



# BORONIA PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 Week 3

9 May 2022

### WEEK'S EVENTS

Mon 9 May	9:25am String Ensemble Performance at morning assembly
Mon 9 May	5:30pm School Council Meeting
Mon 9 May	7:30pm P&C Meeting
Tue 10 May	NAPLAN online starts
Wed 11 May	Cross Country – Boronia Park Oval (Weather permitting)
Sat 14 May	Federal Election

### COMING EVENTS

Fri 20 May	NAPLAN online ends
Tue 24 May	BPPS Debate vs HHPs – Round 1
Tue 24 May	Stage 2&3 Multicultural Speaking school finals

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

NAPLAN begins tomorrow for our Year 3 and 5 students. The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is a nationwide measure. NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas of Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation) and Numeracy. The tests provide the school with information about how education approaches are working, and the areas to be prioritised for improvement. The results can assist teachers by providing additional information to support their professional judgement about students' levels of literacy and numeracy attainment and progress. NAPLAN is one of many measures that are used by your child's teacher to measure their learning progress. It should not be a stressful time for any student. All we want is for students to try their best.

COVID continues to affect our school on a daily basis. Reports of COVID cases across all stages of the school are currently present, in both students and staff. Whilst close contact rules have changed and if students and staff are symptom free, and regularly RAT test negative, they are able to attend school, we ask for your cooperation in ensuring that anyone exhibiting flu-like symptoms remain at home.

Thank you to the P&C for organising such wonderful events last week to mark Mothers' Day. The Mothers' Day stall on Thursday was a flurry of excited activity as students came out from class to select a special gift for their special mum, grandma, aunt. I can assure you that a great deal of consideration went into many of the gift selections. It was wonderful to see. On Friday we had the breakfast before school. The photo area with the BPPS Mothers' Day frame, along with beautifully cooked bacon and egg rolls by many helpful dads ensured the morning was a roaring success. Thank you to Jess Collins and her many helpers for ensuring everything ran so

smoothly. It was lovely to see some of our old traditions returning to Boronia Park after such a long break.

Last Wednesday some very tired students (and teachers) disembarked from 3 buses at the end of the day, after being at Milson Island for the Stage 3 camp. I have heard many wonderful stories about great experiences at camp. Archery and fishing appear to have been popular activities, along with canoeing and cooking damper over a fire. Thank you to our students for representing our school so beautifully whilst away at camp, and a very special thank you to Mr Lau, Mr Smyth, Mr Leeson, Mr Pasternatsky, Miss Alcock and Miss Kilmore for taking time away from their own busy lives to ensure our students had a wonderful camp experience.

Fingers crossed that this Wednesday our Cross Country can take place. Unfortunately, the weather is not looking promising! In the event that the Cross Country **does** take place on Wednesday, this Friday morning, **13 May at 9:30am** K-2 students who did not participate in the main event on Wednesday, will run in a mini-Cross Country at school. Mrs O'Brien has organised, along with some Year 6 helpers, a running course so that the students can run in front of the rest of the school, and we can all cheer them on. We anticipate students will all be back in their classroom by 10:15am at the latest. Parents are most welcome to attend this morning. Further information will be sent out later in the week to confirm organisation for the day.

Finally, congratulations to Charlie C. in Year 5 whose entry into the Young Archies (an art competition for 5-to-18-year-olds the little **sister** of the famous portrait Archibald competition) has been selected through to the finals. Good luck Charlie!

*Mrs Ward*

## OFFICE REPORT

### STUDENT ABSENCES

There have recently been a few questions raised in reference to students being coded *Unjustified* in Compass for late arrivals or early departures from school. Please refer to the below extract from Mrs Ward's Principal's Report from Term 1 Week 9:

*"Parents or carers of children of compulsory school age are responsible for ensuring their child attends school every day. Children must commence school by age 6 and then complete year 10. Parents must also ensure their children attend school every day. On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. **Justified** reasons for student absences may include:*

- *being sick or having an infectious disease*
- *having an unavoidable specialist medical appointment*
- *being required to attend a recognised religious holiday*
- *exceptional or urgent family circumstances e.g. attending a funeral.*

*Parents must provide an explanation for absences to the school within 7 days from the first day of any period of absence. Where an explanation has not been received within the 7-day timeframe, the school will record the absence as unjustified on the student's record. Absences, whether full day or partial, can also be marked as unjustified if the reason provided does not meet the reasons outlined above."*

### QR CODE

Please remember that parents are required to QR code into the school if they are visiting for any reason other than dropping or collecting their children.

## CREATIVE ARTS

Ensemble rehearsals are on as usual this week.

### BAND CAMP 4-5 June

Please ensure permission notes are returned to the box in the school office.

### PRIMARY DRAMA WORKSHOPS

The NSW Department of Education is hosting some wonderful weekend Drama workshops for Stage 2 and 3 students to participate in. You can choose a Zoom or in-person workshop. The workshops are a fantastic way for students to experience the hands-on, creative joy of drama!

