

**Term 4 | Week 1 | Thursday 18 October 2018**



## Message from the Principal

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope that everyone had a safe and enjoyable holiday. Students and staff have hit the ground running this week and there's no doubt this term will be a busy one with our many programs being finalised.

Our school website has recently been revamped and is currently having content merged and recreated. The new format is very user friendly and already has vital information regarding upcoming events/programs and access to permission notes etc. Thanks Jan for all your hard work with this transition and we urge you all to keep an eye on the website for updates and information as it's added! Also if you do not have our PBPS Skoolbag App (or need to turn the notifications on), we suggest you do so ASAP. The new website and the App are our best forms of communication at the moment and we are constantly striving to open these lines of communication whenever possible. With a busy term ahead, these lines of communication will be vital!

Students are looking fabulous in their summer uniforms and as the weather continues to fluctuate we ask you to please ensure all clothing is labelled with student names to prevent lost property growing. Please also note that the girl's tunic is the main summer uniform at the present time. However, to meet with DoE regulations, the bottle green sport's skort and a white blouse with a Peter Pan collar maybe worn by the girls as an option to the girl's summer tunic. Lowes has the girl's bottle green skorts in stock.

We also have some great Year 6 leadership initiatives happening at school at the moment and we ask for your support to ensure these initiatives are a valuable learning experience for our Year 6 leaders and successful in achieving their goals and objectives. These currently include a round robin knock-out soccer tournament underway for Stage 3 students, planned to incorporate Stage 2 then Stage 1 upon its success. We have students asking of school supply donations to put together educational care packages for students in drought affected areas and another group launching a goodie bag project to support disadvantaged students (stay tuned for more details).

Our P&C have also been working hard to coordinate our school's biggest 2018 fundraiser. The Wet 'n' Wild Fun Run is on this Thursday and information regarding the event went home today. Please ensure your child has

their permission note in ASAP so they can participate in this fun, fundraising event. For families who have been gathering sponsorships for the event, thank you and keep up the great work! We have raised over \$5000 already and hope to raise more over the next 3 weeks of fundraising (see student booklets sent home last term for more details).

Applications for Year 7 selective high school placement in 2020 are now open. Parents of students in Year 5 can apply online <http://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7> Applications close on Monday 12th November. No late applications will be accepted. If you need information about the process or assistance with the application please contact the office.

Thank you all in advance for your ongoing support and cooperation as we enter Term 4. Your positivity towards our amazing school and learning in general plays a huge role in the attitudes and behaviour of our students and we look forward to fostering this relationship as the year unfolds.

Mr Dave Rattray  
Relieving Principal

## ETHICS TEACHERS URGENTLY NEEDED

The PBPS Ethics team is urgently on the lookout for new volunteer teachers. Ethics classes help children learn to think things through and make decisions based on evidence and reasoning rather than on habit or peer pressure. If you would like to make a meaningful contribution to our kids and are available for half an hour on Monday afternoons then please get in touch with Teresa Lock on 0409 775 850 or [teresa@teresalock.com](mailto:teresa@teresalock.com) to find out more.

Can you spare an hour a week?

Become a **volunteer ethics teacher** in your local school

Ethics classes help children learn to think things through and make decisions based on evidence and reasoning rather than on habit or peer pressure. These skills will help our children today, and secure our future for tomorrow.

PLEASE JOIN US

To find out more or to join the team, please get in touch using the contact details below.

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## School Uniform

### How To Order Boys Pale Green Shirt and Girls bottle Green Skort from Lowes

Please find below images of basic garments parents can purchase at any of the Lowes stores or ordered online. You can then opt for the garment to be sent to your local store (Woy Woy) - which will not incur a postage cost.

Alternately parents can order at home via the website [www.lowes.com.au](http://www.lowes.com.au) and pick up in store to avoid postage.

1) Beare & Ley Boys S/S shirt – green (it looks like a bottle green on the website but it is in fact the correct colour. Product Code 956-30-806

2) Beare & Ley Girls skort – bottle green. Product Code 789-08-1491



### Beare and Ley Boys Short Sleeve Layback Shirt

Product Code: 956-30-806

\$21.99

\* Colour: Green



\* Size

► What's my size?

Choose an Option...

Qty:

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### Beare and Ley Girls Skorts

Product Code: 789-08-1491

\$26.99

\* Colour: Bottle Green



\* Size

► What's my size?

Choose an Option...

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Information about applying for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in

2020

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2020?

You must apply online at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>



#### Key dates

Tuesday 9 October 2018

Application website opens

Monday 12 November 2018

Application website closes. You must apply by the due date.

Thursday 28 February 2019

Test authority advice sent to all applicants

Thursday 14 March 2019

Selective High School Placement Test

Friday 5 July 2019

Placement outcome information is sent

Please read this booklet carefully before applying.

There is more information at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc>

Parents should check this website for updates all the way through the application and placement process. Please check the website for information before you contact the Unit.