



# BORDERTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLINK

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## IMPORTANT DATES

**SAPSASA State Carnival**  
Mon 3rd April - Wed 5th April

**Parent Teacher Interviews**  
Monday 3rd April  
Tuesday 4th April

**Easter Early Dismissal 2:25pm**  
Thursday 6th April

**Good Friday Public Holiday**  
Friday 7th April

**Easter Monday Public Holiday**  
Monday 10th April

**Early Dismissal 2:25pm**  
Friday 14th April

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Department for Education



## A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### **Early Dismissal!**

Early dismissal of students will occur on Thursday the 6th of April and Friday the 14th of April. Dismissal time will be at 2.25pm! Buses will run one hour earlier on these days in the afternoon.

### **Daylight Saving Ends**

Remember to shift your clocks back by one hour as you go to bed on Saturday Night.

### Bus Behaviour

Of late we have had some reports of inappropriate behaviour on school buses. Students and parents are reminded that there is a code of conduct which needs to be adhered to, this assists in ensuring the safety of all on the bus. Failure to adhere to these guidelines may result in a student forfeiting their right to be on the bus for a period of time.

### Pupil Free and School Closure Days For Your Diary

The Governing Council has approved the following dates as Pupil Free Days for staff to undertake training: Tuesday the 13th of June, Monday the 21st of August and Monday the 6th of November. The School Closure Day (Show Day) will occur on Monday the 4th of September.

### Last Newsletter For The Term

As this is the last newsletter for the term the staff would like to wish all students and their families a safe and enjoyable holiday!

Mr Mike Clark



*A big thank you to the Lions Club for their kind donation to assist children to attend our camps and excursions.*

### Harmony Day Celebrations





## A NOTE FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

### Combined Schools Choir Rehearsal

On Wednesday, choir students from Mundulla, Keith and Padthaway joined us for a combined rehearsal. We were led by Cathy Lange, the Assistant Director of Music of the Primary Schools Music Festival. Cathy was a great support in placing our students into Alto or Soprano and teaching us some of the part work. We also started learning some of the choreography to the *Charleston* and *Proud Mary*. Thank you to Cathy and the other schools for travelling to our site. It was great to get together to sing and learn.

### Vocabulary

This term, our school has been focusing on reading comprehension as one of our site improvement goals. From the work that the teachers have been doing, they have noticed that building vocabulary is an area of development for many of our students. Readers use knowledge about words to help them make sense of what they're reading. The more words a reader knows, the more they are able to comprehend what they are reading or listening to.

*How can you help at home?*

Talking to and reading to your child are two great ways to build your child's vocabulary. Conversations and questions about interesting words are an easy way to bring new words into their everyday language. When presented with a new word, provide a simple, child-friendly definition and an example that makes sense in their everyday life. Once your child has learnt a new word, try to keep it active in your household.

*"Gigantic means really big.*

*Remember when we saw that gigantic watermelon at the supermarket? Can you think of anything else that's gigantic?"* Mrs Maney shared a great example with me this week, as she was trying to explain to her students what water lapping at the shore meant. She asked her students to imagine the motion of a cat's tongue lapping at milk, which resulted in a great a-ha moment for her Year 3/4s.

*Mrs Ebony Capurso*

# Harmony Day

Harmony Day is a national day to celebrate Australia's cultural diversity. At BPS we are very fortunate to have 21 different cultures within our school. We are proof that students and families from many cultures can live, work, play and learn together in harmony.

India    China    Sri Lanka    South Africa  
New Zealand    France    South Korea  
Ireland    Pakistan    Zimbabwe



Aboriginal    Great Brittan    Malaysia  
Nigeria    Columbia    Germany    El Salvador  
Australia    Philippines    Indonesia    America

On Friday the 24th March we celebrated Harmony Day. At assembly each cultural background was represented with each student expressing what they cherish about their culture and what they like about Australia. A highlight was the entire school body singing "We are One".

# Kids' Voice Induction



On Wednesday night we held our Kids Voice induction night. This years kids voice representatives are:

Year 1: Jayden Schneider, Charlie Densley, Harriet Green

Year 2: Whitnee Oehm, Ryder Nash, Riley Bullock

Year 3: Callie Crisp, Tahlia Mead, Tom Rowett

Year 4: Ivy Blackwell, Spencer Norton, Jake McCarthy

Year 5: Stella Kennett, Khloe Karman, Imogen Ralph, Dylan Forster

Year 6: Myah Colwill, Gabrielle Karger, Gabby Carter, Tate Neale

Executive: Sophie Mock, Macy McCarthy and Craig Mukosera

Our guest speaker was Aarshi Ghimire.



# Year 5/6 Camp

Collins / Wegener / Blackwell



"Camp was good, the best part was bowling and laser tag." *Sarah*



"I liked the aquatic activities and the central markets." *Lucy*

"I loved the question time because everyone was debating and arguing at the same time." *Claire*



# Year 5/6 Camp

Collins / Wegener / Blackwell



"I loved the parliament house because we met our state representative Nick McBride and we got to listen to question time and all the adults were arguing, it was so fancy!" *Zelie*



"A big thanks to all the people who helped us organise our camp." *Warren*



"Aquatics was really wet, cold, and AWESOME!" *Isaiah*



## FROM OUR PASTORAL CARE WORKER

What an absolute joy it is to be here at BPS as your PCW. The experiences and adventures I get to have each day with the awesome people that make up this school community fills my bucket to the brim!

