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BORDERTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLINK

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IMPORTANT DATES

Pupil Free DayFriday 10th March

Adelaide Cup Public Holiday
Monday 13th March

Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN15th March - 24th March

Harmony Day Dress Up Day Friday 24th March

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A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Governing Council Member Still Needed!

We are still looking for at least one parent who would like to be part of the Bordertown PS Governing Council. If you are interested in becoming part of this important school group, please give Mike a call at the school.

Pupil Free Day

A reminder that tomorrow Friday the 10th is a 'Pupil Free Day'. School staff will be undertaking training in the area of improving student skills in Reading.

Year 5/6 School Camp

During the last two weeks all of our Year 5/6 students have had the opportunity to participate in a four-day school camp in Adelaide. A detailed report will be part of a later newsletter but in the interim I would like to thank staff and parent volunteers for making this activity possible.

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Many schools are now no longer able to undertake such activities but thanks to the goodwill of staff and parents, this has been able to continue at Bordertown PS.

Mr Mike Clark

A NOTE FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Harmony Week

Harmony Week is a special week celebrated in Australia every year from the 20th-26th March. It is a day that highlights and celebrates the diverse cultures, traditions and beliefs of the people who call Australia home.

The theme of Harmony Day is "Everyone belongs", and it serves as a reminder that Australia is a multicultural society where people from all backgrounds are welcome and valued. The week is an opportunity for people to come together, share their stories and promote a sense of belonging and inclusion.

On Friday 24th March, students can wear the colour orange or cultural dress to show support. Our Wellbeing Team have organised lunchtime games and the Year 3/4 classes will be cooking and serving samples of fried rice to share.

Please join us for a special Harmony Week assembly at 2pm and join us in singing 'We are one'.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN will be held in Weeks 7 and 8 for our Year 3 and 5 students.

The NAPLAN tests can provide us with some information that helps to inform our teaching practice. It is a snapshot of a brief moment in time but does not tell us all the wonderful things that make your child unique and their many strengths. Some of the greatest attributes can't be tested.

Sleep well, eat a good breakfast and try your best.

Writing
Wednesday 15th March
Reading
Thursday 16th March
Conventions of Language
Monday 20th March
Numeracy
Thursday 23rd March

Student Free Day

We have a Student Free Day on 10th March. Our teachers will be focusing on evidence-based teaching practices in reading. We hope our students enjoy a lovely extra-long weekend.

Mrs Ebony Capurso



REMINDER

Please advise the front office staff of any changes to family information. It is important to update changes to address, telephone, emergency contact,

parent work details etc. as they occur.

Happy Campers

YEAR 5/6 CAMP

In Week 5, students from Mrs Foulds and Miss Rattus' Year 5/6 class attended a three-night camp in Adelaide, staying at the West Beach Caravan Park.

Students left early Monday morning, to arrive in the city for a tour of the Adelaide Oval. Later that night, they set off to the bowling lanes in search of strikes, and the laser tag battlefield to claim victory over their peers.

"I liked the tour of Adelaide Oval because you got to run out of the tunnel, and it felt like you were actually playing a footy game." - Pippa

"My favourite activity was laser tag, as I got to work in a team with my friends and the lights were cool." - Saffron-Rose

Day 2 was full of aquatic activities, including surfing, boogey boarding, snorkeling and beach rescues. After a big day of aquatics, Day 3 had the students emersed in the city sights, visiting the Museum, Rundle Mall, Parliament House and the Central Markets. It was a particularly great time to be in the city as students saw many great buskers in the streets involved with the Fringe.

"Snorkeling was my favourite as there were so many fish to see." - *Riley*

"The museum was really interesting as we got to see more about Aboriginal culture."
- Khloe

On the final day, we packed the bus and headed off home, however not before a stop at the National Motor Museum in Birdwood. Students saw cars from various decades and were all involved in making mini Model-Ts.

Overall, it was an excellent few days. We would like to extend a big thank you to parents who assisted on camp and to our wonderful camp cook, Emma.









Friday 24th March **Dress Up Day**

Harmony Day is a celebration of our cultural diversity

Wear ORANGE or something that represents your family's culture



TATIARA HOCKEY **ASSOCIATION Tatiara** Hockey

JUNIOR TRAINING FOR THOSE KEEN

TO GET THEIR STICKS OUT

Wednesday nights from 5pm

WOMEN AND JUNIORS WELCOME TO ANY INTERESTED PLAYERS - MEN, **TEXT CHERIE FOR MORE INFO** MUNDULLA HOCKEY FIELDS 0408 168 362