



Term 4 Week 9 - 16th Dec 2022

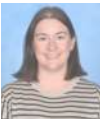
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Balaklava Primary School *newsletter*



Our students enjoyed performing at the End of Year Celebration on Monday night.





From the Principal

It is hard to believe we have reached the end of yet another difficult year. Together as a school community we have faced many challenges this year, however despite these we have managed to achieve great things. The adaptability and resilience of our staff, students and families has been a credit to you all. Thank you for your support of our work

End of Year Celebration

Despite the weather being cool, we had a fantastic celebration. The performances were entertaining with enthusiastic participation from many of our students. One of my highlights was watching the staff and students from Room 8 singing and dancing to "Gingerbread Cookie Dance".

Thank you to our families and community for your attendance.

A special thank you to

- Karl Holzberger for the sound
- Grant Jaeschke for the use of the "trailer stage"
- Balaklava Lions for the use of their BBQ
- Marty for his work as MC
- The staff who cooked the BBQ and sold drinks and raffle tickets.



Please see inside the newsletter for photographs from the night.

Congratulations!

Staffing

I am extremely excited to announce that the following teachers have secured a 12 month contract for 2023

- Madeline Gardner
- Sandy Hodgetts
- Simone Garrard
- Denise Herreen

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Emily Behn, Courtney Durkay and Abby Silverman have all won permanent teaching positions at Balaklava Primary school from 2023.

I am sure you will join me in congratulating these wonderful teachers.

Farewell Good luck

Farewell

During this week, we have said a sad farewell to Sophie and Alex and farewell for "for now" to Kasey.



Sophie joined Balaklava Primary School this year. As an Early Years teacher she took on the challenge of teaching a middle primary class. Sophie's energy, enthusiasm and kind caring manner has been appreciated by students, staff and families. Sophie has had a challenging year with more than one bout of Covid and her class being the first sent for PCR testing. However, as we reflect on the year, nothing has phased Sophie. She continues to bounce back with a laugh and huge smile no matter what challenge she faces. Student wellbeing is always a priority for Sophie and she worked tirelessly with students and families to ensure the students in her class are happy and comfortable, never leaving an issue unsolved. We wish Sophie all the very best for her year at Riverton Primary School next year and hope to see her back at BPS in the future.



Alex also joined us this year after, starting in Ber 3 when Emily Thomas went on Maternity Leave towards the end of Term 2. Alex has developed wonderful relationships with students and parents. She is thoughtful, organised and a quiet achiever. Her dedication is an absolute credit to her, driving daily from Kadina and always being one of the first to arrive. Alex has shown many strengths as a first year teacher. We wish her all the very best for her new position at St Mary MacKillop, a 10 minute drive from home.

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Kasey is taking leave from BPS in 2023 and will be teaching at Auburn Primary School. We wish Kasey all the best for 2023.



Farewell to the Year 6 students

Graduation is a special milestone. Some of our graduating students have been with us since Reception and some only a short time. We have enjoyed working with all of the students and have been honoured to be a part of their learning journey. Graduation is a proud moment for families and for us. For some of these families, it is the end of their involvement with BPS, as their youngest is graduating. Our thanks to you for your support of us throughout the years that your children have been at BPS.



We wish our graduating Year 6 students all the very best in their secondary education and for the future.

Academic Award

Congratulations to Ruby Lemon, recipient of the Year 6 Academic Award.

Positive attitude

Ruby takes on any challenge without complaining and tries to focus on the positives in any situation.

Puts in effort in all areas

Ruby goes above and beyond with all academic tasks and always asks clarifying questions to be able to achieve her best.

Shows a high ability in all areas

Ruby rarely struggles, loves challenging things and approaches them with a "hmmm how can I solve this one" attitude.

Positive role model

Ruby is happy to help others, encourages others to try a bit harder and explains to others why things are important.

Has a high level of achievement

Ruby has achieved high grades for all subjects over the year, is exceptional at writing, reading and Maths, understands all maths concepts by the end of every unit and has amazing research skills.

Consistent effort in work and behaviour

Ruby has consistently kept up to date with all work and her bookwork is always neat and well presented.



