

Boulder Primary School Newsletter

Term 1, Week 2 2023

Welcome Back!!!!

I must say how brilliant it was to see families, students and parents back at Boulder Primary School last Wednesday. It was equally impressive to see the number of students and parents who came along for the Class List BBQ as well. It was fantastic to see so many students and parents come along, meet their teacher, buy uniforms and have a sausage sizzle. A truly amazing afternoon.

We would like to welcome to the Boulder Primary School Team three new staff members. Jess Kail who will be teaching in the Kindilink Program and Kelsey Turner who will be teaching the Years 3/4 in Room 10. However, Ms Turner will be away for three weeks on leave, so we welcome Mr Murphy who be replacing Ms Turner during her time away. We hope they enjoy their time at Boulder Primary School.

The two days prior to students commencing were school development days. While staff had a small amount of time to prepare and organise their classrooms, they spent most of their time discussing the following:

- Reviewing the Business Plan and its implementation
- Reviewing the Operational Plan and its implementation
- Reviewing our Curriculum and Reporting Policy, Curriculum implementation, Social and Emotional Learning, and Professional Learning.
- The Positive Behaviours in School Matrix, which will be introduced in the coming months.
- And finally Professional Learning on the new Origo Math program.

Our priorities for 2023 remain the same as for 2022. These are; Early Intervention, Social Emotional Learning and Capacity Building. I am very happy to say that after some very pleasing results at the conclusion of 2022 we will continue to implement the following programs Intialit, Tribes, Zones of Regulation, Positive Behaviours in School (PBS), Behaviour Management Process and Numero.

This year I am also excited to announce we will be introducing a math program called Origo. I am hoping with another whole school approach this time for Math we will be able to provide and maintain the continuity of curriculum delivery and see an improvement in student performance.

Providing a time for Parents to hear from their child's teacher is very important. We have scheduled a Parent Night to be held on Thursday the 16th of February starting at 5:30pm. We did not hold this event last year due to the Covid pandemic. This session is invaluable for Parents and Carers as it provides an opportunity for teachers to discuss how they manage the class, routines, expectations and school policy.

Wishing everyone a wonderful and successful 2023.

Mr Callow

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 16/2/23 Parent Meeting Night 5.30-6.30pm

Friday 17/2/23 Assembly - Student Councillors

Monday 20/2/23 P&C AGM 6pm Staffroom

Friday 3/3/23 Assembly - Room 13

Monday 6/3/23 Public Holiday Labour Day

Tuesday 7/3/23 School Development Day

Friday 10/3/23 Assembly - Room 9

Friday 24/3/23 Harmony Day

Monday 20/3/23 - 27/3/23 Naplan

Wednesday 29/3/23 Year 1 - 6 Numero Competition

Wednesday 5/4/23 Big Breakfast

Friday 7/4/23 Public Holiday Good Friday

Proud History, From the Deputy Principal's

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 NAPLAN, 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.

Already, our Year 5 students achieved the 80% above National Minimum Standard in NAPLAN Spelling, and our attendance rate is currently 89%.

You can take a look at the Business 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

The Boulder Primary School 2023 Operational Plan outlines a detailed roadmap, aligning specific actions, timelines, budgets, and targets working towards achieving the objectives set out in the Boulder Primary School 2022 – 2024 Business Plan. It provides staff with a framework for day-to-day operations in the areas of Teaching and Learning, Learning Environment, Relationships, Leadership and Recourses.

With successful students at the center of everything we do and a priority area of "Early Intervention" identified in Boulder Primary School's strategic plan an operational decision to enhance Teaching and Learning and embed a targeted literacy program, InitialLit, from Kindergarten to Year Two was made. InitialLit is an evidence based whole class literacy providing our students with the essential core knowledge and strong foundations to become successful readers and writers.

Another priority area identified in our Business Plan is "Social and Emotional Learning (SEL)". With this priority as a driver the Boulder Primary School Operation Plan outlines our SEL programs, Tribes, Zones of Regulation and Protective Behaviours and a SEL scope and Sequence for all staff to follow, building an inclusive, safe, and respectful Learning Environment.

"Building the capacity of staff" is also a priority area within our Business Plan. To enable the success of the programs implemented, the Operation Plan outlines a range of professional learning to support staff and build their capacity to implement programs with fidelity and deep commitment.

