

NEWSLETTER

FORTHCOMING EVENTS / REMINDERS

If your child is absent please let us know by calling on 5169 6471 or entering the absence via the uEducatUs app by 8.45am.



Tuesday 19th May	Open morning—Parents/ carers welcome to join in with students in class 8.45am—12.00 pm
Wednesday 20th May	Boolarra Kinder visit 10.00am—11.15am
Friday 22nd May	Parents/ carers are invited for our leadership activities and assembly 2.00pm—3.15pm
Saturday 23rd May	Conference of the Birds
Wednesday 27th May	Walk to School—Parents/ carers invited—please see notes sent home
Friday 29th May	Student Free day
Tuesday 9th June	School Council meeting
Friday 26th June	Student Free day—Last day of Term 2

EDUCATION WEEK

From The Principal's Desk

National Education Support Staff Week

This week we recognised the wonderful work our Education Support Staff do for our students and school. Our School Captains Ava and Jake, with the assistance of Granny Barb, cooked some tasty lemonade scones so they could put their feet up and enjoy morning tea. Each was presented with a few words about their superpowers from our Student Leaders.

Kylie's super power is kindness because she always helps us.

Jade's superpower is being helpful because she helps Dante and Bailey to concentrate so they can learn.

Emily's superpower is kindness because she helps us by teaching us spelling and reading.

Sharon's superpower is being super friendly because she plays SPOTTO with the kids and is easy to catch.

Mrs Boka's superpower is management because she manages the whole school.

EDUCATION WEEK

Next week is Education Week. The 2026 theme is *Showcase Your School*. We have so much to celebrate and be proud of. On Tuesday we are going to have an **Open Morning**, giving parents and carers the opportunity to visit and observe their child's classroom if they wish. Wednesday the Boolarra Kinder is coming for a visit and we will be doing a whole school activity. On Friday afternoon our school leaders will be running their clubs and craft/gardening activities. They will be making French Toast and leaf art collage. Parents and carers are welcome to join in for the Leadership activities and assembly! It's going to be a busy Education Week for us at Boolarra Primary School!



School Improvement

Over the next few weeks the school will be conducting a voluntary student survey offered by the Education Department. Children in Years 4-6 will be asked about their thoughts, feelings and experiences of school on topics such as bullying, teaching and learning, health & wellbeing, physical activity, general life and resilience and relationships with peers and staff. The information will be used by the school to understand how our students feel and, if possible, make responsive adjustments to the school environment.

SANDWICHES	YOGHURT	FRUIT	TREAT
Chicken Salad (Shrimp Chicken, cucumber, Red Onions, Chopped Cheese, Lettuce, Garlic Mayo, Salt & Pepper)	Strawberry	Mandarin	ECM
Ham / Cheese / Tomato	Blueberry	Apple	Shapes
Peanut Butter	Banana	Banana	Fruit Roll Up
Vegemite	Vanilla		
Salad (Jam (Strawberry, Rasp, Apricot, Honey))			
Salad (Hardy Cheese Slice, Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Red Onions, Corned Beef)			
Egg & Mayo (Egg Mayo, Lettuce, Salt & Pepper)			

Please hand order into the class Teacher / ES at the start of school on Thursdays

Name: _____
Allergies: _____
Comments: _____

Lunch Order Monday

We are incredibly lucky that a couple of people in our school community would like to donate a lunch to every child every Monday. Order forms have gone home. They must be returned no later than Thursday morning. Late orders will not be accepted; however students will be able to choose from our Food Bank Food if needed.

Cross Country Yinnar & District

Well done to Zed on representing our school at the recent Yinnar and District Cross Country Long Distance Run. The course is very challenging with an up hill run right at the start. Zed displayed all of our school values by aspiring to do his best on a very hard course. When asked about his experience he said it was a big place to run. You had to run in a circle, go up and down hills and around trees. He found it very hard and challenging and was quite tired when he finished. Zed plans to train for next year's event that he plans to compete in. We are all very proud of Zed.



