



Boulder Primary School Newsletter

Term 4, Week 2 2023

Welcome to Term 4. We have had an unbelievably amazing start to this term. The students have returned to school and the routines are as if they haven't been away. It has been interesting hearing about all the adventures the students had over the holidays.

It has been great to see the students so well dressed in uniform. I have also seen the new faction shirts being worn by students. A reminder the faction shirt can be worn on Friday and on Faction Carnival days. The P&C also introduced a new hat. These have a wonderful broad brim, but these are also reversible with the faction colour on the inside. The hats come highly recommended from Mr Harder our PE teacher.

During term three we conduct the Staff, Student and Parent survey to complement the many components of data we collect to determine our future directions. While the results from the Staff and Student survey were positive the results of the parent survey were equally positive with significant improvements identified in most areas. Here is some responses from the survey:

- 80% of parents agreeing "Student behaviour is well managed",
- 87.8% of parents agreeing "The school is well maintained"
- 77.6% of parents agreeing "Student learning needs are being met"
- 85.7% of parents agreeing "I would recommend this school to others"
- 85% of parents say "students can talk to staff about their concerns"
- 89.8% of parents indicated "the staff at this school are good teachers"
- And finally
- 87% of parents indicated that "students feel safe at Boulder Primary School"

All the survey data will be presented to the School Board for further discussion. As we seek continual improvement in the school's performance, staff will analyse, reflect and use these results to support the future planning and direction for Boulder Primary School.

One event I know Ms Skinner is really excited about is the Numero Competition in Perth. Having finished first in the interschool Numero competition last term our small team of four will travel to Perth to compete against schools from all over the state. I would like to wish Alexandra McMeeken, Ella Hunter, Lucas McMeeken and Quincy Sheck every success. We know they will do their personal best and represent the school proudly!

In week 5, Wednesday the 8th of November, we will receive a visit from a Director of School Review and another Principal who will conduct a review into the effectiveness of Boulder Primary School. They will be here for one day when they will engage in discussion with staff, students and parents to determine our effectiveness as a school. I know many staff are excited to be able to share the wonderful work being done at Boulder Primary School. Looking forward to another amazing and wonderful term.

David Callow
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 20th October -
Room 8 Assembly
Opening of ECE Play-ground

Monday 23rd October—
P&C Meeting 6pm
Staffroom

Friday 27th October—
Summer Lightning Carnival

Thursday 2nd November—
School Board Meeting

Friday 3rd November—
Room 6 Assembly

Monday 6th November—
School Development Day

Thursday 9th November—
State Numero In Perth

**REMINDER THAT
THE SCHOOL
CANTEEN IS
CLOSED EVERY
WEDNESDAY.**

Proud History, From the Deputy Principal

Early Arrivals

As Term Four begins, parents and carers are reminded that school commences at 8:30am, with classroom doors opening at this time. At Boulder Primary School, we encourage our students to arrive on time allowing them to participate in our daily Literacy Block.

If students arrive early, our school gates open at 8:00am and the hall is open with supervised activities such as Numero, Chess, Puzzles and Tribes energisers. It is important that students do not arrive prior to this as gates are usually closed and there is no supervision, which may be unsafe. When students are being supervised by a parent or carer prior to 8:30am we ask that students please remain seated as they are not permitted on the playgrounds and should not be running around in the under-cover areas and basketball courts.

We are excited to see our students arrive on time and ready to learn each day. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Mrs McMeeken.

2023 Voluntary Contributions and Charges

You will receive this week a Reminder of Unpaid Billing items—generally for our 2023 Voluntary Contributions and Charges. Funds raised from this are called Locally Raised Funds—and it is these funds that we use to purchase resources around the school that directly benefit our students.

We have just had our latest Cold Water Chiller unit installed in the old undercover area for students to keep their water bottles filled. Just in time for summer.

So if you haven't yet paid these contributions, please consider as your children benefit directly from funds collected in this way.

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH



Congratulations to Bella from Room 14 who has been awarded with our Aussie of the Month for September.

Bella is a role model citizen at Boulder Primary School. She takes on all tasks with a positive attitude and sets an exemplary standard with her consistent school attendance and positive behaviour. Bella's ability to assist those in need is undeniable. Whether that be helping her peers or staff, no task is too much. Very well deserved, Bella!

The Aussie of the Month program recognises students for their good citizenship, personal endeavour and achievement!

Be sure to check out our Aussie of the Month display next time you are up in the hall.

HATS – Does your child have a school hat??

At BPS, we have a no hat/no play policy and students must be wearing a bucket hat to play outside during recess and lunch.

We have many of the same students borrowing hats every day.

Hats are available from the canteen for \$17 and a reminder that the uniform shop is open Tuesday and Friday mornings for purchases.



Donate GIFTS and FOOD here

Listed below are some items you might like to donate this Christmas.

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| <p>FOOD</p> <p>What to donate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-perishable items • Supermarket gift cards • Special Christmas items • Food to suit kids & the elderly | <p>GIFTS</p> <p>What to donate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gifts for all ages • Gift cards • Unwrapped gifts • New items only |
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Nobody should struggle alone this Christmas

CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Parent Calendar

Term 4, 2023

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Other |
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| Week 1 9 th – 13 th October | | | CANTEEN CLOSED | | | |
| Week 2 16 th – 20 th October | ECE Playground Opening | | CANTEEN CLOSED | | ECE Playground Opening Room 8 Assembly | |
| Week 3 23 rd – 27 th October | P&C Meeting 6pm Staffroom | | CANTEEN CLOSED | | Summer Lightning Carnival | |
| Week 4 30 th October – 3 rd November | | | CANTEEN CLOSED | School Board Meeting | Room 6 Assembly | |
| Week 5 6 th – 10 th Novem- | School Development Day | | CANTEEN CLOSED | State Numero in Perth | | |
| Week 6 13 th – 17 th November | | | CANTEEN CLOSED | | | |
| Week 7 20 th – 24 th November | Swimming Lessons | | CANTEEN CLOSED Kindy Orientation Day | | Kindy Assembly | Booklist Home |
| Week 8 27 th November – 1 st December | Swimming Lessons P&C Meeting 6pm | | CANTEEN CLOSED | | | |
| Week 9 4 th – 8 th December | | | Christmas Concert CANTEEN CLOSED | Earbus 11.30 | Kindy & PrePrimary Graduation | |
| Week 10 11 th – 15 th December | KBCHS Transition Day | Year 6 Gradua- tion Day | CANTEEN CLOSED Reports Home School Board | Fun Run Last Day of School | School Develoment Day | |