

Boulder Primary School Newsletter

Term 4, Week 6 2023

Last week the staff of Boulder Primary School attended a School Development Day at the Boulder Lawn Bowls Club. As Boulder Primary School continues to seek ongoing improvement this day was used so staff could review both the school and student performance in 5 areas. These areas being Teaching and Learning, Learning Environment, Resources, Relationships and Leadership. Staff also analysed data from assessments such as NAPLAN, On Entry and Surveys. Most importantly after analysing and dissecting the data staff have made recommendations for the 2024 Operational Plan to improve student outcomes and school performance.

Also, last week, the staff and members of the school board and P&C met with the Director of School Review and a Peer Colleague to discuss the school's effectiveness over the past three years. I would like to recognise the amazing efforts and contributions of the staff at Boulder Primary School and also Janet Hill, Warren Stewart, Margaretta Hansen, Ellen McCleer, Jess Dann, Medina Kocian and Kat Donovan for giving their time to meet with the reviewers. While the reviewers confirmed the staff judgements of our effectiveness a report will be presented at the next School Board meeting. This report will also be available online for those who wish to read the commendations and recommendations from the reviewers.

As we bring 2023 to a close, staff are now busy preparing for 2024. One task staff take seriously in preparing for next year is the creation of class lists for 2024. Staff consider many complexities when developing a class list. Staff pay attention to three areas - social, behavioural and academics. If parents would like to make a request based on these three areas, for the placement of their child in 2024 please submit your request in writing and deliver your letter to the front office by Friday the 1st of December 2023. Staff will then consider and review these requests. A request is not a guarantee of a student's placement for 2024.

I would like to announce and congratulate Mr Ashley Ferguson on his recent appointment to the position of Principal at Kalgoorlie Primary School. Ash has been a dedicated and committed servant of Boulder Primary School over the last seven years. He has shown not only the leadership potential but importantly the leadership attributes to successfully lead his own school. We know he will do an amazing job at Kalgoorlie Primary School, and we wish him every success.

Finally I would like to also recognise the efforts of Ms Skinner and 4 amazing students Quincy Sheck, Lucas McMeeken, Alexandra McMeeken and Ella Hunter who travelled to Perth to compete in the state Numero challenge. Well done everyone! I have included a report from Quincy Sheck outlining his recount of the event. It appears the travel and food were a highlight of his time away.

Have a great week.

David Callow

Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 20th November—
Friday 1st December
Swimming Lessons

Friday 24th November
Kindy Assembly

Wednesday 6th December
Christmas Concert

Friday 8th December
Kindy & PrePrimary
Graduation

Monday 11th December
KBCHS Transition Day

Tuesday 12th December
Year 6 Graduation

Wednesday 13th December
Graduation Day
Reports Home

Thursday 14th December
Colour Fun Run
Last day of school for
Students

STUDENT LEADERS 2024

We are very excited to announce our student leaders for 2024. In Term 3, we ran a process to decide who would be our 8 Councillors and 8 Faction Captains. Anyone in Year 5 and Year 6 were welcome to nominate. In a record for Boulder Primary School, we received 56 nominations for the 16 positions. This meant that a lot of students missed out. All students who nominated demonstrated our values of Courage, Inclusion and Respect throughout the process, and the speeches that were delivered were exemplary.

The vote count included a 50:50 ratio of staff and students, giving an equal weighting to both. I would like to acknowledge the students who missed out, who demonstrated courage in receiving a result that did not go their way. Congratulations to our leaders for 2024, we know that you will lead the students well.

Head Boy—Steven Ford

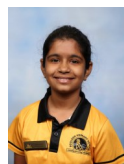
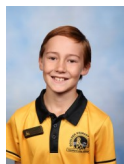
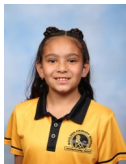


Head Girl—Isla Heslop



Student Councillors

Skyla Kocian—Joseph Kaufati—Saxon Wells—Swara Gurav—Jackson Bull—Braxton Joyce



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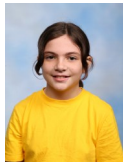
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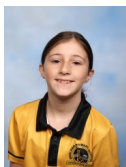
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Skye Franklin—Isabella Heslop



Lakewood Captains

Mackenzie Gibbs—Daniel Truran



Kylah Te Puke—Olivia Thompson



Trafalgar Captains

Savannah Joyce—Sahvanna Eades



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Awards

Congratulations to the following students who won merit and value awards at assembly.

