

# Boronia West Primary School Newsletter—2023



## “Growing through learning”

### *From the Principal*

#### **Swimming**

The Swimming in Schools initiative provides funding for the delivery of quality swimming and water safety education so primary school students have the opportunity to:

- learn how to swim
- develop lifelong skills in water safety to reduce their risk of drowning and injury.

Our swimming program will be held from 13th November—24th November. It is a compulsory program that is run right across the road at Knox Leisureworks pool. More information will be sent home closer to the time.

#### **Building Project**

Hopefully the noise and the disruptions from the building works will be coming to an end. We are expected to receive the keys to our new building on the very last day of term 4—meaning we will be learning from the new space in 2024. We have recently purchased new furniture for every room—so everything in the new building will be NEW!!!

The works will continue with the demolition of our current classroom building, the art room and the library. But by May 2024 it should all be completed with our new outdoor basketball court, new sandpit and new front fence.

#### **Tutoring**

For some of our students that need extra help, the tutoring program funded by the government has been a winner. I was very pleased that funding for the program was announced last week for 2024 and 2025. I will let you know more about next years plans for the tutoring program during next term four.

#### **Vegie Patch**

We are very excited to partner with EACH and Bunning to create a new vegie patch. Next Tuesday Bunnings and our Grade 4/5/6 students will assemble and fill our new garden beds along the front of the school.

Have a great weekend,

*Penelope Harris*

**EDITION 29**

**Principal**

**Penelope Harris**



### **IMPORTANT DATES**

#### **TERM DATES**

Term 4: Oct 2—Dec 20

13th November—24th November—Whole school swimming program

Tuesday 12th December—Statewide Orientation Day

Friday 15th December—Christmas Concert

Monday 18th December—Grade 6 Graduation

# Meet the TEACHER

## About me:

I am so excited to be teaching at Boronia West Primary School! I have been teaching for 12 years and my favourite subject to teach is English. I also love going on camp and learning outdoors when we can. I am very lucky to be teaching the grade 4/5/6 class this term.

My name is Neisha Gange and students will call me Miss Gange.



## My favourite things:

**Favourite colour:** Purple

**Favourite food:** Hot chips

**Favourite season:** Winter

## **Fun Fact:**

I have lots of pets at home including dogs, chooks, sheep and goats.

# Meet the TEACHER

## About me:

I am very excited to be at Boronia West Primary School this term! I have come from a small country school in the Yarra Valley. I am currently studying Primary Teaching and I love being by the beach with my dogs. I look forward to the rest of the term!

My name is Charlotte Sparkes and the students will call me Charlotte.



## My favourite things:

- Favourite colour: Pink
- Favourite food: Mexican
- Favourite Season: Winter

I love playing netball and spending time on the Gold Coast



# PE and Sport News



PE has got off to a great start in Term 4, with all classes participating in a tennis unit to get the term underway. All students from Prep to Grade 6 have completed a set of racquet skills, and have now progressed to hitting volleys and forehand strokes, with our 4's - 6's holding rallies with one another. In the coming weeks we will progress to a more competition based setting and introduce the students to "hot shots" tennis scoring, which is the Primary School modified version of the game.

In Friday Sport, we are focusing on basketball skills focusing on dribbling and basic offence and defensive skills. As pictured, the students participated in games of "Dribble Knockout", where they learn how to protect the ball while dribbling, as well as attempting to disturb other players' basketballs in the process. Moving forward we are going to continue to develop the students ability to create space and continue to build basic game sense skills with offence and defence.

Well done to all students for a terrific start to Term 4.

Mr. Walsh.





# *Star Student Awards*

**PREP**

Matilda, you are doing your very best work! Keep it up!

**GRADE**

**1**

Kaylee for showing respect in the classroom and trying hard to achieve her personal goal.

**GRADE**

**2/3**

Samip for his methodical and well thought out approach to his work this week.

**GRADE**

**4/5/6**

Pitchaya for being a resilient learning who always tries her best and asks for help when she needs it.





# Handwriting in Grade 1







# *School Wide Positive Behaviour*



Students earned 6 leaves this week  
which is **600** acknowledgements of  
positive behaviour.  
Amazing work everyone!