


BANKSIA PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter No 8

Term 2 Week 5

20 May 2026

 Planner - Term 2					
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5	May 18	May 19	May 20 Edu-Dance (Yr 1) Newsletter Assembly – Area 10	May 21	May 22 Edu-Dance (PP, 2-6) P&C Day WA
6	May 25	May 26	May 27 Edu-Dance (Yr 1)	May 28 Faction Cross Country Carnival	May 29 Edu-Dance (PP, 2-6)
7	June 1 WA Day Public Holiday	June 2 Pupil Free Day	June 3 Edu-Dance (Yr 1) Newsletter	June 4	June 5 Edu-Dance (PP, 2-6) PP Farm on Wheels Incursion

Principal's Message

This week marks National Volunteer Week in which we seek to recognise the importance of volunteers within our schools and broader community. Particularly, we would like to highlight the impact that volunteering – whether big or small – has on achieving strong outcomes for our students at Banksia Park Primary. Thank you to all volunteers for your generous service and support.

P&C Day

As a part of National Volunteer Week, **Friday 22 May** is P&C Day WA – a day to acknowledge everything our P&C do for our school community. Banksia Park Primary's P&C work tirelessly on initiatives that benefit our students – and we are fortunate to have such an active and engaged committee.

P&C Associations across the state are involved in many activities, from facilitating parent participation and involvement in the school, to acting as a forum for parents to discuss school issues, and providing resources to the school via fundraising.

Each year, we seek to celebrate and acknowledge the significant contributions of our P&C Associations – and, specifically, the committed P&C that we have at BPPS. We will be marking this occasion with a morning tea on Friday, 22 May in the staffroom from 10.45am. We welcome all members of the P&C to attend.

Mother's Day Stall

A sincere thank you to our P&C volunteers for making this year's Mother's Day stall a huge success. From organising and setting up the gifts, helping the students, and making the day run smoothly, we all appreciate the effort that goes into making this event a positive and joyful experience for our students and community. We hope all the mothers, and special figures, enjoyed their gifts and had a wonderful Mother's Day.

Faction Cross Country

Please find a message in the designated Physical Education section below regarding the Faction Cross Country carnival being held on Thursday, 28 May.

Triple P Parenting Workshop

Thank you to our presenters from the School Psychology Service for their presentation of the Triple P Parenting workshop last week. Thank you also to the strong turnout from families and your positive feedback on the event. We look forward to providing further information sessions in the future.

Student Information & Healthcare Update

Student information and healthcare update forms have been distributed through classrooms. We kindly ask that these are returned to your child's classroom teacher by **Friday, 29 May**. Should your child's contact or healthcare details require an immediate update at any time, please advise the school's administration team: BanksiaPark.PS@education.wa.edu.au

Kindergarten 2027

We are now accepting applications for enrolment for Kindergarten 2027 for children born between **1 July 2022 and 30 June 2023**. We can accept out of boundary applications early in this enrolment period. If you know someone with a 3-year-old child, please remind them that enrolment across all schools close mid-year and they should complete enrolment as **soon as possible**.

For enrolling a student into Kindergarten, please bring in your child's birth certificate and a copy of their ACIR (Australian Childhood Immunisation Register). You can obtain a copy by emailing acir@humanservices.gov.au, phoning ACIR on 1800 653 809 or from Medicare. We also require proof of your address in the form of either a lease agreement, utility bill or council rates. Please see our website for enrolment forms, or you can collect a set from our office. Enrolments are due for return on **24 July 2026**.

Applications for Pre-Primary

Last week 'Applications for Enrolment Forms for Pre-Primary 2027' had been distributed to all our Kindergarten students. As your child is already attending Banksia Park Primary, we do not need to sight their birth certificate. However, we require an up-to-date copy of their immunisation record.

Once your child has been accepted into Pre-Primary, you are not required to apply for enrolment again until your child reaches Year 7 or moves schools.

Parking Concerns

Recently, several concerns have been raised regarding parking around the school.

We understand that parking can be difficult, particularly at the end of the school day when the area is busy and spaces are limited. However, we have received complaints about vehicles being parked across neighbouring driveways and on footpaths. We respectfully ask all members of our school community to please be considerate of our neighbours and avoid parking in these areas. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping to keep our school surrounds safe and accessible for everyone.

