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Bunbury Primary School Newsletter

An Independent Public School

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Our Values: Respect Responsibility Care Achievement

Our Motto: Strive to Achieve

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK Dear Parents/Carers,

Well, Term 2 comes to a close tomorrow afternoon, and I think the children and the staff have earned their term break! We will be saying farewell to a few of our current staff, some of who will not be returning next year. Mrs Crofts (Room 5) and Mr Pyne (Room 10) are taking leave that will encompass all of Semester 2, before returning in 2024. Mrs Young (Manager Corporate Services) will be moving to Carey Park Primary School. In her place, Mrs Joan Davies will be in the MCS role and Mrs Linda Gilchrist will take up the School Officer role. Mrs Jessica Ayres, one of our Education Assistants, will also be finishing her role at the end of term.

I want to thank all of them for their contributions to the children and the school as a whole. Every member of staff plays an important part of making our school the school that it is, and they all work hard to make it a good school. I wish them all well in their leave and their new roles.

Not that you need reminding, but tomorrow is our last day for Term 2. School will re-open on Monday July 17 and it will be a school development day. Children will commence on **Tuesday**, **July 18**.

INTERSCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Congratulations to the students who represented our school in last week's Interschool Cross-Country Carnival. It was the first time the event was held at Hay Park and a new course. I thank Adam Road PS for their organisation of the carnival and all the work that went into planning it and holding on the day. There are several divisions in the competition that includes a range of schools, from small to large. Our school competes in the Baardanginy Division (large schools) and earnt First Place in the Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 boys (as a team) as well as the Year 5 girls' team. This led to our school being awarded the overall First Place (school) in the division.

PJ DAY FOR PCH

As you would be aware, Monday was a Pyjama Day at school. It was great to see the children and staff coming to school in their pyjamas and making a gold coin donation. It was also nice and warm, not to mention comfortable, to be in our pjs all day! The money we raised (\$597.60) was donated to Perth Children's' Hospital.

SEMESTER 1 REPORTS

Our Semester 1 reports were emailed home to parents/carers yesterday afternoon. If you did not receive your child's report, please contact the school office and let them know. If your child's teacher has requested a meeting on the report, please make the effort to follow up with them once the new term begins. Even if the teacher has not requested a meeting, you are able to contact then a request a meeting next term, especially if you have any concerns about your child's report.

SCHOOL LAP-A-THON

This will be held at 2:00pm tomorrow (Friday), weather permitting. The lap-a-thon helps raise money for our Solar Buddy project (making rechargeable lights for children to use in energy poor countries. This is a national project and since 2016 it has impacted the lives of 982,055 lives and reduced CO_2 emissions by 251,406 tonnes. The lights come in kit form and our older students work with younger ones to assemble and test them before we send them off to the Solar Buddy Group to send overseas. \$1,000.00 goes to Telethon to help support children through a range of projects. Some of the money goes toward our World Vision sponsorship and other school programme expenses. The support you provide, through sponsoring your child is truly appreciated.

IN-TERM SWIMMING LESSONS

As you would be aware, these kick-off on the first Wednesday of Term 3 and finish on the Friday of Week 2. I appreciate the support that parents/carers show in paying the pool entry fee and bus fare so that their child can participate in an important life skill, especially in our Australian lifestyle where water-based activities play a major part.

KINDY/PRE-PRIMARY APPLICATIONS 2024

Just a reminder that the final day for the initial applications for kindergarten and pre-primary applications for the 2024 school year close on Friday July 21 (the first Friday of Term 3). Application forms are available from school and from our website if you have not yet provided one for your child.

The same date applies to applications for Year 7 at your local high school.

AFTER SCHOOL

Even though our term finished tomorrow, I would like to remind parents/carers about **end-of-day expectations** so that they will be ready for the new term.

After School Pickup – children being picked up by vehicle should be at the kiss and drive on Reading Street. This is supervised until 3:20pm. I know it looks like a lot of cars cueing up (and it is), but they clear within 10 minutes. Picking up children from the front of the school is fraught with risk – they are unsupervised in an area of traffic and people congestion.

After School Parking – I know it is almost a waste of time to say this, but please do not park in the staff parking areas (bitumen and grass parking zones) when coming in to pick up your child. Please do not wait in the travel lane in the parking area. Please do not park in the staff parking areas and wait in your car for your children to come to you. I know parking is an issue around our school. I also know that the risk posed by parents/carers disregarding my request to not park in the staff parking areas, is significant.

