



BORDERTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLINK

Inspire, Challenge, Achieve

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IMPORTANT DATES

School Assembly
Friday 7th July 1:55pm

Last day of Term 2 - Early
Dismissal 2:25pm
Friday 7th July

First day of Term 3
Monday 24th July

District Basketball Carnival
Tuesday 1st August

Pupil Free Day
Monday 21st August

School Closure Day
Monday 4th September

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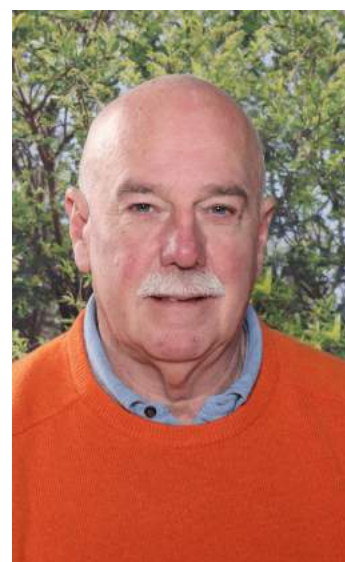
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Department for Education

Farewell from Mr Clark

A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Thank you

This is my final newsletter as Principal of Bordertown PS and quite possibly my last one ever! I have enjoyed my time at Bordertown over the last two terms. The staff, students and parents have all ensured that I felt welcomed and valued. Bordertown is a diverse community which adds to the experiences children and staff are lucky enough to immerse themselves in.



Your children are proud of their school and their achievements which are guided by a professional, committed staff and their parents/guardians. You certainly have a school culture to be proud of and which is envied by others.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank your Governing Council on their positive stewardship of the school. They were very easy to work with.

Next term, Shelley Cameron will step into my role and will provide leadership continuity for the next year and a half, which is something you have craved. I know that Shelley will do everything in her power to steer the ship in a positive direction.

Thanks to all and best wishes for the future.

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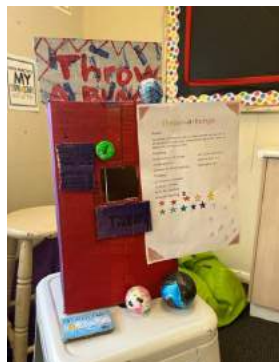
Reports

Student reports will go home next week and will be a summary of individual student achievement during the first half of the year. Staff have spent considerable time agonising and reporting upon each student. At times, a parent would like further information. I encourage you to contact the appropriate teacher when clarification is required.

Early Dismissal

The normal last day of term early dismissal will occur next Friday. Dismissal will be at 2:25pm, with buses running an hour earlier than normal in the afternoon.

Mr Mike Clark



Farewell Mrs Packer



Mrs Marilyn Packer will be retiring from Bordertown Primary School at the end of this term.

We sincerely thank Marilyn for her 24 years of fine service to our school and especially her contributions to the students' learning in her role as an SSO.

Her passion for her work and commitment has always seen her provide excellent support to students and through her experience she has also been a loyal mentor to colleagues.

She will be missed by students and staff alike and our best wishes go to her for the future.



A NOTE FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Caine's Arcade

For Design and Technology, the Year 5/6 classes have been designing and making arcade games using recycled materials. The project was inspired by a documentary about a 9 year old American boy, named Caine, who created a cardboard arcade in his garage. This week, the Year 5/6 classes presented their arcade to parents and students. It was absolutely joyful to see others enjoying the culmination of their hard work and learning. The students have shown great creativity, design and construction skills with a focus on sustainability.

Choir

In Week 8, Shylie Harrison, Musical Director of the South East Primary Schools' Music Festival, visited our school to work with our choir students. We focused on the part work (soprano and alto) in some of the songs we are finding challenging. Shylie commented that Bordertown students always have incredible pitch and that there must be something in the water! I will be auditioning some students this week to recommend for the compere role at the concert in Term 4.

Antique Roadshow

Imogen and Della (Year 5) visited me recently to present their 'Antiques Roadshow'. I learnt about a Japanese tea set and a glass sugar bowl and spoon. This was an incredibly creative and engaging way to present information. I wonder what these items would fetch at auction?



