

Inspiring 21st Century Learners

Thank you Bilambil for a fantastic year! Our Presentation Day last Friday was a great indication of the success of our students across the school. I have seen some excellent examples of student work during the year and I would like to thank all the students in the school for their hard work and commendable behaviour during 2019.

Our Carols Night highlighted the level of commitment and care we have at the school. It was heart-warming to see so many children and their families enjoying a relaxed night out. Thank you to everyone involved, especially Donna McGlinn and her team of helpers.

One of the most inspiring things about being part of Bilambil School is seeing the whole community including the school staff, parents, children and the wider community working together to enhance our students' school experiences.

I would like to thank all the volunteers who work in the school in the canteen, uniform shop, classrooms and at events – you have done a mammoth job in 2019. Thank you to Gavin Irvine, the P & C executive and all the members of the P & C for their exceptional dedication and good will. All of the children have benefitted from your hard work.

A huge thank you must go to all of the staff including teachers, learning support officers, administration staff, general assistant and cleaners for their dedication, professionalism and care.

I would especially like to thank 2019 School Captains, Vice Captains and Leaders, House Captains and Vice Captains and SRC representatives. It was great to see your leadership skills develop. I look forward to working with our new 2020 student leadership team.

This week we are saying goodbye to our Year 6 students. We thank them all for the wonderful contribution they have made to the school over their years here and wish them happiness and success as they move onto the next phase of their education. My simple message to you is be kind, be brave and be yourself.

Happy holidays everyone and best wishes for the festive season.

Brad Davis
Principal





BRONZE WARD
Term 4
Weeks 9 & 10

5/6E	Cooper
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SILVER AWARD
Term 4
Weeks 9 & 10

1/2B	Phoenix, Zoe, Taj, Hayden, Sean, Jesse, Ruby
1/2P	Richard
5/6E	Kirrah-Lily



GOLD AWARD
Term 4
Weeks 3 & 4

1/2B	Ava, Cailin, Violet, Zara
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STUDENT OF THE WEEK
Term 4 Weeks 9 & 10

KH	Charlie, Paige, Mireille
KT	Red
1/2B	Abbey
1/2G	Andre, Christopher
1/2H	Kai, Heath
3/4M	Eve, Alice
5/6B	Autumn
5/6S	Elsie



UP AND COMING EVENTS TERM 4 2019

● School items

● P&C Items

TERM 4 WEEK 10

Wednesday 18 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newsletter Yr 6 Tunnel & Shirt signing 2.15pm Students Last Day for 2019
Thursday 19 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Development Day
Friday 20 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Development Day

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE 2020 SCHOOL YEAR

● School items

● P&C Items

TERM 1 WEEK 1

Monday 27 January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Australia Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 28 January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Development Day - Staff Only
Wednesday 29 January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School commences for students Year 1 - 6 for the 2020 Canteen
Friday 31 January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kindergarten 2020 students start big school

TERM 1 WEEK 2

Monday 3 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canteen Sushi Day School Swimming Carnival
Tuesday 4 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student School Banking resumes
Wednesday 5 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canteen Newsletter
Friday 7 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canteen

TERM 1 WEEK 3

Monday 10 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canteen Sushi Day
Tuesday 11 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student School Banking
Wednesday 12 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canteen
Friday 14 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canteen

Mr Davis's

FUNNIES



Q: How many apples grow on a tree?

A: All of them.

Q: Why couldn't the bicycle stand up by itself?

A: It was two tired.

Infants and Senior Choir

The infants and senior choirs have been extremely busy not only practising before school and during their lunch breaks but also performing out of school at various community events.

The senior choir have performed twice at Seagulls during December, really showcasing the skills they have.

Both Mrs McGlinn and Miss Henry were super proud of the beautiful senior and infants choir who sang beautifully at Seagulls on Saturday 7th December for the annual Christmas event. They spread Christmas cheer singing enthusiastically.

The group did really well and had clearly rehearsed. Well done Bilambil choir kids!

Simone Henry
Junior Choir Teacher

Donna McGlinn
Senior Choir Teacher



Radiance Day for Stage 2 & 3

Last week I had the pleasure of running a Wellbeing program aimed for girls!

It focuses on building relationships, self-esteem, mindfulness, social media and resilience. With the increased pressure of body image and social media it is so important for girls to know their worth from the inside.