Attendance

Daily attendance at school is essential. The curriculum is designed to build on knowledge, if a child is absent, they may not have a firm understanding of prerequisite skills when learning new topics. Regular attendance also promotes lifelong habits of establishing good routines. We ask that parents model good routines by setting positive examples of arriving on time, leaving at the end of the day and attending school unless unwell or other important medical reasons.

We understand that sometimes appointments need to be made during the school day as availability of time slots is limited. If possible choose an appointment in the early morning or late afternoon so only half day absences are required.

To promote attendance students arriving on time monthly will be given monthly awards for excellent effort. Over the last four weeks these students have had perfect attendance or only one day absence:

Congratulations Sadie, Charlie, TJ, Emma, Bailey, Dante, Leondre, Gewalin, Ava, Leon, Braxton and Jackson.



National Walk to School Day

Our school is celebrating National Walk to School Day (Friday 22nd May) a little later this year on May 27th so we can come together with the Boolarra Pre School. We will be walking down to the Railway Park to meet up at 9.30am and have a delicious breakfast of bacon and egg muffins. Parents are welcome to join us but we do need to know the numbers for catering purposes. If you would like to come please fill out the note that will be sent home.

AROUND THE ROOMS

F-2 Class

Around the rooms F-2 Term 2 Week 4

Next week is Education Week and we have a few different activities happening so keep an eye out for announcements coming up. We are also looking forward to our first visit from the kinder kids for the year and will be doing a fun activity together.

Each Friday afternoon both classes join together and alternate between clubs and sport. We have included some photos from the last cooking session. It is always lots of fun, particularly the eating part!

In Sounds-Write (our phonics program), the Foundation students are continuing to develop their skills in blending sounds to read and build words. It won't be long before we start to send home some of the first decodable readers. It is very exciting to see them start to write some of these simple words down using their new code knowledge.

The Year Ones are learning to read sound patterns such as 'ay', 'ai' a-e etc. where 2 letters make one sound. They are also working each day on reading fluency which improves with lots of practice so keep up that reading at home!

In Maths, the Year Ones are practising number facts to 10 and counting by 2's, 5's, 10's. They have had some fun learning about measuring length, capacity and mass and how to compare objects or containers.

This term the Sporting Schools coach is teaching the students hockey skills which is so much fun each Thursday.

Have a great weekend!

The F-2 Team



AROUND THE ROOMS

2-6 Class

Well done Zed for representing Boolarra Primary School in the Cross Country Run. What an achievement to cross that finish line.

Jackson from Kurnai College has been observing and helping out in our classroom this week, to fill his School's Work Experience program. The students have really liked having him in the classroom, and we'll have the privilege of Jackson helping our class for another few days next week, also.

Our students have been busy in rehearsals for the upcoming Conference of the Birds performance, while also encouraging and supporting the F-2 class as they learn new songs and join in the fabulous dancing.

School grounds have been kept immaculate through games of "Spotto" at play and lunch times, with the students tidying the yard (by picking up stones) if "Spottoed" (spotted) by a teacher they are hiding from. There are many good players who are very adept at tagging the teacher though, when the teacher isn't looking, earning a free pass from having to pick up any penalty stones.

The students are playing Hockey for sport, which has been really popular. Many of our class have also attended Auskick recently, and the feedback from the Auskick program leaders is that our students have shown a lot of skill and enthusiasm for the different activities.

Gr 3-6 really enjoyed all the Mothers' Day gift-making activities and the stall we were lucky enough to take part in here at school, over the last 2 weeks. Belatedly, we hope all Mums and Carers had a very happy day.

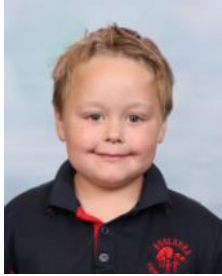
The Grade 3-6 team.



Students of the Week



Students of the Week

Week 3 Term 2 F/1/2 Declan For showing engagement in all of your learning this week.		Week 3 Term 2 Grade 2-6 Oscar For having beautiful manners & being a caring student!	
Week 4 Term 2 F/1/2 Leondre For your fantastic work in Sounds-Write! You are trying your best and making lots of improvements.		Week 4 Term 2 Grade 2-6 Leon For being a kind person and having humanitarian & empathic aspirations to help others when he is grown up.	

