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our values –
the moral fibre which
guides our culture
CONSTANT LEARNING
MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITY
COMPASSION
SENSE OF POSSIBILITY

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has zero tolerance to child abuse
and actively works to respond to,
listen to, and empower children.*

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CALENDAR DATES NOVEMBER

Mon 6 Curriculum Day No School
Tues 7 Melbourne Cup Day No School
Fri 10 Foundation Transtion
Wed 15 Foundation Zoo Excursion
Fri 17 Foundation Transtion
Mon 20-Fri 24 Foundation Swimming
Wed 22-24 YR 3/4 Camp
Mon 27-Fri 1 Dec YR 3/4 Swimming

DECEMBER

Mon 4-Fri 8 YR 5/6 Swimming
Wed 6 Year 6 Graduation
Mon 11-Fri 15 YR 1/2 Swimming

Wednesday 20 December

Last Day of the Year

1.30pm Dismissal

ASSEMBLY DATES

Mon 30 Oct 9am YR 1/2 Hosting
Mon 20 Nov 9am YR 3/4 Hosting
Mon 4 Dec YR 5/6 Hosting

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LE NOTIZIE DI TREVOR

We are almost at the half way mark of Term 4 – hard to believe isn't it? You might think that the momentum is slowing down as the end of the year draws near, but it's just the opposite. Our staff are busy planning for the remaining learning cycles for the year, conducting assessments and writing reports.

Equally, our students are also hitting their strides, with many making some fantastic learning gains, increasing their confidence and driving their own learning goals!

World Teachers' Day

Last week, we celebrated World Teachers' Day in Australia. It goes without saying that we are lucky to have the best of the bunch here at BSPS. Our teachers know our students so well as learners and people, doing whatever they can to ensure each child experiences success. The work, effort and passion that goes into teaching is tremendous and the complexity of the role means that our teachers often go above and beyond what is required. We are honoured to have these fantastic humans helping our kids to learn, grow and evolve and, on behalf of our whole school community – grazie mille!

An Evening on the Green

On Friday 17 November, the BSPS music community will be holding "An Evening on the Green" from 5.30pm. This is a fantastic opportunity for our young musicians and singers to gain some valuable performance experience and enjoy the support of their families and loved ones. More information can be found on Compass.

3/4 Camp

Later this month, our 3/4 students and some staff are heading off to their camp at Anglesea. All the students are excitedly preparing for this event and, in particular, our Year 3s, who are off on their first overnight adventure with their classmates and teachers. Organising camps takes considerable time, energy and effort and we are very grateful to Eamon for coordinating this work and doing much of the organisation.

Staffing Update

As we are in the process of finalising our teams for next year, we have made some appointments to our school for next year. Faith, Eamon and Meerah will all be staying on with us next year and it looks like

the transition to 2024 will be a relatively consistent one for us.

I've also jumped back into the fold myself this term and have had the opportunity to join the 3/4 team with Wombat and Koala groups. I'll admit my first full day back in the classroom in over eight years was a little daunting, but it didn't take long to get my confidence back. It's been great to join the team and work directly with the students in that area and get back into the groove!

Don't forget, this one is a super long weekend. We'll see you back on Wednesday!

*Ciao for now,
Trevor.*

The BSPS School Council met on Tuesday 23 October 2023. We reflected on the fantastic **Spring Festa** and how wonderful it was to have the school community together again for a festive event.

Huge thanks to Mary Glendza and Sanae Arnava and their crew for organising the event. There were many wonderful helpers before, during and after and we could not have run the event without your help - an extra shout out to Jean-Pierre Masclef and Oliver Mann for their efforts that went above and beyond. I'd also like to acknowledge the incredible generosity and support of **COASIT** for the Spring Festa.

Thanks also to the BSPS council for running the sausage sizzle in the morning during the Referendum.

In addition to the above there has been some fantastic working bees keeping the grounds and gardens of BSPS looking fabulous - thanks to James Henry and all the Building and Grounds committee members and volunteers, parents, grandparents, carers and kids for your ongoing engagement in our school environment.

We next have the Evening on Green, with an evening of musical performance from BSPS kids involved in the extra-curricular Instrumental Music Program. This will be held on 17 November and all are welcome.

I am also pleased to advise that the Trevor Strolla's contract as Principal BSPS has been continued for a further 5 years to June 2029.

*Madeleine Aikenhead
School Council President*

SCHOOL COUNCIL

LITERACY



Poem Forest is an annual poetry writing competition that inspires writers to express their ideas about nature and sustainability to an online audience.

For every poem entered, a tree is planted in Dharawal Country (Wollongong NSW).

This year, we had more than 150 entries in the competition across years 1-6!!

Some students also wrote a poem for the special category 'Threatened Species'.

All BSPS entries have been published online. Please go and check them out!!

CLICK HERE: <https://redroompoetry.org/student-poems/>

Shortlisted Poems!

