



# BORONIA PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 Week 4

13 February 2023

### WEEK'S EVENTS

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| Mon 13 Feb | Meet the Teacher Night (excl 5B & 5T)     |
| Mon 13 Feb | P&C General Meeting 7:30pm in the Library |
| Wed 15 Feb | Scripture begins – years K-6              |

### COMING EVENTS

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| Mon 20 Feb | Boronia Park Swimming Carnival years 3-6 (+ year 2 students turning 8) |
| Wed 22 Feb | Meet the Teacher Night 5B & 5T at 5:00pm                               |

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It has been a wonderful start to the year. All students are in their 2023 classes and Kindergarten settled in well to their first week of school. I am so impressed with how quickly many of our Kindy students have adapted to their new environment. I would like to particularly acknowledge and thank our Kindergarten teachers, Miss Scott (Rel. Early Stage 1 AP), Mrs Parr and Miss Rawnsley, who have done a wonderful job in welcoming our newest school students.

I do ask for the school community's support in ensuring that from 9:20am through to 3:10pm, all gate entries remain closed. Gates will be open in the morning before school, however at 9:30am the Pittwater Road gate will be shut, and the Earl Street gate will be locked. After 9:30am the only access to the school will be via the Pittwater Road gates. Any parents entering school grounds during school hours are asked to ensure that the gate is closed behind them and that they present to the front office to check in. This is very important for the safety of all our students, and I thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Tonight, is *Meet the Teacher* night. This is such a valuable meeting for both teacher and parent. I urge all parents to prioritise your attendance at these meetings. Teachers will provide an overview of how their classroom will operate and of the content that your child will be covering. This is not a time for one-on-one discussions with parents regarding individual students. Please make an alternate time to discuss your child regarding personal matters.

Tonight, is also the night where we hope to finalise our class parents. Class parents play a crucial role in disseminating information. It should not be an onerous task and can be shared to make the role

even less so. Thank you to those parents who have already volunteered. Please see your child's class teacher if you can help.

Straight after Meet the Teacher meetings, at 7:30pm tonight in the library will be the first P&C meeting for 2023. Boronia Park PS is very fortunate to have a very active P&C. This parent group work very hard arranging several activities throughout the year, that build community rapport. The P&C also fundraise significant funds to support our school and students. I urge all parents to come along and join the meeting this evening.

Today, parents in Year 2-6 should have received their child's permission note for the *swimming carnival*. All students in Year 3 to 6 are expected to attend. Only those students in Year 2, turning 8 this year, and with the ability to swim 50m unaided, can attend. Using our new platform, School Bytes, this will be the first time where parents can sign an online permission note, without the need for any paper copies. This will hopefully ease the administration burden for parents and teachers in organising this, and future events. If you have any questions, please contact the office. As the swimming carnival is next Monday, the turnaround time is quite short. Please complete the online form by this Thursday, 16 February and ensure you click on the link in the permission form to register your child for their swimming event.

Finally, a reminder that teachers do not begin morning duty until 8:50am. No student should be on school site before this time, unless they are attending Boronia Park Care Centre, as the playground is not supervised.

**Mrs Ward**

## OFFICE REPORT

### SCHOOLBYTES

Thank you to all parents/care givers who have created a Schoolbytes account.

If you have not yet created an account, please do so now.

Instructions on *How to Create an Account* have been previously sent to your email address.

We have a number of rejected emails from parents who may have recently changed their email address. These parents will be contacted individually.

### NOTES SENT HOME VIA EMAIL THIS YEAR

Please note the following notes that have been sent home so far this year via parents' email addresses. These notes have been sent as attachments. If you have not received any of the following, please check your 'junk' folder.

1. Parent Portal set-up
2. Special Education & Special Education in Ethics participation letter
3. 2023 Scripture
4. Boronia Boys Dance Crew – Years 3-6
5. Boronia Boys Hip Hop – Years 1&2
6. Application to join Choir
7. Recorder Classes
8. Stage 3 Debating Club
9. Audition to join Drama
10. K-6 SISA Fitness Program – Term 1
11. Audition for Junior & Senior Dance Troupes – years 3-6
12. Meet the Teacher Night
13. Term 1 Homesport Swimming – Expression of Interest (years 3-6) *note sent home via student*
14. Student Use of Digital Devices and Online Services Contract (*note sent home today via student*)

### REMINDER – EARLY LEAVERS

Parents are asked not to contact the office at recess (11:00am-11:25am) or lunchtime (1:00pm-1:50pm) to organise the collect your child/children. Please contact the school 10 minutes prior to 11:00am or 1:00pm. An email to the teacher will not guarantee that your child will be at the office at the time you request.

