

B.G.S GAZETTE

BRODERICK GILLAWARNA SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

CALENDAR

Tues 28th October

9.30am—11.00am

Tues 4th November

Shining Stars Performance

Sydney Town Hall

18th November

P & C meeting

Tues 9th December

Presentation Day

Wed 11th December

Year 12 Formal

Wed 17th December

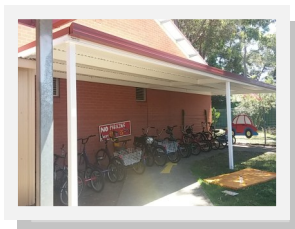
Last day of school

Welcome back to Term 4.

This term has proven to be a busy term already!

School Upgrade

We are very pleased to announce that the construction of our Tricycle Shelter has been completed. This shelter allows for our modified tricycles to be easily accessible for students to use. This was made possible with Revesby Worker's Club generous donation.



Wireless Infrastructure — was conducted over the school holidays. This will increase our wireless capabilities and allow for students and staff to access the internet with a multitude of devices including iPads.

Shining Stars Dance Development Group

Several students will be representing our school at the

Come Together – A Celebration of Excellence 2014 at Sydney Town Hall on Tues 4/11/14 from 7.00pm.

Come Together is a showcase of performing and creative arts by students from schools in the 15 principal networks in Public Schools NSW

Ultimo.

Community Access—Junior School

Panania Library—Our Library Program with Panania Library has been extended to three classes. Students access the library to listen to stories, complete art activities, browse the library and borrow books.

Sydney Markets—Our students access Sydney Markets to practise their money skills— purchasing fruit and vegetables.

Local Shops— IGA, Woolworths, Java Lava. Junior School classes have also been supporting local businesses as they participate in their Functional Money Program. Students identify, locate and purchase ingredients for their class cooking program. They also catch the Public Bus back to school— singing The Wheels on the Bus!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents and staff for their hard work and dedication in supporting our students and the many extra-curricular programs that are offered in and out of school hours.

Rebecca MacRae
Relieving Principal

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PRIMARY AKUETE SNAPSHOT

On Thursday the 4th of September, 2014, Primary Akuet went to Auburn Gardens with Mrs Akuete, Mrs Carroll, Simone and the students. We travelled on the school bus and all looked eagerly out of the windows. When we arrived we walked straight into the Fauna Reserve. We were all a little scared when a mongoose was sitting on the fence. The mongoose jumped off the fence and walked along the pathway straight past us with the keeper. The Australian animals were all jumping about. There were kangaroos and wallabies. We were all very interested in the white kangaroo.

We moved along the pathway and saw peacocks and emu but we could not find the wombat. Perhaps he was curled up snug and warm in his log. We headed out of the Fauna Reserve and headed to the duck pond. There were so many ducks and geese wandering around and making so much noise. We tried to catch some of them but they were too quick for us.

After this we walked through the jungle along the pathway to the Japanese Garden. Here we looked at the pale pink cherry blossoms and sat quietly watching the waterfall. We really enjoyed watching and listening to the water splash over the rocks. Unfortunately it was time to go back to school. We walked with our group back to the bus, boarded and fastened our seatbelts. . This is a great place to take the family and have a picnic. There is a wheelchair accessible playground and lots of interesting things to see. Auburn Gardens are in Chiswick Road, Auburn and free to get in if you have a disability or you live in Auburn.



WALK A WHEEL A THON



THANK YOU

A big thank you to TOP JUICE for their continuous support of our school.

TOP JUICE donated the wonderful fruit basket that was won by The Macris family who received the most sponsorships for the Walka wheela thon. Congratulations to all who participated and assisted on the day.





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Today we saw our school representatives for the 2014 Schools Spectacular head off to Busby west Public School for the first of many rehearsals.

We gathered with some old friends as well as many new friends to dance and enjoy the thrill of performing with

the D'Arts Dance Group. The sun was shining and music playing as we moved around the hall, meeting and greeting over two hundred other students with disabilities from all over New South Wales.

We spent the day learning new dance steps and finale routine for the performances at the Sydney Entertainment Centre on Friday the 28th and Saturday the 29th of November,



2014. Over three thousand Public Education students from all over New South Wales get together to create a show that is truly spectacular.

Not only did we learn many new dance skills, during the lunch break we joined in with a soccer game with



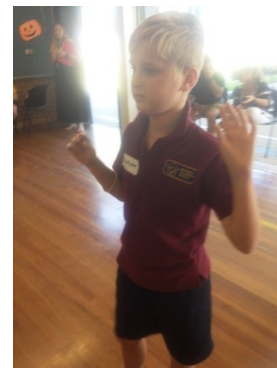
some of the new friends we had made.

Thank you to staff and families go to the families for supporting our students in participating in this spectacular event. A very big thank you must also go to the Broderick Gillawarna Citizen's Committee because without their financial support the students may not be able to participate in and experience this wonderful event. The Schools Spectacular allows students with disabilities to showcase their abilities and is broadcast on Channel 9 later in the year.



Rehearsals will now happen once a week until the show on the 28th and 29th of November, 2014 at the Sydney Entertainment Centre. I would highly recommend you purchase a ticket through Ticketek to see first- hand the wonderful and remarkable talent that Public Education students have.

