

BANKSIA PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter No 17 **Term 4 Week 1** **14 October 2026**

Planner - Term 4

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	October 12 Pupil Free Day	October 13 Student First Day	October 14 Newsletter	October 15	October 16
2	October 19	October 20 Kings Park Excursion	October 21 Assembly Year 1 Area 4	October 22	October 23
3	October 26	October 27 Interschool Athletics – Riverton P.S	October 28 Newsletter	October 29 Interschool Athletics – Riverton P.S	October 30

Principal's Message

Welcome Back to Term 4!

Welcome back to Term 4! We hope everyone had a wonderful break and is feeling refreshed, energised and ready for another exciting term of learning, connection and celebration.

Term 4 is always a special time in our school calendar, with plenty to look forward to as we head towards the end of another school year. It's a time to celebrate achievements, create lasting memories and finish the year with pride.

We have a busy and exciting term ahead, including excursions, World Teachers' Day, our Japanese Matsuri, Music Showcase, Year 6 Graduation celebrations and our end-of-year Awards Assembly. Our Year 6 students will also begin preparing for their next chapter with high school orientation and transition activities, while we look forward to the nomination and selection of our 2027 student leaders.

Behind the scenes, planning for 2027 is also well underway as we prepare for another successful year at Banksia Park Primary School.

While Term 4 is filled with celebrations and special events, our focus remains firmly on quality teaching and learning. Every school day counts, and we look forward to making the most of the learning opportunities ahead.

We look forward to a fantastic final term, celebrating the successes of our students and enjoying the many special moments that make Banksia Park such a wonderful school community.

Interschool Athletics

Get ready to cheer on our talented athletes as they represent our school at the Interschool Athletics Carnival which will be held at Riverton Primary School on Tuesday 27 October and Thursday 29 October. We wish all our competitors the very best as they take on the challenge, demonstrate sportsmanship and proudly represent our school.

Remember — it's not just about winning; it's about having a go, supporting one another and giving your best effort. More information will be communicated in the following weeks.

Japanese Matsuri

Our Japanese Matsuri which will be celebrated Friday 6 November is sure to be a highlight of the term! Students will have the opportunity to experience Japanese culture and traditional celebrations.

We look forward to seeing our school community come together to celebrate the wonderful connections between our school and Japanese culture. There will be plenty of colour, energy and fun!

Class Awards Assembly

Term 4 is also a wonderful opportunity to recognise the hard work, positive attitudes and achievements of our students.

At our Class Awards Assembly in Week 9 we will celebrate students who have demonstrated qualities such as perseverance, kindness, respect, responsibility and a commitment to learning. Congratulations to all students who will be recognised. Your efforts and contributions make our school community a better place.

Graduation Celebrations

For our graduating students, Term 4 marks the beginning of an especially memorable chapter. Our Graduation events which will be taking place in week 10, will provide an opportunity to celebrate the achievements, friendships and experiences that have shaped our graduating students throughout their school journey.
We look forward to celebrating this important milestone with our students families and staff and creating special memories that will be treasured for years to come.

Warmer Weather

With the warmer weather arriving, our native wildlife is becoming more active around the school grounds. We ask parents and carers to remind children to admire our native creatures from a safe distance and leave them undisturbed. If students spot wildlife or have any concerns, they should notify a teacher rather than approach or touch the animal.

As the days get warmer, sun safety is also a priority. A reminder that our school follows a 'No Hat, No Sun' policy. Students without a school hat will be required to play in the undercover area during recess and lunch. We encourage all families to ensure their child brings their school hat each day. School hats are available for purchase through the front office and uniform shop.

Online Safety

https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/resources/online-safety-book
We have recently seen more issues stemming from inappropriate content students are viewing online at home. The Office of the e-Safety Commissioner has recently released an online safety guide. This online safety guide is for parents and carers supporting children and young people. The guide covers key online safety topics – from gaming and social media, to cyberbullying and AI-generated content – and provides practical ways to support your child to have more positive online experiences.

You can start with a section or topic that seems relevant right now, or dip in and out as needed. Either way, it will help you:

- understand common online risks and issues
- learn what helps in different scenarios
- talk with your child about what they do online

- know how to respond if something goes wrong.

