



BORONIA PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 Week 7

6 March 2023

WEEK'S EVENTS

Wed 8 March	Zone Swimming Carnival – selected students
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COMING EVENTS

Mon 13 March	Combined Zone Basketball trials (selected students)
Tue 14 March	Parent Information night - Literacy - 5:00pm-6:00pm 5A/6S
Tue 14 March	Welcome meeting for class parents - 6:00pm-7:00pm
Wed 15-Fri 24 March	NAPLAN (years 3&5)
Sat 18 March	Band Weekend Workshop

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

School Bytes has only been operating in our school for a very short time, however I would like to thank all families for embracing this new system and working with the school and myself as we iron out some minor issues. It will take a little while before everything is running perfectly, but I am thrilled to date with the functionality of the system. The electronically signed notes have been a major improvement from the school's perspective. It allows us to see very quickly who has responded and who we need to follow up with. As things progress, I invite parents to please let the school know about any issues that you see, minor or large, via the school's email address: boroniapk-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

I understand the desire for parents to photograph different events in their child's life. Parents want to capture moments to look back on in the future. The challenge on a school site is that there are many children in a small area, and whilst capturing moments of your own child's life, inadvertently, photos of other children may also be taken. Whilst no harm is meant, this can be a major concern to the parents of those other children. We have many students at our school whose parents have indicated they do not wish for their child's photo to be published. I ask that all parents please be very mindful when taking photos of your child that you do not capture other students. I also ask parents to not publish photos of other children.

Tomorrow Mr Lau will be accompanying our 2023 captains and prefects to the International Convention Centre to attend the National Young Leaders Day. The National Young Leaders Day is Australia's largest gathering of young leaders and is an annual event on

the calendar of thousands of schools. It provides a unique opportunity for students to gather and hear some of Australia's most high-profile people share insights from their own leadership journey. Some presenters are well known, some are not. I look forward to hearing from our students about the inspirational speakers that I have no doubt they will listen to.

Many of you will have seen the farewell from our crossing supervisor, Lindsey, in last week's newsletter. It is unfortunate to see her go; however, family commitments have meant she can no longer complete her role. Whilst we await the appointment of a new crossing supervisor, I implore all parents and students to take extra care at the crossing. Accidents can happen in the blink of an eye. I spoke with students at this morning's assembly, reminding them that just because the crossing is there, it does not always mean that cars will stop. If your child walks to school on their own, please remind them of road safety. If you are driving through Earl Street, please do so with extra care. Thank you.

Mrs Ward

OFFICE REPORT

NOTES RECENTLY SENT HOME

1. Zone Swimming Carnival – selected students
2. Welcome meeting for class parents

AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students to recently receiving their Gold Awards



Dev S 5B



Josh T 6G



Charlotte LF 5T

Congratulations to Gabby K 6L, Dev S 5B, Ben M 2R, Josh T 6G, Charlotte LF 5T, Katelyn Y 2R, Luca G 3S and Jayden L 5T for recently receiving their Silver Awards.

CREATIVE ARTS

BANDS

All our bands have started rehearsals and are off to a great start! The performance band is playing at our ANZAC Day Assembly, 9:45am on Wednesday 5 April. Parents are warmly invited to attend.

CHOIR

Choir rehearsals for junior and senior choir in the library got off to a great start last week and it was great to see such an enthusiastic bunch ready to learn lots of exciting new repertoire. Students are reminded to bring a folder with plastic sleeves for music and lyric sheets.

DRAMA ENSEMBLE

Drama ensemble starts next Wednesday 15 March, 3:30pm-4:30pm in the library. Looking forward to seeing everyone then.

BAND WEEKEND WORKSHOP

We are looking forward to seeing everyone on Saturday 18 March for their one hour instrument section workshop with tutors as per the information note that was sent home. Students are expected to attend this workshop. Please let Wern Darge know ASAP if your child is unable to attend for an important reason.

