

Boulder Primary School Newsletter

Term 1, Week 4, 2022



Senior students using team work to play Tug of War during Phys Ed

Proud History, From the Principal

Although it is week 4 term 1 we have kicked off 2022 with some amazing results. For the first three weeks we have achieved an attendance rate of 90%. This is considerably better when compared to the same time last year. Well done Boulder Primary School.

Mrs Williams has been assessing students for group allocation within the Initialit program this year identifying some significant improvements. These include:

- Increase in cohort average from 19% in 2021 to 34% in 2022
- Increase in (doubled) the number of students achieving 50% from 11% in 2021 to 23.5% in 2022
- Decreased the number of students below 10% from 21 in 2021 to 10 in 2022.
- An absolute first - one student achieved 100%

I would like to thank the Boulder Primary School community for the support given in light of the recent implementation of some precautionary measures to reduce the possible impact of a Covid case at school. For us at Boulder PS:

- Staff are wearing masks, particularly when indoors and many staff continue to wear masks outside, and some masks have some really good designs and patterns.
- We ask parents when at school to please wear a mask
- All staff are double vaccinated with many also having their booster
- The staff at Boulder PS are forever vigilant to ensure the safety of all students.
- We are no longer holding assemblies, however Mr Fergusson is providing an alternative just go to our webpage to find out what this!

- We have zoned the school by classrooms, play areas and specialist staff
- As you are also aware parents/carers are not allowed in the classrooms
- We have handed out pamphlets which explain what we will do should we received news of a positive Covid case, this can also be found online.
- We have prepared work packages should the situation arise that we have to continue learning at home. Please note work packages will not be available if parents choose to keep their children at home.

We understand that parents and students may feel alarmed and cautious about the spread of Covid, however I encourage parents and careers to continue to keep a normal routine by sending students to school. Please remember, we operate with only the best interests of the students and we follow the advice of the Chief Health Officer. If you have any concerns a please do not hesitate to ask.

Next week we have two school development days (Monday 28th February and Tuesday 1st of March). During these two days staff will engage in professional learning in the area of Literacy, in particular writing. Staff will learn about the programs Talk4Writing, Seven Steps for Writing Success, review of our current spelling practices and word study, the Science of Reading (yes it involves science!) and revising the Grammar Punctuation and Editing Scope and Sequence.

Finally, I am happy to announce the arrival of 55 lap tops. These will be distributed across the school and support the implementation of technologies in classrooms. Students will have an opportunity to integrate this fantastic resources into their lessons. I am equally excited as these

Great Future!

Lap Tops will be replaced every 4 years ensuring the students of Boulder Primary School get the latest technology. I cannot wait to see the fantastic work the students produce with this piece of equipment.

Have a great week

And with the AFL season not too far away Go Hawthorn!

Mr Callow



Upcoming Events

Monday 28 February

School Development Day
(Pupil Free Day)

Tuesday 1 March

School Development Day
(Pupil Free Day)

Monday 7 March

Labour Day Public Holiday

* Assemblies will now be a delayed telecast' at 2pm Friday afternoon. Parents and Carers will no longer be able to attend, however, we will record and post to the assembly video to Facebook and the school website.

From the Deputies

There is a saying about preparation that I have adopted and use regularly with the staff at Boulder Primary School. It goes "Perfect Preparation Prevents Poor Performance". It is called the 6 P's, but I have omitted one for appropriateness. We all know how much better our lives are when we prepare in advance. To go with this, there are lots of research papers that outline the benefits of preparation for individuals and organisations. At Boulder PS, we take preparation seriously. With this in mind, we are proud to outline our preparedness for the improvement of our school for the next three years: the Boulder Primary School Business Plan 2022 - 2024.

This plan sets out an ambitious set of objectives. By the end of 2024, we want 80% of our students above the National Minimum Standard in NA-PLAN, and 60% of all students to be above the Decile 5 Median Score in Year 2 On-Entry. We also want our attendance rate to be 90%. Although these targets are ambitious, we believe they are achievable. The flow on effect is that we are enjoying the conditions to give your child the best possible education at Boulder Primary School. You can take a look at the Bu-

siness Plan via our website: <https://boulderps.wa.edu.au/about-us/business-plan-2/> It sets out a comprehensive set of strategies on just how we are going to achieve our goals. The Business Plan reflects the exciting direction that our school is taking over the next few years. Believe me when I say: it has never been a better time to be a part of Boulder Primary School!

Ash Ferguson

Deputy Principal



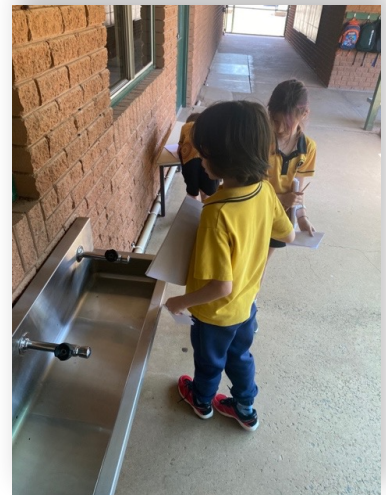
An Update from Room 2

Room 2 has made a great start to the new school year. Some amazing things we have done so far in 2022:

We have been participating in a lot of Tribes activities to get to know all our new class members. We have learnt lots of new energisers and started to use our appreciation wall. This is where if we think of an appreciation for someone in our class, we can quickly write it down and place them in their envelope.