Parking Around the School

Please be aware that parking inspectors are regularly monitoring the areas around our school, particularly during busy drop-off and pick-up times. We ask all families to take care when parking and ensure vehicles are parked safely and legally, including avoiding footpaths, nature strips, crossovers and other restricted areas. We understand that drop-off and pick-up times can be busy, however, following parking rules helps keep our students, families and wider school community safe, while ensuring pedestrians, prams and people with mobility needs can safely access footpaths.

Area 11 Protective Behaviour Lesson

A11 participated in Protective Behaviours lessons during Week 10. In one of our lessons, we created a poster focusing on identifying situations where it is safe, fun to feel scared and situations that may be unsafe. This activity involved working collaboratively with peers, demonstrating positive turn-taking and contributing to group discussions. We were actively involved throughout the activity and everyone worked well with their group members sharing ideas and create their poster.







Rebecca Lanzel



Principal

News from the Japanese Room



2026 Origami Competition

Get ready to fold, create and amaze! We are excited to announce our 2026 Origami Competition, giving students the opportunity to showcase their creativity, patience and origami skills.

Students are invited to create an origami piece of their choice and enter it into one of our competition categories. Whether you are new to origami or an experienced folder, we encourage everyone to have a go and see what they can create!

There will be awards across the following year levels:

- **Kindy – Year 1** **Year 2**
- **Year 3** **Year 4**
- **Year 5** **Year 6**

There will also be two special categories:

- **Artistic** – for creations that demonstrate imagination, creativity and artistic presentation.
- **Technical** – for creations that demonstrate precision, complexity and excellent folding technique.

Students may choose a traditional origami design or challenge themselves with something more ambitious. Think animals, flowers, insects, objects, decorations and more!

Once your origami creation is complete, please submit your entry to Heald Sensei.

🗓️ Entries close: **Friday, 30 November 2026**

We look forward to seeing the wonderful and imaginative creations our students produce. Remember, origami is all about patience, precision and creativity — so take your time, enjoy the process and, most importantly, have fun folding!

Happy folding! 🐉 🌸 🦋

Matsuri – This will be coming in week 4. More information to follow.

Ms Cullen's Music Matters



Hi Everyone,

We have another busy term ahead. Some key dates to remember are: -

1. Wednesday 2nd of December-Our Annual Music Showcase. This year all IMMS students, BPPS Choir, BUGS and the Treble Makers will be performing.
2. Tuesday 9th of December-Awards Assembly: Friendship and Knowledge PP- 5 Our BPPS Choir will be performing.

I'm looking forward to spending another great term sharing Music with our students.

Can all old choir shirts please be returned to school. They can be handed in at the front office or directly to me. Thank you.

Science Corner

Exciting term 4 in Science



Year 1's are working through a unit about water and its variety of sources
Year 2/3's will be studying life cycles and how living things are grouped by their characteristics
Year 4/5's are researching ecosystem roles and the adaptations that enable survival
Year 6's are finalising their studies on the growth and survival of living things and the influence of their environment.

Also looking forward to Outdoor Classroom Day on Thursday 5th November!





Sport Update

Interschool Athletics is fast approaching.

Tuesday the 27th of October will be 400m, 800m, Long Jump, Triple Jumps and Throws.
Thursday the 29th of October will be 100m, 200m, Passball, Leaderball and Relay Races.
Forms for the events will be given to selected athletes as soon as possible.
This Term in Phys Ed we will be focusing on skipping, movement on and off the ball and striking.
NRL WA will also be visiting the school to run Lunchtime activities on the 5th of November.

Faction Athletics Carnival



Congratulations to students, staff and our whole community for the Faction Carnival last term. Special mention to Mr Edmonds & Mrs Wilson who facilitated the event along with staff and the P&C volunteers who worked to support action their planning.

Well done to Gold faction, with a very impressive winning total of 493 points, in which was a very close scoring event!

Thank you to everyone for your contributions whether it was as a student, staff member, volunteer or spectator. It was a very successful event in every way with excellent behaviour and sportsmanship from all students. Whatever your contribution to our carnival – thank you. It all helped to make for a wonderful day.

