

**Wednesday 25th November 2020**  
**Week 7 Term 4**

## **Year 4 German Day In**



Our Year 4 students had a lot of fun at our school's 'German Day In' last Monday. They participated in 'Spiel, Sport und Spaß' (games, sport and fun) adventures as they 'travelled' to Europe and 'visited' many German-speaking countries. They enjoyed skipping through the German days of the week, playing soccer, planning a sightseeing tour through Berlin and a lot of other fun activities.

They also tried some delicious German food including Apfelschorle (sparkling apple juice), Kartoffelsalat (potato salad), Sauerkraut and a Pretzel.

"Dankeschön" to our wonderful parent helpers for joining us today. Well done to our Year 5 helpers who did an amazing job running the Year 4's through their stations.

What a wonderful day! We are so fortunate to have such an enthusiastic and committed Languages teacher in Frau Merta who goes out of her way to make learning a language fun.



## **Welcome to Our New Board Member**

It is my pleasure to welcome Tenealle Harper to our School Board. Tenealle came to our Board Training Session after she expressed an interest in nominating for the vacant parent representative position. Tenealle shows a real interest in our school and a capacity to value add to the governance of our school. She was the only nomination and therefore we did not need to conduct an election. Here is a little more information about Tenealle.



*My name is Tenealle Harper, and my daughter Aubrey in year 3 was a foundation student at Baldivis Gardens. My husband & I built our home in this community, and we feel strongly about the great work the teachers, admin staff, P&C and current board do to make our school such a wonderful place. I've nominated to join the school board because I want to help contribute to the further success and growth of our Garden, and I have professional experience in corporate, local government and not-for-profit boards that would be an asset to the team – I've already undertaken some school board training with the BGPS team, and would hit the ground running! I think school communities are one of the most important places our kids can feel safe & supported, particularly with everything going on in 2020 and beyond, and I'd love the opportunity to ensure our school continues to be a place where our amazing kids can nurture, grow & thrive.*

### **Christmas Appeal**

Every year we try to give our students and the school community the chance to show compassion for those less fortunate. Once again we have joined with the Salvation Army to run our Christmas Appeal. Brihana Pene one our students has come up with a wonderful way for us share the Christmas spirit and have fun while we do it. On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December your children are invited to

come dressed in Christmas 'mix and matched' Christmas clothes and bring either a cash donation or a non perishable food item for the Salvation Army Christmas Appeal. The lovely people from the Salvos will be speaking to our students on the day and will explain how our gifts will be used to help others. We thank Brihana for her creativity, her organisation and her commitment to providing our students with a fun dress up day and the chance to help others in need. You can start bringing non perishable food items and leaving them in our front office if you would like to do this. Otherwise please send the food items or cash on the 4<sup>th</sup> December.





## End of Year Events

The end of the year is so very close. Do you have these dates in your diary?

### Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November

Our 2021 Kindy students join us for their 'play date'

### Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Before School Sandwich Making

### Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

Final 2021 School Board Meeting

### Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December

Salvation Army Christmas Appeal Day and Dress Up Day

### Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December

Music Concert for our choir and instrumental music students. 5.30 pm start.

Monday Wednesday Kindy Concert

### Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December

Tuesday Thursday Kindy Concert

### Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December

The Awards Assembly will be split into two assemblies. The first will be for students in Sandpiper, Goshawk and Whistler blocks and will commence at 8:50am. The second will be for students in Cockatoo and Swallow blocks and will commence at 9:45am. The choirs and band will perform at both assemblies.

### Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December

The whole school Christmas Concert on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December** will be an outside event to allow more parents and family members to attend. The concert will commence at 5pm.

### Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Graduation Assembly: this is only for parents and family members of our graduating students.

### Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December

'End of Year Fun Day' on school grounds.

## News from our P & C



We hope the students enjoyed their pizza lunch last week! We thank the families who supported us in buying a lunch. With your help we made \$1031.90 profit. We didn't get as many orders as our last lunch offer - but that's ok we are trying to utilise our canteen by using it as a fundraiser opportunity while we don't have something more permanent and let children have that experience of "buying their lunch". I would also like to give a big thank you to all the helpers we had on both days! Without you guys it wouldn't have run as smooth as it did. I really appreciate you giving your time to help.

Also a 'shoutout' to Woolworths Baldivis for supporting us again by ordering a special amount of Muffin Splits and covering half the cost. Woolworths have been very generous towards us this year and we are very grateful for their ongoing support.

Next GM is Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December in the conference room. It is our last one for the year and we are using this to start planning for next year and get a team ready. If you would like to be a part of the committee we would love to have you there. I will even bring some morning tea.

## **Year 6 Baldvis Secondary College Transition Day**

Our Year 6 students had a taste of secondary school on Tuesday when they visited the Baldvis Secondary College for their transition day. They were impressed with the learning opportunities that will be provided and excited about the next stage of their education.



## **Our Forest to Garden Junior Playground**

You will have seen lots of changes in our Junior Playground recently as our 'From Forest to Garden' playground becomes a reality. Our Market

Garden arrived last week and our tractor called Thomas is on it's way. How exciting !



The staff have been working with our students to help them understand how to use our new playground safely. You might like to watch the video and talk about our new playground with your Year 1 and 2 children.

<https://connect.det.wa.edu.au/o/connect-rv-portlet/files/TrSOdpb2990o3ztnkNhhoSXvNtNJYPXHJ5NsFxn3e8kWffG4F6yj3sizrFNlc1yq/BGPS%20Playground%20rules%201.mov>

### ***Congratulations Mrs Douglas***

Mrs Tamie Douglas has worked collaboratively with Mrs Stewart and our Year 1 students and teachers, to plan and develop our From Forest to Garden Junior Playground. Mrs Douglas has shared this work with Curtin University as part of her studies, and they have acknowledged her outstanding work with a 'Community Engagement Award'. Well done Mrs Douglas we are so appreciative of your knowledge, passion and commitment to our students.



### ***OSH Club Parent Information 2021***

As you are aware OSHClub have been selected to provide onsite before and after school care and vacation care at the school from 2021.

I do encourage you to ring the OSHClub and find out what they are offering for the Christmas holidays and the 2021 school year.

***Kind regards  
Jayne Ebsworthy  
Principal***