The Operational Plan is endorsed by the Boulder Primary School Board. The daily operations are reviewed, and recommendations guide future operations. If you have any questions or would like to chat about the Operational Plan, please come and see me.

Jennie McMeeken

Great Future!

Uniform Shop

Our uniform shop opening time is Tuesday and Friday morning 8.30am – 9.00am. Orders can be left at the canteen or the front office.

Hats are available to purchase from the canteen. **Can you please ensure that your child has a broad rimmed hat to bring to school.**

The uniform shop is staffed by volunteers from the P&C and opening times are subject to the availability of volunteers.

Student Contact Details

Could you please make sure you notify the school office of any changes to your contact details. Without correct details should there be an emergency it is difficult to contact you. If someone else is picking your child up from school they need to be on our contact list or you need to phone the office and let us know otherwise we cannot release the student.

Canteen

This year the school canteen will be open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. The canteen will not longer be open on Wednesday's due to lack of volunteers.

There is a new menu and there will be a range of weekly specials.

If you are interested in volunteering in the canteen, please contact the P&C or drop in and see Medina, our new canteen manager.

P&C

P&C AGM will be held Monday February 20 at 6pm in the school staffroom.

All parents/carers are welcome to attend. The P&C are always looking for more volunteers to join and help raise funds., our focus this year is the EC Playground. In previous years funds have benefited our paved area, gardens and reticulation. One of the main fundraising events was our Fete.

Voluntary Contributions

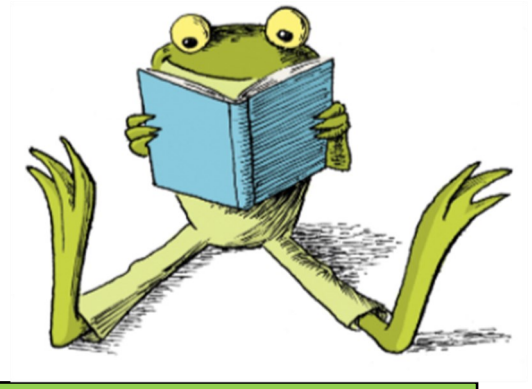
Statements for voluntary contributions and charges will come home with your child on Monday.

Payments can be made by cash, EFT in the front office or direct transfer to our bank account. BSB 066 502 Account 00900161. Reference – Surname, First Initial, Room Number.

If you are eligible to claim assistance from any of the Indigenous Trusts – Ngadju, Plan B, Wongatha, or Central West please contact Nicole in the front office for help.

RIBIT

Reading In Bed-It's Terrific



What is RIBIT?

RIBIT is our Home-Reading program, encouraging your child to read or be read to. You are never too old to be read to and there is no better way of preparing your child to succeed as a reader than reading aloud to or with them. Reading to your child stimulates imagination, improves their ability to focus on tasks, develops communication and listening skills, helps with comprehension and gives your child time to enjoy your company.

How can we do it?

Each night, read to your child or ask your child to read to you.

Fill in the recording sheet by adding the date and title of what you read. Only one entry can be made each day.

You can read anything! Books are available for your child to check-out in class each day, and you can use these, school library books, books from your own bookshelf or any reading material your child is interested in to fill out your RIBIT Reader.

The more you read, the more you earn. Prizes and certificates are awarded for 50, 100 and 150 nights reading at assemblies.



Hi Everyone,

Welcome to Term 1 at Boulder Primary

For those that don't know me, my name is Peta Russo and I am the school Chaplain.

My role is to care for the social, emotional, mental and spiritual well being of students, families and staff at Boulder Primary.

This is my 10th year as Chaplain at this amazing school and I've had the privilege of serving many families during this time.

If you need a confidential, caring and non judgmental listening ear or your child needs some emotional or social support at school, please see the office staff or Deputy Principal Jennie McMeeken to arrange an appointment.

I am at school every Tuesday and Thursday and every second Monday.

Peta Russo

YouthCARE Chaplain

STAFF UPDATES



Jess Kail - Kindilink Teacher

I was born in Kalgoorlie but my Pop, Harold Mazzucchelli was a very proud Boulder boy and attended BPS. I have been fortunate to teach in many different areas over the last twenty five years: high school maths and science, museum excursions and holiday programs as Ed Officer at the WA Museum in Kalgoorlie-Boulder; and recently helping adults and adolescents improve their reading, writing and maths at TAFE. I am excited to be working in Pre Primary and with Miss Hansen in the KindiLink Program at Boulder Primary this year.