School Chaplin's Chat

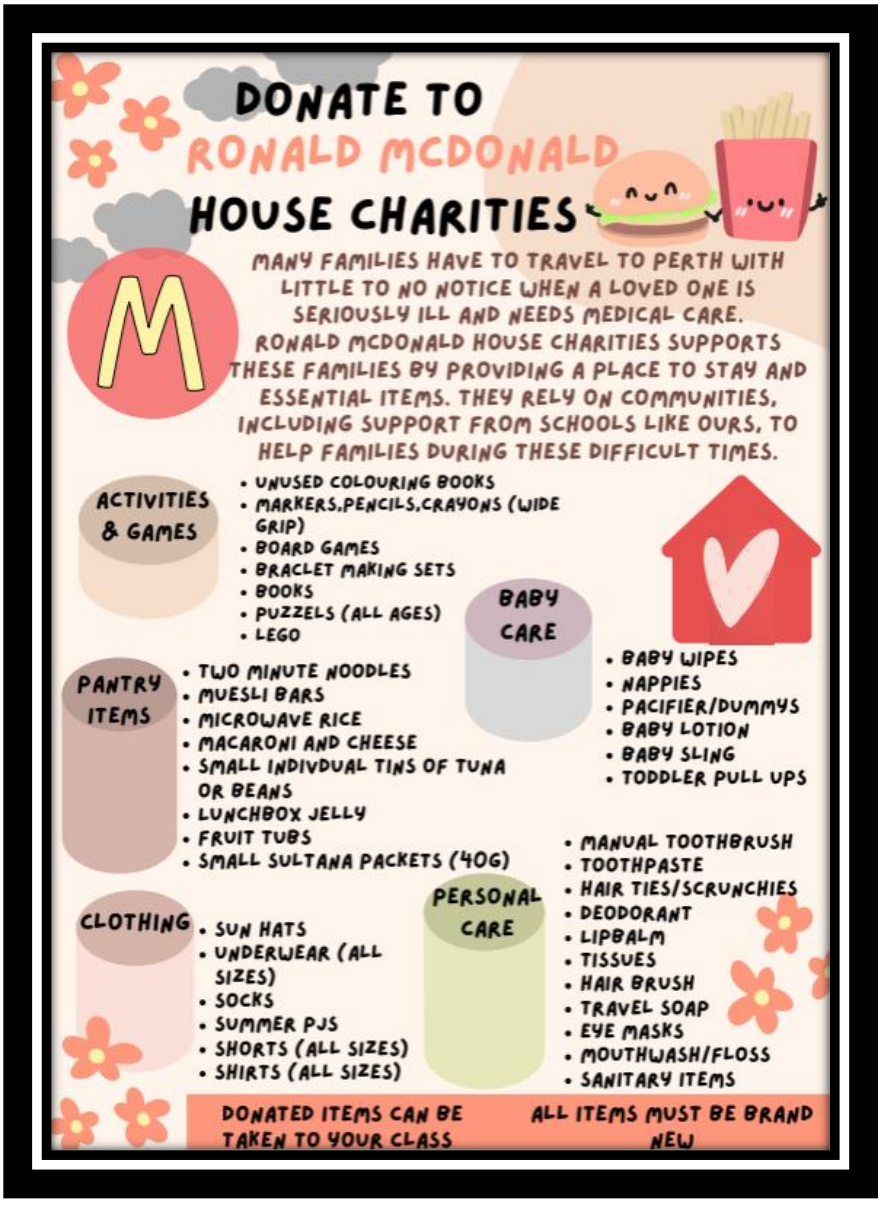


Ronald McDonald House Charity Drive Coordinated by Mrs Lathbury, the year 6 student councillors are currently collecting donations for Ronald McDonald House Charities. Please see the attached flyer for information about this cause and the goods you can donate.

Please ensure all donations are returned to your child's class by this Friday. Mrs Lathbury and the Year 6 with then collate them and pass them on to this very worthy cause.

Thank you for your support,

Year 6 Student Councillors & Mrs Lathbury



P&C News

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Find us on Facebook: Parents of BPPS/ BPPS P&C/ BPPS Canteen

Next General Meeting: Tuesday 3rd November 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, online orders will continue. (EFTPOS available).

CANTEEN 🍴

Opening Times: every Wednesday and Friday.
Order: via https://www.spriggy.com.au

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!