<i>Class</i>	<i>Merit Award Winner</i>	<i>Values Award Winner</i>
Tjitjiku Kindy	Memphis Broughton	Harley Waddington
Bottlebrush	Alexander Smith	Ibrahim Latif
Sandalwood	Emma Knight	Kai Bailey
Room 5	Braxton Shearn	Olivia Dann
Room 6	Catalina Scanlon	Temata Vainerere
Room 7	Te Ariki Hemi Te Puke	Mason Peters
Room 8	Kobi Petch	Natalia Marriner
Room 9	Shelby Bonney	Jett Mackie
Room 10	Belle-Bethany January	Chloe Gaming
Room 13	Olivia Wells	Connor Greaves
Room 14	Leah Giblin Evans	Charlotte Hanson

RIBIT Award Winners

Congratulations to the following students who won RIBIT awards.



Gold Awards

- Caiah Takao
- Lara Warner
- Athena Warner

Silver Awards

- Lara Warner
- Alejandro Know

Numero Competition

The trip started off with a Bacon and Egg McMuffin, a hashbrown and some orange juice. It was nice and filling but not as good as Jahcovic's Nan's Muffins. After I chomped all of that down it was time to settle in for a long drive.

After hours of playing on my phone we stopped at BP in Southern Cross. I didn't need to go to the toilet, so I just stood outside waiting for my parents until I finally heard what I wanted to hear. I went straight to the petrol station store and asked for some of the things I wanted to eat and drink. Because I wasn't that hungry, I just grabbed some flavoured water and some lollies which amazingly were both on special. After a cycle of playing on my phone, eating and sleeping we reached Perth.

Our first stop in Perth was Water Town, where I discovered what a good sushi truly tastes like. After that delightful meal we headed up the escalator to Boost. I got a Mango Tango and finished it after entering the second shop. We finished our shopping at Water Town and decided to go some other place.

Good News? I found out that Bread Top at the Belmont Mall is extremely scrumptious. I got a glazed donut and a Nutella filled donut for my sister. We wandered around for a little while until we headed to the Belmont Motor Lodge hotel. That place was kind of dull. The news wasn't all that great, even Subway Surfers started to get boring and no not because I kept on dying straight away.

If there's any better place than Maccas it is Grilled. I had a tender and juicy Beef Burger with onion rings and three different chips as a side. Zucchini chips, sweet potato chips and normal chips. Honestly, I couldn't have thought of any way to make that night better but somehow my parents managed. We went to Iplay.

There Mum smashed in every basketball game and my dad had more kills in the zombie shooting game. I did manage to win motorbike racing and air hockey. (F.Y.I. Mr Radice, I want a rematch.) A very funny thing happened when we came across a man who showed us pure dedication.

He was playing one of these games where you copy the screen.

Anyway, you could tell that this man was well

prepared because he bought, the water bottle an energy drink and his own towel. He

even bought the premium card from Iplay. The man was doing so good at the game, and

he was on what seemed like the hardest level. But he mucked up the tiniest bit and lost.

He acted like Ronaldo when he lost the World Cup. After this show we head back to the

hotel to sleep.



One of the saddest moments in Perth was when I found out there was free Wi-Fi. Just before we were about to leave. I quickly tried to download movies on Netflix, but it was too late.

Finally, it was competition time. I was waiting for the McMeeken crew when I saw their car. Once we joined with the McMeekens, we waited outside for our other teammate Ella. Once we finally got a call, we found out she was already inside. After a lot of photos, we sat down and got ready.

Individual Challenges. For the most part we did pretty good. Our team had a lot of 7 or 8 card takes and even had top takes from Lucas and Alexandra.

Group Challenges. For this round your total amount of cards was multiplied by 4. And just like the individual challenges we had a lot of 8 and 7 card takes.

Games was my favourite part of the whole competition. My score was 46 and the opponent 36 in the first game. In the second game my score was 37 and the opponent 42. In the first game my opponent kept telling me to hurry up. I was not going to let that slide so I stole all his card takes and I could tell he was getting grumpy.

Scramble. After having a quick little break, we played some scramble. In scramble the total amount of cards you get is multiplied by 5. In the end our team scored 70 points.

Overall it was a good experience and I truly enjoyed it.

