

# **BORONIA PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL**

# **N**EWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 4 25 October 2021

WEEK'S EVENTS	
Mon 25 Oct	All students return to school
COMING EVENTS	
Mon 1 Nov	Parent information evening Kindy 2022 – via Zoom

# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Boronia Park looks like its normal self today with the return of all our students to school this morning. It is wonderful to see some faces that we have not seen for over 17 weeks! Teachers will be working with their students to get them back into important routines and habits that will ensure that the last 8 weeks of school will be as productive as possible.

As the weather heats up it is vital that all children wear a hat to school each day. The school hat is an important part of our school uniform. There are a few children currently not wearing a school hat. These coloured hats stand out. I ask for your understanding and support in this matter. Please ensure your child wears the correct school uniform to school each day. The bucket hat or cap are both available from our Uniform Shop should a new hat be required to purchase. Any students not wearing a hat, will be asked to play under the COLA at recess and lunch.

The staggered pick-up program that began last week was a huge success. I thank all students, parents and teachers for their patience and support in ensuring that we can get all our students home in the safest manner possible. The most important factor to ensuring that everything runs smoothly is to make ensure that students know clearly where they need to go. I understand organisation may change day to day in households. Teachers are here to support students so if any parents are concerned that their child may become confused, ensure you let your child's class teacher know of changes afoot.

I have noted some parents are pulling into our new driveway on Pittwater Road to either drop off their child in the morning or to collect in the afternoon. Please do not do this. It is an unsafe practice. It is also against the law. This is a space where many families gather, particularly now that parents are no longer coming on to school grounds. Please help to keep our community safe.

The school has a very strong creative arts program and this Wednesday night at 6:30pm there will be a zoom information session for parents interested in their child participating in the 2022 band program. I encourage all interested families to attend. We are incredibly fortunate to have the very talented Mrs Nylund run our school creative

arts programs. Information regarding joining the zoom session is provided later in this newsletter.

Congratulations to Leo H. in Yr 4 and Adelaide A. in Yr 6 who participated in the regional finals on Friday of the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition. They had previously successfully won both their respective sections in the local competition. Both students did an outstanding job on Friday. Each had to present a prepared and then an impromptu speech. Overall, Leo placed in the top 70 in the state out of 2000 students and Adelaide in the top 50 out of 2000 students. These results are an outstanding accomplishment. Well done on representing yourselves and the school so successfully. I look forward to presenting them both their Regional participation certificate when it arrives.

Mrs Ward Relieving Principal

# **DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

It is wonderful to see all our students back on school grounds today. It has been a long time since we've seen everyone face-to-face and as I write this, I can hear the happy sounds of children talking, laughing and playing. We also thank our families for working collaboratively with us during the 'Learning from Home' period.

It's fitting that as we all return to school it is *Children's Week 2021*. Children's Week is observed annually in the fourth week of October to mark Australia's ratification of the United Nations Convention of the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). Every two years a new theme is chosen based on an Article from the UNCRC. The national theme for 2020-2021 is Article 15 which states that children have the right to meet together and to join groups and organisations, as long as this does not stop other people from enjoying their rights.

Children's Week highlights that all children and young people can participate in and make a valuable contribution to their society. Why not try some of these ideas in Children's Week:

- 1. Invite someone to play with you that you don't normally hang out with.
- 2. Find out what clubs or groups are in your area and talk to your family about joining one. You can ask a parent or carer to check with the local council as they often have a directory of places. Sometimes they let you go for a free trial to find out if you like it!
- 3. Is there something you feel passionate about? Maybe you want to help the homeless, or stray animals or the environment. Think about what you can do to help out, talk with your family and make a difference to the world by your actions. Your local community may already have groups you can join to help others.
- Read a book about kids who have joined clubs or read about making and keeping friends or read to a younger child.
- 5. Learn more about other inspiring kids and how they are changing the world.

https://www.idtech.com/blog/kids-who-changed-the-world.

Mrs Taylor Relieving Deputy Principal

# **OFFICE REPORT**

# **ENEWS (School App)**

Please use the school app for informing the school of whole day absences only. It can not be used for late arrivals or early leavers.

# NOTES SENT HOME LAST WEEK

1. Parent information Zoom meeting Kindergarten 2022

# **ADVERTISING NEWSLETTER**

The school advertising newsletter will be sent home in weeks 6 & 9 of this term. If you are interested in advertising in the newsletter please contact the office.

The cost for an A4 advert is \$25 and an A5 size is \$20.

# KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

# **TUESDAY 2 & 9 NOVEMBER**

Kindergarten 2022 Orientation will be held on *Tuesday 2 & 9 November* for enrolled students only. A note was emailed to all



parents with drop off and pick up times. The children will be participating in a range of activities in the classroom and playground. Please contact the school if you did not receive the email.