Students Who Are Unwell

During the cooler months, students are encouraged to be prepared and bring the appropriate warmer clothing and practice good hygiene. Please be reminded that students who are unwell should not come to school. The best place for them is at home so they can rest and recover properly.

Public Holiday & Pupil Free Day

A reminder to all families that there is a public holiday on Monday, 1 June. Students return to school Wednesday 3 June due to a Staff Development Day on Tuesday. We hope all families enjoy the Western Australia Day long weekend – and please be safe if you are travelling.

In closing this week's Principal's Message, we are looking forward to an exciting couple of weeks ahead as we move towards the middle of the term. As a school, we recently shared a *Spotlight on Success* with the School Board, highlighting the excellent work taking place within our Early Childhood area. We look forward to sharing snippets of this work with our broader school community over the coming weeks.

It is always a pleasure to celebrate the dedication, care and expertise of our staff, and the wonderful learning experiences being provided for our students. Thank you, as always, for your continued support of our school.



Paul Cassir
Principal

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What if the lunchbox comes back full?

Try these parent-tested tips:

- Make sure the food is easy to open and to eat.
- Add a small container of dip when packing veggie sticks.
- Pack something different to stop your child getting bored.
- Ask for feedback – there may be a quick fix to why the lunchbox is coming back full.
- Get them involved in packing their lunchbox.
- Leave out treats that don't offer much nutrition (lollies, chocolate).

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Honour Certificates



Congratulations to those students who received Honour Certificates on Wednesday 20 May 2026 –

Kiara R – Area 2
Connor F – Area 4
Georgia H – Area 6
Zac N – Area 7
Shiloh L – Area 10
Quinton C – Area 11
Carter S – Area 12
Ellie L – Area 13

Feliz N – Area 2
Samson M – Area 4
Hailey S – Area 6
Imogen L – Area 8
Matthew W – Area 10
Theo T – Area 11
Lily R – Area 12
Rosalie D – Area 13

Asees D – Area 3
Yu Kee P – Area 5
Dylan C – Area 6
Evelyn R – Area 8
Sebastian L – Area 10
Dev J – Area 11
Sonny L – Area 13
Jamieson S – Phys Ed

Ettie H – Area 3
Noah R – Area 5
Chloe L – Area 7
Andi B – Area 8
Connor W – Area 10
Dylan E – Area 12
Millie J – Area 13
Matilde W – Phys Ed

News from the Art Room



Year 2/3 from Area 6 have been exploring “collage techniques”. These stunning pieces are a demonstration of the student’s skills in using crayon, paint and rubbings. Combined with collaging real leaves these pieces are a beautiful, large-scale example of their work. Well done to Area 6 artists.



News from the Japanese Room



Konnichiwa everyone! It’s been a busy few weeks here in the Japanese Room. May 5 was Children’s Day in Japan, an annual celebration (and public holiday) about the healthy growth and happiness of children. In our classes we made paper koinobori (carp streamers), a traditional Children’s Day decoration, which will be going on display in the Japanese Room over the coming weeks.



Ms Cullen's Music Matters



What a great effort students made today in clapping rhythm patterns at the assembly. They managed clapping in two groups very capably as well.

Playing rhythms and beats can significantly enhance literacy skills improving phonetic awareness, memory retention, auditory discrimination, temporal processing and predictive skills.

Janis Cullen – Music Specialist

Science Corner



Thank you to the wonderfully generous Ewart family for their donation of 100's of pairs of safety glasses to not only Banksia Park Science Room but also to the surrounding network schools. We are so fortunate to have the supportive families of Leeming.

Thank you from Mrs Spector

Sport Update

The Faction Cross Country Carnival will be held on the School Oval on Thursday, 28 May from 9:10am to 1.10pm. All Year 1 to 6 students are expected to participate as a part of the school's Physical Education (P.E.) program. Please see a message posted to Compass for further information.



If you are able to assist with being a course or finish line marshal for the day, please contact Mr Edmonds (kyle.edmonds@education.wa.edu.au). Parents are also very welcome to attend and support the students.

Please make sure students have:




- Running shoes (All students are required to run/walk in appropriate shoes).
- A spare pair of shoes and socks is recommended.
- Faction t-shirt, sunscreen applied, and a hat.
- Adequate fluids (water is best).
- Warm clothing. Please provide a change of clothes just in case of rain.