Who Am I?

- If you put 3 more tens with me, I would be 115. Who am I?
- I have 30 ones and 3 hundreds. Who am I?

Come and tell me your answers when you see me on morning yard duty.

Mrs Ebony Capurso



23 Year 5/6 students participated in 5 lunch time Art Club sessions, inspired by Australian artist Kirsten Katz.

The students used watercolour card, paints and markers to complete their spectacular masterpieces.

Families are celebrating the students artwork by having their art printed on tea towels. We are looking forward to receiving them.





FROM OUR WELLBEING TEAM

Did you know our Wellbeing Team has access to resources and services that can help support you and your family. As they say, it takes a village to raise a child and there are resources available to help us all out in times of need! Here are some of the ways our Wellbeing team can help:

We can help you access:

- Food hampers
- Supermarket vouchers
- Vouchers for kids clothing and toiletry goods
- Sports equipment and sports participation vouchers
 - Refurbished white goods and furniture
 - Fuel vouchers
- Vouchers for any school based needs (clothing, backpacks etc)

We can help refer you and your family to:

- Family and relationship counselling
 - Financial counselling
 - Homelessness support
 - Bereavement support

In-person mental health support can be accessed through

- Your local GP
- Finding Solutions Counselling Services (servicing Bordertown)
 - Smiles All Round Psychology (based in Naracoorte)

Phone or On-Line Support is available

- Kids helpline 1800 551800
- Mental health triage line 13 14 65

On-line Bullying and Safety Resources

- E-safety website
- Dollys Dream website and hotline

Please do not hesitate to contact Kylie or Chelsea at the school if you would like to confidentially discuss any services we are able to help you access.



SE Cross Country Carnival

On Thursday of Week 6 of this term we had 13 Students represent our school at the state Cross Country Carnival. These students represented the following age groups. Congratulations to Claire and Zelie who ran in the USE 12yo girls age group who won silver overall.

12yo Boys

Henry K
Tate N

11yo Boys

Noah H
Tom M
Lachlan V
Harry W

10yo Girls

Stella K
Sophie B

12yo Girls

Claire D
Zelie P

11yo Girls

Pippa B
Keeley M

10yo Boys

Emmett P



Sapsasa Hockey



In week 8 we participated in the Sapsasa Hockey carnival in Adelaide. We played 8 games of hockey over three days against teams from around Adelaide and country areas.

Although we didn't win the competition and the weather was horrendous, we had lots of fun playing on turf and on the muddy grass pitches and made some new friends from around the Upper South East.

Thankyou to our amazing coach Clarry who helped us heaps and organised for the boys and girls teams to go to an ice hockey game.

By Cora & Claire

Sapsasa Netball

On Monday the 26th of June, we went to Adelaide for Sapsasa Netball. Eve, Claire and Zelie were in Div 2 and were undefeated (8 games won and 1 draw). Pippa was in Div 4 and won all games except one.

On the first day we all went to the beach house for an hour and went on all the slides and played lots of arcade games. After that we had dinner at the Glenelg surf lifesaving club.

On Tuesday we played two games inside and one game outside. In between our first two games the thunderbirds were training and it was advertised as an open training but the security would not let us watch. The Div 2 team won all three games and so did the Div 4 team. Overall it was a very fun and exciting day.



On Wednesday the DIV 2 team drew there first game and won the other two. The DIV 4 team won all three. Zelie did not play because she was sick. At the presentations the Div 2 came first for there Div and the Div 4 came second for there Div. Overall it was very fun and exiting and both DIVs gave their all.

By Claire, Eve, Zelie and Pippa

PLEASE UPDATE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WITH THE FRONT OFFICE IF ANYTHING HAS CHANGED



HOME/RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS?



MOBILE NUMBERS?



EMAIL ADDRESSES?



EMERGENCY CONTACTS?



FAMILY INFORMATION?