End-of-School Day – there is a simple sequence of events at play here that I ask all children to follow. The bell rings ð children leave classrooms ð children go home. If parents/carers want to stay for a catch-up and supervise their children having a play, that is okay. Bottom line is, and I need parents/carers to make sure their child knows this, No Parent-No Stay.

DATES TO WATCH

Thursday 22 June Runners' Club

Newsletter out

Friday 23 June Assembly Rm 5

Interschool Cross Country

Last day to hand in Swimming Consent

form and payment

Monday 26 June NAIDOC Week

Wednesday 28 June Semester 2 Reports go home

Thursday 29 June Runners' Club

Friday 30 June School Lap-a-thon

Last day of Term 2

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School News

EISTEDDFOD CHOIR & MARIMBA BAND

On 9 June, 2023, the Senior Choir performed at the annual Bunbury Eisteddfod held at BREC. The choir performed a part song called "Mama Don't 'Low No Music" a rollicking and fun piece which featured students playing xylophone, flute and drum interludes within the performance. The three instrumental parts then combined with piano accompaniment to support the choir who sang their parts independently and in either unison or harmony.

The second item performed was "Dona Nobis Pacem" which translates to "Grant Us Peace". This is a traditional canon with three contrasting melodic sections. When sung as a canon, beautiful harmonies are created as melodies weave and intermingle with each other. The Choir achieved second place in the 'Senior Primary School Choir' section.

On 14 June, the Year 6 Marimba Band performed at BREC in the Eisteddfod in the category of 'Mixed Instrumental Band'. The Band featured Marimbas, xylophones, drum kit, piano and untuned percussion instruments to perform two contrasting pieces - "Canon" and "Banuwa". The Band played these pieces layering parts to increase texture and with shifting dynamics to show their musicianship capability. The Band achieved First Place in their section.

Both the Senior Choir and Band members worked very hard to achieve their wonderful performances and welldeserved accolades.

Thank you to the parents who helped move instruments to and from BREC, and who also supported their children by attending the performances. Your efforts were much appreciated.





INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

We had some excellent results from the South West Primary Schools Interschool Cross Country Carnival. Congratulations to all of our amazing runners!

Individual medal winners:

Yr 3 Boys	Yr 4 Boys	Yr 5	Yr 6
Archer T - 2 nd	Eric M - 1 st	Cash R - 1 st	Julian A - 1 st
	George C - 2 nd	Hudson A -3 rd	

Yr 4 Girls

Poppy T - 1st

Reserves ribbon winners:

Yr 3/4 Archer C - 2nd
Yr 5/6 Jonah S - 3rd
Harry C - 4th



Year Group Winners

Yr 4 Boys	Eric, George, Vincent, Angus	
Yr 5 Boys	Cash, Hudson, Lucas, Ashton	
Yr 5 Girls	Ella, Anabella, Jade, Avahli	
Yr 6 Boys	Julian, Phoenix, Flynn, Jackson	

GIRLS AFL CARNIVAL

On Thursday 15th June our Yr 6 girls participated in a Girls AFL Carnival held at Hay Park.

We were represented by two teams, with many playing AFL for the first time. It was great to see the confidence, ethusiasm and sportsmanship on display. They girls had a fantastic day developing their AFL skills and knowledge!

Thank you to Ludita, Tanner & Shaun (our coaches from BCC) and all of the parents who came along to support us.







Term 2 Week 7

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Dylan, Eden, Felix, Mayley, Mohan, Olivia B, Olivia L, Owen,

Year 1

Archer, Esme, Harper, Maccabee, Ollie

Year 2

Harriet, Mack, Reuben, Sophie,

Year 3

Ava, Beau, Julian, Riley, Rokaia

Year 4

Adelaide, Ayce, Charlotte, Oliver, Portia, Riveana,

Year 5

Barry, Elle, Lucy, Luke, Piper

Year 6

Darcy, Harper, Luca, Sasha

Congratulations to all our recipients.

Honour Certificates s



Term 2 Week 9

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Georgi<mark>a, O</mark>live, Jim, Willa

Year 1

Nina, Leon, Isaac, Evie, Spencer

Year 2

Annie, Zia, Ramsay

Year 3

Sadie, Takeru, Judd, Jake, Azlan, Indi

Year 4

Eric, Nina, Beau, Cruize, Gus

Year 5

Andrei, Annabella<mark>, Lucy, Adel</mark>aide, Harrison, Harper

Year 6

Ved, John, Quínn, Lucan, Boston, Macey

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STUDENTS RESUME TUESDAY, 18TH JULY 2023

Community News





BETTER HEALTH PROGRAM

