

# Blighty Public School

Working Together



## NEWSLETTER

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**Important Dates for Your Calendar:**

- ◆ 16th Dec Presentation
- ◆ 17th Dec Yr6 Farewell
- ◆ 18th Dec Fun Day & last day of school for 2019
- ◆ 29th Jan Students start school for 2020

**Reminders:**

- ◆ Music (uke/recorder) - Monday
- ◆ Banking - Thursday
- ◆ Canteen - Thursday
- ◆ Sport - Friday
- ◆ Library- K-2 Tuesday  
3-6 Friday

**Farewell and Thank You**

The end of the school year is almost here. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the entire Blighty Public School community, for being so welcoming and supportive of our school, and of me as the Relieving Principal, this semester. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time and will look fondly on the time I have spent with the staff, students and their families at BPS. Thank you to Mrs. Conallin, Mrs. Webb and Maree who go above and beyond to assist me with providing a learning environment where all students are known, valued and cared for.

**Semester 2 School Reports**

As part of the school's assessment procedures, it is estimated that Semester 2 student reports will be issued early next week. The reports provide a summary of your child's progress this semester in the key learning areas, as well as comments on their general development, both socially and emotionally. Importantly the reports also include their effort your child has put into their learning this year and their attendance.

**Presentation Day**

Our annual presentation day will be held this coming Monday at school. We are requesting all parents and guests arrive and be seated by 9:45 am so that we can start by 10 am. We anticipate the formal proceeding will take approximately 90 minutes, which will be followed by a BYO picnic lunch.

**Year 6 Farewell**

Our Year 6 farewell dinner is being held on Tuesday 17th December at the Deniliquin RSL, starting at 6pm. Students, parents, and teachers will join together to look back at the schooling journey of our 2019 Year 6 graduates.

**Things From School**

All Library books, red reader folder, recorders, ukulele and any property of the schools that you have at home please return to school. Any outstanding money is to be paid in full by Friday 13th December.

**End of Year Fun Day**

On Wednesday 18th December 2019 we will be holding our end of year fun day. This year, we have chosen to host the event at our school. Students will participate in craft, cooking and water play activities during the day. Fruit break, recess, and lunch will be provided by the school, students will still need to bring their drink bottles. Students can come dressed in casual clothes for the day but are asked to bring bathers and a beach towel or a change of clothing for the water play. There will be no cost involved for students. If your child will be away on the day, please let Maree or myself know, for catering purposes.

**Starting date for next year**

The first school day for students in 2020 will be Wednesday 29th January 2020.

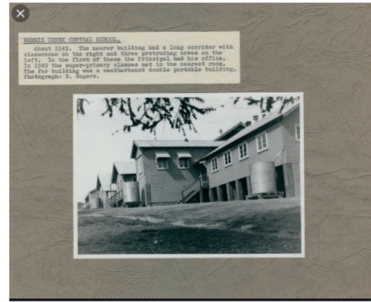
**Merry Christmas**

From all the staff at Blighty Public School, we hope every member of our school community enjoys a lovely festive season with family and friends and a safe and relaxing holiday break. We are all very much looking forward to 2020 and all it brings with it!



## Year 3-6 Writing

Students were given the following photo as a stimulus to for their writing. Once completed students were informed that the school depicted in the picture was the primary school attended by Mrs. Webb. Happy reading!



### **The Old House**

**By Ashlea Charlton**

As I jogged slowly coming home from a party; I looked around for a short cut. I found one. I walked past an old house. It had noises coming from inside like SMASH! I went inside to have a little look around. It was night time; it got darker and darker. I was petrified, I looked left, and right there were skeletons everywhere. Cobwebs stuck to me like hot glue. I was all alone and frightened. Dusty photos were smashed, and shadows were in the bathroom. I felt and smelt the cold whistling wind. I was shaking like there was an earthquake happening. I tasted the dust as it was flowing through the air. I stood still for 2 minutes; then all of a sudden there was lightning and thunder crashing on all the furniture. I screamed "Help! Help! Help me!" I bolted out of the house. As I ran home, my left leg felt heavier than my right leg. I looked down; a snake was climbing up my leg! I heard quiet voices just like mums. "Ashlea, Ashlea wake up." I looked up. I saw my mum. Then I cried. She asked me, what's wrong? It was all just a dream. I was so glad; but at the same time, I was angry. I whispered to mum, "I love you." Then I tightly hugged her. Mum looked confused.

### **The Orphanage**

**By Amber Selwood**

If only I behaved at my daily schools, I wouldn't have to go to a night school...