Josh Harder - Social and Emotional Learning Leader

Hi everyone and welcome back to 2023!

This year I will be continuing my role as the Social and Emotional Learning Leader for the school. My position entails me to oversee and lead the implementation of social and emotional learning across the whole school and continue to develop our positive school culture.

Social and emotional learning helps students to learn the competencies and skills they need to build resilience and effectively manage their emotions, behaviour and relationships with others. As early to middle childhood is an integral developmental period, developing social and emotional skills will lead to positive health and well-being outcomes for our students. At Boulder Primary School we have several key pillars that help us to drive social and emotional learning, such as Tribes, Positive Behaviour Support, Zones of Regulation and Protective Behaviours.

If you would like to discuss anything about social and emotional learning, please do not hesitate to contact me, either in person or via email joshua.harder@education.wa.edu.au.

I look forward to another great year at Boulder Primary School.



Kelsey Turner - Teacher

I will be the Year 3/4 teacher in Room 10 this year. I was born and raised in Kalgoorlie-Boulder, completing all my schooling here as well as my Bachelor of Education online via Curtin University. This is my third year of teaching, and I am very excited to be at Boulder Primary School this year!

I strive to create a positive and supportive classroom environment where all students have equal access to learning opportunities.

I look forward to spending more time with your beautiful children in 2023 and helping them grow, reach their personal bests, and develop lifelong skills!



**ARE YOU
THE NEXT
TENNIS STAR
??**

**REGISTRATION
DAY
Sunday
12 February
2023**

KIDS TENNIS COACHING
... FOR AGES 5 AND OVER

Coaching 12, 19 & 26 February, 12, 19 & 26 March
9.00 to 9.45am
at the Goldfields Tennis Club, Marshall St Kalgoorlie

Just \$30 for the 6 week program
All equipment supplied. Please wear a hat & sunscreen
and bring a drink bottle.

To register, or for more information, contact

Shane Power
0409 452 545



Heather Lavery
0408 935 726




GET YOUR GAME ON

Mines Hockey Club is looking for Junior & Senior players for the upcoming 2023 Season.

Whether you are a seasoned player, want to give hockey a crack, get some fitness and make new friendships.

Training takes place Tuesday nights.

Contact us and find your spot at Mines Hockey Club.

 blueforlife_MinesHC@hotmail.com

 fb.me/mineshockeyclub



Flyers Netball Club

2023 Registration

- 📌 Sunday 19 February 11-1pm
- 📌 Thursday 23 February 5-7pm
- 📌 Sunday 26 February 1-3pm

Boulder Primary School staffroom
via staff car park entrance on
Wittenoom St

Returning players

Wait for Player HQ
registration unless you
would like to order new
uniforms then come along
to one of the registration
days.

Enquires
-flyersnetball@gmail.com
-Find us on fb Flyers
Netball Club Kalgoorlie
-Message us on fb

2023 Teams

- *SET 2015 & 2016
- *GO 2013 & 2014
- *Juniors 2005-2012
- *Seniors from 2005

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Parent Calendar

Term 1, 2023

	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
Week 1 30 th Jan - 3 rd Feb		BBQ for Class Lists	First day for students		
Week 2 6 th - 10 th Feb					
Week 3 13 th - 17 th Feb	On Entry Testing PP – Year 2		Ear Bus	Parent Meeting Night 5:30-6:30pm	Assembly Student Coun- cillors
Week 4 20 th - 24 th Feb	On Entry Testing PP – Year 2 P&C AGM 6pm Staffroom			School Board	
Week 5 27 th Feb - 3 rd March	On Entry Testing PP – Year 2				Assembly Room 13
Week 6 6 th - 10 th March	On Entry Testing PP – Year 2 Labour Day Public Holiday	School Development Day			Assembly Room 9
Week 7 13 th - 17 th March			NAPLAN		
Week 8 20 th - 24 th March	NAPLAN P&C Meeting			School Board	Harmony Day
Week 9 27 th - 31 st March			BPS Year 1-6 Numero Com- petition		
Week 10 3 rd - 7 th April			Big Breakfast		Public Holiday Good Friday