If you have any questions or would like further information regarding performances and tickets, please ring Jenny Carroll on 9773 1255. Stay tuned for the next update of our 2014 Schools Spectacular team!!!!



Jenny Carroll

Out and about in the community..

Auburn Botanic Gardens

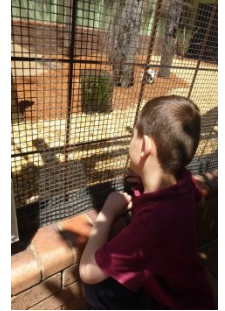
On Thursday the 30th of October, 2014 the students of Primary Nanda boarded the bus to have afternoon tea in the Japanese Gardens of Auburn Gardens. We all boarded the bus really well and found our seats. We are learning to ensure we are safe when travelling on the bus by fastening our seat belts securely. Along the way we looked out of the windows at all of the beautiful spring flowers in gardens. We tried to count how many beautiful roses we saw but there were way too many.



the peacock screeching, so we packed up and headed off in search of it. We headed to the front gate and found the noisy peacock sitting on the lawn. We all got a fright when the peacock flew up to the roof but were delighted to see the beautiful colours of the feathers.



We boarded the bus and headed back to school. What a wonderful time we had at Auburn Gardens. We all recommend Auburn gardens as a



place for a fun day out. See the views, wander through the art gallery, walk amongst the gardens and see the Australian Fauna Reserve. There is something for everyone!!!

Jenny Carroll



When we arrived at Auburn Gardens we walked straight into the bird aviary. As the weather was so hot we had to look

really carefully to find some of the birds. Finally we found some very brightly coloured parrots and cockatiels. All we could hear was the screeching from the peacock somewhere in the gardens. In the bird aviary section was a beautiful waterfall and we really enjoyed listening to the water splash across the rocks. It was very peaceful and relaxing on a very warm day.



We then left the aviary and used the pedestrian crossing to cross the road to the Auburn Gardens. We made sure we all looked to the left and the right before crossing the road safely. We could still hear the peacock screeching so we kept a look out for it. We spent some time

walking through the Japanese Gardens. We crossed over a bridge and were very excited to see giant carp swimming in the water.



They were moving about so much we were nearly splashed by the water from the tails. We found a lovely shady spot to sit

and eat our afternoon tea. All the time we could hear



MIDDLE SCHOOL ROSSALL SNAPSHOT

If you are out and about on a Tuesday between 12 pm and 2pm keep your eyes open for the students of Middle School Rossall as they walk to the Revesby IGA.

Our class walk to Revesby shops, to practise crossing roads safely, remaining with our group, following instructions and using our senses to happenings in the environment.

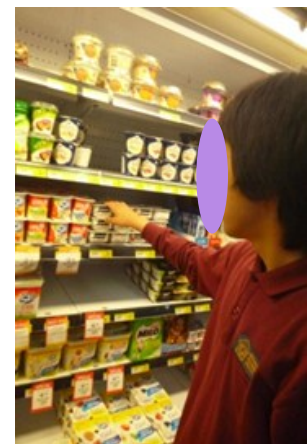
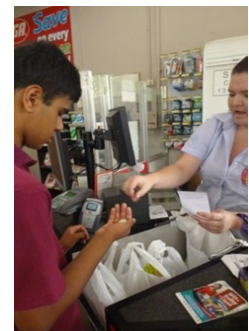
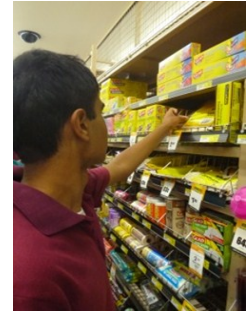
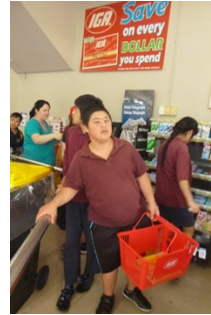
Local residents are now waving as we walk by and we stop along the way for a chat about flowers, gardens and where we are going. The local residents even wait to greet us on the return trip back to school.

Once at Revesby IGA the staff welcome us with open arms. This community access experience provides us with a great opportunity to practise meeting and greeting others in the community appropriately. Mrs Rossall has the shopping list and everyone in our class is required to find a grocery item and place it into the shopping basket.

Once the shopping has been completed, our class moves to the checkout. Here the staff at Revesby IGA allow everyone to individually purchase our item. This is a fantastic opportunity for us to engage in exchanging money for goods and services and to wait for the change.

When finished shopping, we carry the shopping bags back up the hill to the school. As we walk we practise road crossing and increase our fitness level.

A big thankyou must go to the friendly and supportive staff at Revesby IGA. Please help us by supporting Revesby IGA when you need to do some shopping in our local community.



MONEY

If you need to send money to school for excursions or lunch orders, please place money in an envelope with your child's name and class on it. Please make sure it goes in your child's communication book and NOT to the bus driver or ASTO. Thankyou.

LOSS OR DAMAGE OF PROPERTY WHILE AT SCHOOL

At BGS we encourage students to be responsible for their own items.

Please ensure all of your child's items are labelled with their name. If your child's items are not labelled, it is hard to return them to the rightful owner.

We endeavour to take all care for student property, however we are not held responsible for any loss or damage of property.

We advise you not to send your children to school with valuable items such as expensive jewellery and media devices.



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