



BORDERTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLINK

Inspire, Challenge, Achieve

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IMPORTANT DATES

Cross Country
Friday May 20 at Naracoorte
Thursday June 9 at Oakbank

School Assembly
Friday May 27 at 2.15pm
Thursday June 9 at 2.15pm

Pupil Free Day
Friday June 10

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Monday June 13

Sapsasa Football
May 30 - June 1

SA Health COVID-19
Vaccination Hub
Friday June 3 & Saturday June 4

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Term 2 kicks off

A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

School is beginning to return to the vibrant hive of activity that we know and love, and we are very much looking forward to having families involved at close quarters once again. Our term 2 calendar is filling up quickly, and it's great to have special events and opportunities kick into gear once again.

A highlight for me has been seeing students, staff and families enjoy Friday night footy and netball at Bordertown Oval. I would like to thank our wonderful staff whose time and energy ensures this longstanding opportunity continues for our kids and the wider community. If your child is not yet involved, they are welcome to come along and join in the fun from 4 - 5pm on Friday afternoons. You can get in touch with teachers Josh Searle or Sue Maney for further details.



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Students and staff also recently enjoyed a brilliant live performance by the Police Band. This was a great opportunity for us to hear high quality music from professional musicians. Not only did the band play a variety of tunes, they also had important messages for our students about safety on the road, seeking help from police and when to call 000, the special emergency phone number.

Now we are returning to a more normal way of life, we would love to see family and friends joining us for whole school gatherings. Assemblies at BPS are usually held fortnightly on Friday afternoons from 2.15pm in the gym. All classes R-6 have the chance to host an assembly once throughout the year. We value this regular, whole-school event for the opportunity it provides students to share their learning and celebrate one another's successes.

We are very happy to be able to welcome back parents and caregivers who are interested in volunteering at school. We'd love your help with our reading, breakfast or gardening programs. There are a few important requirements for volunteers to be able to help in schools, and we will share details of these in coming weeks. For now, if you're interested in helping in your child's classroom, or being involved in school initiatives more broadly, we invite you to register your interest by phoning our team in the front office.

A final note from me - well done to our years 3 and 5 students for the great effort they've demonstrated taking part in the NAPLAN assessments over the past two weeks. The information provided from NAPLAN supports our school-based assessment and helps us identify big picture trends over time and across cohorts. We look forward to sharing more with you on this later in the year.

Amy Reid



Hopscotch 6 Kilometres – and then Some

CURRICULUM COORDINATORS

Have you ever played hopscotch? It's a fun game where you hop on numbered squares. Normally hopscotch only has 10 squares. But what if you played hopscotch with thousands and thousands of squares? That's what some kids did, making the world's longest hopscotch game. They used wooden frames dipped in paint to make the squares, instead of drawing each one in chalk. The course stretched for more than 6 kilometres and it took more than 2 hours to hop the whole thing – much more than a hop, a skip and a jump!

Junior Primary:

A square has 4 sides. Can you name a shape with 1 less side than that?



Middle Primary:

If you land on your right foot in the 1st square, your left foot in the 2nd square, and keep that pattern up, what foot lands on the 8th square?

Bonus: If you can finish the 6 kilometre hopscotch in 2 hours, how many kilometres can you hop in 4 hours (if you don't get tired and slow down)?

Upper Primary:

1 kilometre is 1000 metres long. If there's 1 metre between each 1 metre square, how many squares are there in 1 kilometre? If there was 2 metres between each 1 metre square, how many squares in 1 kilometre?

Bonus: As you see, sometimes 2 squares are in the same row. If there are exactly 2,000 squares in the course, and $\frac{1}{4}$ of them are doubled up in rows, how many total rows of singles and doubles does the course have?



Anzac Day

A NOTE FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

On the 25th April, many of our Kids' Voice representatives attended the Anzac Day dawn service on behalf of our school. As part of the service, our Executive team was invited to lay our school wreath upon the monument at the Bordertown RSL.

Following the service, the students had the opportunity to listen to Steve talk about his research into the Anzacs, introduce his horse Cody and explain the equipment worn by Cody.

Our students represented our school with pride and respect to the service men and women who have served for our country.

As we celebrate Volunteers Week within our community, it is a timely reminder to acknowledge that volunteers have played an important role at Bordertown Primary School, supporting our staff and students.

