



Boulder Primary School Newsletter

Term 2 Week 2 2024

Once again, we have had another fantastic start to a term. I am always amazed with how quickly students settle into the school routines when they return after a break. It is always great to see the students, parents and families after a two-week break.

Today we held a very beautiful commemorative ANZAC service in respect for all those who have served Australia. Many thanks and congratulations to our wonderful student leaders who presented and spoke at the service. A special thanks to those parents who took the time from their busy schedule to join us this very special occasion.

With a sudden change to the colder weather and months, we often see a decline in attendance. This term has been no exception. Attendance over the past 2 weeks has declined to 83%. We know how important Attendance is when it comes to students being successful and unlocking each and every individual's full potential. With the way we deliver our Literacy and Numeracy programs in particular, it is more important than ever that students attend school regularly. Due to the scaffolding nature of these programs, students cannot afford to miss a day!! As they say....

"Every Day Counts"

As you know, Kindergarten provides the most effective vehicle for children to transition from home to school. Guided by the Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF), the children engage in number and language activities, painting, drawing, singing, along with fine motor skills, nurturing a love of learning and building important lifelong social skills. At Boulder Primary School we seek to harness every child's natural interest for learning and curiosity for their surroundings through exposure to multiple intellectual and social activities. Boulder Primary School's Kindergarten program introduces your child to new ideas, develops problem solving skills, along with many other skills:

- Learn to coordinate and cooperate with fellow students
- Become more aware of their surroundings
- Understanding of other's feelings
- Self-regulate and manage emotions and feelings
- Develop language skills, numeracy and reading stories
- Making friends and respect for self and others
- Receptive to new concepts and ideas
- Build confidence, independence and identity
- Improve speaking and listening communication skills
- Express their creativity through art, drawings and movement
- Develop and focus on the academic skills like reading, writing and counting

More importantly current research shows that Kindergarten is critical for growth and development of every child. Research also shows that children who attend Kindergarten regularly develop higher order cognitive skills, higher IQ's, improved social skills, and are more likely to be successful.

To foster the development of these skills and establishing the foundation for literacy and numeracy, Boulder Primary School offers a 4-day Kindergarten program. If you have any questions on enrolling your child in an amazing early years educational program, please contact the school on 90924100.

Did you know the word KINDERGARTEN is derived from German which means garden for children.

Boulder Primary School prides itself in developing quality future teachers. As such, we are very pleased to have Skylar Smith who is in her third year of studying to become a teacher. Skylar is working with Miss Turner and the students in Room 10. I know she has great support from all staff and will no doubt learn a lot about teaching. We hope she enjoys her time with us.

Our Term looks very busy with a Cross Country, Volunteers Morning Tea, Mother's Day stall, Eagles Fever Cup, Semester One Reports, Winter Lightning Carnival and NAIDOC Day all scheduled on the calendar. I would like to highlight the Learning Journey on the 12th of June and ask that parents and carers write this one into the family diary. With the details yet to be finalised, Learning Journeys are a great way for students and parents to engage and discuss and show their learning. I believe this year's chef will be Mr Harder, replacing Mr Ferguson. I have heard Mr Harder is already practicing how to cook sausages as good as Mr Ferguson.

Finally, my beloved Hawks are sitting at the bottom of the AFL Ladder with only one win. So, there is only one way to go and that is up. "Go the HAWKS"!

Mr David Callow
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 25th April
Anzac Day Public Holiday

Friday 26th April
Student Development Day
NO SCHOOL

Monday 29th April
P&C Meeting
6pm Staffroom

Friday 3rd May
Assembly Room 14

Monday 6th May—
Friday 10th May
Mother's Day Stall

Thursday 9th May
School Board Meeting

Friday 10th May
Eagles/Fever Cup

Tuesday 14th May
KBCHS Year 10 Student Visit

Friday 17th May
Assembly Room 7
Eagles/Fever Cup

Proud History, From the Deputy Principals

KINDILINK

KindiLink is a play-and-learn initiative for 0–3-year-old children who can attend with a parent/carer. The sessions are planned and facilitated by a teacher, Mrs Sandra Callow and AIEO, Ms Margareta Hansen, who work alongside families to help support their children for success in school following the Abecedarian approach. This approach is a set of teaching and learning strategies developed to improve early development and later academic achievement of children.

Working in partnership with families KindiLink aims to:

- Improve the social and emotional, language and cognitive capabilities of children.
- Build the capacity and confidence of families in their role as their child's first teacher.
- Build productive relationships between the family, the school, and the community.
- Improve attendance among children during their schooling.
- Improve the educational outcomes for children.