## CREATIVE ARTS

### BANDS

Reminder: concert band starts this Tuesday morning 14 February, and performance band starts this Wednesday morning 15 February. Nate and Mike are looking forward to seeing everyone! Training Band is now starting Monday 27 February due to the swimming carnival.



**ROCK BAND** starts this Wednesday afternoon 3:30pm in the hall with Mike Rix.

### JUNIOR AND SENIOR CHOIRS



All students who have submitted an enrolment form for the junior or senior choir have been accepted. There are still a few spots left in junior choir (years 3 and 4) and senior choir (years 5 and 6). Please contact Mrs Nylund ASAP if you wish to enrol your child. Junior choir students have the exciting opportunity of performing in the Primary Proms choral festival at the Sydney Town Hall and senior choir students participate in the Ryde Schools Spectacular at the Sydney Opera House, a highly memorable experience.

### DRAMA ENSEMBLE

Thank you to all the students who auditioned for the drama ensemble. We were very impressed with the enthusiasm and creativity on display! Whilst we have only been able to select some students for the ensemble, we encourage those who have not been selected this year to try again next year.

### RECORDERS

Thank you to all parents who submitted recorder enrolment forms. If you haven't heard from tutor Jackie Brighton you can contact her at [brightonik23@gmail.com](mailto:brightonik23@gmail.com)

*Mrs Nylund*

## HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION

### BEFORE SCHOOL ROUTINES

Teachers begin supervision of the playground at 8:50am. Students are not to be at school before this time unless they are in BPCC or are attending an organised group activity, such as band, choir or chess. Unsupervised students are required to sit on the seats near the office until the bell rings at 8:50am.

Please assist the school by reminding your child that hats must be worn and that there are no ball games or running before school.

## SCRIPTURE NEWS

SRE and SEE begin this week. K-2 have their lesson from 11:25am to 12:00pm and Years 3-6 have their lesson from 12:30pm until 1:00pm.

Buddy classes will be assisting the younger students to find their classrooms this week. Your child may have a class name written on their hand so that if they are looking lost they can be directed to the correct room.

As expected, the Year 1 and Kindergarten Ethics (SEE) classes were in high demand and some students have needed to be placed on a waiting list. These students will attend Non-Scripture until a

place becomes available. At the end of each year, all Non-Scripture and SEE students are asked to reselect so that the same students are not always on the waiting list.

**Mrs Simon**  
**Scripture Coordinator**

## SPORT

### SWIMMING CARNIVAL



Our annual Swimming Carnival is getting closer! It will be held on **Monday 20 February 2023** at Ryde Aquatic Centre all students in years 3-6 and selected Year 2 students.

For our carnival to run smoothly we are calling on help from the parent community. The main jobs include timekeepers, lifesavers, judges, and marshalling. If you can assist on the day, please email Elise and John McLachlan at: [BPPSsports@outlook.com.au](mailto:BPPSsports@outlook.com.au)

### SUMMER PSSA

Congratulations to ALL students who nominated themselves and trailed for PSSA teams. We understand the disappointment that students may experience when missing out. The resilience shown by these students last week was very impressive.

For those students selected, congratulations! Permission notes and contracts will be sent home this week. Please be prompt returning all signed paperwork to your coach or the box in the office foyer. Ryde Zone executives are working very hard. They hope to commence round 1 Friday 17 February.

### SYDNEY NORTH GIRLS' CRICKET

A huge congratulations to Charlie C who has gained a position in the Sydney North Girls' cricket side. This is a massive achievement as she progressed through many days of trials. She will attend the state championships for a 4 day tournament in Bathurst. CONGRATULATIONS Charlie!

### ZONE TENNIS TRIALS

Good luck to Saxon H, Jack LF and Katinka C as they trial for the Ryde Zone tennis team on Monday 20 February.