As restrictions begin to ease, we would like to invite interested volunteers to express their interest in supporting our Breakfast Club program between 8:20 to 9:10am. The duties include supporting students to cook and serve breakfast and help clean up.

If you are interested in supporting this program, please contact Kylie Staude for more information.





Lucas - Jimmy Donaldson
Jimmy is a famous youtuber who gives a lot to charities.



Brodie - Mark Merrett
Mark inspires me because he is the only Australian who makes videos of himself farming.



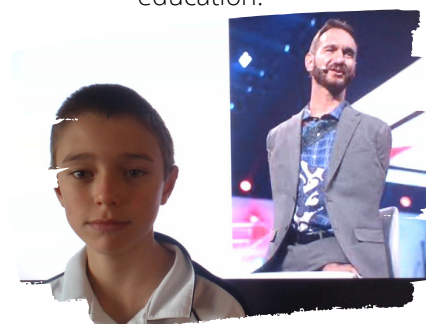
Ebony - Malala
Malala inspires me because she thinks girls should have a good education.



Grace - Anne Frank
Anne inspires me because she writes in a diary as I do.



Charlotte H - Coco Chanel
Coco inspires me because she is a fashion designer and is rich, just like I would like to be.



Will - Nick Vujicic
Nick inspires me because even though he has a disability, he has overcome it and has not given up.



Cooper - Curtly Ambrose
Curtly inspires me because he grew up in a small town in West Indies and became a great cricket player.



Chichi - Enid Blyton
She inspires me because she is an author and she helps kids in need.



Lachlan - Stan Lee
Stan Lee inspired me because he never gave up.



Lilly - Jessica Fox
Jessica inspires me because she is an Australian who never gave up.



Tuta - Billy Slater
Billy Slater inspires me because he is my favourite rugby player.



Kyla - Jessica Cox
Jessica inspires me because of her achievements of doing so many good things with no arms.



Ben - Nick Vujicic

Nick inspires me because he does everything that an able bodied person would do, but he does it without arms or legs.



Ryan - Michael Wiese

I chose my dad because he runs a 3 200 acre farm that I'm going to run one day.



Jada - Nick and Maddie Riewoldt

Nick and Maddie inspire me because when Maddie died, Nick kept fighting to raise money for Aplastic Anaemia.



Remi - Jessica Cox

She inspires me because she got to do everyday things even though she has no arms and she didn't give up.



Alix - Lydia Ko

Lydia inspires me because she was the youngest woman to start playing golf tournaments.



Darcy - Bert Boute

Bert inspires me because he is brave.



Hunter - Charles Brice

He inspires me because he survived a broken neck and he keeps on going for his goals.



Naufal - Spencer Stone

He inspires me because he go injured but bravely fought on.



Adam - Stephen Hawkin

Stephan Hawkin inspires me by living so long with a major life changing disease.



Charlotte B - Malala

Malala inspires me because she stood up for womens rights.



Samar



Rusty - Gerry Harvey
(Harvey Norman)

He inspires me because he runs a shop.



Gael - Mark Rober

He inspires me because he loves natures



Yahya - Elon Musk

Elon inspires me because when his idols doubted him, he didn't give up, he kept going.



Sapsasa Girls Softball

In week 11 term 1, myself, Eve Rowett and Sophie Mock went to Adelaide to play softball for Southern Fleurieu. They were short of players and asked us to fill in for them.

It was a great experience, and we had a lot of fun. At first when Mum and Dad told me I was really scared because I didn't know anyone from Southern Fleurieu.

Thank you to our parents for letting us go.

Lilly Harvey

Sapsasa Boys Softball



During week 11, term 1, Darcy Belluzzo, Adam Graetz, Chayce Orrock, Blake Kennett attended the Softball State Carnival in Adelaide. Unfortunately, Jack Dawes was also selected but was unable to play.

We played 7 games over 3 days, won 6 and lost 1. This put us in equal first place and we ended up coming home with a medal. During the week we went to the Beachouse in Glenelg and Spargos Café for tea. It was great to learn a new sport and make new friends.

Thanks to Leah Pimlott for coaching us.

Darcy & Adam

PCW News Welcome to Term 2

How quickly we get back into the swing of school life!

My article this week is inspired by an article written by Mark LeMessurier - SA's 2022 Senior South Australian of the Year - who is both an author and educator around social/emotional learning.