A parent information evening will be held via zoom on Monday 1 November for 2022 kindergarten parents. Details have been emailed to the parents.

Contact the school office if you have not already enrolled your child for 2022.

# **CREATIVE ARTS**

A reminder that face-to-face music groups are not currently permitted so online rehearsals will continue on Zoom as they have been until further notice. However, band rehearsals will now start at 7:45am, senior choir will start at 8:15am, and junior choir and drama group will start at 4:00pm. This will allow students to travel to and from school in time. Unfortunately, students attending after and before school care will not be able to participate in online rehearsals.

# JOINING THE BAND PROGRAM IN 2022 - ZOOM INFORMATION EVENING THIS WEDNESDAY

Parents of year 2 students and any other students from years 3-6 who are considering joining the band program next year are invited to our online information evening.

When: Wednesday 27 October, 7:00pm

**Where:** On Zoom - a link/passcode is below and will also be sent out via the school app.

**Who**: Parents and students from year 2 and up who are planning on joining the training band and instruments tutorial program in 2022.

**What:** You will be introduced to the instruments of the concert band, hear from our band directors Rod and Nate, and find out the cost and commitment involved.

If you intend to attend or will be enrolling in the program, please email Jenny Nylund with your child's name and class. <code>lindsayandjenny@hotmail.com</code>

To join the Zoom Meeting:

https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/66868891914?pwd=MzR1 UzB4SDZYdHUveC9iZEo1ZlltUT09

Meeting ID: 668 6889 1914

Passcode: 831105

# JOINING THE STRINGS PROGRAM IN 2022 - ZOOM INFORMATION EVENING



Parents students from Kindergarten and up who interested in finding out about violin and cello lessons and the String Ensemble at our school, are invited to our online information evening.

When: Wednesday 17 November, 7:00pm

**Where:** On Zoom - a link/passcode will be sent out via the school app.

**Who**: Parents and students from Kindergarten and up who are interested in joining the strings program (violin and cello).

**What:** You will be introduced to the string instruments, hear from our tutors James and Lily and find out the general cost and commitment involved.

If you intend to attend or will be enrolling in the program, please email Jenny Nylund with your child's name and class - lindsayandjenny@hotmail.com

#### RECORDER PROGRAM

year before-school Next group recorder lessons will continue under the direction of Jackie Brighton for students in years 2 and up, and year



1 students from midway through the year. The recorder is a great way to be introduced to the basics of learning to read music and to build confidence, fine motor skills and listening skills. An enrolment form is sent out in the first week of the new year. If you have any questions about the recorder program you can contact Jackie Brighton brightonjk23@gmail.com.

# Mrs Nylund

# SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Due to the restrictions around visitors on school grounds, we have sadly had to cancel our school photographs for 2021. We have rebooked for 2022.



# Mrs Mugglestone & Miss Hogan

# **LIBRARY**

The library welcomes students to begin borrowing again.

Classes are timetabled as:



Monday: 1H. KF. KP. KL. 1M. 1B Tuesday: 2A, 2B, 2C, 3T

Wednesday: 4B, 3S, 5P, 5S Thursday: 5K, 6S, 4H, 3B, 4M

Friday: 6L, 6G

Loan notices will be distributed after the class timetabled lesson. Students are encouraged to check their current loans, by accessing "Oliver Library" through their student portal. Please make contact with the library if any items on the notice are unable to be returned.

#### Mrs Hunt

# **CANTEEN**

The school canteen has re-opened for term 4. Don't forget that orders can now be placed through Flexischools! The cut-off time for online orders each day is 8:30am.





Students can still order in the traditional way by bringing their order to the Canteen by 9:30am each day. Due to COVID restrictions, please remember that parents are not permitted to enter the school grounds to place an order.

# **UNIFORM SHOP**

An updated Uniform Shop list has been uploaded on the school APP.











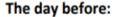
# Re-establishing routines

Will your child and family need some adjustment to get back into school learning?

Getting your child and family into a regular routine in the weeks leading up to returning to school will help make the transition and change easier to manage.

# The week before:

- Return to usual school day wake up, morning and bedtime routines.
- · Ensure they are getting enough sleep.
- Practice having breakfast, lunch and snack times that coincide with typical school breaks.
- Create a calendar that counts down the days until their return.
- Practice getting ready to go to school e.g. finding their uniform and packing their bag.



- Include your child in packing their school bag and getting their uniform ready.
- Talk with them about the plans for the next day including the morning routine, what to expect when they arrive at school and afternoon pick up plans.



# The morning of:

- Allow extra time to get ready.
- Keep yourself calm to help your child remain calm.
- Repeat all the information you discussed with them the previous night about what their day will look like.