Rodney Reid presented Ruby with her Academic award

Masonic Lodge Award

The criteria for the Masonic Lodge awards is

- Positive Attitude
- Puts effort in all areas
- Consistent effort in work and behaviour
- Community orientated, helpful and respectful
- Consistently displays School values.

Congratulations to Alexa Young who was the recipient of the Year 6 Masonic Lodge Award. Alexa is a highly motivated and strives to give her best at all times. Alexa consistently demonstrates behaviour that sets the standard for her classmates.



Rodney Reid presented Alexa with her Masonic Lodge award

Alexa has participated within the following throughout her final year at primary school:

- Reliably does class jobs like putting out the goal posts and collecting lunch orders
- Ran assemblies
- Helped with school events such as Harmony Day, Ride to School Day and School Disco
- Organised recess time sports
- Helped run SRC meetings
- Helps their local sporting clubs with all sorts of jobs
- Is learning how to umpire basketball
- Represented Balaklava Primary School at Remembrance Day and ANZAC Day
- Ran school tours
- Has been a massive help inside the classroom as well as for the leadership team
- Was Preston House Captain and a School Leader this year

Rowan Ramsay School Community Award

At the end of year celebration I announced our Rowan Ramsay MP School Community Award for 2022. Lauren March was our very worthy recipient of this award.

Lauren is always seen putting her hand up to volunteer at school events and can be seen helping out at Breakfast Club each week. She is considerate of others and offers support to staff and families. Lauren has also been an active member on PCC and Governing Council and can be seen going above and beyond to help out where she can.

Lauren is one to always put more effort in than required and if in a crisis, she will make contact first and ask how she can help.

Congratulations to Lauren for this very deserving award, we appreciate all your help. We would truly be lost without you.



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Congratulations!
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Minister of Education Volunteering Award

The other award that I announced at the end of year celebration was the Minister of Education Volunteering Award for outstanding service to Balaklava Primary School. Jenny Young was our recipient for this year's award.



Jenny has been an amazing contributor to our school, always visiting our young classes in her role as the Dental Lady.

While Jenny has been PCC Chairperson she has been instrumental in the creation of the Facebook Page - *Balaklava Primary School Volunteers* and is always looking for ways to increase the number of people assisting with events.

Jenny has overseen many fundraising events, works tirelessly behind the scene to ensure everything is organised perfectly.

We have absolutely appreciated all of Jenny's hard work and dedication to BPS.

Congratulations Jenny for your outstanding service to BPS. We would be truly lost without you.



LIBRARY VISTS WITH MRS JENNER



We had 11 visits to the Balaklava Community Library. We got 93 new cards and saw all of the features such as Books, Movies, Magazines, CD's and more!

We also heard about the Holiday programs that they run throughout the school holidays. You can find more information about that on Page 27.

- Kasey Jenner



EOY RAFFLE

Thank you to all of the families who contributed items for our 11 class hamper prizes as well as those who sold raffle tickets.

We raised approximately \$1800 from the raffle which will be put towards the in-ground trampolines. Congratulations to the winners of the hampers.



- Holly Hannaford
- Lisa Welke
- Tom Lloyd
- Kellie McDonald
- Mandy Darish
- Rose Hahsey
- Darci Boakes
- Rubi Lemon
- Ava Boakes
- Eva McCracken
- Les

Room 6

CHRISTMAS PUDDING TRADITION



We all know Christmas is just around the corner when Room 6 gets out the pudding which has become a Room 6 tradition!

They first colour in their own pudding as they wish, then they get very creative with the legs and even give their puddings shoes!





2023

VOCAL LESSONS

To be held at *Balaklava Primary School*
Beginning in Term 1 2023 for students of all ages.

Expressions of interest and for more information please contact:

Kate Walker
Phone: 0438 865 214
Email: katesinging214@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY 'SPECIAL LUNCH'

Last week the Children's University Graduates have celebrated with lunch at Wendy's.

It's never too early to start collecting hours for 2023. If you are interested in participating in the Children's University in 2023 speak with Cherie Cleary or Sal Hahsey for more information.



SCHOOL LEADERS



On Monday of Week 6 our 4 School Leaders, Henry, Ruby, Henry and Alexa attended the Public Education Student Forum in Clare at the Golf Club.

Blair Boyer the Minister of Education spoke to them via video about Public Education in South Australia. The students were asked to give feedback about student wellbeing and what helps them with their learning.