### HANDBALLS

Our supply of Covid handballs for recess/lunchtime play has recently depleted. Please feel free to purchase a handball for your child to play with during recess/lunch breaks.

**Mrs O'Brien and Mr Smyth**

## P&C

The P&C will hold its first general meeting of the year tonight, Monday 13 February from 7:30pm to 8:30pm. Please join us in the school library in person or via the Zoom link below. All parents are welcome and you do not need to be a member of the P&C to attend. The meeting will be held after *Meet the Teacher* information sessions. You can also keep up to date with all P&C events by joining the *Boronia Park Public School Community Group* Facebook page.

Join BPPS Zoom meeting here:

<https://au01web.zoom.us/j/69284021199?pwd=bFlEJiUHIxQVMwaDJhTTNCNGdWdz09>

Meeting ID: 692 8402 1199

Passcode: 123456

### WELCOME FAMILY PICNIC FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY

Please join us for the Welcome to Boronia family picnic from 5:00pm to 7:00pm on Friday 24 February. Come and meet new and returning BPPS students and families. Look out for more details on entertainment and how to pre-order food coming later this week. We hope to see you there.

### SAVE THE DATE

Please mark your calendars for the *Mums' Catch Up* on Friday 24 March and the *Dads' BBQ and paper planes night* on Thursday 16 March on the school grounds – these are a great way to meet other parents in the school and form friendships that can last a lifetime. More details on these events coming soon. Lastly, the biggest night in the school calendar will be back this year with the *Parents Annual Fundraising night* – book in your babysitters now for Saturday 27 May.

### WANT TO GET INVOLVED IN THE P&C IN 2023?

If you would like to be involved in the P&C, including events and fundraising, please reach out to the events team via [bppspandc.fundraising@gmail.com](mailto:bppspandc.fundraising@gmail.com) or the president, via [bppspandc.president@gmail.com](mailto:bppspandc.president@gmail.com) as appropriate.

P&C  
**BPPS WELCOME PICNIC**

Friday 24th February  
5-7pm on school grounds

BVO Food & Drinks (inc alcohol) or purchase on site from one of our supporting local businesses

Oregano & Cassidy  
Lemon & Zest Bakery  
Sip & Zest  
BINGO CHRISTMAS

Come and enjoy performances from our BPPS music students & hip hop crews and rock out to our very own parents band The Hunters Hill Collectors

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!**

Please help to keep the school green & clean by not bringing glass & taking your own rubbish home

## CANTEEN

Mondays: Sushi \$3.70  
Tuesdays: Roast chicken rolls \$5.00  
Salad boxes with chicken \$5.50  
Wednesdays: Chicken and beef burgers \$5:00  
Thursdays: Sushi \$3.70

### TUESDAY 14 FEBRUARY – VALENTINE'S DAY

We will be selling giant muffins for Valentine's Day on Tuesday 14 February



**\$2.00 each**

Available until sold out.


### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Canteen is a great way to see the kids interact with their friends during recess and lunch, meet other parents and support the school. Our roster is looking a bit lonely, so whether it's only for a few hours a month, a few days a year, or end of term BBQ's, your time is greatly appreciated.

If you're not sure what is involved, don't be shy, pop in and say hi. Sign up link for Term 1 is <https://signup.com/go/SUfDByO>

### CANTEEN - STUDENT ASSISTANCE

If you have recently received a fee request for payment reminder for emergency lunch supply from the school canteen, prompt payment would be appreciated.



**ORDER FORM**  
**Pancake Tuesday**  
**21st February 2023**

Pancakes served warm with maple syrup – yum!  
Please complete and return to the canteen with money **no later than Monday 20th February 2023. No orders taken on the day.**  
\*\*\*\*Pancakes available at RECESS ONLY\*\*\*\*

Child Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Pancakes: \_\_\_\_\_ (\$3.00 each)  
Maple Syrup: Yes / No    (please circle)  
**Total \$:** \_\_\_\_\_



# RIVERSIDE

## GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

# OPEN DAY



THURSDAY 2 MARCH 2023  
4PM - 6PM

Huntleys Point Road, Huntleys Point  
Please register your interest by contacting the School Office on  
9816 4264 or by scanning the QR Code  
[riversideg-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:riversideg-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