P&C News

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FUNDRAISERS

Banksia Primary P&C Fundraising 2026		
Fundraising Goal - Build a Brighter Banksia		
Our goal this year was all about adding colour to the school, encouraging more imaginative play and creating inclusive, engaging spaces for all our kids. Now that the weather is starting to dry out and warm up again, keep an eye out for local artist, Jocelyn Hobbs! She will be working around the school to refresh our ground markings and add some new and exciting play activities.		
Upcoming Fundraising Events		
Tuesday Nov 3rd - Wildlife Fundraiser. Buy an icy pole for a gold coin donation after school with profits going to Perth Wildlife Hospital.	**Saturday Nov 21st** - Parent Sundowner at Coast @ Port Beach. Tickets on sale Friday.	**Friday Dec 4th** - Christmas Movie Night. Save the date for our Christmas Movie Night. We are awaiting

		confirmation on the title.

Term 3 Wrap Up

🎉 **WHAT A MAMMOTH END OF TERM 3** 🎉

A HUGE thank you to our amazing Banksia Park community for getting behind our end-of-term fundraising efforts!

From carnival merch and our delicious cake stall to the Adventure World voucher raffle, we couldn't have done it without you!

Thank you to everyone who donated their time, baked up a storm, bought goodies and tickets, and spent those hard-earned $$$.

Every bit of support makes a difference, and we appreciate you all!

🎢 **A big CONGRATULATIONS to our Adventure World voucher winner in Pre-Primary!** We hope you have an absolutely fabulous summer making some amazing memories!

Our school community really is the best!

Wildlife Fundraiser

We're selling icy poles after school on Tuesday 3 November for a gold coin donation!

Every dollar raised will go to Perth Wildlife Hospital to help care for sick and injured Aussie wildlife. 🐨🦜🦔

So grab a chilly treat, beat the after-school heat and help us give our furry, feathered and scaly friends a helping hand!

Parents Night Out

Keen for a night off from the kids, a catch-up with friends and a chance to meet some new faces?

Join us at Coast @ Port Beach on Saturday 21st November from 6pm for a fun night of food, drinks and great company!

🎟️ $30 per ticket includes:

🍴 A couple of delicious canapés

🥖 Bread and dips to share

🍔 A chef-selected food bowl (think sliders, fish and chips)

🎁 Entry into the draw for some AMAZING door prizes, including, but not limited to, a $50 Neighbourhood Sauna voucher and a Flight Club voucher for 12 people!

🍷 Drinks are not included, so grab your favourite tipple at the bar!

📣 A few things to know:

✨ Numbers are limited, so get in early to secure your spot.

✨ Have any dietary requirements? Please email bppsevents@gmail.com so we can pass them on to the venue.

Tickets on sale **this Friday** via Spriggy

We can't wait to see you there!

Christmas Movie Night

🎄 🍿 SAVE THE DATE! 🎬✨

Christmas Movie Night is coming to the school oval on Friday, December 4th!

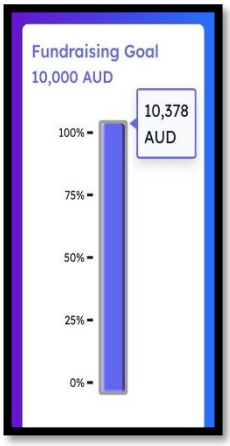
We're just waiting on licensing approval before revealing our movie pick, so stay tuned!

There'll be popcorn, a sausage sizzle, drinks and fairy floss available to keep everyone happy!

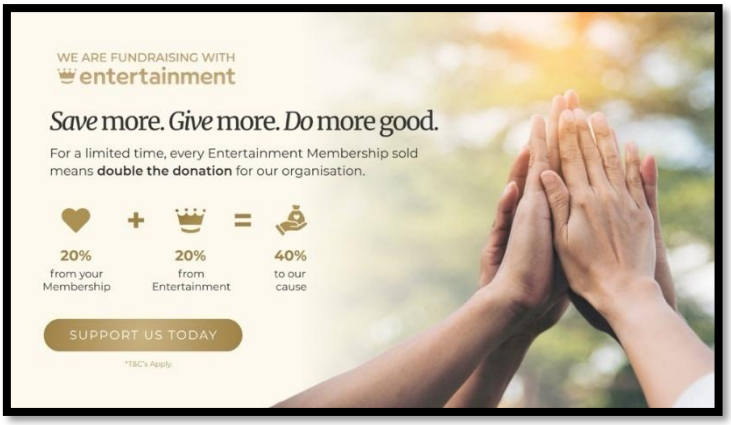
More details and ticket info coming soon… we can't wait! 🎄

Fundraising Goal Tracker

We have reached our Fundraising goal for this year. Thank you to everyone for your support. Let's see how much further we can go!



