



## From the Principal's Desk



Dear families,  
This is our final newsletter for 2023. We have had a wonderful year at Bramfield Park. Our students have excelled academically in the classroom, and athletically on a number of playing fields. We are now in a period of transition with a new Business Plan and vision being drafted for next year, and the introduction of new programs. We look forward to again working with our school community for another successful year in 2024.

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### **Presentation Assembly**

Congratulations to all our Book Prize winners for 2023 who were celebrated at our recent Presentation Assembly. Students were acknowledged for excellence, citizenship, improvement, and their achievements shared with the school. We also took the opportunity to announce the new student leaders for 2024. Congratulations to our School Captains Jemerell and Justine and to our School Vice Captains Aliyah, Gihanna, Xavier and Kaniska. On behalf of Chris Tallentire, our local MP, we also awarded 3 bikes as prizes for recent competitions run through the Your Move Action Team. Congratulations to our winners and a big thank you to Chris Tallentire, Jets Cycles Gosnells and Trek Cannington for the bikes.

### **Graduation**

I am sure the Year 6 graduating students and their families had a wonderful day celebrating the end of primary school last Wednesday. Congratulations to our Graduation award winners, and to all the staff who made the ceremony and Dinner Dance a wonderful success, thank you. We wish our Year 6s all the best for high school. We look forward to hearing about their wonderful achievements.

### **School Board**

Thank you to our family members for their nomination to be a parent representative on our School Board for 2024/2025. I would like to welcome Jessica Olsen, Sal Cleveray and Pennoschea Little as parent representatives, and Wayne McNamara as a community representative. I would like to sincerely thank for their contribution to our Board over the past 2 years Rusty and Sharif, and to our outgoing amazing community member, Tresna who has been on the Board for 9 years, thank you, and all the best with your new adventures.

### **Staff leaving**

It is with sadness that we do farewell some staff at the end of this year. Some staff leaving have been with us this year in a fixed term role and we also have two long serving staff members leaving us. To Miss Lanceley and Mrs Johnsen who have worked across many classrooms, in many roles throughout the year, thank you for stepping in where we needed and for always having the students' best interests at heart. To Monsieur Rambourg, our French Languages Assistant, it has been wonderful having you as part of our team this year and we appreciated your enthusiasm and energy to be involved in all school activities. Miss Chew started with us during Term 3 taking over Room 5 when Mrs Tay went on leave, and she has done a fabulous job ensuring continuity in the students' education. Mrs Spector is moving to work at a school closer to home as her young family start school, and we know she will be a valuable asset to that school. Mrs Spector has worked across many roles over her time at Bramfield Park and her creativity, out of the box thinking and support she has shown all our community, will be missed. We are also saying farewell to Mrs Abbott, who has been at Bramfield Park for 24 years as she retires at the end of the year.

## From the Principal's Desk cont..

We wish her well and hope she enjoys her new endeavours which include travel, gardening, painting, and singing. We have had some special moments recently to reflect on Mrs Abbott's career and all that she has given to public education over her 50-year career. You will all be missed.

### Class lists

Staff are finalising class lists for 2024, however, we are still taking enrolments so the lists will not be available until the first day back next year, which will be Wednesday 31 January.

### Holiday break

Finally, I would like to wish all our families a safe, happy and memorable holiday break. Enjoy the festive season and special time with your family and friends. Thank you for all your support over the year, and we look forward to welcoming you all back for 2024. If your family is leaving, we hope you have enjoyed your time at Bramfield Park and are taking many fond memories and special friendships.

## Reminders from the Front Office

- \* Our Big Day of Fun is on tomorrow to celebrate the last day of school for 2023!
- \* Students return to school on Wednesday, 31st January 2024. For Kindy students, please refer to their Kindy Planner for days/times.
- \* We always have a lot of Lost Property left in the school, please take a minute to look over the table out the front of the office to see if anything is yours.

## A Goodbye from Mrs Abbott

It is with very mixed emotions that I say farewell to B.P.P.S. I have enjoyed my 50 years as a teacher, especially the last 24 years in our lovely school. I have taught in many schools, but BPPS has been my favourite, without a doubt. I will miss all of the children I have taught, and I will miss the families I have come to know. Bramfield Park is an excellent school with a dedicated and caring team of administrators, teachers, Education assistants, cleaners and gardeners; I have been privileged to be a part of it all.

