

ISSUE 10 4 NOVEMBER 2022

# BORDERTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLINK

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#### IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 8th - Thursday 10th Sapsasa Girls Cricket

Thursday 10th
Assembly 2pm

Friday 11th November PUPIL FREE DAY

Monday 14th Whole School Performance Camp Quality

Wednesday 16th - Friday 18th Sapsasa Tennis

Friday 18th November SPORTS DAY

Friday 25th Assembly 2pm

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Year 6 students at Parliament House with Nick McBride

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It has been a busy and exciting start to the term. First up we've had camps, beginning with the Year 6 Adelaide Camp and also our Year 4/5 and 5 classes visiting Woodhouse. In week 2 our Year 4 classes visited Adelaide and stayed at the Warradale Urban Campsite. They visited the Zoo and Botanic Gardens. It was my absolute pleasure to take part in the Woodhouse camp. I want to do a big shout out to all the parent volunteers who generously gave their time to come on camp. We had great support and we hope you had lots of fun too. I want to congratulate all our students who attended for being excellent ambassadors for our school. They behaved exceptionally well and by all accounts had lots of fun. Finally, I want to thank all our teachers and non-teaching staff who went on the camps or supported organising them. Camps are an extra-curricular experience and can only happen if our staff volunteer. It means extra commitments, workload, and time away from their own families. Thank you all again for your generosity and commitment.

#### FROM PAGE ONE...

Next we had our choir perform for their final big performance in Mt Gambier. A huge success and wonderful experience for them all. Again choir is an extra-curricular activity that can only happen if staff volunteer. I'm sure you will join me in thanking Karen, Miss Carter and Mrs Capurso for their ongoing support and commitment to our choir. Our students and staff have outdone themselves this year. Congratulations everyone.

#### **Staffing News**

Due to some unforseen circumstances, Karen (Pastoral Care Worker) and Mrs McCallum (Teacher Librarian) will be on leave for the remainder of the year. We have made contact with families where students might have had some ongoing work with Karen separately but invite any students or families with particular wellbeing issues or concerns to make contact with their class teacher, Mrs Kerri Foulds who has a wellbeing focus for the remainder of the year or either Mrs Capurso (Deputy Principal) or myself can also be contacted.

Karen will be on leave for 2023 and soon we will begin advertising for a Pastoral Care Worker to backfill Karen next year. Keep an eye out for that. In the meantime, if you or someone you know might be interested, please get in touch.

I'm pleased to announce that for 2023 Mrs Kylie Staude has been appointed to the Wellbeing Teacher role and Mrs Kerri Foulds has been appointed to the Autism Inclusion Teacher role. Both are well placed to support our students, teachers and leaders in these important areas.

Congratulations to you both.

Finally, I can advise that Ms Amy Reid will continue her parenting leave in term 1 2023, with the view to return to BPS in term 2. Our Education Director and the Department are working behind the scenes to appoint another experienced principal for term 1, who can support the great work already being planned for 2023. While we don't know who the acting Principal will be yet, we do know that Mrs Ebony Capurso will continue in the Deputy Principal role for 2023 and will be well positioned to ensure our site improvement focus remains at the forefront of our work. Ebony will continue to lead teaching and learning within the site.

Tobias O'Connor Principal



FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

#### **World Teachers' Day**

On Friday 28th October, we celebrated World Teachers' Day at Bordertown Primary School. The teachers were gifted some lovely treats from our SSOs and we were incredibly fortunate to enjoy a delicious morning tea put together by the Lutheran Church. The banana cake was spectacular. Thank you for acknowledging the work that we do.

The teachers at Bordertown Primary work incredibly hard to provide engaging, rigorous learning that meets the needs of their students. As a new member of the team, it has been wonderful to join a group of professionals who are reflective. critical thinkers and lifelong learners. Teaching is challenging and because we care so deeply about our students, the pursuit of providing the best for them can be all consuming and exhausting. However, alongside this is the absolute joy that comes from working with children. They are interesting, funny, loving, creative and inspiring. We get to work with them each day and that is certainly something worth celebrating.

#### .Book Donation

The School was thrilled to find out recently that we are the recipients of a donation of \$9,880 worth of books. Dymocks Children's Charities were given the money by the Keith & Districts Community Bank to provide our school with new books of our choice for our School Library. The teachers have been busily selecting books for our students to enjoy. We are so grateful.



#### **Breakfast Club**

Thank you to Karen (PCW) for her incredible commitment to facilitating our Breakfast Club. With her absence, we are seeking more parent volunteers to assist us on Wednesday and Thursday mornings. If you are able to help out, please contact the school.

Ebony Capurso
Deputy Principal



## BORDERTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

**STARTING AT 9AM** 



Family and friends welcome



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**BBQ & Coffee Van available** 



House coloured donuts available for pre-order





BYO picnic blankets and deck chairs



## YEAR 3 LEARNING



Miss Carter's Class



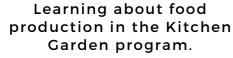


















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Designing solutions to problems in Technology.











### Sapsasa Basketball

On Friday week 1, we went to Adelaide for Sapsasa basketball. It was a fun experience, and it was nice to play a team game with our friends. We all got together after every game and had team discussions. Everyone loved the experience.