In Numeracy we got to play some fun place value games, where we learnt to read and write numbers all the way in the 10 000's place value. We have been walking around the school and finding all different types of angles, Room 2 learnt that there are angles everywhere we look, and we can even have them on our bodies.

In Literacy we now move into our literacy groups and are starting to focus on our reading and spelling. Everyone has been reading challenging stories but as we practice each day, we are getting better and better reading them aloud. Keep an eye out for our narratives that we are starting to learn about.



COVID Response Plan

IMPORTANT: Contact Information

It is very important that the school has your current contact details, so we can contact you as quickly as possible. If your phone/mobile number, address, or emergency contact information has changed, please notify the Front Office Staff.

Community Lockdown Response Plan

Pre-Lockdown

- Ventilation audit completed
- Teachers have met and prepared work packs
- School staff are vaccinated
- A plan has been created to cater for the absence of staff.
- **You can help by ensuring your contact details are accurate**

During Lockdown

- Teachers will organise work packs for students to complete at home. **Please return these when complete).**
- Continuous communication to parents will be made via text messages.
- Map provided showing school entry points for parents.

Post-Lockdown

- Continuous communication to parents will be made via text messages.
- Parents to drop their children at designated gates.
- If parents are not allowed on site, all students must come to school with a prepared lunch from home.
- If parents are allowed on site, they must sanitise their hands at the sanitiser stations provided.

Further Strategies

- Source relief teachers
- Specialist teachers to provide relief
- Extra cleaning allocation
- Combining classes
- Visitors sign in and provide proof of vaccination

Emergency Lockdown Response Plan

1. Parents will be notified to pick up their children immediately.
2. Alternative teaching delivery will be arranged.
3. Parents will be kept informed via text messages.
4. Staff, students, and parents will not return to school until it is safe to do so.

Important Information

The Chief Medical officer will advise if the school or parts of the school are to close.

All actions are based on the advice of medical experts.

COVID Response Plan

Student Work Package Collection Process



School Entry Points by Year Level



Student Work Pack Collection Process

Class	Teacher	Pick Up Time
Kindy	Miss Healey	8:30 am
Kindy	Mrs Barnard	
PPS	Miss Simpson	
PPB	Miss Dorji	
Rm 1	Miss Callow	9:30am
Rm 2	Mrs Lister	
Rm 7	Mr Radaich	10:30am
Rm 8	Miss Skinner	
Rm 9	Mrs Martin	
Rm 13	Miss Horomia	11:30 am
Rm 14	Mrs Azzam Mrs Katzen	
Rm 15	Miss Dee	

Definitions:

Essential Worker:

According to state government, an essential worker is a person who performs work that is essential to the delivery of services including but not limited to:

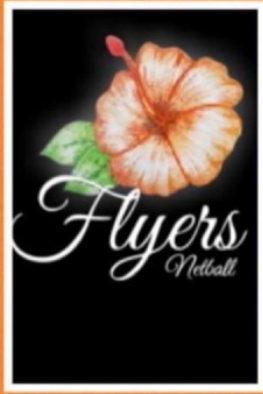
- Essential health services
- Funeral or mortuary services
- Emergency services (SES, ambulance, fire fighters, paramedics etc.)
- Members involved in COVID response
- Government or local government services
- Media services
- Public and air transport
- Truck stops and roadhouses
- Retail (click-and-collect and delivery services)
- Teachers and essential school staff

Close Contact:

A person who has had face-to-face contact OR has shared a close space with someone diagnosed with COVID (while they were considered infectious) for any amount of time.

Community Transmission:

People who have tested positive for COVID where the source is unknown, presumably someone in the community



Flyers Netball Club Registrations

Sunday 20 Feb 10am-12pm

Thursday 24 Feb 5-7pm

Sunday 27 Feb 1-3pm



2022 Teams

SET 2014 & 2015

GO 2012 & 2013

Boulder Primary School Staffroom
Via Wittenoom St staff car park gate entrance

CBC Hockey Club

WE WANT YOU!

CBC HOCKEY CLUB ARE NOW TAKING REGISTRATIONS FOR OUR 2022 SEASON. WE ARE SEEKING PLAYERS FROM AGES 7 - 17 FOR OUR JUNIOR COMPETITION. NEW PLAYERS ARE VERY MUCH ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER AS WE HAVE A GREAT COACHING PANEL ACROSS ALL GRADES. FOR ANY QUERIES PLEASE CALL THE BELOW CLUB MEMBERS:

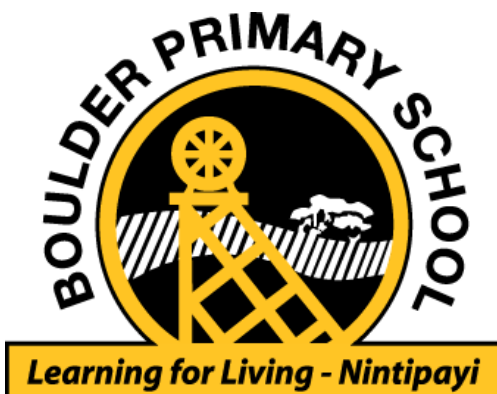
Courtney Armstrong: 0428 137 014

Ryan Koltasz: 0438 924 380

TRAINING INFO

U13s Boys & Girls: Thursdays 4pm - 5pm

U17s Boys & Girls: Thursdays 5pm - 6pm



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