I wish everyone a wonderful holiday and an amazing future.

Over and out,

Mrs Pauline Abbott



## Chaplain's Corner

**I would like to say a BIG thank you to everyone who donated food to our food drive this year. Wattle House in Maddington were very appreciative of our donation and said it will go along way to helping lots of people in the Maddington community this year.**

**I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and an enjoyable school holidays.**

### *Xmas Door Competition*

To bring some Christmas cheer to the school, we held a Christmas Door Competition for those classes wanting to partake. There were many amazing efforts and Santa's elves had the hard task of choosing a winner..... Room 6 took out the competition, well done. Special mention to Rooms 10 and Pre Primary 1 for their amazing doors.





## Big Bike Bang Competition

The Your Move Action Team finished off our amazing year with a BIG BIKE BANG competition to win one of three new bikes and a helmet. We had so many entries. Congratulations to the three winners.

Kindy Blue – Akeyla

Year 3 – Sahil

Year 6 – Ryder

A big thank you to Chris Tallentire MP Gosnells City Council, who generously donated money for us to purchase the new bikes from Trek Cycles, Cannington and Jet Cycles, Gosnells. Chris is a big supporter of Your Move at our school. Also, thanks to the Your Move Program reward points for the purchase of the helmets.

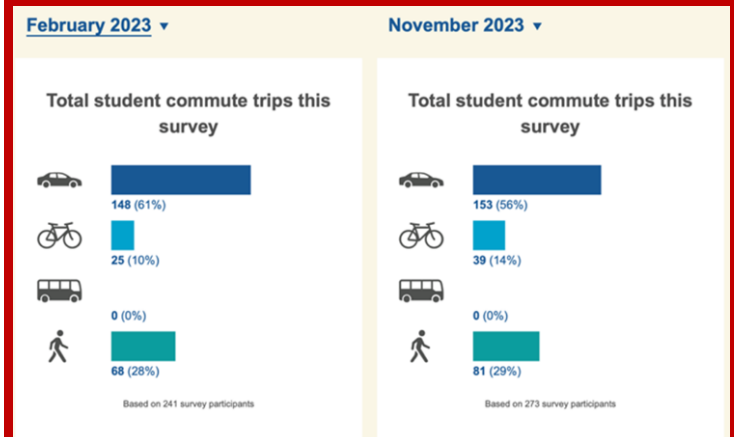


If you are thinking of a new bike or accessories, or just a maintenance check, please go to one of these local cycle centres for further help or advice.

## Hands Up Survey

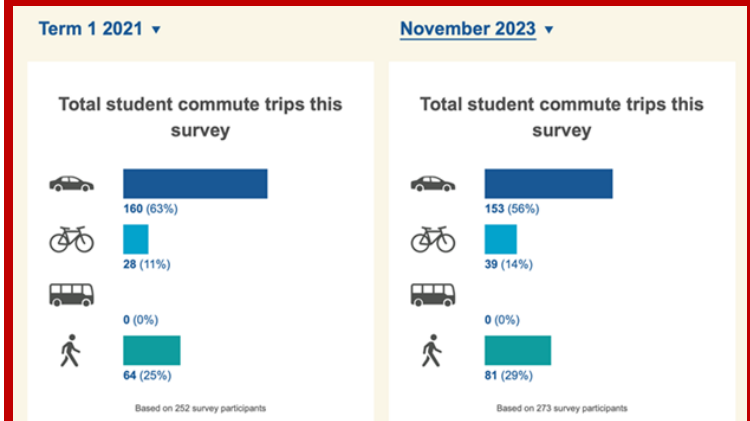
Our school conducts two Hands Up Surveys (HUS) each year. The YMAT collected data from all the classes to complete the End of Year Hands Up Survey 2023. This important tool provides insight into how our students are getting to school and helps to measure our progress and support more students to become physically active. The information is used to assess our goals and to advocate for improved walking and riding to school over the next 3 years and beyond.

The chart below presents the current number of children travelling to school by each mode of transport in Term 1 and Term 4, 2023. It's encouraging to see that our riders and walkers have increased throughout this year, and most importantly our percentage of drivers have decreased. Just what we like to see!