There were lots of tough teams, but we managed to win one game by a point and lose one game by a point. We really liked the canteen for lunch! We went home happy because we ended the day with a win.

Thanks to Grace and Emily for coaching and team managing us. Thanks also to the parents and caregivers and Mr. Collins.





On Friday week 1 we went to St Clair Basketball Stadium for the finals of the state Sapsasa basketball championships. We played 5 games in total. Out of the 3 games in the must win round we won all 3. We ended up coming third because we lost in the semi-final. The team gave their best effort but we lost in overtime.

We had so much fun and overall, we think we gave a really good effort and it was a good day. We would like to thank Mr. Collins for being at every carnival.



#### SPORTS DAY DONUTS

Get your orders in on Qkr. by Monday November 14th.

Available with your house colour icing Red Green Blue Yellow

Donuts are \$4.00 each

## Year 4 History/Geography Trip to Adelaide

















Mrs Staude 1 and Mrs Staude 2 took our classes to Adelaide for our Year 4 camp. We went to the Botanic Gardens and the Adelaide Zoo. We went to learn about plant adaptations and to see the different animal habitats. Thank you to the staff and volunteers for taking us. We had a great time.

Imogen and Claire.



## Relay for Life















On Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th a group of BPS students participated in the Relay for Life. This was a Kids' Voice initiative. The Relay for Life raises money for the Cancer Council of Australia.

We arrived at 12 noon to set up our area with the support of our parents. At the opening ceremony Sarah and Dakoda read the Acknowledgement to Country. We began walking at 2pm with Mrs Staude and Sarah finishing the night at 1:30am. Mr O'Donovan and Tiarnan began walking at 5am to keep our batten going. Everyone supported each other and walked for as long as they could. When one group had enough another group was ready to take over. There was "trick or treat" at 6pm and some other games that we could participate in to get points for our team including midnight madness run by the high school team.

Thank you to everyone who supported our team through our casual day and individual fundraising efforts. Our team raised \$3,800 with the casual day raising \$450, Charlie raising just over \$1,000 (third overall) and Jessica \$600. Sarah won a trophy for walking past midnight.

A huge effort for a very worthy cause.







At the end of last term, the year 3 students went to Old Tailem Town as part of their learning in History. They explored changes over time, including changes in technology and what it was like to be a school student 100 years ago.







### Old Tailem Town -Year 3 Excursion















## Woodhouse Camp - Year 4/5









In week 1 students from years 4 and 5 attended their school camp at Woodhouse Activity Centre. Whilst on camp students participated in many fun activities including orienteering, Challenge Hill Obstacle Course, laser skirmish, disc golf, team building and many others.



















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## Kids in Space Showcase Event



Congratulations to the students who were selected to showcase their projects at an event held at the Australian Space Discovery Centre in Adelaide on Friday 28th October. Students from Mr Collins' Year 5 class and Mrs Foulds/Dyers' Year 6 class, in conjunction with Mrs McCallum, have been working really hard on their 3D space projects.

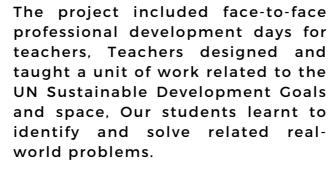
Over terms 3 and 4 in 2022, The Andy Thomas Foundation and Makers Empire delivered an enhanced, space-themed version of "Makers Empire's Learning by Design" course to 10 SA schools. We were very lucky to be selected as one of these

schools to be involved in the project.













The program concluded with a showcase day last Friday at Lot Fourteen and the Space Discovery Centre to celebrate and share their learning. The showcase day featured an expo style display of stands showcasing projects, around 100 students, teachers and dignitaries attended.











### Year 6 Adelaide and Aquatics Camp

In Week 1 of Term 4, the Year 6 students went to Adelaide to participate in a range of activities and visit various iconic Adelaide locations.

Camp was really fun. My favourite parts were Port Noarlunga Aquatics and the King Pin bowling and laser tag. I enjoyed doing Boogie boarding the most. It would probably be the thing I would do all over again. One thing I wish is that we could have gone to the Space Centre too.

Chichi



In Week One the Year 6's went on camp to Adelaide. It was all really fun but my favourite two things were the bus rides and Bounce. I liked the bus rides because everywhere we went there was a bunch of singing and talking and there was always someone screaming and yelling. I liked Bounce because of the trampolines and the X-Park. One thing that would make it better is if the bed didn't move so much and they weren't so noisy.

On camp we got to go to the ocean to go surfing and snorking and lots more, I loved surfing. When we went snorkling I saw massive fish, I wish I had my spear gun. My wish is that we had more time to go surfing because I nearly caught a wave.

Ryan



Remi



I really liked the surfing, at the beach. I also really liked the food, the rolls were delicious. Thanks Mrs. Packer! Something that could change is maybe going to the Parliament House for a little less. Gael

In Term 4 Week one the Year 6's went to camp to West Beach. It was fun. My 2 highlights were that it was nice that people donated food and I loved it when we played Minute to Win It Games. My 1 thing that would make it better would be more play time at the park.

Lachlan



We all had lots of fun but some of my favourite things were the very odd but interesting bus rides. Another one of my favourite activities was going to Bounce. The best part about Bounce was the diving off the diving board into the inflatable cushion.

Charlotte H







