School Dentist

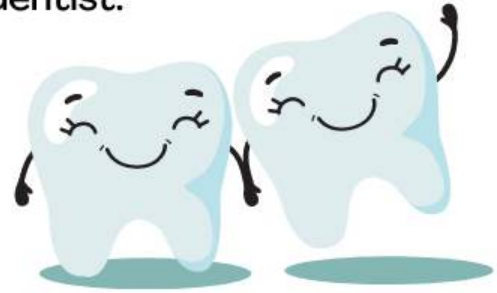
Following the closure of the Bordertown School Dentist, students can see staff from the Naracoorte School dentist.

Confirmed dates in Bordertown are:

Thursday 6th
July

Please phone 87622614 for appointments.

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



INFORMATION FOR CUSTOMERS

Australian Government Mobile Service Centre

Serving Regional Australia

Visit the Mobile Service Centre to find out about Australian Government payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

Information about Department of Veterans' Affairs programs and support services for veterans and their families will also be available.

Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

BORDERTOWN

Near the Scout Hall, South Terrace

Wednesday, 5 July 2023 9 am to 4 pm

Thursday, 6 July 2023 9 am to 4 pm

For more information, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobileoffice



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TESTING AND ISOLATING FOR SCHOOL AND OSHC SETTINGS

FROM FEBRUARY 2023

IF A STUDENT OR STAFF MEMBER TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19 THEY MUST NOTIFY THE SCHOOL AND/OR OSHC. PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND FOR 5 DAYS IF COVID-19 POSITIVE. DO NOT ATTEND WHILE SYMPTOMATIC.

CONTACT DEFINITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Student

Students attending the site and undertaking learning activities



Teacher or school services officer in classroom settings

People working in classroom and/or OSHC settings (teachers, AEWs, SSOs)



Student support in 1:1 settings

People working 1:1 with students (eg SSOs, disability support, allied health workers)



Ancillary staff and contractors

Administrative positions with limited student/child contact, ground-keeping etc.



A STUDENT IS A CLOSE CONTACT IF:

Leaders and managers should

- they were supported by an SSO or teacher who has tested positive for COVID-19; for a cumulative period of 4 hours, indoors, in close physical proximity and face masks were not able to be worn.

YOU ARE A CLOSE CONTACT IF:

- you spend a cumulative period of 4 hours indoors, in close physical proximity and not wearing a mask with another adult who has tested positive for COVID-19

YOU ARE A CLOSE CONTACT IF:

apply a pragmatic approach to managing who is or is not a close contact.

- you supported a student or child who has tested positive for COVID-19; for a cumulative period of 4 hours, indoors, in close physical proximity and face masks were not able to be worn
- you spent a cumulative period of 4 hours indoors, in close physical proximity and not wearing a mask with another adult who has tested positive for COVID-19

YOU ARE A CLOSE CONTACT IF:

- you spend a cumulative period of 4 hours indoors, in close physical proximity and not wearing a mask with another adult who has tested positive for COVID-19

STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO:

- undertake 5 rapid antigen tests over a 7-day period following exposure**

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STAFF OR STUDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN RECOMMENDED TO UNDERTAKE PCR/RAT TESTING OR WHERE THEIR SCHOOL/CLASS/ROOM/YEAR LEVEL HAS BEEN TEMPORARILY CLOSED AS A CIRCUIT BREAKER IN THE PAST WEEK, SA HEALTH ADVICE IS TO DO THE FOLLOWING FOR 7 DAYS:

- avoid attending OSHC and extra-curricular activities, excursions and camps
- avoid high risk settings or COVID Management Plan events



- wear a face mask when indoors and on public transport
- avoid working across workites unless an approved risk management plan is in place (eg rapid antigen testing)
- avoid contact with vulnerable people outside of your workplace or family, where possible
- avoid non-essential activities where possible (eg where there are lots of people, inside, in close contact)
- avoid shared spaces and maintain physical distance.

**Students and staff who are COVID-19 positive or are a close contact cannot attend an overnight camp during the 7-day period following testing positive or following exposure.

** People who have recovered from COVID-19 will not be considered a close contact for 28 days after testing positive.