



Burnside Public School

Newsletter



Excellence in Learning Excellence in Teaching Excellence in Leadership

TERM 1 Week 7

Thursday 13 March 2025

Friday	14 March	2 nd PSSA Trial
Monday	17 March	Harmony Day posters final day
Wednesday	19 March	P&C Meeting 7pm
Thursday	20 March	Harmony Day Parade
Friday	21 March	3 rd PSSA Trial
Thursday	27 March	Sydney West Swimming
Wednesday	2 April	Stage 3 Camp
Wednesday	9 April	Stage 1 Excursion to Riverside Theatre
Thursday	10 April	Easter Hat Parade
Friday	11 April	Last Day of term
		ANZAC Service

Principal's Message

It's been a very busy couple of weeks at Burnside. Students have been involved in many extra-curricular and leadership activities. Stage 3 have completed their Peer Support training and enjoyed the first week of delivering lessons on Positivity to students from kindergarten to year four. I was very impressed by the calmness in the rooms as they worked together to engage their groups. Zing gymnastics continues to be a very successful program that has been funded by the school to develop some different skills in our students.

We are already halfway through NAPLAN, with the tests continuing on Tuesday and Wednesday next week. Thank you to all the year 3 and 5 students who have applied themselves extremely well during the writing and reading tests.

Wellbeing week has been well received by the whole school, with daily focus suggestions throughout the week. The staff would like to thank the P&C who arranged for each teacher to order lunch from the café this week, it was a real treat for our hard-working staff.

Lunch time Activities

These include the opening of the library each recess as well as lunch for all students to play games and colour in.

K-2 Dance Group – Thursday lunch time

Drama Club – Thursday lunch time

Senior Debating Group – Monday lunch time

Senior Dance Group – Wednesday recess

K-6 Choir – Wednesday lunch time

Stage 2 Debating and Drama – Tuesday lunch time

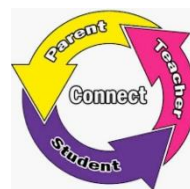
Stage 3 Science Club – Tuesday lunch time

Happy Friday Ice Blocks – Every Friday Lunch time

Thank you to all the teachers who give up their lunch and recess times for the students.

Parent Questionnaires for Three-way Interviews Years K-6

Parent questionnaires for the three-way interviews have been sent home this week. These questionnaires are invaluable in for successful goal setting between the teachers, students and parents regarding the students' learning. The three-way interviews will be held in Week 9. Please return the completed questionnaire to office next week.



Interview bookings will be released at the start of next week on School Bytes.

Harmony Day – Thursday 20 March

On Thursday, 20 March Burnside will be celebrating Harmony Day focusing on the theme of **'Harmony-we all have a role to play'**. To recognise this important theme, all students will be invited to wear clothes significant to their cultural background or wear the colour orange to participate in the day. The school will be holding a parade 9.30am on the basketball court to view our wonderful diversity of cultures. Parents are invited to watch the parade.



Orange jellies will be on sale at recess for \$2.00 as part of the Harmony Day celebrations.

Premier's Spelling Bee

During Term 2, students in years 2-6 will be given the opportunity to participate in the 2025 Premier's Spelling Competition. This competition is open to all NSW government schools for Year 3-6 with Year 2 welcome to participate.



Each class will conduct spelling bee practices and then a class spelling bee final to decide on finalists from each class.

The representatives selected from each class will compete in either the Stage 2 (Year 3 & 4) or Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6) school spelling bee final in Term 2 Week 9. The winners from the school final will represent Burnside Public School at the Regional Spelling Bee in Term 3 Weeks 4 or 5. We will be notified of the exact date closer to the event.

Moving into Year 7 in 2026 – EOI Applications

The online application for your year 6 students will open next week Monday 3 March 2025. Parents are asked to go to our Burnside Public School Website Enrolment section and complete the **Moving to high school** online Apply for Year 7 placement in a NSW Government high school in 2025 **Expression of interest section**. This needs to be submitted by 28 March 2025.

Please note that there is a section to complete if your child is not going to attend a NSW Government School.

Our school needs all correct family details, including correct address. **If any families have changed address within the last 12 months and have not advised the school, please so as soon as possible.**

All relevant information can also be found on the school website by clicking on:

<https://burnside-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment.html>

Assembly Awards for Weeks 5 & 6



First Week of Peer Support



NSW Premier's Reading Challenge 2025

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.



All students will be participating in the challenge at school and are also encouraged to borrow and read books at home.

K-2 students will complete the challenge at school.

To complete the challenge, students in 3-6 are encouraged to borrow books from the school library to read at home.

P&C INFORMATION

Upcoming Events

- **Wellbeing week lunch**

As a thank you to all the great work that Burnside's staff do for our children's learning, P&C are providing a lunch for the teachers and staff this week. We hope they enjoy this small gesture of our appreciation, and we thank the community for making these opportunities available by your ongoing support of P&C.

- **Next P&C meeting 19 March, 7pm.**
- **2025 Trivia Night – 28 March 7pm**

Loads of fun - great prizes on offer – and bragging rights of course!
\$10 per ticket. Create a table or be added to an existing one.
Parents / community event – adults only.



Scan: To pay



Scan: To add yourself to table, or ask to join anywhere



- **Mother Day stall**

We are looking for a volunteer or group to help organise our Mother's Day stall or activity for 2025 – fresh ideas to make our mother's, grandmothers and carers feel special would be welcomed.

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is run by carer volunteers and all profits of the uniform shop are returned to school community via P&C initiatives.

Ordering Information: School uniforms can be ordered anytime using the online ordering system. Visit [Burnside Public School Uniform Shop](#) or use the QR Code.

In-Person Purchases: The school uniform shop is open every Friday from 8:45am to 9:15am for new and second-hand clothing purchases.

Delivery Schedule: Deliveries are on Tuesdays and Fridays, except for urgent items like hats.



Earn and Return

The yellow bins will no longer be available to drop cans / bottles.

Although we won't be collecting cans on site any longer, Burnside can still be the recipient of your donation via the app. Thank you.



Gill Bennett

Principal

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STOPPING OR PARKING IS NOT PERMITTED within the direction of arrows at any time or during the time indicated. **DO NOT** set-down/pick-up passengers. *Fines and demerit points apply.*



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- A maximum stay of 2 minutes and
- The driver must stay within 3 metres of the vehicle

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- 20 meters before or
 - 10 meters after a pedestrian crossing
- Fines and demerit points apply.*



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