

NEWSLETTER

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	FORTHEOMING EVENTS / REMINDERS
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Wednesday 2nd August	Teddy Bear Hospital Incursion (with Kinder)
Thursday 3rd August	Foundations students 100 Days of School
Wednesday 9th August	School Council Meeting 7pm
Wednesday 16th August	Basketball
Friday 25th August	Small Projects—painting the tunnel 2.00-3.15
Thursday 31st August	Melbourne Museum Dinosaur Incursion (with Kinder)
Monday 4th September to Wednesday 6th September	Sovereign Hill Camp Grades 3-6
Thursday 7th September	School Closure Day
Friday 15th September	End of Term 3—2.30pm dismissal

Term 3

Week 4



Congratulations Blake, Ethan and Harry! 100 days of school this Thursday.

Student Leadership

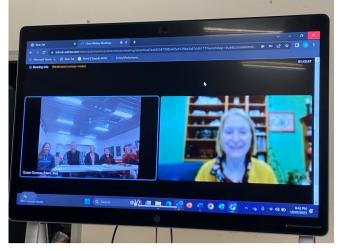
At our last student leadership meet our leaders discussed they would like to reduce the rubbish around the school. Our students are pretty good at keeping our environment clean but, we think we can do better. The strategy discussed was to have a clean up day once per month and on the following day ask everyone to bring their lunch and snacks to school without using any wrappers. Our first wrapper free day will be on



Thursday, the same day as our 100 days at School Celebration.

NAPLAN—Well Done

Congratulations Boolarra on fabulous results in NAPLAN. Our Writing & and reading results were very high with 90% of student within the exceeding or strong proficiency (reading) and 80% (writing). We are above like and network school in spelling and grammar and & punctuation. We are slightly below like and network schools in numeracy. With our current professional learning focus on numeracy we already have remediation strategies in place and are striving to improve these results. This is another great achievement for the school and a result of hard work by everyone. A huge shout out to our teaching staff who are highly dedicated and committed to providing a high quality education.



School Council News

School Council is looking for new members or, if you can't commit to our monthly meeting, join us for the meetings you can attend. We understand that it may be difficult for everyone to attend on site so run a blended meeting with an online option. At our next meeting we are looking at improv-

ing the fire risk to our school grounds. Our meeting is being held from 4.00 –6.00pm. We would love to see some extra people there. If you do come you will not be locked into regular meetings, unless you are interested.

SMALL PROJECTS

Our first 'Small Projects' resulted in the front of the school looking much tidier. Leaf litter was removed and the agapanthus dead flowers were removed. Our next Small Project will be repainting the tunnel in the playground. Our

student leaders have written a letter to a local business asking if they could donate some paint.



HEAD LICE

We are currently experiencing an outbreak of headlice in the school. If you are aware your child has headlice they are not to come to school until treated. If your child has headlice or eggs please ensure you follow the manufacturers instructions when treating. Most treatment options include following up 2 times a week apart. The school relies on families following the instructions and treating over successive weeks to break the cycle of spread. As a parent I know how hard it is to remove all eggs from the initial treatment. It is essential to treat on day 1, 7 and 14. Please help us to eradicate lice from our school.

RAT TESTS

We have RAT tests at school. If any of our families would like to have some more stock of these tests, please let the office know and we can either send them home with your child or you can choose to come in an d collect some.

AROUND THE ROOMS

We have a busy month ahead in the F-2 Grade.

In terms of extra-curricular activities, on the 2nd of August we will have a visit from the **Monash University Teddy Bear Hospital**. The Teddy Bear Hospital is run by medical student volunteers and aims to reduce 'white-coat' anxiety in children. The children and their teddies will participate in various educational stations including Teddy X-Ray, Teddy Surgery and Teddy GP Clinic. The Boolarra Kinder students will also be joining us for this.

On the 3rd of August we will celebrate the **Prep students first 100 days of school!** Students are looking forward to dressing up and enjoying old-time food and games.

This term, in History, we are learning about differences and similarities between students' daily lives and that of their parents and grandparents, including family traditions, leisure time and communications. To support their learning, students will visit the Boolarra Old School Historical Museum. They will see, first-hand, the differences between their school life and that of earlier generations and view several historical artefacts.

Later in the month, on the 31st of August, we will be joining with the Kinder again for an incursion from Melbourne Museum's Museum in a Van program. The focus of this session will be on dinosaurs and fossils.

Our learning focuses for the first part of this term are as follows;

Maths - fractions, time and place value.

Reading - identifying the Author's Message and Author's Purpose. Prep students will be learning the sounds k, l, r,

u, j, w, g. Grade 1 students will be learning the digraphs needed to make the <ee> and <oe> sounds.



Writing - developing our ability to write simple and complex sentences using simple conjunctions, a range of punctuation and capital letters at the beginning and for Proper Nouns.

Science: Chemical Science. The F/1/2s will be looking at properties of materials and changes that can be made to them.

History: Comparing life in the past with our lives in the present

Students of the Week



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Week 2 Term 2 Jake

For his excellent work creating 'before' and 'after' sentences including remembering where to include the comma.



Week 3 Term 3 Zed For the great

For the great progress he has made with his reading. Zed is using his SoundsWrite skills to successfully sound out and blend. He is also developing to attempt to spell new words when writing.



Week 2 Term 2 Ruby

For her tenacity in all aspects of learning. She never gives up no matter how tall the task gets.



Week 3 Term 3 Corey

For his ability to create a collaborative and supportive learning environment



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 or a hot chip lunch on Friday

Callen Viole Violet Matilda



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

August birthdays:
Violet Jackson Leon

Maths Achievement Awards



Week 2 Term 2 Blake



Week 3 Term 3
Jackson



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Sophia





- Barb for helping in our classrooms.
- Gewalin's Dad, Craig, Avaleigh and Connor's Mumand Dad, Alishia and Max and Toby G's Dad, Malcolm for helping with 'Bring an Broom Friday'. The areas are looking very good.

CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS—PARENT PAYMENTS 2023

We are asking \$150 for 2023 curriculum contributions. We thank those of you who have already contributed.

If you would still like to make payments for this year's curriculum contributions you are welcome to do so or if you are not sure if you have contributed and would like to do so, please telephone the office on 5169 6471.

Our bank account details are BSB 063522 Account No. 1006 8539. Please use your child's name as reference and contributions for easy receipting.

Attendance Requirements

If your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify the school as soon as possible on the day of absence, through SkoolBag or phone

Notifying the school of your child's absence either prior to, or on the day that they will be away, helps ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and will fulfil your legal responsibility.

From the end of Term 2 2018, all Victorian government schools are required to contact parents/carers as soon as practicable on the same day of an unexplained student absence. If your child is absent on a particular day and you have not contacted the school to explain why or the school has not been able to contact you, the absence will be marked as unexplained.

This system also promotes daily school attendance. Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education, they learn new things every day – missing school puts them behind.



For an effective way of receiving our school emails and other notifications and notices if you do not use our website, please follow this link to jump on board with our SkoolBag App.

You can also enter your child's absence from school.

https://www.moqproducts.com.au/skoolbag/installation-instructions/

JUST A REMINDER.....

If your child is absent

Please let us know by calling on 5169 6471 or entering the

absence via the Skoolbag app by 8.45am.

Thank you















Support your child's learning by upskilling yourself.

This free online course takes parents through:

- how to help their child take their first steps in reading and spelling;
- understand how to help their child build, write and read simple cvc (consonant, vowel, consonant) words;
- understand how to correct their child when they make a mistake in their reading or writing of simple words;
- have a basic understanding of how phonics works.

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