They were supplied with a delicious lunch and even had time to practice their golf skills during their lunch break.



2023 CLASS STRUCTURES



Room 6
R/1
Marcia Nowlan



Room 7
R/1
Emily Behn



Room 8
R-6
Abby Silverman



Room 2
Year 4
Jenny Rowland



Ber 1
Year 1/2
Wendy Richards



Ber 2
Year 4/5
Sandy Hodgetts



Ber 3
Year 2/3
TBC



Ber 4
Year 2/3
Courtney Durkay



Room 18
Year 5/6
Jo Michalanney



Room 20
Year 5/6
Simone Garrard



Room 14A
Year 5/6
Rebecca Houston



First Nations
Vivienne Churchett

SPECIALIST CURRICULUM TEACHERS



Room 16
French
Madeline Gardner



Room 16
Technologies/ The Arts
Jessica Bushnell



Room 1
Science
Denise Herreen



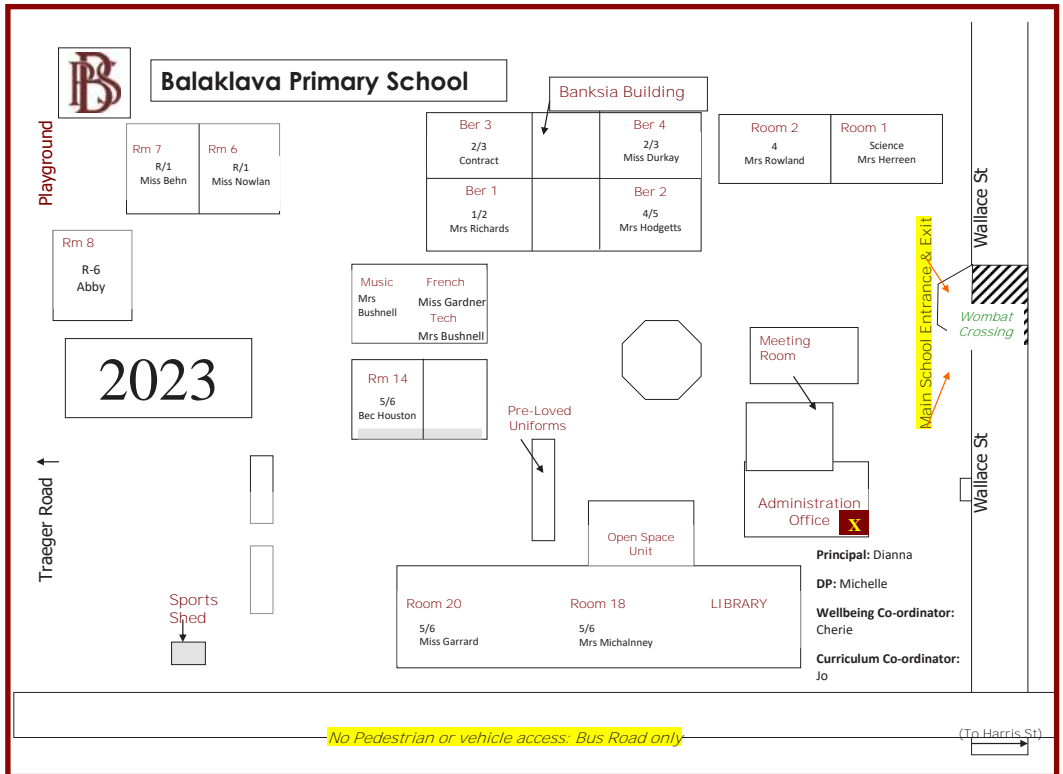
Autism Inclusion
Jess Daniel - Monday's



Wellbeing Coordinator
Cherie Cleary



Deputy Principal
Michelle Pudney



BER 1 & 3 BLYTH CINEMA EXCURSION

BER 1 and 3 were very excited to be heading to the Blyth Cinemas on Thursday of last week. There were lots of conversations happening on the bus as we made our way to the Cinema.

Once in the cinema students were treated to a popcorn and a pop top. We found our seats and sat down to watch the movie 'Luck'. It was a great movie all about good luck and bad luck which all students thoroughly enjoyed. We left the cinema to have a quick play on the playground and ate some lunch before heading back to school.

