.

If parents/ caregivers choose not use the link provided, you can still notify the school of your child's absence via telephone (9266 6400), a written message through your child's classroom teacher, an email to BanksiaPark.PS@education.wa.edu.au, or via the online absence form on the school's website.

Following our 'Go Live' date, parents/ caregivers will receive an email invitation and instructions for how to create an account on the Compass app for your child(ren). Compass will become the **main channel of communication** between yourself and the school.

Please note, should you already be using the Compass app as a teacher/ education assistant or from children at another school, you will be able to add a separate account for your child(ren) at Banksia Park Primary and switch easily between the different profiles – as needed.

Further information and support resources will be distributed to families over the coming weeks. This initial notice requires no action and is intended to familiarise you with our upcoming transition to Compass.

Staffing Update

BPPS welcomes our newest staff member, Mr Rohan Loveland, who is joining us as our new school gardener working Mondays and Tuesdays with Mr Wayne Webber continuing Fridays.



Serena Gosnay
Principal

Crunch & Sip

Homemade Pizza



Print recipe

Ingredients

- 2 23cm pizza base (dinner plate size)
- 4 tbs no-added-salt tomato paste
- 1 cooked or BBQ chicken breast, chopped
- 2 cups baby spinach leaves
- 1/2 onion, finely chopped
- 1 capsicum, thinly sliced
- 2 tomatoes, chopped
- 1 cup reduced-fat mozzarella cheese, grated

Method

1. Preheat oven to 200°C (180°C fan-forced).
2. Spread tomato paste evenly over pizza bases.
3. Top with spinach leaves, onion, chicken, capsicum strips and tomatoes.
4. Sprinkle with cheese and place on a baking tray, pizza stone or wire rack.
5. Bake for 10-15 minutes until cheese is melted and base is crisp.



Honour Certificates – Updated 12/8

Congratulations to those students who received Honour Certificates on Wednesday 14 May 2025.

River. B – Area 2
 Millie. W – Area 4
 Imogen L – Area 6
 Millie. R – Area 10
 Sebastian. L – Area 12
 Liam. V – Area 13
 Isla. N – Area 13

Adele. F – Area 2
 Carter. J – Area 4
 Annie. T – Area 7
 Charlotte. B – Area 10
 Elizabeth. T – Area 12
 Scarlett. B – Area 13
 Jensen. C – Area 14

Kiahn. P – Area 3
 Avalee. H – Area 6
 Parvathi. S – Area 7
 Aoife. H – Area 11
 Noah.D – Area 12
 Talon.K – Area 13
 Sienna.S Area 14

Kalani. H – Area 3
 Marloe. C
 Tobi. N – Area 7
 Charlotte. L –Area 11
 Laila.T – Area 13
 Presley. L – Area 13
 Marie. S – Area 14

News from the Art Room



Congratulations to Area 11 students for creating large scale, bold, bright semi abstract paintings. By combining pattern with references to nature, students designed fun, colourful pieces which now adorn our school office wall. Special mention to Julian, Riti, Aoife, Bethany, Lily and Dylan for bringing a little cheer to our office.



Music News



The Australian Girls Choir will be running an assessment workshop for interested students from Year 3-Year 6 on the 8/9 at 9.00am to see if they would like to join the choir in 2026. Interested girls have been given an information flyer and you need to enrol/register online to attend the workshop. (The flyers are in the music room if you need one.)

The IMMS testing and selection process has commenced to select students for the instrumental music program for 2026. Instruments will be flute, clarinet and guitar.

I want to let you know that I will be taking long service leave for all of Term 4. (Yes - I have lots of wonderful holiday plans. 😊)

We are currently seeking an experienced music teacher to fill my position, and the selection will be made before the end of Term 3.

I look forward to returning to BPPS in 2026.

Ms Cullen

Music Specialist

VacSwim

VacSwim provides children 5 to 17 years of age with the opportunity to develop and progress their swimming and water safety skills during the school holidays across the State. There are programs for beginner, intermediate and advanced swimmers.