Mrs Nylund

HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

The school has 2 sets of playground equipment, commonly known as the forts. The fort closest to the Drop Off Zone is the K-2 fort. The other fort has taller equipment and is for the use of students in years 3-6.



Students may only play on the equipment when under teacher supervision. There is a roster allocating days for different grades to use the equipment. Year 2 may use either fort on their days. There is only one exception for year 2 as they may not sit on the top of the climbing web.

Parents are not to allow their preschool children to play on the equipment at any time.

Mrs Simon
Health & Safety Committee

LIBRARY

Congratulations to the following students on completing their 2023 Premier's Reading Challenge:



Arabella D KS, Evie H 1LP, Emily O 3B, Matilda C 3B, Maisie H 5B, Amelia K 6L.

Mrs Hunt

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

The Parent Information Nights will be held on Tuesday 14 March (Literacy) and Tuesday 21 March (Numeracy) from 5:00pm-6:00pm.



For the Literacy Parent Information Night, a group of teachers from different grades and I will be presenting in stations around the 5A and 6S classrooms. The evening's focus will be on K-2 and 3-6 aspects of Literacy.

We will present some helpful strategies for you to take home that may assist your child in developing reading and writing from Kindergarten through to year 6. I highly encourage all parents to attend the evening.

Ms Cheng

PI DAY

PI DAY – LUNCHTIME COMPETITION

International Pi Day π is next Tuesday 14 March. This is not a pie eating competition but instead, a special day in mathematics for students to memorise as many digits as possible (3.1415... etc) and recite them in front of a live student audience. The competition will be held during lunch under the COLA. Interested students can register with Mr Lau by Monday 13 March. All students are invited to watch the competition. Time to start memorising. Best of luck!



Mr Lau

SPORT

PSSA

All teams played good competitive games last Friday, in such good spirit. Well done Boronia Park! For results and this week's draws, please visit the Ryde Zone website.



ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL



All students competing at the Ryde Zone Swimming Carnival have received their note and information online. Please complete all permission online.

You will receive a fee reminder today if you have not yet paid this portion of the family statement.

COMBINED ZONE BASKETBALL TRIALS

(Selected students)

Brickpit 1A Dartford Rd, Thornleigh NSW 212

BOYS – 1:30pm start

GIRLS – 2:30pm start

COMBINED TOUCH FOOTBALL TRIALS

Best of luck to Bronte N, Jack S and Louis B who will trial for the combined Beecroft/Ryde Zone touch team this week.

Mr Smyth and Mrs O'Brien

P&C

LETTER FROM THE P&C PRESIDENT

We have an exciting few months ahead with a big line up of social and fundraising events. As always, these events can't happen without the input of volunteers.

Coming up is the Election Day BBQ and Cake Stall, Saturday 25 March. This event is as much about fundraising for the school as it is about giving back to the local community.

We are in need of volunteers - if you have never volunteered on the BBQ before, I can assure it is a lot of fun - it is always my favourite day. The cake stall also needs volunteers for baking and selling on the day. There are 1 hour time slots to sign up for the Election BBQ or Cake Stall, at the following link:

[BPPS Election Day Cake Stall & BBQ — Signup Sheet | SignUp.com](#)

If you have a different time slot to offer (for example, from 10.30am-11.30am instead of 10:00am-11:00am), please email me, Jess Collins, at bppspandc.president@gmail.com.

You may have seen the message on the school Facebook group about volunteering at the canteen. The canteen is always in need of volunteers, especially Thursdays and Fridays. New parent volunteers need to only fill in the Department of Education *Declaration for Child-related Workers* form and return to the school. It's a quick form to fill in if you are volunteering for the first time. The link to the PDF is on the Facebook group, Boronia Park Public School Community Group. If you

haven't joined the group already, please do sign up as it is an excellent resource for communications.