## Has active travel increased at Bramfield Park since joining Your Move in 2021?

This data shows that in the 3 years we have been part of Your Move, active travel has continued to increase.



The behaviour changes certainly indicate that our school has had continual increases in cycling (29%) and walking (17%) with a decrease in driving over the 3 years. Cycling and walking habits seem to be sticking at Bramfield Park PS. Well done everyone!

## Holiday Road Safety

One of the busiest times on our roads is over these holidays. Please drive safe, enjoy a bike ride with your helmet and walk safely across roads.

Happy holidays!

Your Move Action Team





# Community Notices

**CITY OF GOSNELLS**

## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

### Monday

**BABY PLAY**  
8 January  
15 January  
22 January  
Session One: 9.30am – 10.30am  
Session Two: 11am – 12pm  
0 – 18 months  
Huntingdale Community Centre  
Holmes Street, Huntingdale  
Free, no bookings required

### Tuesday

**KIDS IN THE GARDEN**  
9 January  
8am – 10am  
0 – 12 years  
Southern River Community Garden  
Free, no bookings required

**CRAFTERNOON**  
16 January  
1pm – 3pm  
4 – 12 years  
Mills Park Centre (second floor)  
Free, no bookings required

### Wednesday

**WATER PLAY WEDNESDAY**  
10 January  
17 January  
24 January  
5pm – 7pm  
0 – 10 years  
Walter Padbury Playground  
Thornlie  
Free, no bookings required

### Thursday

**BABY RHYME TIME AT THE SHOPS**  
11 January  
9.30am – 10.30am  
Under 1 year  
Maddington Central shopping centre, Maddington  
Free, no bookings required

**STORYTIME AT THE SHOPS**  
18 January  
10am – 11.30am  
All ages  
Maddington Central shopping centre, Maddington  
Free, no bookings required

**STEM AT THE SHOPS**  
25 January  
10am – 11.30am  
5 years +  
Maddington Central shopping centre, Maddington  
Free, no bookings required

### Friday

**PARK PLAY**  
12 January  
19 January  
9am – 11am  
0 – 10 years  
Pioneer Park Playground Gosnells  
Free, no bookings required

**AUSTRALIA DAY EVENT**  
26 January  
8am – 11am  
Free children's activities and stage show  
Pioneer Park Playground Gosnells

### Saturday

**PARK PLAY @ MILLS SKATE**  
20 January  
9.30am – 11.30am  
0 – 10 years  
Mills Park Skate Plaza  
Free, no bookings required

### Acknowledgement to Country

*Nidja Boodjar* (Here is the earth),  
*Nidja Worl* (Here is the sky),  
*Nidja Ngany Koorda* (Here are my friends),  
*Nidja Ngany* (Here am I).  
*Maara* (Hands) up, *Maara* (Hands) down,  
we are on Whadjuk ground!

Scan the QR code to buy tickets



### January 2024 - Dates and venues

Free and fun activities for families with young children. Please remember to dress for the weather and bring a drink and snacks.

Please be aware that details may change at short notice

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

- Hand sanitiser will be available at each session
- Please do not attend if anyone in your family is unwell

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## BETTER HEALTH CO.

FREE prizes

## FREE fun healthy lifestyle programs

to help children and their families create healthy habits!

### BETTER HEALTH PROGRAM for eligible children 6-12yrs

4:00pm

Tuesday OR Thursday's at

**Bounce Cannington**

Starting: 30th Jan

Also available online!

**BOUNCE**  
FREE SPIRITS UNLEASHED

Sign up for Term 1:  
[www.betterhealthprogram.org](http://www.betterhealthprogram.org)



The WA Opera Education has a series of **free workshops** in music, dance, makeup, and production design which are running in collaboration with the Gosnells Youth Centre.

They will run until the end of January and are aimed at young people between ages 10 and 24.

I understand you work with young people and was hoping you would encourage them to come along, we're very excited about the series.

I have linked the details of the workshops  
[West Australian Opera Education - City of Gosnells](https://www.waopera.asn.au)  
([waopera.asn.au](https://www.waopera.asn.au))

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