BWPS WEEKLY NEWS

BANKSTOWN WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - MRS WILLIAMS

What an incredibly busy time we have had during Term 3 from the Athletics Carnivals, Check In's, our Choirs singing at the Opera House, PSSA, Woodville Alliance, Stage 2 Excursion to the GREEC, Gymnastics with SPORTIT, G.O.A.L sporting program, P and C meetings, Public Speaking, a talk by Senior Constable Belinda on Cyber Safety (Stage 2 and 3), Education Week Open Day, Scholastic Book Fair, Spelling Bee, Donuts for Dads and Father's Day stall to name just a few!

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank parents for the continued support for all the programs that run within our amazing school. Your commitment to your child's education and our school community makes a world of difference.

On behalf of all the staff at BWPS I'd like to wish all our families a safe and wonderful Spring break, whether you are going away with family or friends or staying close to home. We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for another successful term, remembering school commences for students and staff on Monday 14 October.

Mrs Williams Relieving Principal



PUBLIC SPEAKING - MS KOULOURIS

Congratulations to Moustafa, Intisar, and Marilyn who represented Bankstown West PS at the Metropolitan South and Metropolitan South and West Public Speaking Competition on the 19th Of October at Georges Hall PS. All 3 students did an outstanding job, remaining calm and delivering their speeches to an unfamiliar audience with great maturity.

Our students competed against 11 other students from schools across the Chipping Norton Network and the standard of competition at this level was very high. Our students held their own beautifully, especially in the impromptu section of the competition and I was a very proud teacher.

The impromptu section of the competition once again proved challenging for all the competitors with judges looking for speeches that contained a call to action and a personal connection that would resonate with the audience and draw them in. Each stage winner at this level of the competition were able to do this in both their prepared and impromptu speech which well and truly set them apart.

The Highly Commended places were hotly contended with judges across all 3 stages commenting on how close the scores were. Our students narrowly missed out as they were all strong in their prepared and impromptu speeches, but we must perfect that call-to-action aspect of the speech for next year.



POLICE YOUTH OFFICER - MISS VUONG

Last Friday (20th September), Stage 2 and 3 students were visited by our Police Youth Officer - Senior Constable Belinda Angwin. Constable Belinda spoke about cybersafety and the dangerous effects of vaping - topics we know are difficult to speak to about with our children, but very important. Students across Years 3 to 6 were extremely well behaved, and asked very good questions. If you have concerns about any of these topics, please reach out to your child's class teacher via ClassDojo, as Constable Belinda did give students some resources for further information.



SCHOOLBYTES - MISS VUONG

As posted on ClassDojo yesterday, the calendar will now be available via SchoolBytes - please check the app for all upcoming events. The calendar will no longer feature in our newsletter. We hope that this makes information easier to access for all.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Monday Assembly Winners

Fayden & Nahla



Monday Assembly Winners

Elias & Zane



Attend TODAY Achieve TOMORROW

Attendance Initiatives



COMMUNITY ANNOUCEMENT

RE: FROM 30 SEPTEMBER, SOUTHWEST LINK BUSES REPLACE TRAINS BETWEEN SYDENHAM AND BANKSTOWN

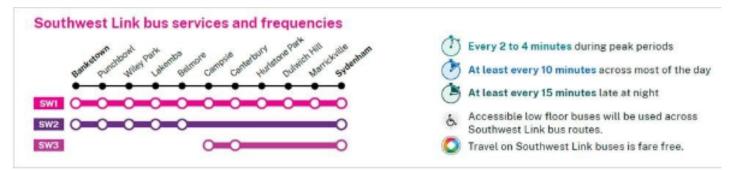
Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to remind you about the transport changes coming into effect from Monday 30 September 2024. As the changes will be in place until late 2025, it is important you are aware and prepared, as they may impact your child's travel to and from school.

Key changes, from Monday 30 September 2024

T3 Bankstown Line closes between Sydenham and Bankstown

- Southwest Link launches, providing a high frequency bus service between Sydenham and Bankstown stations for up to 12 months.
- Buses also replace trains between Lidcombe and Bankstown for approximately three weeks.
- T3 Liverpool & Inner West Line train service introduced from Liverpool to the City via Lidcombe.
- St Peters and Erskineville stations are serviced by the T8 Airport & South Line.



Coming soon: Tó Lidcombe & Bankstown Line

- From 30 September 2024 for approximately three weeks, buses also replace trains between Lidcombe and Bankstown stations.
- Yagoona and Birrong stations will be closed and served by train replacement buses during this time.

Transport will share further details about the T6 Lidcombe & Bankstown Line when available.



More Information

A digital <u>eBook</u> containing frequently asked questions, maps and Southwest Link travel advice has been prepared for schools and students.

For the latest updates on Southwest Link, and access to station transport guides visit transportnsw.info/southwestlink

Plan ahead

Please ensure your child is aware of these changes and they allow extra travel time. Students and other passengers should plan ahead by visiting transportnsw.info/trip



12 th DECEMBER

SAVE THE DATE

BWPS COLOUR CHAOS

Inflatables
Foam Explosion
Slime the TEACHER
Crazy Hair station
Tattoos

Slushies
Fairy Floss
Confectionery
Squishy toys
Bubbles and more

Disco in the

hall!

The P&C end of year event for 2024 looks to be bigger and better than last year. Please keep an eye out for more information.



