

# Blairmount News



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Term 4 Week 4

Dear Families

The term is going so quickly; I can't believe we are already finishing week 4! I wanted to say a big thank you to the parents and students who attended our planning day last Saturday 28th October. The staff and I were extremely excited to gain some authentic community voice in our planning process. Mrs Gibbs and I are looking forward to unpacking these ideas to develop our new 3-year school plan and provide a clear direction for Blairmount.

Last Thursday 26th October, we welcomed next year's Kindergarten students and their parents to our school for Kindergarten Orientation Day. Staff at Blairmount Public School were very excited to meet the new students and had their classrooms ready with fun activities. The parents were given an information show bag and invited to the hall to participate in workshops.

We have also had a number of incursions/excursions take place including;

- Kindergarten in Aboriginal Education with local Elders
- Year 1 and 2 visiting The Australian Museum
- Year 5 participating in high school experience days
- Year 5 & 6 sharing their Genius Hour projects the students and family

These experiences offer invaluable experiences for our students and truly assist them in engaging in what is being taught in the classroom.

We are now planning for the 2018 school year. Accurate student numbers are essential for planning classes. Could you please assist us by letting the school know if you intend on moving to a new school or there are new neighbours in the street who have school aged children.

Regards  
Greg Turnbull  
Principal

## New Uniform

After much consultation and working with the P&C we are extremely excited to announce that we will be introducing a new school uniform from 2018. The new uniform includes a Polo Shirt and Shorts (the school dress will NOT be changing). As soon as we confirm prices we will be taking orders to ensure we are ready for the new school year.



## Starting Kindergarten in 2018

We are starting to finalise our numbers for our Kindergarten enrolments for 2018. It is important that parents intending to enrol their child in 2018 complete the necessary paperwork so all appropriate communication regarding support or transition programs can occur prior to enrolment. Early notification of enrolments also assists the school in planning staffing and resource needs. Parents who wish to make enquiries regarding enrolment should contact the school office on 4626 1795.

Children born between 1st August 2012 and 31st July 2013 are eligible to enrol. Please bring with you - child's birth certificate for proof of age, passports and visas for families born overseas and proof of residence (current council rate notice or lease agreement and 2 (two) utility bills e.g. gas or electricity account, plus mobile or landline telephone account). You will also need to bring your child's up to date immunisation certificate. If you have any further enquires please contact Mrs Penny Gollege: 4626 1795

## School Banking

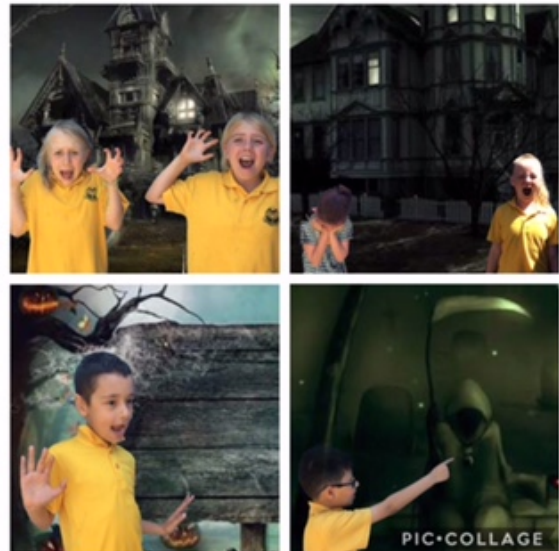
Don't forget to bring your school banking every Friday.



### 2017 Important Dates

- 3<sup>rd</sup> November – Stage 1 Excursion
- 9<sup>th</sup> November – Yr 6 Interrelate
- 10<sup>th</sup> November – PSSA Gala Day
- 14<sup>th</sup> November – PBL Rewards Day

## Happy Halloween from 3S



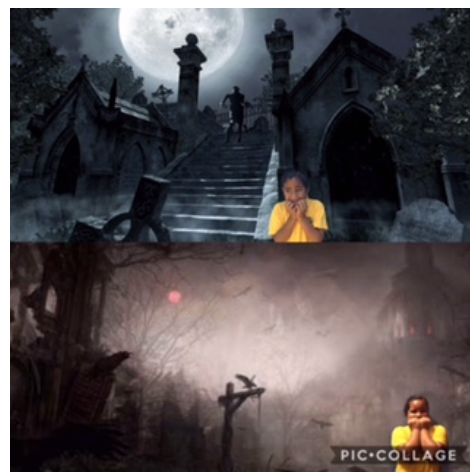
## Kindy Orientation

On Thursday the 26th of October, Blairmount Public School held the 2018 Kindergarten Orientation. The new Kindergarten students were happy and engaged in the Kindergarten classrooms, while the parents participated in information workshops in the hall. A big thank you to staff, parents and students for a very successful morning. If your child is starting Kindergarten in 2018 and you were unable to make Orientation, you can collect an information pack from the front office. Letters will be sent home at the end of the term informing families of the starting days for Kindergarten in 2018.

Mrs Kemp.

## Student Achievement Award

Blairmount Public School is extremely proud of Koorisa who received an Aboriginal Student Achievement Award on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October for outstanding attendance. Koorisa is a kindergarten student who has been at school every single day. Congratulations Koorisa!!!





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### PBL Rewards Day

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As a reward to the students that have displayed positive behaviour there will be a whole school reward day on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017** (Week 6). Students will be able to participate if they have had less than 2 reflections this term.

Blairmount have been lucky enough to be able to book **Obstacool**, which is an obstacle course for kids. The course has a mix of giant inflatables, tunnel crawls, small wall climbs, tyre runs among many other obstacles. All **Obstacool** staff are qualified to run the course and each obstacle will have a teacher supervising the students to ensure that they are safe. The students will participate with other students in their grade.

The day will also be a **mufti day** but students will be advised to wear suitable shoes for running and comfortable clothes that parents don't mind if they get dirty and sweaty. Students will be running around and may get dirty.

Return the note below if you do **NOT** want your child to participate in the obstacool course.



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### PBL Rewards Day

I \_\_\_\_\_ **do not** want my child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the obstacool course.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_