Our KindiLink sessions run Tuesday and Thursday from 8:45am to 11:45am each week. If you have any questions about the program please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Mrs McMeeken
Deputy Principal

Seesaw

At Boulder Primary School we strive to connect and engage our families with what is happening at our great school. To achieve this, we have implemented the use of Seesaw. Seesaw is an online platform which allows parents, students and teachers to connect and showcase the amazing work that is happening inside your child's classrooms. Seesaw allows families to view their child's work, comment on student work and receive class announcements. Not only are families aware of student progress and achievement, but it can also help to encourage conversations in the family home about current learning topics. Parents and teachers can also connect through the messenger function, where you can notify teachers of absences or check-in on how your child is performing.

Our teachers are available to be contacted on Seesaw between 7.30am–4pm Monday to Friday. The Seesaw app is available for download to your tablet or mobile device for free through both the Apple App store and Android store. All students at Boulder Primary School have a Seesaw account, where you will be connected to classroom, literacy and specialist teachers. If you are yet to be connected to your child's Seesaw account or require any assistance in navigating the Seesaw app, please speak to myself or your child's classroom teacher.

Go the Eagles,

Mr Harder
Deputy Principal



ANZAC DAY



Meet Our Student Councillors

Name: *Saxon Wells*

What is your role at Boulder Primary School?
Student Councillor

What do you love about Boulder Primary School? *The friendly people and the layout.*

What is one thing we don't know about you? *That I am part German.*

What do you hope to be in the future? *I would love to be a Police Officer.*

Who is your hero? Why are they your hero? *Mr Vince because he is always here for me.*

What is one word to describe you? *Fast.*

If you were on a deserted island, who would you take? *I would take Daniel because he is very smart in these sort of situations.*



Meet Our Staff

Name? *Mrs Jenny Edwards*

Your role at Boulder Primary School? *Manager Corporate Services*

What do you love about Boulder? *I don't have to drive 30 minutes to get to work. Friendly students and staff.*

What is your hidden talent? *I don't have one but I like to garden.*

What is the most exciting/adventurous thing you have done? *I have jumped out of a plane.*

What is something weird you like to eat? *I love eating Oysters.*

What is one phobia you have? *Enclosed spaces.*

If you were on a deserted island, who would you take?
Jason Statham.



SIMMING LESSONS

Swimming Lesson forms have gone home with each student. These lessons for Year PP—6 will be held in Weeks 6 and 7 of Term 2 (20th May to 31st May). All notes and money are due back to school by Monday of Week 4 (6th May).

The cost is \$32. This covers entry and bus travel to Goldfields Oasis. The cost is lower compared to previous years as we have been fortunate to secure funding towards bus travel which has significantly reduced costs.

Payment can be made via cash or card in the office or a bank transfer. For bank transfers:

BSB—066502

Account Number—00900161

Reference—Child's Surname/Room Number

PARKING REMINDER

When you are picking up or dropping off students please be mindful of not parking in people's driveway or on their verge.

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH



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Congratulations to Rozay from Room 13 who has been awarded with our Aussie of the Month for March.

Rozay is a polite, inclusive and respectful student who always takes on the day with a positive attitude. In the classroom, she consistently displays personal best and takes on all tasks with courage and enthusiasm. Rozay truly sets the standard at Boulder Primary School. Well done, Rozay!

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Congratulations to London from Room 9 who has been awarded with our Aussie of the Month for March.

London 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. London's ability to brighten others days is incomparable. Very well deserved, London!

Parent Calendar

Term 2, 2024

	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
Week 1 15 th – 19 th April					
Week 2 22 nd – 26 th April				Anzac Day Public Holiday	Student Development Day No Students
Week 3 29 th April – 3 rd May	P&C 6pm Staffroom				Room 14 Assembly
Week 4 6 th – 10 th May	Mother's Day Stall			School Board	Eagles/Fever Cup
Week 5 13 th – 17 ^h May		KBCHS Year 10 student visit			Room 7 Assembly Eagles/Fever
Week 6 20 th – 24 th May	Swimming Les- sons	Número Day			Eagles/Fever Cup
Week 7 27 th – 31 st May	Swimming Les- sons				Room 5 Assembly Eagles/Fever
Week 8 3 rd – 7 th June	WA Day Public Holiday			School Board Meeting	Eagles/Fever Cup
Week 9 10 th – 14 th June	P&C 6pm Staffroom		Learning Jour- ney 3pm-4.30pm Sausage Sizzle	Winter Lightning Car- nival	Room 9 Assembly
Week 10 17 th – 21 st June					Cross Country
Week 11 24 th – 28 th June			Reports Home		NAIDOC DAY