



BORDERTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLINK

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IMPORTANT DATES

King's Birthday Public Holiday
Monday 12th June

Student Free Day
Tuesday 13th June

School Assembly
Friday 23rd June 1:55pm

SAPSASA Hockey State Carnival
Wed 21st June - Fri 23rd June

SAPSASA Netball State Carnival
Mon 26th June - Wed 28th June

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A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Pupil Free Day

Our second Pupil Free Day for the year will be held on Tuesday the 13th of June. Staff will be engaged in Numeracy Training and Development which will ultimately culminate in a 'Whole School Numeracy Agreement' No students will be at school on this day.



Congratulations Ebony

Ebony Capurso has won the position of Deputy Principal at Keith Area School for five years. This position will begin in 2024 so she will continue to contribute to Bordertown until the end of the year. We congratulate Ebony on this well-deserved appointment.

The position Ebony currently holds concludes at the end of 2023... it was an 18 month appointment. In the ensuing weeks, further discussions will occur as to the leadership roles which will exist at Bordertown PS.

Principal News

The panel met to continue the process for the selection of our new Principal on Friday. The selection process continues to move forward and we look forward to sharing further news in our next newsletter.

Mr Mike Clark



A NOTE FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

ICAS ASSESSMENTS

We are delighted to be providing our Year 3 to 6 students with the opportunity to participate in the ICAS academic competitions during the month of August. ICAS is an online academic competition that is designed to assess students' higher order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling and Digital Technologies. A note has been sent via Sentral with further information about how to register if you are interested.

Student Free Day

At the upcoming Student Free Day on Tuesday 13th June, our teachers will be focusing on creating common agreements for reading and numeracy to help ensure best practice and consistency across our site. Kerri Foulds and Jodie Wegener will also be sharing their learning with the staff with practical strategies to increase student engagement, challenge and support in mathematics.

Visual Art Club

The Year 5/6 lunchtime Art Club with Mrs Harkness has been running for five weeks and the students' watercolour art pieces are progressing and looking fabulous!

On completion of the art work, inspired by Australian artist Kirsten Katz, families will have the opportunity to purchase a tea towel with their child's art work professionally printed on. We can't wait to see the final masterpieces.

Bus Safe

In Week 5, Bus Safe visited our school to teach the Reception - Year 4 students about how their behaviour directly impacts their safety in and around buses. Students engaged with videos, discussion, role play and a bus inspection to put their learning into practice.

Mrs Ebony Capurso



Playground Update

Our playground committee has been busy developing a sustainable, strategic plan for the maintenance and development of our school play areas.

The first job for the committee was to ensure our current playground equipment and surrounding areas were made safe following a Kidsafe audit.

To date we have identified, removed and repaired our existing equipment in both the playgrounds. Thanks to Jarradd Searle and Ciampa Engineering for completing this work.

The bridge in the Woods playground will be replaced by Forpark Australia in the coming months.



Our plan is then to replace damaged edging and relocate some of the existing edging around the equipment. Then we will relocate and/or replace softfall. Our scope isn't limited to just the playground areas. Maintenance has begun on the courts at the back of the school and the play areas on the eastern side of the quadrangle.

Consultation has begun with staff and students to identify what the needs/wants are for play areas and equipment. When designs have been created, we will share these with you.

Students in the Reception to year 2 classes have been busy collecting bottles and cans for new playground equipment. Kids Voice are also fundraising for playground equipment.

We are expecting to complete the development of the new play areas in stages, to spread the cost over several years, exploring other funding opportunities.

Kylie Staude



Sadie



Hudson



Imogen



Freddy



Charlotte



Cienna



Charlie



Affan



Adrian



Oliver



Piper M



Kenzie



Olivia



Ashlyn



Alisza



Harry



Whitney



Archie



Keegan



Isaiah



Piper L



Rovan



Ivy



Gabby



Justin



Nidhi

Dream Big Excursion - Year 5/6 classes



On Thursday the 18th of May, Year 5/6 Students attended the Dream Big festival in Adelaide. It was a full day trip where students were exposed to a variety of the Arts! All students watched the stage production, Claire Della and the Moon, whilst also having the opportunity to choose from attending Massive Makers Space, Guru Dudu's Silent Disco or Education is a Dream.

Students got creative using junk yard parts, danced down the streets of Adelaide and were able to speak live with students at a refugee school in Indonesia. They visited The Bend Motorsport Track on the way home and had the opportunity to see some really impressive cars!

The day was an excellent experience and enjoyed by everyone, and we thank all our parent volunteers who assisted us on the day.



FROM OUR PASTORAL CARE WORKER



On Monday May 5, we were lucky enough to have Justin from Freestyle Dance Ministry come and do a hip-hop dance session with some of the year 5/6 students.

Justin travels around Australia visiting schools, community groups and youth groups, encouraging kids to find their talents and shine from within with the wonderful gifts they have.

We all enjoyed 45 minutes of hip-hop dance and a quick message from Justin about finding something you really enjoy and shining it within the world.

We're all looking forward to Justin being able to return to our school again!

Chelsea March

"The best thing about doing dance class was learning the new moves and doing the 4 dances with the dance teacher and all the girls together"

"It was fun because it was a thrilling way to exercise."

"It was super fun and I think we all enjoyed it"

"We really enjoyed freestyling and dancing with Justin. We liked presenting to Miss Rattus and dancing in a circle with everyone."

"It was exciting and we had lots of fun."



Sapsasa Football



In week 4 Henry, Tate and Harry went up to Adelaide to play football for the Upper South East SAPSASA team. Over the 3 days they played 9 games. They won 5 and lost 4.

"Will Sandford from Naracoorte was our coach, he taught us lots. We had lots of fun playing our games throughout the 3 days. Thank you to our parents for taking us and helping out during the carnival."

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of week 4 Pippa, Myah, Sophie, Erin, and Stella also went to Adelaide to play SAPSASA football. Over the 3 days they played 9 games. They won 6 and lost 3.

"We came third overall. We had a lot of fun and made lots of new friends from other towns. There were a few tough teams, but we still managed to win six out of nine games. On Monday after our hard work, we cooled off at the Beach House in Glenelg, then had dinner as a team nearby. Overall, we had a fantastic time and it was a great experience."



School Dentist

Following the closure of the Bordertown School Dentist, students can see staff from the Naracoorte School dentist.

Confirmed dates in Bordertown are:

8th June
15th June
22nd June

Please phone 87622614 for appointments.

For emergencies please phone 87622614, or alternatively contact the local dentist.



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