Students who complete Stages 13 to 16 through VacSwim enjoy the benefit of having their rescue award fees waived by Royal Life Saving Society WA. It is a great opportunity for them and a huge benefit to the community.

Enrolments are now open, and families can [enrol](#) online.

Further information, details of locations and information on how to enrol is on our [website](#).

VacSwim

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Next P&C Meeting: Tuesday 09/09/25 7pm Staff Room – All are welcome!!

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).

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 committee.

The one-off online **Food Safe Handling** course is compulsory for canteen volunteers and can be accessed via <https://foodsafeonline.com.au/> for **FREE** with the code **fsfdcr25** - Please contact Liana for more details.

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!

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BANKSIA PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C ASSOC INC




FUNDRAISERS

Banksia Primary P&C Fundraising 2025	
<i>GOAL: Upgrade to Kindy & Early Learning playground space</i>	
<i>GOAL: School community garden</i>	
<i>GOAL: Concrete pad for bike racks near the snake path</i>	
Term 3	
<p>Thursday, September 4th Father's Day Stall</p> <p>Send some cash in with your kids to purchase a gift for dad for Father's Day. Stall as usual will be during school hours.</p> <p>**Bilbies & Area 12 will have their stall on Wednesday, September 3rd</p>	<p>Friday, September 19th Faction Carnival Cake Stall</p> <p>We will also have faction carnival merch on sale before the day. Stay tuned for details.</p>

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Father Day Stall



 **Father's Day Stall is Coming!**  

We've sourced some awesome gifts for all the amazing Dads out there!
Send your kids with a few \$\$ to school — gifts range from **\$2 to \$10**.
The stall will be open during school hours on **Thursday, Sept 4**. 


Faction Carnival

 Faction Carnival Cake Stall & Merch! 

Our annual Cake Stall is back at the Faction Carnival – Friday, Sept 19!

Bake it or buy it – we don't mind, we just love tasty treats!  

PLUS... get ready for some awesome faction merch.

Think: sunnies, socks, glitter, zinc, hairspray & more – all in your faction colours! 

More info coming soon – stay tuned! 


On Sale via Spriggy from 1st September until 17th September

Quiz Night

Coming November 1st 6pm till late.

It is looking like it will be a popular event! Since tickets are limited to avoid missing out, we advise you to get one person from your table to buy your group's tickets. We know of some incomplete tables so please grab a ticket even if you are just a single/twosome.

Tickets go on sale this Friday at 8am.

We've learned a lot from last year — expect more laughs, more prizes, and YES... way more gin and craft beer  (IYKYK).

 Got something to donate?

If you have any prizes or items for the auction, we'd love your support!

Please get in touch with Chloe Killgour or Bec Goff via social media or just come and say Hi at school. Alternatively, you can email us at bppsevents@gmail.com.

Fundraising Update: Cockburn Ice Arena

Thanks to everyone who bought their ice-skating tickets.
We managed to raise a total of **\$297!!**

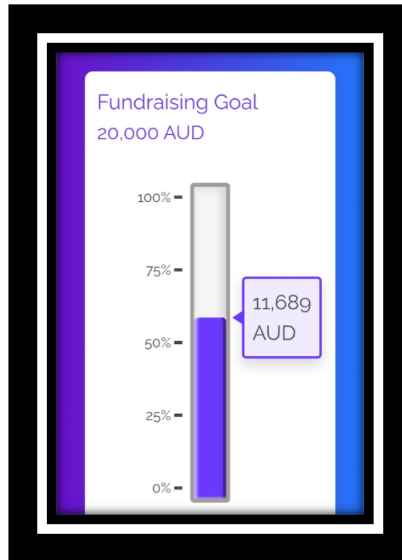
Fundraising Update: Domino's Doughraiser

Thanks to everyone who had pizza for dinner on Friday!!
We will make an announcement after finalising the total money raised.

Fundraising Tracker

We are smashing our goals due to everyone's amazing support.
Thank You everyone for your ongoing support!

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