THREE BSPS student poems have been selected for the shortlist and will be evaluated by the judges. Congratulazioni **Siena** (Year 2), **Iris** (Year 3) and **Isobelle** (Year 5)!! We are very proud of you and good luck for the final announcement on Thursday 16th November!

Angels, Not Devils

By Siena J

Fluffy black pom poms scatter across the ground.
Their dreams erupt as the thump of danger steps towards them.
Will they fade, as soon as another one steals away?
No more little fangs of grey?

Olive-green leaves flutter across the sky.
The trees warmly hug them, protect them from the cold.
Will they fade away, as soon as another one steals away?
No more little fangs of grey?

The shaking shallow soil flows in Mother Nature's harsh breath.
Do you want them to feel this way?



The numbat

By Iris O

A creature who hides behind the darkness of places,
the king of the night, the one of disguise

An endless dream holds in its heart
It cries into the night, in the giant city
It hears the screeches of the forest walls
The cave kisses its soul, as its call echoes

Nothing ever stops its song
Nothing ever stops its song

When the sun rises, the day awakens
No one knows where it hides
As the claws of the earth drag it down,
How much time do we have left?



Inside myself

By Isobelle M

The leaves *rustle* under my feet
As I walk inside myself....
The trees /sway/ whimsically
As I carefully, step among their roots _ _ _

My feet have carried me for ^hours^

But no pain/no tire

I finally hear the rush—

Of the calm waterfall/I know so well

As I scuttle/up the side of the crystal clear waterfall/
I get *sprayed* by the trickle _ _ _

Of water beside me...
I carefully... trod...

Into the (cave) that door is water

I start gouging —
A woylie, an animal that I hope will stay

Out of a -piece-

Of driftwood
That fell/past flecks of wood fall//it comes to life
Chittering on my shoulder —

I am a part of my forest



FOUNDATION

On Thursday 26th October, Year 10 Scotch College students studying Italian, visited the Foundation students at BSPS for a wonderful bilingual 'Read to Someone' experience!



The Scotch College students had worked hard to create texts in Italian about a variety of topics such as 'Natale in Italia', 'Mangio gelato!' and 'Il mio viaggio in Australia'.

When they arrived we welcomed them with our 'Buongiorno' song in Italian and then sat to read with them in small groups. We loved every minute of it!



It was a fantastic experience that allowed us to share our mutual love of learning Italian and reading. The best part is that we get to keep the books and use them in our Literacy Program! Grazie mille Scotch College and we hope to see you again soon!



During Week 3, the Year 1/2 's were lucky enough to visit the Melbourne Museum. The day was packed with exhibitions and activities. We went with all of our teachers and also some parent helpers, and we had the best day!

Our first stop was Dynamic Earth. We walked in and we saw phenomenal crystals! There were so many different shapes and sizes of crystals, like the shapes of bubbles and also spikes! After looking at the crystals, we walked into a mysterious dome. It turned out to be a projector that showed us how the world worked! Our favourite part of the dome was the dramatic lava cave. We had to dodge the massive lava waves!

The next stop was the dinosaur walk. You stepped in and there were so many different types of bones and fossils from different dinosaurs. We learnt that dinosaurs don't use their hands a lot, but instead, they use their mouth!

Melbourne Story followed the dinosaur walk. We went to the Mini Mega Model Museum (MMMM!) There were a lot of rooms AND there were even rooms within a room! One had a camera where you could watch people on the other side of the wall in the other room! When we exited the MMMM, we went inside a rickety, old house. Some people got a bit of a fright, but then got used to it after a while! Some of us even started to play in the bedrooms. We learnt that not all people have new-ish houses or apartments and saw how houses used to be many years ago.

The Year 2's had an exclusive experience in a program called "My Grandmother's Toybox". We had one of the museum teachers reading us a story about a person who discovered different toys that her grandmother had when she was young. It was really interesting to see the difference between toys now and toys a long time ago. One toy that we thought was really weird was a ball made out of possum fur. There was also a homemade doll, a brownie box camera and a skipping rope made out of rope and wood. They didn't use plastic much in the past.

The Year 1's were able to visit the First Peoples Gallery. Our first stop was the Language Map. It had roughly 55 different languages that you could listen to. There was a table with possum fur that was used for coats a long time ago. And there was a huge nest with a Bunjil flapping around in it. There was a person in an audio book telling a story about Bunjil. We learnt that the aboriginals believe that Bunjil was the creator of the land and the people.

We had such a great day and we hope that other year levels can visit the museum to see all the awesome exhibitions!



YEARS 1/2

PE

The junior school students have started the term off by revisiting skipping. It was great to see how many students have held on to their skipping capabilities and some tricks from last year.

The students have also been exploring sports like basketball and touch footy (NRL), whilst also having a session to create their own movement sequences with PE equipment for other students to try. Please remember to check your child has a hat packed for PE and school.



