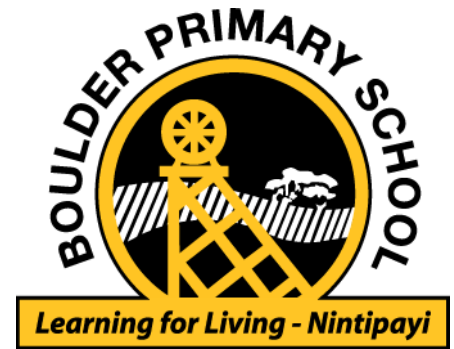


# Boulder Primary School Newsletter

Term 3, Week 4, 2021



# Proud History, From the Principal

## Dates to Remember:

Monday 9/8/21  
Science Week

Friday 13/8/21  
Assembly Room 8 @  
2pm

Monday 16/8/21 -  
Friday 20/8/2021  
Year 6 Camp

Monday 23/8/21  
Swimming Lesson  
notes and money  
due  
Book Week

Friday 27/8/21  
Book Week Parade  
9am

Thursday 2/9/21 -  
Friday 3/9/21  
School Photos

Wednesday 8/9/21  
Athletics Carnival  
Jumps and Throws  
(Yr3 - Yr 6)

Friday 10/9/21  
School Athletics

We know the importance of a positive school climate and culture and its impact on student learning. At Boulder PS we seek to establish an orderly, safe school learning environment in which students can learn, grow and flourish. Over the past two terms we have implemented a social emotional program called TRIBES which focusses on creating an inclusive and collaborative learning community. Through Positive Behaviour in Schools process, staff are now embarking on a review of the school behaviour processes. The Positive Behaviour in Schools program will review the strategies we implement, how well we implement these and consider if these strategies are effective. A small team has been selected to work on this project over the coming months.

Developing literacy skills in our students remains central to our work at Boulder Primary School. We have implemented two significant strategies over the last week to support and further develop the student's literacy ability. The first was moving our Assemblies to a Friday afternoon. By moving the assembly the teachers are able to teach English for an additional two hours per week. Between now and the end of the year this is an additional 40 hours focussed on literacy skills. This equates to an additional 8 days for the semester. With more hours devoted to English, we should see some fantastic progress and achievement in our students.

The second strategy was the senior phase of learning team (Years 3 to 6) participating in the Seven Steps for writing professional learning. Seven Steps to Writing is a program that empowers teachers to inspire their students to rapidly improve their writing skills. Based on five principles: Chunk large tasks, Repetition builds muscle memory, Think first- write second, Verbal is vital and Consistency creates change, teachers learned how to support students in the seven steps:

1. Plan for success
2. Sizzling Sentence starters
3. Tightening Tension
4. Dynamic Dialogue
5. Show, Don't Tell
6. Ban the Boring
7. Exciting Endings and Endings with Impact

I can't wait to read the dynamic dialogue and sizzling sentence starters in the students' work. If you have any questions about this matter or literacy, please don't hesitate to speak with your child's teacher.

See you at our assembly this Friday's, and yes we have made time to do "Spin to Win".

Go Hawks!!  
Thanks  
David Callow

# Great Future!

## From the Deputies

### Greener pastures

As you may have noticed our school has become a little greener. We are getting closer to completing our beautiful grassed area, and we are now working towards the next step which is having a rotunda built and getting the pavers laid. The P&C have extended the return date for orders to Friday September 17th. So, if you are interested in purchasing a paver and having your name engraved on it, please come to the front office to collect a form. I would like to thank William Hanson from Yonga Djena for the wonderful work that he has completed and Norton Goldfields, Anglo Gold and the Local Schools Community Fund for their monetary contribution towards the project.



With this project nearing completion, we are now working in partnership with Nhanda and BHP to create a sustainable community garden within the center of our school. This garden will consist of a variety of vegetable garden beds and a diverse range of fruit trees. We may even have a little more grass! Stage 1 is already complete with the bitumen being dug up and removed and new paths laid. I am really looking forward to the next stage and a greener school.

## From the Front Office

### Triple P - Positive Parenting Program

This 2 hour seminar will leave parents feeling more confident and better able to deal positively and effectively with common child behavioural and emotional issues.

A Triple P seminar will be offered in the second semester 2021 on these dates:

Seminar: The Power of Positive Parenting: Wednesday 15 September 10am-12pm

There is no cost to attend, however, bookings are essential.

A crèche is available by arrangement.

For more information or to register, please contact Population Health on 9080 8200

# Important Attendance Update

This fortnight we have noticed a significant decrease in attendance across the school, with some classes only having 8 students in attendance. Our whole school data shows that we have had an average of 80% attendance in the past fortnight. If we measured this percentage against our individual student attendance markers, our school would be placed at indicated educational risk.

When one of our teachers was asked why they are a teacher this week, their response was "I teach to inspire, nurture and guide children to be the best they can be academically, socially and emotionally".