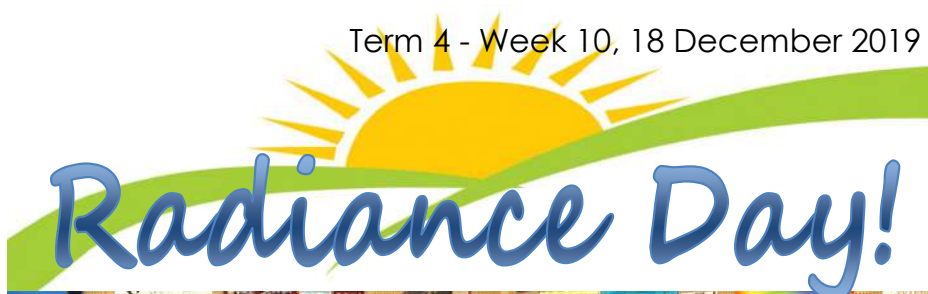
We spent the day focusing on the positives and lifted each other up through kind gestures and genuine compliments. We created 'kind-catchers' to remind the girls of their connectedness within their friendship circle. They wrote anonymous compliments to each other and tied it onto their 'kind-catcher'. It was really nice to see the girls' faces light up when they read the compliments. We highlighted that girls should focus on the positives rather than compare themselves.

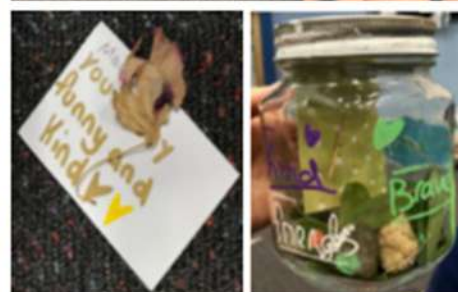
The girls also had a bit of fun doing the newspaper fashion show! The girls used teamwork skills to create something beautiful out of a simple material like newspaper.

I was honoured to be a part of this amazing program and to see the girls' confidence and friendships grow.

Elle Ninness
Teacher

Glow with your own
Radiance





School Swimming Program

Some students were lucky enough to participate in the school swimming program at Billabong Swim Centre for 9 days. A big thank you Mr Menin, Miss Ninness and Mr Renehan for getting the students there and back to school safely.

Karen Baird
Co-ordinating Teacher





Class of 2019

Caitlin
 Madison
 Summer
 Phoebe
 Kirrah-Lily
 Luka
 Zoe
 Beau
 Taj
 Jaspar
 Seth
 Thomas
 Chloe
 Tyler
 Sonny
 Michael
 Benjamin
 Amelia
 Marshall
 Harper
 Juan
 Sikari
 Shelley
 Connor
 Jackson
 Alwin
 Cooper
 Halo
 Nataya
 Nate
 Isaac
 Daikin
 Taylor
 Forbes
 Autumn
 Tony
 Adriana
 Kaelani
 Zachariah
 Nate
 Mia-Elise
 Zachery
 Harvey
 Jasco



Good luck Year Six. Let nothing stand in the way of your dreams!

Our awesome memories





2020 UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

In order to fit out all our wonderful new kindy kids who will be joining us at big school in 2020, as well as all our existing or new students of course, we'll be having extended uniform shop hours at the start of the school year.

It is a really busy couple of weeks, so please allow for extra time when you come in - our dedicated volunteers are doing the best they can to get you in and out as quickly as possible.

You can save time by ordering online at any time throughout the holidays and your order will be packaged and ready for collection when we re-open. If you get them home and wish you'd picked a different size it's no problem to exchange sizes so long as they remain unworn and in brand new condition. Just pop in and we can swap them over for you.

Our uniform shop is located inside the canteen.

Order online at www.bilambilpc.org

Extended Uniform Shop hours for the start of 2020 Week 1

Monday 27 January	9.00am - 1.00pm	CLOSED Australia Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 28 January	8.35am - 2.30pm	School Development Day
Wednesday 29 January	8.35am - 1.30pm	Year 1 to Year 6 start school
Thursday 30 January	8.35am - 12.30pm	
Friday 31 January	8.35am - 12.30pm	2020 Kindergarten students commence big school

Week 2

Monday 3 February	8.35am - 9.30am	
Tuesday 4 February	8.35am - 9.30am	
Wednesday 5 February	8.35am - 9.30am	
Thursday 6 February	8.35am - 9.30am	
Friday 7 February	8.35am - 9.30am	

Return to Uniform Shops regular trading hours from Monday 10 February

Monday 10 February	8.35am - 9.00am	
Wednesday 12 February	8.35am - 9.00am	
Friday 14 February	8.35am - 9.00am	



Community Contributor Award

Congratulations to Bronwyn Boniface & Nikki McMahon

THANK YOU NIKKI!!