### ONLINE JUNIOR WORKSHOPS

- Date - **Sunday 29 May 2022** (Term 2 Week 5)
- Time - **10:30am-11:30am**

[Years 3-4 Voice, Body and Improvisation with Renee Anton \(Online via Zoom\)](#)

[Years 3-4 Improvising Character and Stories with Patrick Magee \(Online via Zoom\)](#)

[Years 4-6 Screen Acting \(Online via Zoom\)](#)

[Years 5-6 Puppetry 'Mini-me Puppets' with Kay Yasugi \(Online via Zoom\)](#)

### BOYS DANCE CREW WORKSHOP

The workshop to learn detailed choreography for our Ryde Schools Spectacular audition dance is coming up.

**WHEN:** Saturday May 28, 3:00pm-6:00pm

**WHERE:** BPPS school hall

**WHAT:** Compulsory intensive workshop to choreograph our Ryde Schools Spectacular dance.

**Please note:** All students are expected to attend this workshop as it is important that everyone learns the choreography as a team. If there are any issues, please contact Tanya ASAP.

*Mrs Nylund*

## LIBRARY

Congratulations to the following students on completing their Premier's Reading Challenge last week:

Samuel S KS, Angus K, Jasper deK, Lola D, Sydney S 2P, Tully J 3G, Eden F 3T, Oscar N, Sofia C, Tilly B, Valentin D 4S.



*Mrs Hunt*

## SPORT

### YEARS 2-6 SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

The 2022 Cross Country Carnival will be held this Wednesday, 11 May at our NEW venue Boronia Park Oval. Please refer to the permission note for all information.

### ASSISTANCE REQUIRED

Carnivals can only run smoothly with the assistance of willing parent helpers on the day. The main jobs include: - course supervisors, course set up, judges and marshalling. If you can assist on the day, please email John and Elise McLachlan at: [BPPSsports@outlook.com.au](mailto:BPPSsports@outlook.com.au). If you have not completed a Department of Education declaration form for *Volunteer & Child-related services* during your time at BPPS, or are unsure, please contact the school office to confirm.



**IMPORTANT:** There are to be NO dogs brought to the event with spectators.

### WINTER PSSA

All results and match information can be found at: <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/rydepssa/>

Training starts this Friday 13 May. Meet the teachers at school at 8:00am or at Boronia Park Oval at 8:15am.

*Mr Smyth*

## P&C

### MOTHERS' DAY BREAKFAST AND GIFT STALL

What a wonderful week it has been with the Mothers' Day breakfast and gift stall! Thank you to all who contributed to the gift fundraiser - we hope you enjoyed your presents over the weekend!

Thank you also to all the mums and dads that joined us at the breakfast - it was such a special morning, full of energy, and we were so pleased to see so many parents there enjoying the moment to reconnect over a cup of coffee and breakfast roll. The P&C greatly appreciates the generous donations made throughout the morning - thank you.

As always, a huge thank you to all the parents and businesses who contributed their time to the morning - and if anyone is keen to get involved, please reach out to Jessica Collins at [bppspandc.fundraising@gmail.com](mailto:bppspandc.fundraising@gmail.com). It's always a fun time on the volunteer front!

Our next event - Parents' Night - is coming up soon. Keep an eye out for details - especially on our Facebook page (Boronia Park Public School Community Group).

### CROSS COUNTRY

Cross Country Carnival

WEDNESDAY 11 MAY

## Volunteers needed!



If you are able to assist, please email John and Elise at [BPPSsports@outlook.com.au](mailto:BPPSsports@outlook.com.au)

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Thank you for your support!

**BPPS P&C Team**

## CANTEEN

Mondays: Sushi \$3.70 or \$7 for two (for same child)  
Tuesdays: Roast chicken rolls \$5.00  
Salad boxes with chicken \$5.50  
Wednesdays: Chicken and beef burgers  
Thursdays: Sushi \$3.70 or \$7 for two (for same child)

### ONLINE ORDERING REMINDER

Please note that the cut-off time for online orders through Flexischools each day is 8:30am.



Students will still be able to place their orders in the traditional way by bringing their order to the canteen by 9:20am each day.

# Live Life Well @ School



## Vaping in Children & Young People

Northern Sydney Local Health District Live Life Well @ School invite you to join an information session on vaping in children and young people.

This session will support parents, carers and teachers:

- To understand vaping and its health impacts
- To feel confident talking to your child or students about vaping
- Practical strategies and resources to educate children

Register now and submit questions to our panell

Brought to you by Northern Sydney Local Health District Live Life Well @ School. For more information or questions contact:  
[NSLHD-LiveLifeWellatSchool@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:NSLHD-LiveLifeWellatSchool@health.nsw.gov.au)

Tuesday 24 May

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Online via MS Teams

To register;

[Click the link](#) or scan the QR code