Help us to help your child receive a quality education by making sure you send your child to school. Many of our programs do not allow time for 'catch up' due to non attendance. So, if your child misses a day of learning, they can never get it back.



## Swimming

Swimming lessons are happening across weeks 9 and 10 of this term. Tokyo 2020 has shown us that Australia has a reputation for developing exceptional swimmers. The next Emma McKeon or Zak Stubblety-Cook may even come from Boulder Primary School!

Not only is swimming a great way of staying physically active, but it also teaches our students vital water safety skills that they'll keep for life. Between 2002 and 2018, 52% of drowning among young children in Australia occurred in swimming pools. Developing water awareness in children is a key preventative strategy to reduce the risks of drowning. Swimming lessons not only teach students to be proficient swimmers, but also teach children water safety and survival skills. Please hand in swimming forms to the front office or classroom teachers.





# Merit and Values Award Winners

Year	Merit Winner	Values Winner
Tjitjiku1	Helen	Catalina
Tjitjiku 2	William	Lacey
Bottlebrush	Noah	Emilio
Sandalwood	Declan	Khan
Room 1	Bridget	Charlstyn
Room 2	Oliver	Rueben
Room 6	Natalia	Spencer
Room 7	Caitlyn	Sophie
Room 8	Christopher	Sophie
Room 9	Kane	Peyton
Room 13	Liev	Annalise
Cleaners Award	Kindy 1	



## RIBIT Award Winners

From Mrs Hurrell's class:

Tyrese 8

Olivia 20

Declan 20



# Sports Update

With the 2021 Boulder Primary School Faction Carnival fast approaching, students across all year levels have been practising their athletic skills and fine tuning their knowledge of the tabloid games. It's been encouraging to see students demonstrating a "have-a-go" attitude and motivating their fellow classmates. The students have had a lot of fun utilising some of the new training equipment, such as the speed chutes when practising sprinting techniques. The Faction Carnival is in week 8.

Congratulations to our Interschool Cross-Country team who competed in extremely difficult conditions. In true Boulder Primary School spirit, all our runners dug deep and crossed the finish line to earn us an overall third place! Thank you so much to all the staff and parents/carers who assisted on the day.



# A Window into Room 8

Room 8 has had an awesome start to Semester 2! Some exciting things that have happened so far include:

Celebrating our 100th day of school! Since the first day of the year, Room 8 have been counting and working out how many days to go. On this special day, we created a 100th Day of School artwork using the digits made from 100 into very creative masterpieces. We then got to go to Matilda the Musical at John Paul College. Here are what some students had to say about the day:

"It was fun! I liked the art activity!" – Mason

"I loved the art because I made a car out of the numbers!" - Jethro

Our Mathematics lessons are teaching us that we use maths a lot in everyday life! We have learnt about money and exploring place value with decimals. We are looking forward to our next topic 'Time' and can't wait to get started.

"I think learning about money is important because you need to know the right amount of change when you're at the shops."  
– Mia

Our new brain break "Cardio Desk Drumming", helps us get out of chairs, stretch our legs and practice our rhythm. We hope you enjoy our assembly as much as we did!

"It's fun! The more practice, the better we get!" Sophie.J

"I Love it! You have to practice a lot to make sure you're in time"  
- Damian

We have an awesome classroom atmosphere with students displaying the Tribes Agreements:

1. Mutual Respect
2. Attentive Listening
3. Appreciations – No put downs
4. The right to pass
5. Personal Best

This was shown when we received the Respect Values Award last assembly!







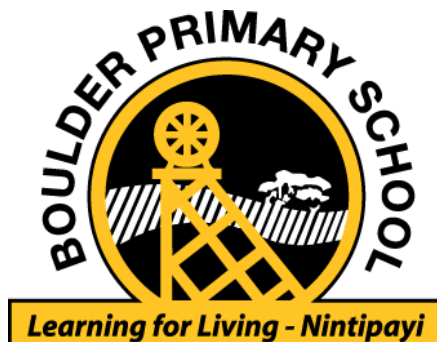
**BOULDER PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Our School Photos will be taken on:  
Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd of September 2021

**Class Photos/Portraits:**

- Every student will have their photo taken, whether they are purchasing photos or not.
- The school has chosen to use the online ordering system. Your child will be given an online ordering instruction slip and a unique student shootkey.
- Log on to [www.msp.com.au](http://www.msp.com.au) and follow the prompts to place your order.
- If you lose your shootkey the school reception will have a copy to quote back to you.
- The expiry date for online ordering is the 9.9.2021. Any orders received after this date will incur a \$30.00 archive fee.

**Family Photos:**

- Envelopes can be obtained from the front office.
- Family photos are taken each morning before school.
- Please ensure that your family envelope and payment are handed to the Photographer on photo day.
- If you do not have the correct money, we will provide any change needed when the photos are delivered to school.
- Family photos CANNOT be ordered online.



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