The art of dance and movement encourages confidence and self expression. In Performing Arts, students have been exploring different dance genres such as folk dancing and hip hop. It has been 'fantastico, magnifico, eccellente' to witness many moments of cooperation, teamwork.

A highlight in the lessons has been students supporting and encouraging each other to perform outside their comfort zone. Dance like no-one is watching!

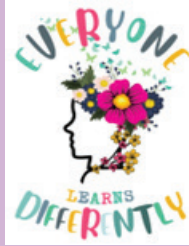


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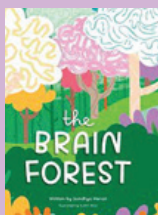
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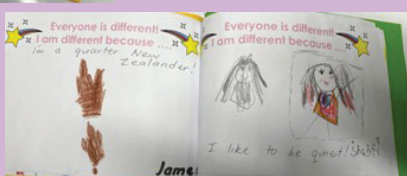
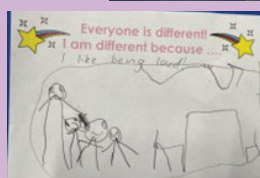
1/2 - We are exploring neurodiversity and celebrating the ways we are all different on the inside! It is so beautiful to see everyone embrace learning about our differences and share so respectfully.



Some books that support this are:



Foundation - In Foundation we have been exploring things that are special to us and that make us different! We are learning how we are different on the outside and the inside.



SEL at BPS in TERM 4

This term across the whole school during our Social Emotional Lessons (SEL) we are all focusing on the competency of Social Management (relationship skills). We have been practicing and developing these skills during Amici Insieme and continue to refine them further in class! Check out these books about social awareness that are a great gateway to discussions around what it means to show empathy and compassion with your child. It also gives you a chance to observe different situations and discuss what it would feel like to be in that situation yourself!

Books to support Social Awareness / Management



...or check out this website for lots of great suggestions and links to read alouds!

<https://selspace.ca/modules/self-social-awareness/self-social-awareness-read-alouds-resources/>

Discussion starters:

- Discuss what a character is feeling based on the situation in the book. How would you help them if they were needing help or feeling angry or upset?
- Discuss the strategies the characters use to solve problems in the story. Are there any different strategies they could use?
- Identify why it was important for the characters to act the way they acted.

Another resource you may be interested in is a podcast by Dr. Billy Garby called '**Popculture Parenting**'. It is about finding the sweet spot between the textbooks and real life when it comes to parenting. Dr Billy (a developmental pediatrician) and Nick (a developing parent) are a couple of dads having honest discussions about parenting day to day.

Amici Insieme

This week was our last official Amici Insieme session! We have had 8 weeks of meeting on Mondays in our groups and being led by our Amici Insieme leaders through activities and games around Keeping Friends.

It has been incredible to see everyone growing in confidence and deepening connections across all grades. A big shout out to our amazing 5/6 Leaders who stepped up to the challenge with an open mind and continued to impress all the staff as they built on their life skills such as assertiveness, organisation, problem-solving, perseverance etc!



Here's some student comments about their experience of Amici Insieme:

"I liked seeing how different people at different ages approach the activities and I like working with the little kids and just getting to know them and just having fun. It's really nice to see the kids grow more comfortable with you every week."

"My favourite part was spending time with the younger grades I don't normally get to spend time with."

"I learn stuff in a fun way!"

"I like that I can look after people that are smaller than me and look up to people who are older than me."

AMICI INSIEME

STEM

This term, the 1/2 students are investigating different houses around the world. They have studied portable and temporary houses such as huts, tents and teepees, and learned how homes are designed in accordance with materials available at the time, and the climate of the region.

Last week, they made huts out of materials they gathered at the Park Street Reserve. This week, the 1/2s learned about a mud brick house project Noel (one of our grandparent volunteers) is involved in India (through CERES) and made mud bricks out of clay, pea grass and water. Next week, we will assess the durability of our mud bricks and try and ascertain what ratio of pea grass to dirt works best and whether the dirt at the Park Street Reserve contains enough clay to make a strong and sturdy mudbrick.



This week the Foundation students learned that you can make things move using static electricity. They drew halloween characters, such as witches, ghosts and spiders, on tissue paper, cut them out, and stuck them on the table. They then rubbed a balloon on their head to create a static charge, and used the charge to lift their halloween character off the table and wiggle it about, as if the character were dancing. Once the halloween

characters had perfected their dance moves, they were all invited to dance to the song 'Monster Mash' at our Halloween disco.



Art incursion with Daniel Butterworth

Self portrait painting using Vegemite (which turned 100 years old on the 25th of October!)



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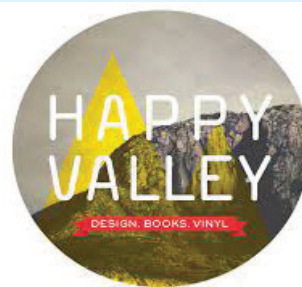


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