The gate creaked open to a little school, I walked through crumbling twigs and stepping stones onto a path, expecting a teacher to guide me. But no one was there to guide me. I walked on in to the 'school'. As I opened the creaking wooden door, I entered a dark room filled with cold air. It was too dark to stay here, so I turned around and tried to open the door, but it was locked. I also tried to call my mum, but there were no bars. I looked at the creaking wooden door and noticed a sign. 'Once you arrive in this Orphanage, You shall thrive here at this Orphanage'. I just realised that this is an orphanage, not a school. This place looks like it had been abandoned for quite some time. I walked to an old library; I looked down the kid's isle. It had The Little Sheep, Little Red Riding Hood, and Dumbo. As I continued down the kid's aisle, I saw a red circle with markings all over it. As I was about to touch it, a voice of a girl started singing 'Ring a ring a Rosie'. But then said 'Ashes, Ashes, they all fall down'. I was terrified. I walked out of the library and into a classroom. I saw a book called 'Alice's Diary'. I read it, and it said 'Dear diary, Tiffany and Ellie were teasing me again, but today I got them back. I pointed at them, then Ellie fell down...' half the page was ripped, maybe that girl singing was 'Alice'. I slammed the book back onto the table and walked through a hallway to another classroom. The tables were broken with splintering chairs, and ripped books shrouded the left wall. I looked at the ripped pages in 'A Garden of Roses' and found a bookmark on page 34. Somehow, it wasn't ripped. I decided to put it back and walk out. As soon as I walked out, I looked behind me and saw footprints, far too small for my size. They kept on following me every step I took, I was scared. So I ran into a door that when to a pool. Green water and red spots made me feel like I was trapped in a 'haunted' orphanage.



# Parenting Tips...

Don't raise a spoiled child. Keep this thought in mind: Every child is a treasure, but no child is the centre of the universe. Teach them accordingly.



## WHAT'S ON December 2019

Brought to you by the:  
Deniliquin  
Visitor Information Centre



Date	Venue	Detail
5 <sup>th</sup> Dec-January 30 <sup>th</sup>	Peppin Heritage Gallery	Edward River Art Society exhibition just in time for Christmas and extending to the month of January. Sculptures, water colours, acrylics etc, showcasing a years work. All paintings for sale. Exhibition \$3 entry
7 <sup>th</sup> December	Deniliquin Sporting Car Club Larcombes Lane, Deniliquin, New South Wales 2710	<b>DSCC Round 10 Autocross + Junior Khanacross</b> The last event for 2019 will be Saturday December 7 <sup>th</sup> . Starting with Junior Khanacross at 10am with the final Autocross Round for 2019 kicking off at 1pm. Presentations will be held at the end of the day.
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> dec	Salvation Army Deniliquin 60-64 Edwardes Street, Deniliquin, New South Wales 2710	Ginger bread House Building Night A night full of sugary treasures. Regular, Chocolate and even a Gluten Free Option. \$35 per house, includes the house, tray, icing and lollies, finished off with a large sheet of cellophane to wrap it all up. Contact-58813868
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> & 13 <sup>th</sup>	Deniliquin Club	Muso's Night. <b>First Friday every month.</b> Ph 0417272310
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Peppin Heritage Centre	Edward River Art Society opening night for their Christmas Art Exhibition.
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Waring Gardens	Community Christmas party & Carols by Candlelight. 4pm-9pm. Food stalls, kids activities, face painting, decoration making and gift stalls. The night ends with fireworks.
20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	White Lion Hotel	<b>Oscar Litchfield</b> December is the last month of Oscar's four-month 2019 National tour. Now edging closer to home, after playing shows in South Australia, Tasmania & Western Australia, Oscar Litchfield is capping off 2019 with 9 shows throughout Victoria & New South Wales.  Time 7pm Contact - 58812699
Saturday, 28 December 19:30-23:30	Deniliquin RSL Club 72 End Street, Deniliquin	Back in Deniliquin for the first time in a long time! Come out and enjoy your Saturday night with me (Tim Richards) while you have a bit of tea and a drink or two!

## Share Our Space

Your school is a vital part of our community, and we want you to use it. During these upcoming holidays participating schools across NSW will be opening up their play areas for your enjoyment.

For more details visit  
[schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au](http://schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au)

Tell us what you think about the Share Our Space program by visiting: [goo.gl/Bv5x2](http://goo.gl/Bv5x2)

This pilot is an initiative of the NSW Government.



Nutrition Snippet

## The simplest way

... to pack a picnic.

Summer is a great time to enjoy picnics with friends and family. We find it easiest to pack some different kinds of breads and crackers such as baguettes, wholemeal rolls,



Lebanese bread, rice cakes and corn thins in the picnic basket and then a range of fillings in an esky for everyone to create their own lunch. Try these delicious fillings:

- [Hummus](#)
- [Kale and basil pesto](#)
- [Guacamole](#)
- Different types of cheese (cheddar, labneh, cream cheese)
- Sliced veg (e.g. tomato, capsicum, beetroot, lettuce)
- BBQ chicken

[healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)

**TUESDAY 14th JANUARY**

**11am**

**Deniliquin RSL Club  
Dunlop Room**

**\$10 per person**

*includes: Entry, Popcorn, and Drink*

*Bring your bean bag or pillow*

Doors will open 15 mins prior to screening

