



NEWSLETTER

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 16 th May – Friday 18 th May	NAPLAN Numeracy Assessment – Grades 3 & 5
Monday 21 st May	Book Fair (Parent help required after school to operate this please)
Friday 25 th May	Division Cross Country
Monday 28 th May	Visiting Show – Scientific Cuppa and chat with Sue Duncan (Principal) after assembly in the staffroom.
Tuesday 29 th May	Division Netball
Wednesday 30 th May	Kurnai College Awareness Day (8.30am to 2.45pm) School Council 7.30pm
Monday 11 th June	Public Holiday Queen's Birthday
Tuesday 12 th June	All Out of Dough Pie Orders to be back at school
Thursday 14 th June	Dental Visit Year 1
Thursday 21 st June	Out of Dough Pie Orders can be collected today
Wednesday 27 th June	School Council 7.30pm
Friday 29 th June	Last day of Term 2

From the Principal

Boolarra Primary School values community involvement. When schools, parents, families, and communities work together to support learning, student learning outcomes tend to show improvement, students attend school more regularly and can stay in school longer. This Monday 21st, May I will host an informal cuppa and chat after assembly. I encourage anyone who can attend to stay so we can discuss any questions you have, improvement ideas and aspirations for our school. This session will be informal and needs to be on general topics. If you have specific concerns, please make an appointment to discuss these with me on a one to one basis.

We are still seeking interested parents to go on a facilities committee. This group will focus on establishing long and short term plans for our school grounds. Please consider joining this group as we need a variety of opinions so we can explore the possibilities.

This week Mrs Estcourt, Mrs Webster and myself attended a professional development day on Creative and Critical Thinking. Over the coming months we will be reviewing our curriculum to ensure that this is an integral part of the learning at Boolarra Primary School. The Critical and

Creative Thinking capability focuses on the development of increasingly complex and sophisticated processes of thinking. Teachers will facilitate student learning in the areas of questioning, exploring different possibilities, and thinking critically about ideas and research. Students will also focus on themselves as learners so they can become more independent.

Working with Children Checks (from last weeks newsletter)

Thank you to parents who volunteer time at school to support the programs we are offering. In an effort to create a safe school environment, we require all volunteers to have a valid Working with Children's Check. The Victorian Education Department Policy is very clear that: "Schools and school councils are bound by laws that require a Working With Children Check (WWC Check) for adults undertaking child-related work in a school, and must adhere to Department policies regarding suitability checks for employees, visitors and volunteers." To access further information follow the link below.

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/community/pages/volunteers.aspx>

Working with children checks are free. Please follow the link below to apply for one. Once you are successful, please bring your card in so we can photocopy it and keep a copy on record. Checks

<http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/home/applications/apply+for+a+check/>

Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships (RR&RR)

Over the past few weeks in Ms Larrad's Personal Development lessons students have been exploring Topic 4: Problem Solving. Problem solving skills are an important part of the coping repertoire. Over the coming weeks students will be provided with a number of learning activities to develop their problem solving skills. The activities in the program assist students to develop their critical and creative thinking skills, and to apply them to scenarios exploring personal, social and ethical dilemmas.

Susan Duncan

Thanks



- Mick and Robyn of the Boolarra Store for their support of our breakfast at school, supplying us with lots of bread.

Matilda



Thursday 17th May

Happy Birthday



Students of the Week

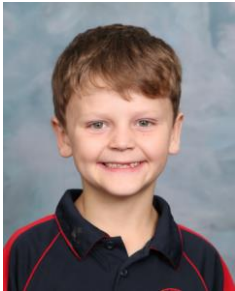
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Corey

For great co-operative maths work using 2 digit numbers. Corey worked with Ollie sharing his knowledge and working out different ways to model his 2 number. Well done!

2/3W



Ryder

Congratulations Ryder, you have been working hard over the last couple of weeks. You have been having a go at all class activities and showing great persistence even when you wobble. Keep up this fantastic work!

5/6



Sophie

Well done on always going about your learning with a positive attitude, Sophie. You engage quickly with all tasks and are always flexible about who you collaborate with. It is also fantastic to see that you take time to push your learning to a high standard, such as with your fraction wall. Keep it up.

Kurnai College Awareness Day for 2019

Please find attached a flyer for the Kurnai Awareness Day for Grades 5/6. Grade 5 & 6 children will spend the day at Kurnai Churchill and gain exposure to a secondary school setting, whilst taking part in a range of engaging activities that will showcase the great things we do here at Kurnai. There is also a form for bus travellers who need to travel to Kurnai College by bus on the day. If you would like your child to go on the bus you need to fill in the bus application form and return it to Boolarra Primary School **by no later than Wednesday 23rd May in the morning please.** If you are taking your child by car please note that your child needs to be at Kurnai College Churchill at 8.30am and be collected at 2.45pm.

Book Fair

Our school book fair is booked from the 21st to 25th of May. This is a great opportunity for our students to purchase books. It is a chance for us to expand our school library, as we are rewarded for selling books by receiving free books for our school.

We are still looking for parents to help with our Book Fair. Helpers will be required to assist with book sales. A full list of instructions will be provided. Please list the times you are available and return the note to school. Thank you for your help.

Book Fair 2018 Timetable

	Before School 8:20 to 8:45	Lunch 1:40 to 2:05	After School 3:15 to 3:40
Monday 21 st May	Tina		
Tuesday 22 nd May	Tina	Tina	Tina

Wednesday 23 rd May	Tina		Tina
Thursday 24 th May			
Friday 25 th May			Book Fair Closed



Optus Digital Thumbprint and Latrobe City Council are hosting an evening seminar for parents / guardians / community members to share information and discuss how to empower young people to be responsible digital citizens who thrive in today's world of technology. These award-winning and government accredited sessions have been designed by educational experts to support young people to be digitally safe, and to build a positive online presence.

I _____ am available to help with the book fair at the following times

Working Bee

We are having a working bee on Friday 18th May 2018. We are seeking parent helpers who could attend to help clean the area behind the art room from 3.30pm to 5.30pm. If you can help please sign below and return the slip to school. Thank you.

I _____ am able to help with the working bee.

Pie Drive

Our annual pie drive is now on. Order forms were sent home yesterday. You have until Tuesday 12th June to get your orders in. Delivery of pies will be on Thursday 21st June. All pies are fresh and are able to be frozen, so get everyone in your family or your work colleagues to buy some of their delicious pies/pasties/sausage rolls, sweet pies and pastries. All money raised will go to upgrading our playground.

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL



Topics to be discussed include:

- digital privacy and security
- password security and why it's important
- sexualization of content and behaviour
- the types and effects of cyberbullying
- how to create a positive online presence
- using technology to improve study habits

The evening will be interactive, informative, and designed to help you have a structured conversation with your children about these topics.

When: Wednesday 30 May

Time: 7:00pm - 8:00pm (please arrive at 6:45pm for registration)

Where: Latrobe Performing Arts Centre, Grey Street, Traralgon

To register please visit:

<https://optusdigitalthumbprint.eventbrite.com.au>

If you have any questions or need any further assistance please contact Liam Bantock, Community Development Officer on 03 51285762 or

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