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PBL at Blaxland East Public School Positive Behaviour for Learning

Dear Parent/Caregiver

PBL is a proactive whole school approach for creating a positive, safe and supportive school climate in which students can learn and develop. This approach involves the whole school community working together to create a positive learning environment. It allows students to learn academically and socially. PBL is first introduced in all of our non-classroom settings.

At Blaxland East Public School we are dedicated to promoting our core values of being respectful, excellence always, participating courageously and serving others, within our whole school community through:

- Increasing the consistent use of positive teaching and reinforcement strategies among all school staff at school-wide classroom and individual student levels
- Reducing the use of reactive discipline measures in our school for all students
- Increasing data-based decision making about behaviour, teaching and learning, across all school settings
- Implementing effective comprehensive supports and interventions for students with behaviour and emotional needs

New Systems at Blaxland East Public School 2019

1. Free and Frequent Tokens

Our new school PBL token is called a Warin, which is Dharug for Rainbow Lorikeet. Our Warin is called Lori.

When a child has been seen being respectful, demonstrating excellence, participating courageously or serving others in the playground areas of our school, they will be given a Lori. The child's name will be written on the back, then placed in the class box.

At assembly, a Lori will be drawn from each class. These students will receive an ice block.

All of the Loris will then be placed in a combined school container. When this reaches an agreed level the whole school will receive an award determined by the Student Representative Council, in conjunction with staff and Principal.

2. Merit Certificates

Class merit certificates will be given out at K-2 and 3-6 assemblies. Children can also receive a merit certificate during Library, Fitness and other specialist lessons.

3. Bird Awards

The merit certificates come with Blaxland East Public School stickers. Each child has a sticker/reward chart that is kept in their classroom. For every 10 stickers a child earns, they will be presented with a PBL bird award at the next awards assembly. Children will also receive a wristband.

If a child has collected all four bird awards during the year, they will receive the Rainbow Lorikeet award. This is the highest honour for children to receive and they will also receive a Rainbow Lorikeet badge.

4. Student Behaviour Management Process

Our new Student Behaviour Management Process is also being implemented this term. We have introduced yellow and red slips. Children are being taught during weekly PBL lessons the expected behaviours for playground and classroom settings. A yellow slip is classified as a minor behaviour and red slips as major behaviours.

Referral Slips

Yellow Slip – minor incident

If a student has shown a minor behaviour response they will be prompted, redirected and retaught the correct behaviour by the teacher. If this behaviour continues they will be given a logical behaviour consequence and a yellow slip.

Yellow slips will be given to the classroom teacher for tracking purposes and data will be entered into a school tracking system (Sentral).

Red Slip – major incident

If a major behaviour incident occurs, this will be dealt with at an executive level. Incidents will be dealt with in a fair and prompt manner. Conferences with all parties will be held and information gathered. Consequences will be determined, children will be informed and the classroom teacher will be given a copy of the red slip for tracking purposes. Data will be entered into a school tracking system (Sentral).

5. Blaxland East Public School PBL Expectations Matrix

All expected behaviours for our school are outlined on the matrix, which is on the back of this document. Please familiarise yourselves with the expectations in all areas of our school. Our core values underpin the framework of PBL at Blaxland East Public School. All behaviours are taught explicitly and repeatedly throughout the year.

If you have any questions about PBL at Blaxland East, please talk with either:

- * your classroom teacher
- * Mrs Margot Walker (PBL Coordinator) or
- * Mrs Bryan

We will be happy to answer any questions that you might have. We are looking forward to an exciting new year here at Blaxland East Public School.

Yours sincerely

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Kerry Bryan
Principal