School Chaplin's Chat



PROBLEM SOLVING.

Sometimes when our children encounter problems, their reactions may not match the seriousness of the problem. It can be useful to guide them to stop for a moment, do something that helps calm them, think, and then respond, rather than react. By using problem-solving strategies that match the situation they may find solutions that work. Acting in this way may also encourage them to keep trying, even when they feel that the situation is tricky. ([How Big is My Problem \(Printable\) - Very Special Tales](#)).

	THINGS TO ASK	THINGS TO DO
<p>LITTLE PROBLEM Something I can solve on my own.</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Has this happened before? What worked? ○ Could I get calm and have another go? ○ Do I need help to work this out? ○ Is there one thing I can do to start changing things? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Stop, think, choose, and do something. ○ Breathe, relax, take a break, try again. ○ Speak with an adult or a friend. ○ Try something that worked in the past.
<p>MEDIUM-SIZED PROBLEM Something I might need help with.</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ How could I start working this out? ○ What other things can I try? ○ Who can I ask to help work this out? ○ What type of help do I need (someone to listen or help do)? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Do one that that could start to change things. ○ Stop, think, try something else. ○ Speak with a trusted adult or a friend. ○ Explain what is needed to the person.
<p>BIG PROBLEM Something I really need help from an adult with.</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Who can I ask for help right now? ○ What can I do to stay safe or feel calm while I wait? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Tell a trusted adult straight away. ○ Get help fast if it is an emergency. ○ Stay safe while others help me. ○ Count, breathe, think of a peaceful place, find 3 things with each of my senses, get a hug.

School Tour – Corpus Christi College

Corpus Christi College is hosting a tour of the school on Tuesday, August 18th. If you are interested, then please follow the link to register.

www.corpus.wa.edu.au/opensdays



Department of
Education

Shaping the future

Kindergarten enrolments are now open for 2027

If your child **turns 4 years old** before 30 June 2027, enrol them at your local public school or community kindergarten.

**Apply to enrol before
24 July 2026.**

Find out more:
education.wa.edu.au/enrol





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Apply to enrol your child Kindergarten

Enrolment application process

Once you submit your child's application for enrolment, it will be assessed by the school's principal. In some cases, the school may receive more applications than places available. When this happens, the principal prioritises applications.

1

First priority

- You and your child live in the school's local-intake area.
- They have a sister or brother enrolled in the same school next year.
- You live nearest to the school.

2

Second priority

- You and your child live in the school's local-intake area.
- They do not have a sister or brother enrolled in the same school next year.
- You live nearest to the school.

3

Third priority

- You and your child live outside the local-intake area.
- They have a sister or brother enrolled in the same school next year.
- You live nearest to the school.

4

Fourth priority

- You and your child live outside the local-intake area.
- They do not have a sister or brother enrolled in the same school next year.
- You live nearest to the school.

If your child's school doesn't have a local-intake area, the principal will prioritise applications from those that live nearest to the school to those living furthest from the school.

Why do I need to apply by 24 July?

Applications submitted by the deadline form part of the school's first round offers. You can still apply after 24 July, but this may mean that your child misses out on a place.

If your child is not offered a place, the school staff will help you find another school as close to your home as possible.

What do I need to have to apply to enrol my child?

- Your child's birth certificate or identity documents.
- Proof of your child's residential address.
- If your child was born outside Australia or is a temporary resident of Australia, you need their passport, visa and travel documents.
- You need to tell the school whether your child has an Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) immunisation history statement.

Don't have all these documents right now?

Provide as much information as you can. You should make a time to speak with school staff to let them know what is missing and why you don't have it.

Remember. You will need your child's current Australian Immunisation Register Immunisation History Statement if your child is offered a place.

How long does it take?

Contact your child's school or community kindergarten if you would like an update on their application.



P&C News

banksiaparkpandc@gmail.com

Find us on Facebook: [Parents of BPPS/ BPPS P&C/ BPPS Canteen](#)

Next General Meeting: Tuesday 9th June at 7pm (Staff Room) – All are welcome!

UNIFORM SHOP 📦

Uniform Orders: via www.quickcliq.com.au or in person. Online orders will be delivered to class.