Positive Yard Behaviour

Congratulations to the following students.

You have demonstrated our school values out in the Yard:

Students can choose an item
from our prize box



May

We hope these students have a brilliant time celebrating becoming one year older. Happy Birthday from all of us at Boolarra PS!

Gewalin Aria Emma Scarlett Blake

Maths Achievement Awards

Week 3 Term 2

F/1/2

Bailey



Week 3 Term 2

Grade 2-6

Harry



Week 4 Term 2

F/1/2

Aria

Week 4 Term 2

Grade 2-6

Braxton



Thank you!

- Mr and Mrs Black for our Wednesday breakfasts
- Our volunteer Granny Barb for your continued help in the classrooms, and also for cooking, cleaning, organising, learning, helping with the Mothers day Stall and everything else you do for us!
- Gewalin's dad (Craig) for doing urgent maintenance on our playground
- Our amazing community members who are organising free Monday lunch orders for our whole school
- Tj's dad (Trevor) for the amazing donation of flowers for our mothers day stall



JUST A REMINDER.....

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Thank you



We are currently taking **enrolments for 2027**. If you know of potential eligible students encourage them to come for a school tour by making an appointment.



LATROBE KINDER OPEN DAYS

Thursday 30 April and Tuesday 19 May, 2026

3.30pm to 5.30pm

Drop in and explore Latrobe City Council Kindergartens. No bookings required.

We encourage families to visit multiple kinders so you can confidently choose alternative options if your first preference isn't allocated.

Enrolments for 2027 open Friday 1 May, 2026

Enrol online at latrobe.vic.gov.au/kinder or scan the QR code, you can also call 1300 367 700 to arrange support to complete the online form.



LATROBE CITY COUNCIL

Conference of the Birds

ART WALK

Saturday 23rd May

Walk starts at 2:30pm
Railway Park, Boolarra

Installations, Storytelling, Music & Performances lead you thro 7 mysterious valleys along the Grandridge Rail Trail to The Meadows.

Free Community Celebration & Bonfire
5:30 - 7pm at The Meadows

Times for each Valley

2:30 - 2:40	The Gathering & storytelling
2:45 - 3:20	Valley of the Quest
3:30 - 4pm	Valley of Love
3:45 - 4:15	Valley of Astonishment & Bewilderment
4:00 - 4:30	Valley of Detachment
4:25 - 4:55	Valley of Poverty & Nothingness
4:45 - 5:15	Valley of Insight into Mystery
5:00 - 5:30	Valley of Harmony & Unity

Each Valley after The Quest offers a performance that is roughly 5 - 8 mins in length & will be repeated over 30min timeslot - travel on to the next valley once you have seen 1 cycle. Times are approximate.

WHAT TO BRING:
Dress warmly, wear walking shoes, bring a torch & something to sit on. The walk is approx 2km long & you can choose your own pace. Food Trucks & Hot Drinks at the Meadows.

ACCESS:
For those with access needs, book a seat on the shuttle bus - bookings are essential.



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West Street on Glenroy Road

Under 18s travel free on all public transport with a Youth myki



Buy a Youth myki

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Authorised by the Victorian Government, Treasury Place, Melbourne

Federation University

Community Wellness Centre

Federation University's Community Wellness Centre at the Gippsland Regional Aquatic Centre (GRAC) provides supervised allied health services, working closely with the community, experienced staff and allied health students.

Allied Health professionals help people manage a wide range of conditions that affect movement, communication, breathing, swallowing, balance and everyday activities, supporting improved independence and quality of life.

The Community Wellness Centre at GRAC is a student-led health service currently offering physiotherapy services, supported by qualified, practising Allied Health professionals.

The Centre will soon offer speech pathology and occupational therapy services to the community.

How can I access the service?

We welcome referrals from General Practitioners, Allied Health Providers, Community Health Services and self-referrals from community members. Please see the QR code and contact details below.



Scan to access the referral form
cwcreception@federation.edu.au
03 5122 6002
Open Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm

Third and fourth year Federation University Allied Health students deliver this service as part of their studies, supported by qualified, practising Allied Health professionals.

Scan the QR code (right) to learn more about Federation University's Community Clinics and services.



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