Mark's article is written in response to the increasing mental health difficulties we are experiencing throughout society, especially amongst our children. These can arise from the unexpected twists and turns life brings, along with factors such as illness, disability, loss and COVID - many of which have long lasting effects and can be hard to overcome.

Mark offers 12 steps for us as parents/caregivers to use as protective factors and also to assist our kids when hard times occur. I will share these with you over the term.

1 - A problem shared is a problem halved

When the going gets tough, coach your kids to share their thoughts with family and friends. Family and friends are such a blessing in that they love us and want to participate in our lives. They remind us not to overthink or take ourselves too seriously and provide us with a sprinkle of optimism and hope.

§ 2 - Do away with unnecessary drama

Unnecessary drama plays out too often in our lives. As parents/ caregivers it is more beneficial to model how to slow down, breathe, and self-regulate our emotions. Overreacting and becoming too picky, too shouty, too controlling, too dominating etc increases the stress hormones in our children's brains.

Consequently, a constant release of cortisol can compromise our children's brain growth and immune system - increasing the risk of depression and anxiety, weakening rational thinking and memory. This is a powerful reminder for us all to learn ways to face everyday problems calmly and constructively.

§ 3 - Stay active

This can be through organised sport or simply walking, dancing to music and playing outside. Physical activity allows the brain to release endorphins which make us feel good.

§ 4 - Sleep

7 to 9 hours is about right for adults, but children and teens require 9 - 10 hours each night. Consistently falling short of the sleep we need creates what's called a 'sleep deficit'. This causes moodiness and low energy, clouds our learning, impairs memory, reduces motivation, and our capacity for strong decision-making and concentration flies out the window! Sleep helps the brain to reorganise. It's the best 'free' learning tool we'll ever receive.

Stay tuned in for the next steps.

Take care,

Karen

Room 11 Anzac Day Artwork

Year 3

Svilans

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Eddie



Megan



Nate



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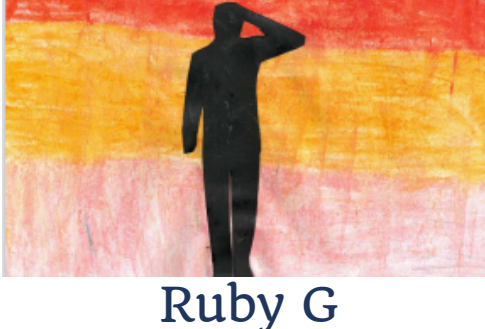
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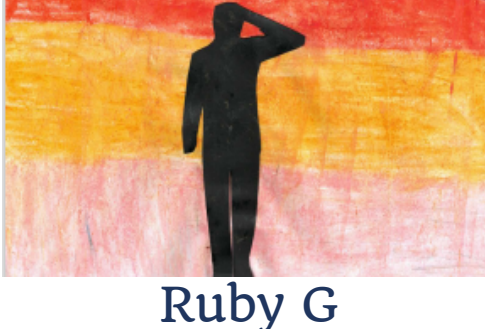
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Year 3 Svilans

The two questions: "Why is Anzac Day special?" and, "What was important about sunrise in war?" were asked to students in Room 11. Here are some of their responses:

Oliver: At sunrise, the soldiers all went to fight.



Oliver

River: Anzac Day is special as it's a moment to remember someone who has passed away at war.



River

Skye: It is important to remember the people who passed away and you could go to the cemetery to show your respect.

Alexis: Anzac Day is special to me because my Great Grandfather went to war.



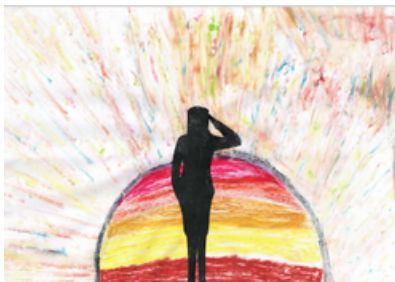
Hannah



Chace



Skye



Hayley



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Alexis



Isaac



Ellah



Winter is Coming

**BPS School Beanies are available
at the front office.
\$15.00 each payable on QKR.**

PLANET YOUTH INFORMATION SESSION

Read more at
www.smlc.org.au

**WHEN:
WEDNESDAY 15TH JUNE 2022**

**TIME:
6.30PM-8PM**

**WHERE:
BORDERTOWN CIVIC CENTRE**

"The world as we have created it is a process
of our thinking. It cannot be changed without
changing our thinking." - Albert Einstein

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