Uniform Shop Hours: 2:30pm-3:00pm every second Monday, starting week 4 (11th May), online orders will continue. (EFTPOS available).

***Please note we DO NOT offer refunds unless items are faulty. We are more than happy to exchange for another size provided the original swing tag is intact.**

Uniform Shop Donations Needed

Our second-hand uniform stock is running low. If you have clean, good-condition items **purchased from the uniform shop**, we'd love to recycle them back into circulation.

Donating helps reduce waste and keeps our sustainable uniform system running smoothly. Please drop items off during shop hours.

TIPS FOR DONATING SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

 <p>Ensure the items are washed prior to donating.</p>	 <p>Items originally purchased from the uniform shop ONLY. No Best and Less, Kmart etc</p>	 <p>Items should be stain and rip free.</p>
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★ Top Tip - If you wouldn't buy it, please don't donate it. ★

CANTEEN 🍴

Opening Times: every Wednesday and Friday.

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

A friendly reminder, over-the-counter sales have currently paused.

All canteen orders can be placed via the Spriggy app. If you need any assistance setting up your account, please don't hesitate to reach out via our Facebook page or email us at banksiaparkcanteen@gmail.com.

Thank you for your continued support!

FUNDRAISERS

Banksia Primary P&C Fundraising 2026	
GOALS - Build a Brighter Banksia	
<p>This year, we're excited to invest in brightening up our school. We're commissioning a local artist to refresh our ground markings and play activities, adding colour to the school to encourage more imaginative play and create inclusive, engaging spaces for all our kids.</p> <p>We'll share more details and updates in the coming weeks!</p>	
Upcoming	
<p>SATURDAY MAY 23rd - DUGG lawn bowls event at Leeming Bowls club 4pm</p>	<p>FRIDAY JUNE 12th - School Disco</p>

Mother's Day Stall

🌸 HUGE thank you to everyone who helped make our Mother's Day Stall such a success! 🥰 It was so sweet watching the kids carefully choose their special gifts — there were lots of thoughtful decisions and excited little faces 🥰🎁

A massive shout out to all of our amazing volunteers who gave up their time to help run the stall. We couldn't do it without you and it was so very appreciated 🙌

We hope all our wonderful mums, grandmas and special mother figures had a beautiful Mother's Day 🌸💖 We managed to raise an amazing \$918!

DUGG Lawn Bowls

Thank you to everyone who bought tickets. We look forward to hosting our first DUGG event.

This event begins at 4pm on Saturday 23rd May at Leeming Bowling Club. Please take note if you have pre bought a sausage sizzle. We will also have a few for sale on the night should people feel extra hungry.

We're hoping to make DUGG events a regular occurrence on the school calendar, so if any dads are keen to organise an event in the future, please get in touch with Rebecca Goff or Bryony Loller.

School Disco

🌐 SCHOOL DISCO – Friday June 12 🌐

Get ready for a fun night at the School PAC!

Ticket sales open Monday May 25th and close Monday June 8th at 10pm

👶 Kindy & Pre-Primary: 2–3pm

👦 Years 1–3: 5–6pm

🎵 Years 4–6: 6:15–7:30pm

🎫 Tickets: \$10 per child
Includes a juice box + treat bag.

📞 Pre-order individual pizzas via Spriggy so dinner is sorted!

Please make sure your child's class details are up to date in Spriggy and select the correct pizza pickup time:

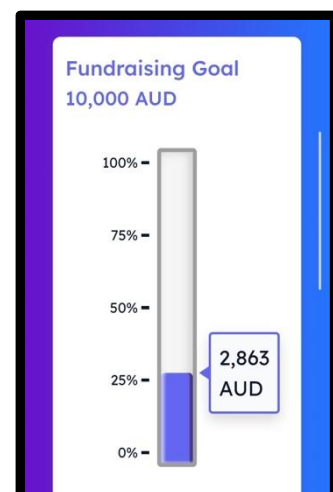
🕒 6pm or 7:30pm

Sorry no pizza available for the Kindy/PP session.

⚠️ **No late orders accepted for tickets or pizza — don't leave it too late!**

Fundraising Goal Tracker

Our fundraising goal for the year is \$10,000. We're looking forward to another great year of community events and opportunities to raise valuable funds for our school. We're



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