We all were having such a great time that we forgot to take any photos!

- Miss Wehr



PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE

BALAKLAVA CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

The Twelve Days of Aussie Christmas

BY COLIN BUCHANAN

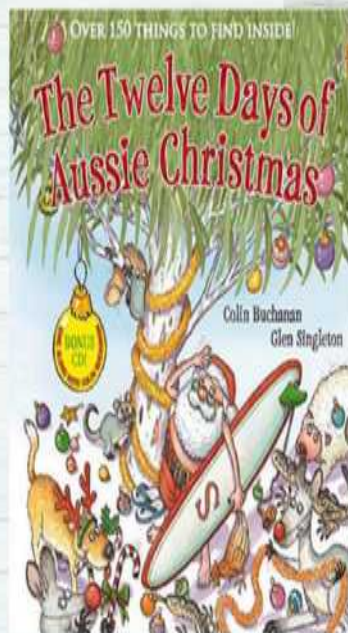
FRIDAY **23** DECEMBER



STUDENTS COME DRESSED AS:

- FOOTY FANS
- SURFING SANTAS
- SWAGMAN
- CRICKET LEGENDS
- JACKAROOS
- DINGOS
- ANYTHING AUSSIE CHRISTMAS

MEET AT THE BCCC AT
5:30PM FOR A 5:45PM START



Registration Days 2023

For ALL students as per 2022 outdoor car lanes

Wednesday 25th January 9am - 2pm

Friday 27th January 9am - 12:30pm

Express lane for those who have made prior payment / school card application and have forms completed

BER 2 & 4 EXCURSION

On Thursday B2 & B4 went to Blyth cinema to watch the movie 'Luck'. When we got there we had a snack and a play on the playground and then we went into the movies and we got a small popcorn and a pop top. Then we waited for 2 other schools for about 10 minutes and then the movie started it was all very interesting until everything shutdown and then I fell asleep. After the movie we went on the playground for 15 minutes and then we came back to school and had lunch.

- Caitlyn



On Thursday the 15th of December Ber 2 and Ber 4 went to the Blyth cinema to watch 'Luck'. When we got there we got to play on the playground for 15 minutes then we went into the cinema. We got a small popcorn and a pop top then we waited ten minutes for the other schools to get there once the movie finished we played on the playground. Then we went back to school. - Grace

Back to School
Term 1 2023
MON 30TH JAN

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE REWARDS DAY 2022

We had our Premier's Reading Challenge Rewards day last Friday at the opening day of the new and improved Balaklava Pool. This was a day to celebrate the students who had completed the Premier's Reading Challenge. We hope to see as many if not more students complete the Challenge next year in 2023!





Rm 18 & 20 BOUNCE EXCURSION



Bouncing out of 2022 the two year 5/6 classes finished the year with an excursion to Bounce. Students had fun flipping, jumping, stacking and somersaulting, whilst challenging their skills on the parkour course. A big thank you to Mrs M and Miss Garrard for organising the day. Also thanks to Stacey, Lee-Anne and Mrs Pudney for helping out on the day. Finishing off the excursion with lunch at Maccas was appreciated by all the students.



It was really exciting to have a go at all the different activities in my group - Alexa



Maccas was great but I really enjoyed the zip line and playing dodgeball - Daniel



The X Park was awesome to run around and complete difficult challenges. Thanks to all the teachers for a very exciting day. This week has been a great way to finish Year 6 - Aliyse

Rm 1 & 2 BEACH EXCURSION



Room 1 and 2 visited Office Beach at Wallaroo on Tuesday. The students loved the day despite the weather! Great day for our students to experience the beach!