We have some new, cheaper fees from Flexischools. Currently parents pay a 29c order fee for lunch and recess food orders only. Now, parents are charged 15c on recess orders (down from 29c). The buy-two-for-\$7 sushi deal, available in person at the canteen, should now also be available on Flexischools. Soon, Flexischools will offer a shopping basket for food orders, so multiple food orders can be purchased for one day, streamlining the process for parents. I will update when this is available. Service fees for events will also be down to 2.2% from 2.7% - but this fee is never passed on to parents when ordering tickets for events.

Our next P&C General Meeting will be held on Monday 20 March, 7:00pm start. Please note: We will be changing the start time from 7:30pm to 7:00pm, for all P&C general meetings. All meetings will now run from 7:00pm-8:00pm, in respect of the already-long day teachers (and parents) have had. If you are interested in attending to learn more about the school, or want to get more involved, we hope to see you there.

The P&C will be holding a planning workshop on Monday 1 May, to help devise a 5-year plan for the fundraising targets. All parents are welcome. Please keep an eye out for more details in the coming weeks.

EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

We would like to thank the school community for their generosity supporting the UNICEF earthquake appeal at last week's school picnic. The students raised \$195 to help children in Türkiye (Turkey) and Syria who have lost their homes, are sleeping rough and those who have been separated from their families. Thank you, Emma Burnett, for organising this collection with the school children.

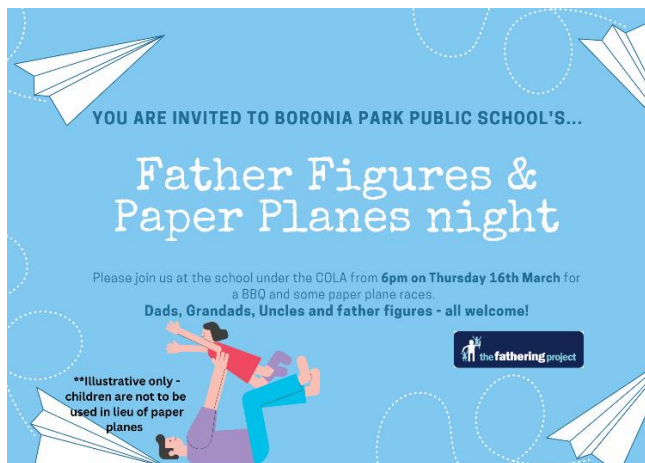
FATHER FIGURES AND PAPER PLANES THURSDAY 16 MARCH 6:00PM - 7:30PM

We are kicking off the BPPS Dads' & Father Figures events this year with a BBQ and paper plane night. We'll have a BBQ sausage followed by paper plane making and decorating. Dads, grandads, uncles, father figures, BPPS kids and siblings all welcome! Remember to bring a pencil case to decorate your planes.

Help needed! I need about 4 – 5 dads from around 5:00pm for table set up & to manage the BBQ. Please RSVP to bppsdadsgroup@gmail.com for catering purposes (particularly if you require a vegetarian option).

New dad to the school? Email me to subscribe to our dads' email list at the above email and check out thefatheringproject.org for how to be a better dad!

See you on Thursday 16th! Tom Hollings 0439 493 863



WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISOR



School parents and grandparents are encouraged to apply for a fun and safe way to ensure our kids get to school safely.

Please find the below the link for the school crossing supervisor role for **Boronia Park Public School** commencing Friday 3 March 2023.

<https://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au/>

MUMS' CATCH UP FRIDAY 24 MARCH

We hope to see all Mums and Mother figures at the BPPS Mums' night out. Details below and tickets can be bought via the following link – get in quick, numbers are strictly limited!

<https://BPPSMums2023.eventbrite.com.au>

CANTEEN

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

FLEXISCHOOLS REMINDER

Please note that the cut-off time for online orders through Flexischools each day is 8:30am. For your convenience, orders can be placed in advance on Flexischools.



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

PSSA REMINDER – FRIDAYS ONLY



If your child is in PSSA sport, please mark this clearly **PSSA** (Fridays only). If ordering online, please remember to use the PSSA Lunch Alert option to ensure that the lunch is prepared on time.



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