Fundraising with Entertainment Membership



Want to save money for your family while also supporting Banksia Park Primary School? Buy an **Entertainment Membership** for only **$75** for 12 months and access thousands of discounts across **Australia, New Zealand & Bali.**
Grab your membership during the below dates and **40% of your purchase will support our school!**

19 October – 1 November
16 November – 22 November
14 December – 27 December
Scan the QR code or use the link to purchase:
https://www.entbook.com.au/860b40

WGAC Toilet Paper Fundraiser



Support the school simply by buying **Who Gives A Crap** toilet paper, tissues & paper towel. When you order through our fundraiser, **a portion of every sale comes back to the school at no extra cost to you**.
Ordering is quick and easy via the **Spriggy app** under *Events*. Check your supplies at home and place your order before the deadline.
Orders close: **Thursday 5th November 8pm**
Pick-up from school: **Friday 13th November**
Our next order won't be until **Week 5 of Term 1 next year**, so now's the perfect time to stock up on your household essentials and make sure you're covered for the holidays and the start of the new school year!

Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Education**
Instrumental Music School Services

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PRIMARY BAND WORKSHOP 2026

Lakeland Senior High School

Your child has been invited to attend the following workshop for selected Year 5 and 6 IMSS Brass, Woodwind and Percussion students:

Wednesday
28 October 2026
(Week 3, Term 4)

9:00am
-
2:30pm

Lakeland
Senior High School
106 South Lake Dr,
South Lake WA 6164

Parent Transport
to and from
the venue

No Cost

SCAN TO COMPLETE
PARENT CONSENT

Full workshop information
is included in the form.

CONSENT DUE:
4:00PM MONDAY 19 OCTOBER 2026
Late permission forms cannot be accepted

WHAT TO BRING

- instrument
- music stand
- pencil
- hat
- snack and lunch
- water bottle
- any medication required

Please label everything clearly!

CONTACT ON THE DAY

Vicki Powell
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PERTH PERFORMANCE

hot shots tennis

TERM 4 2026

Banksia Park Primary School

School Tennis

For students between
Pre – Primary to Year 6

5% Sibling Discount!



PROGRAM DETAILS

DAY(S)/TIME:
Monday
7:55 AM - 8:40 AM

TERM 4 COMMENCES
WEEK 2
19/10/2026 - 07/12/2026

COST: (8 WEEK TERM)
$140 for 1 session/week

RACKETS CAN BE PROVIDED OR PURCHASED FOR $35

Scan the QR code to register or contact us:

+1300 731 034
info@perthperformancetennis.com.au

A friendly reminder: Please make sure to enrol before attending the class.

Return Slip *(Please return to your coach on your first session.)*

Clinic Location:	_____	Medical condition(s):	_____
Child's name:	_____	Parent/guardian's name:	_____
School year:	_____	Email address:	_____
Date of birth:	_____	Contact number:	_____

When UV levels are 3 or above,

protect your skin in five ways.

Slip on clothes that cover your arms and legs

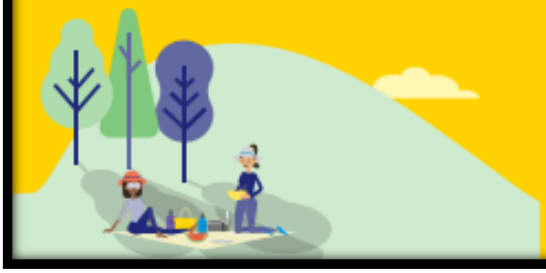
Slop on SPF 50+, broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen and reapply every two hours

Slap on a broad brimmed hat or one that covers the head, face, neck, and ears

Seek shade, particularly over the middle part of the day when UV is highest

Slide on close fitting sunglasses

Download the SunSmart Global UV app today to check daily UV levels.



Cancer Council