ASSEMBLY AWARD WINNERS - WEEK 8



Rm 6
Jack



Rm 6
Holly



Rm 6
Nate



Rm 6
Rose



Rm 6
Zoe



Rm 7
Khalessi



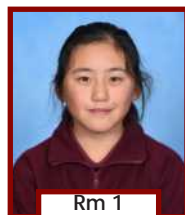
Rm 7
Prudence



Rm 7
Evie



Rm 8
Adam



Rm 1
Athena



Rm 1
Lucas



Rm 1
Bryce



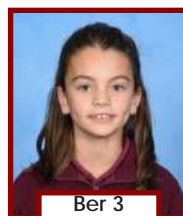
Rm 2
Whole Class



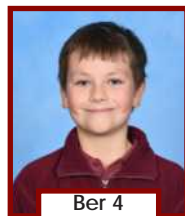
Ber 2
Whole Class



Ber 3
Anekah



Ber 3
Coby



Ber 4
Morgan



Ber 4
Ilka



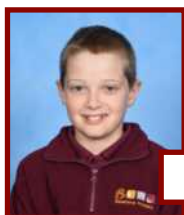
Ber 4
Charley



Rm 18
Henry



Rm 18
Kourtney



Rm 20
Liam



Rm 20
Amiliah

LEXILE AWARDS

Blue



Wyatt

Red



Jasmine



Dante

Bronze



Dylan



Lucas



Zander



Scarlett



Isabelle



Madilyn



Lexie

Silver



Ella



A special mention to Ella who reached her lexile goal for this year. She achieved over 360 lexile points which is the equivalent to reaching gold 3 times!

She has read over 1 million words and that is just in lexile books.

Well Done Ella!

Well Done for Miss Durkays class as most of the students had received at least 1 lexile award if not more!

PREMIERS BE ACTIVE AWARDS



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BALAKLAVA SCHOOLS CANTEEN

Dear Parents/Caregivers

The Balaklava Schools Canteen offers a wide range of delicious, healthy food for our students with the emphasis on *good food choices*. The canteen accepts lunch orders from both schools with high school students being able to buy over the counter food, drinks and ice creams during recess and lunch.

The canteen is run by our Canteen Manager, Lisa Watson along with our Canteen Assistants, Raeleen Cavanagh and Katie Urwin, who are supported by our wonderful volunteers. There are many different tasks a volunteer may carry out including baking banana bread, preparing fruit salad tubs, making different rolls and sandwiches, serving students or bagging lunch orders. We welcome parents and caregivers to volunteer in our canteen, even if it is for only an hour or two, one day a term. Volunteering offers an opportunity for parents/caregivers to meet many of the children and to interact with other members of the community as you work together, gaining and building skills in the hospitality industry.

All volunteers are provided with lunch on the day along with a "bottomless cup" of tea and coffee.

We ask our valued volunteers to obtain a Working with Children Check, undergo the Responding to Abuse and Neglect training and be familiar with our induction process, which we will guide you through every step of the way. There are no out of pocket expense to you as all costs are paid by the Canteen.

If you feel you can help, please fill in the tear off slip which also includes time options. As little as an hour makes a big difference and you don't have to serve the students if you find this difficult. We thank you most sincerely for your consideration of this very valuable contribution to your child's school.

Unfortunately, with WHS being a high priority for the Canteen, we unfortunately cannot have children in the Canteen whilst parents are volunteering. We realise that this may preclude some parents from volunteering, but we are mindful of the safety of both the child and the wellbeing of the parents.

Please detach and return to Balaklava High School.

Yours faithfully

Canteen Committee



BALAKLAVA SCHOOLS CANTEEN



Name: School:

Phone No: Student's Name/Class:

Email address (to receive roster):

Times: 9:30am – 12:30pm ☐ Other please specify..... ☐

Days Preferred:



Dear Parent/Caregiver, **in your January pack you will receive:**

- 2023 M&S Charge invoice per student
 - 2023 Info-tech levy invoice per student - **4th and subsequent students** are exempt
 - 2023 Water Safety consent form/per student & 2023 Swim levy invoice per student
 - 2023 Performances levy invoice per student - **4th and subsequent students** are exempt
 - 2023 School Card online application form information. **Available at** [School Card scheme](#) page on the SA GOV website **opening 16th January 2023.**
 - Tips & Reminders
 - Skoolbag & Qkr instructions
 - Communication App information
 - School Expectations
 - Nut & Seed Aware School information
- Plus where applicable:*
- 2023 Yr 6 Aquatics Camp total invoice.
 - 2023 Yr 4 & Yr5 Camp total invoice **TBC**
 - 2023 Yr 6 Magazine and Yr 6 Graduation excursion invoice
 - Statement of credits with and /or any outstanding amounts owed to BPS

Please keep your eye out for the January mail out which includes this information about Registration Days as well as invoices and important information for the 2023 school year.

