“We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Bundjalung people who are the Traditional Custodians and First Peoples of the Land on which our school stands.”

Halloween Disco
This term in Science and Technology 2/3/4 Blue have been studying the unit "Which Came First" which has given us a fascinating insight into the life cycles of certain animals and plants. We have been discovering life cycles of living things and the ways that changes in the environment can affect these life cycles. Our first task was to be placed into groups and research the life cycles of different species which were Sea Turtles, Cicadas, Frogs and Dandelions. We found many interesting facts such as the Cicada spends 17 years underground before it comes up to the surface! We each had to create a poster of our life cycles and give a presentation to our peers on all the information we had gathered. Our groups researched our topic on the Internet and wrote down all the important information about our living thing so we could present our findings to the class.

We worked really hard and all worked well in our teams. Our next task is for our class to choose a plant or animal and observe it's cycle from start to finish. We are planning to either investigate silkworms or beans in our classroom and record our progress in a class journal. We are very excited about our next scientific investigation and look forward to sharing it with you!
How to Heal a Broken Wing

One joyful day in stunning New York city, there lived a little boy called Will. He was smart, kind, clever and caring. His mother’s name was Lola, and they both lived in a little house. As Will was getting out of bed, he saw a bluebird flying high in the sky. Suddenly it crashed into the window of a skyscraper.

They went outside to the beautiful park. Will was a smart boy and he found the bluebird. It was whining, limping and crying. Will carefully picked up the bird but his mum was worried he would get a disease so she reached down to stop him, but the boy ignored his mum and continued to help the bluebird. Will brought the bird home with him, even though his mum wasn’t very happy about it. When they were back he put a bandage on the bird’s wing. Three weeks went by and the bluebird’s wing was healed.

By Ash

The Lotto Ticket

I walked along the dark lonely street and spotted a lotto ticket on the ground. I picked it up and discovered I had won... twenty five cents. I was disappointed but kept it anyway.

On my way home there was a shop called The One Stop Lolli Shop. I walked inside and spent my twenty five cents there.

The next morning on my way to school I walked past a newsagency and there was a screen saying ‘20 MILLION THIS TUESDAY!’ So I walked in and took out $1 mum had given me. I bought one ticket, only to discover that I had won....... nothing.

By Pearly

Little Chimp and the Buffalo

The little chimp was playing in the big grass and the big chimp was eating grass because he must have been hungry. The big, fat buffalo came out of the tree line because he wanted to attacked the chimps.

The little chimp climbed a tree and called out to the big chimp. When they were both in the tree the buffalo got bored and went away.

By Letrell

Rory’s description of a dinosaur.

My dinosaur.
He has black shiny eyes.
He has gooey sharp teeth.
He has razor sharp claws.

By Rory
Principal’s Address
Due to a clash of dates, our Carols by Candlelight and Presentation Night has been changed to Wednesday the 9th December. Please mark this in your diary.

EOI
We have a few SLSO days coming up towards the end of the term. If you have had experience working with children and have a current employee working with children check, please email your C.V. with the name and number of two referees to albertpk-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Kinder Orientation
Kindergarten Orientation begins tomorrow at 9.15am. If you have a child attending school next year, please come along to our Kindergarten Orientation Program. Come to the office and collect your child’s name badge, then there will be a parent orientation as the children go to the K/1 classroom.

Garden Update
Our veggies are all planted and there are some keen and excited eyes watching and waiting to pick the produce!

Jenni Smedley, Principal

Live Life Well - Death and the Grieving Process
Dealing with a loved one’s death in our lives whether it is a friend, relative, acquaintance or ever a stranger who you identify with due to a tragedy, can be difficult to talk about to our children to help them in the grieving process. Depending on the age of your child they may find cope with a loved one’s death in different ways:

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<td>Mat be open and ask confronting questions</td>
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Adults and children mourn in different ways. You can help children by letting them see you are sad, reassure them that grief is a natural reaction and that counselling is available, grieving is a process not a single event and it can take months and even years for things to be near normal again.

Lyn P - School Chaplin
Head Lice
Recently there has been an outbreak of head lice at the school. Please thoroughly check and, if necessary, treat your children’s hair before they next attend school.
Also, if your child has school sores or other skin conditions, it is required that they are covered with a band aid etc.
Thankyou for your consideration.

Fire Management Plan
We are currently reviewing our fire management plan. These are some of the apps that have been suggested to us:
“Fires Near Me NSW”
“MyFirePlan”
If you wish to have access to fire news, threat levels etc. then you can download them from the app store.

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