I am a rusher.... always in a hurry, always thinking of what I need to do next, never finish one job before I start the next, and always feel like my mind is a computer search engine with too many tabs open all at once. I struggle to be "in the moment". And I don't really like it. I don't believe it's a "healthy" way to live. I don't believe "busy" is necessarily "good". I feel like I miss out on too much all the while trying to jam everything in!

And yet, the other day, a wonderful student taught me something I'll never forget. To stop. Just for a moment. (I'll start with small pauses as I learn this new skill!😊) And when I stopped, we were able to notice.

We noticed nature at its finest. An amazingly beautiful Praying Mantis upon a magnificent Sunflower down in Natanda Gardens. I was able to notice something that I wouldn't have if I had rushed past. I was able to appreciate nature and all she provides. To wonder.

As PCW, I do hope I can bring some joy to some souls who need it some days. But rest assured, these amazing souls that make up our school community bring me joy everyday and are teaching me valuable life lessons too!

Isn't nature just amazing!



### **Breakfast Club**

Did you know breakfast club is offered at our school on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays? With many thanks to Foodbank and the Bordertown Bakery, we are able to offer toast, toasties, juice and milo to help fuel the students for the day ahead.

Many thanks also to members of our local community who donate fruit for our students. It's always greatly appreciated! (And delicious!)

We encourage parents and caregivers to get involved with Breakfast Club! In fact, we would really love your help! All you need is to be able to butter some toast or serve some juice, and your help is always rewarded with thankful smiles from students!

If you have the relevant school checks required (please speak with staff in the Front Office) and are available to help out between 8:25-9:00am on a Mon, Tues, Thurs or Fri, please speak with Kylie or Chelsea.

*Chelsea March*





# JUNIOR SOCCER TRAINING IS BACK ON CHILDREN 10 TO 18 YEARS OF AGE

**\$25 PER PLAYER TO REGISTER  
WITH FOOTBALL SA**

**8 WEEKS  
4 PM TO 5:15 PM EVERY  
WEDNESDAY  
COMMENCES MAY 3 TO JUNE 21  
VIRGO PARK SOCCER FIELD**

Enquiries to Tracey Grosser  
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## JOIN THE FUN!

**Bordertown FC Auskick Centre  
Commencing Friday May 12  
Scan QR code to register**



\$100 or free to participate with a ORSR sports voucher



Bordertown Public Library &  
Theatre Bugs  
present

# MARY POPPINS

**a school holiday theatre program  
for children aged 5 to 14 years**

**act \* dance \* sing  
and much more!**

**Monday April 17 to  
Friday April 21 2023**

**KEITH INSTITUTE**

\$100 per child  
LIMITED NUMBERS. BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL  
Bordertown Public Library  
8752 1473



## "Mary Poppins"

HOLIDAY PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN AGED 5 TO 14 YEARS

This five day program runs  
Monday April 17 to Friday April 21  
Mon-Thurs 9am to 3.30pm  
Friday 9am to 6pm

Children must attend each day of the program  
Every child has a special role to play & lines to learn  
Costume suggestions given (but not provided)  
The program ends with a performance on Friday April 21  
in the Keith Institute at 5pm  
Entry for audience members is free

Students must provide their own recess, lunch,  
snacks & water bottle each day  
During the day they will not be allowed to leave the premises

Limited numbers. BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL  
\$100 per child (non refundable). Payment must be made to  
secure your place in the program

Children living outside the Tatiara can register their interest but  
priority will be given to Tatiara students

**BORDERTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY 8752 1473**



## How to order on Book Club



1. Your child will bring home a Book Club catalogue from school

2. Discuss with, and help your child pick the books they would like to read



3. Order online via the Scholastic Australia LOOP website or app and the school will take care of the rest! (LOOP orders are electronically linked to your school in an easy, secure online process)



4. The books are delivered to your child's classroom.

**LOOP** is the easy way for families to order and pay for Book Club.

Log in, or create a new account at [scholastic.com.au/loop](https://www.scholastic.com.au/loop)

1. If you are new to Book Club, follow the Wizard to set up your profile
2. Click the ORDER tab, and select your school and child's class
3. Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
4. Enter the product item number shown on the Book Club catalogue
5. Make payment via credit card.

# LOST PROPERTY

There is a collection of unnamed school jumpers of various sizes and hats in lost property which can be collected from the library.

Whatever is left by the end of term will be donated to the secondhand shop.

## Bordertown Inter-Church Council

You are invited to join us for our community

# Easter Sunrise Service

Sunday 9 April 2023 @ 6:30am

## Bordertown Recreation Lake

If inclement weather meet at the Uniting Church Hall

Please bring a chair

Followed by a Cupper & Hot Cross Buns