An extra large thank you for many years of service to our school must go to Nikki, who has helped out just about everywhere over the years – from roles on the executive, to countless fundraisers, time in the canteen and most valuably, as our long-serving uniform shop coordinator. It is thanks to Nikki that we have online ordering, can now pay via cash OR card and she oversaw us through the very large job of bringing in a new uniform design in consultation with the community. As daughter Zoe joins older brother Aiden at high school we want to wish both Zoe and Nikki wonderful memories of their association with Bilambil Public School and hope we see them around at some of our events in the future. You will be very much missed Nikki!



CANTEEN REOPENS FROM DAY 1

We end another fantastic year of deliciousness from our canteen. We are so very lucky to have our canteen manager Danelle and her swag of yummy healthy recipes and ideas to lead our team of enthusiastic and committed volunteers.

Thank you canteen helpers – our canteen couldn't run without you!! New helpers always welcome.

Our canteen will be open from the first day of term next year – Wednesday 27 January and Friday 29 January 2020. We'll also be offering Thursday lunch specials from Week 2 so keep an eye out early next year for a note with all the details.

SCHOOL BANKING PROGRAM

Did you know that every time a child who saves their money through our school banking program, the Commonwealth Bank rewards us with a small payment? It's an easy way for us to raise some money for the school while children learn how to save. Banking day is Tuesday – just send in your child's Commonwealth Bank book with the money they want to deposit and we'll put it into their account for you. If you don't have an account, contact the Commonwealth Bank to find out how to be a part of the school banking program. School banking will start again on Tuesday, 4 February 2020. Thank you to Bronny, Janelle, Jody and Emily for overseeing our banking in 2019.

WHAT'S AHEAD IN 2020?

Your P&C will be continuing to work hard to support our school by giving our kids some fun while raising money to fund all the little extras that help make our great school even greater.

In Term 1, we'll be putting on a SCHOOL DISCO with a SUMMER theme.

In Term 3, we're hoping to bring back the highly successful Trivia Night held a couple of years ago.

Of course there will be all the usual events such as Mother's Day and Father's Day gift shops, Athletics Carnival BBQ and cake stall, Bunnings BBQ, raffles and more.

Our first meeting of the year will be Monday, 10 February 2020 at 3.15pm in the staff room. New faces always welcome!

Best wishes to all our Year 6 students heading off to High School in 2020.

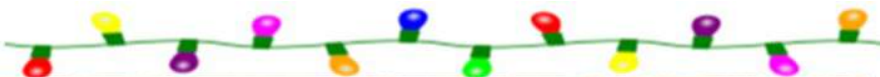
WE APPRECIATE YOU!

To each and every one of you who have supported any of our fundraisers, we thank you. Some of you have given your time but we realise not everyone is able to do that and many of you have done your part simply by supporting what we do. Whether it is sending your kids along to our disco, giving them money to buy a cake, gift or sausage from any of our events, selling or buying raffle tickets or mangoes, donating prizes, gathering up 5c coins for our coin drive, taking part in the school banking program, buying food or drinks from our canteen and purchasing uniforms through our uniform shop. Every bit helps and we are very grateful! Wishing you all a safe and happy Christmas.

THE A-TEAM

We've had lots of people step up and help out throughout the year but there are a few key people who have taken on a lot of the P&C workload as part of our committee. They deserve a special thanks: Gav – our dedicated president, Veronica – our hard working treasurer, Bronny – our vice president, school banking coordinator and artist, Tam – our new uniform shop coordinator, Lou – our fundraising coordinator, Danelle – our foodie extraordinaire, Daniah – our fundraising genie, Belinda – our Lois Lane, Kathy & Deb - in our uniform shop, Lynn in our canteen and Crispian – our right hand man. We also must thank Mr Davis for enthusiastically supporting our initiatives and keeping us informed about all the things happening at our school each meeting.

Have a safe and happy holidays everyone!



An Evening at the Carols