REGISTRATION DAYS: for ALL students as per 2022 outdoor car lanes January 2023 Wed. 25th 9am-2pm and Fri. 27th 9am-12.30pm

EXPRESS LANE for those who have made prior payment / School Card application & have forms completed.

Payment can be made in the following ways:

- **Cash or cheque** (made payable to Balaklava Primary School) - **Eftpos**
- Mobile phone app **Qkr.** - **Direct Debit** to: BSB: 065 000 Account: 12133346
- **Phone** on the 24th, 25th & 27th January 2023 - **Installments** by arrangement with office staff.

Registration Packs will be issued immediately following the Payment of Fees **OR** Completion of 2023 SCHOOL CARD form **OR** the Payment of \$55/student and INSTALMENT PLAN AGREEMENT signed.

2023 Materials & Services plus Extras Ready Reckoner per family

	1 student	2 students	3 students	4 students
M&S	280	560	840	1120
ICT levy	10	20	30	30
Swimming levy	15	30	45	60
Performances levy	30	60	90	90
*less 2023 M&S Rebate	-100	-200	-300	-400
TOTAL	235	470	705	900
*less early pay discount	-5	-10	-15	-20
TOTAL before 5/2/23 *	230	460	690	880
TOTAL after 5/2/23	235	470	705	900
School Card families	1 student	2 students	3 students	4 students
M&S	0	0	0	0
ICT levy	10	20	30	30
Swimming levy	15	30	45	60
Performances levy	30	60	90	90
TOTAL	55	110	165	180
Additional Payments	TBC			
Yr 6 students	approx.\$120/stu	Aquatics camp deposit \$20 by 5 th Feb		
Yr 6 students	approx.\$22/stu	Magazine optional – payment by end of T3		
Yr 6 students	approx.\$30/stu	Graduation excursion optional– payment by start T4		
Yr 4 & 5 students	approx.\$220/stu	camp deposit by 6 th Feb \$20 TBC		
Yr 6 students	\$40/stu	POLOSHIRT – size, order & pay at TADS by 5th Feb		

Summer HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2022-2023

CRAFT ACTIVITIES

Christmas Craft

December 17th to 23rd

Leaf Rubbing

January 9th to 14th

Pine Cone Creature

January 16th to 21st

Nature Crown

January 23rd to 28th



CHRISTMAS CLOSURE

24th December 2022 -

8th January 2023

Library staff would like to
wish you a

Merry Christmas & Happy
New Year.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY OPENING HOURS

Mon - Fri 9:00AM -
4:30 PM

(closed for lunch 1 - 2PM)
Saturday 9AM - 12PM



EVERYDAY NINTENDO FUN

You can now book in to use our
Nintendo Switch Lites to play
Minecraft, Animal Crossing,
Pokemon and more.



Christmas Raffle
for adult borrowers
Closes 15th December



DECORATE THE CHRISTMAS COOKIE

These adorable Christmas Cookies can be
decorated over and over again. But are not
to be eaten. A fun little decorative game for
age +3 Available from December 17th to
23rd.



NEW TO THE LIBRARY

Big Games 4 IN A ROW,
STACK 'N' FALL, WILD PINES
TRAINSET



EVERYDAY HOLIDAY FUN

Join us each day during opening hours to build and
create with Lego and our Magnetic Tiles. Practice
your balancing skills with our nutty balance. Learn
the flags of the world in our memory game and more.



2023 SCHOOL TERM DATES

Term 1

Monday 30th January - Friday 14th April

Term 2

Monday 1st May - Friday 7th July

Term 3

Monday 24th July - Friday 29th September

Term 4

Monday 16th October - Friday 15th December

**Balaklava Football & Netball Club are again
competing in the Northern Plains Female Football
Competition for the 2023 season**

7-11 years (2015, 14, 13, 12)

U14's (2011, 10, 09)

U17's (2008, 07, 06)

Senior 2005 and older

2023 FEMALE FOOTBALL COMPETITION

**The 6-week competition starts 19th February and
is played on Sundays**

*Please email, text or call Richard with your details or for more
information bfncfootball@gmail.com, 0448 130 274*

