

Boronia West Primary School Newsletter—2024



“Growing through learning”

From the Principal

I hope this message finds you in good spirits and surviving the chaos of school drop-offs including navigating the trek to our new building. Can you believe we've already conquered the first full week of the school year? Time flies when you're having fun!

Thank you to our parents who attended our information session. The session was designed to provide information from a whole school perspective as well as class based information and an opportunity to meet classroom teachers.

The main elements covered from a whole school perspective:

- BWPS is a School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) School. Staff have worked to update the Matrix for 2024 and we will meet with Student Leaders to get their feedback. The Matrix will be sent home to all families for a consistent use of language in regards to expected behaviours at BWPS.
- We are working towards filling all the leaves on our tree for a whole school reward. Each class is also working towards a whole class reward for filling either 1,2 or 3 tubes. Class rewards are determined by students.
- We are adding 2 new awards to our assemblies on a Friday. Coming soon each class will present a Value award to a student demonstrating Being Respectful, Being Safe or Being a Learner, linked to SWPBS Matrix, there will also be a Specialist award from PE, Art, Auslan or STEM.
- BWPS will transition to using only Compass as the method for all communication, updates, permission forms and payments, paper copies will no longer be sent home.. We will use term one to iron out any issues for families. Please let Leonie know if you are having issues logging into Compass.
- Student Information Packs will be sent home next week and they include information to update details, a local permission form for local excursions and photo permission forms. These will be in paper copy this year so keep an eye out.
- Student Support Group (SSG) meetings will be held for a number of students next week. Your class teacher will be contact you if your child requires an SSG Meeting.
- Homework expectation at BWPS for all students is to read 5 times a week. For most students they will need to read to an adult and fill in their reading log books. There is no other expectation for homework to be done.

EDITION 2/2024

**Principal
Penelope Harris**



IMPORTANT DATES

TERM DATES

Monday 5th February—
Breakfast Club Starts (running
every Monday and Friday
from 8.45am)

Monday 11th March—Labour
Day (Public Holiday)

Wednesday 13th March—
NAPLAN commences

Thursday—28th March—End
of Term 1

Change of Bell Times

Last year we listened to comments from our students regarding the time they ate lunch. Staff also reported that their students were hungry and eating at 1:40pm did not create an optimal learning environment.

After taking the concerns from students and staff into account we decided to move our lunch eating time. Students now eat their lunch between 12:40pm and 12:50pm. How does this fit into our daily timetable?

- 9am—11am—in class learning time (dedicated to Literacy)
- 11am—11:40 am—Recess
- 11:40am—12:40pm—in class learning time (dedicated to Numeracy)
- 12:40pm—12:50pm—inside lunch eating time
- 12:50—1: 50pm—in class learning time
- 1:50pm—2:30pm—Lunch Play
- 2:30 pm—3:30pm—in class learning time.

As you can see our recess and lunch time break times have not changed we have simply moved our lunch eating time.

Annual privacy reminder for our school community

Our school collects and uses student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy and the Schools' Privacy Collection Notice.

Our Photographing, Filming and Recording Students Policy, describes how we collect and use photographs, video and recordings of students. The policy also explains when parent consent is required and how it can be provided and withdrawn.

Please look for the form regarding this next week.

Zooper Doopers

For sale by our Grade 6 leaders starting this coming Monday, and then Wednesdays and Fridays. I know this is news that many of our students have counted down till! Please remember that students can only purchase for themselves and not their friends (to ensure that all allergy precautions are taken into account).



Late Arrivals

If your child arrives late to school, after 9:10am, they must be signed into the office on our Compass kiosk. Due to the building works parents must walk their child to their classroom to ensure students arrive safely.

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club program will be open on Mondays and Fridays from 8:45am. Miss Gange will be running Breakfast Club.

Have a great weekend, and final week.

Penelope Harris



Star Student Award

PREP/1

Hudson for settling back in so well and it shows in the effort you put into your work.

GRADE

2/3

Charlie B for the way you have settled into 2024 with smiles and laughs.

GRADE

4/5/6

Nihara for showing kindness by helping her classmates during our Reading sessions. Well done!

SPECIALIST

Daniel for showing courage and persistence within trying new things in Art and PE.



Star Student Award





2024 Student Leadership



Laura	School Captain
Nihara	School Captain
Harvey	School Vice Captain
Noah	Sport Leader
Tyson	Sport Leader
Briella	Student Voice Leader
Xavier	IT Leader



Jackson Taylor MP Visit



Today our 2024 Student Leadership Team were fortunate to receive a visit from our local member of parliament, Jackson Taylor.

During their time together our leaders shared with Jackson what their role of responsibility is in 2024. They talked with Jackson about his leadership pathway from being a student leader in primary school and then secondary school. They also learnt about Jackson's role as a member of parliament.

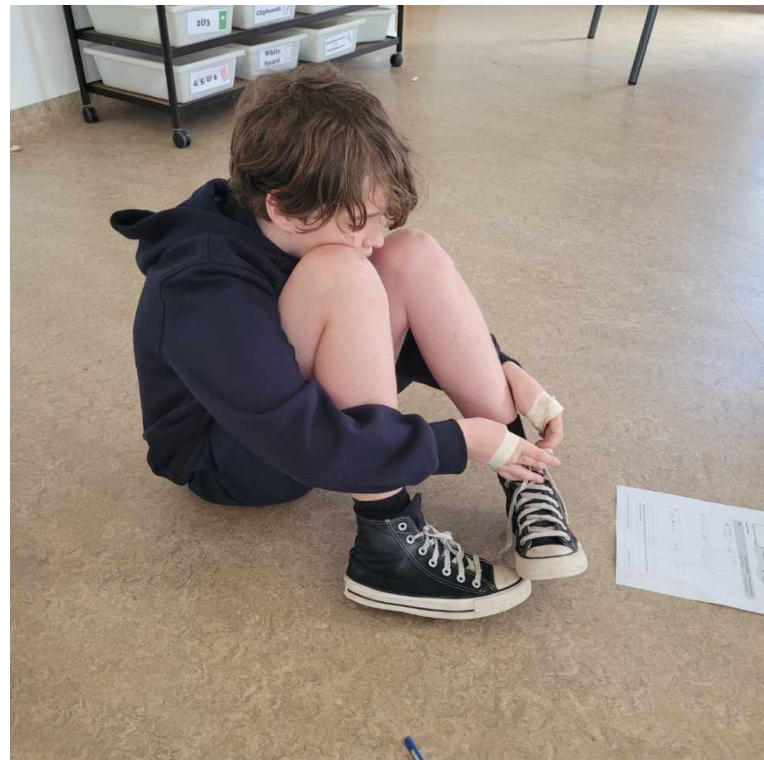
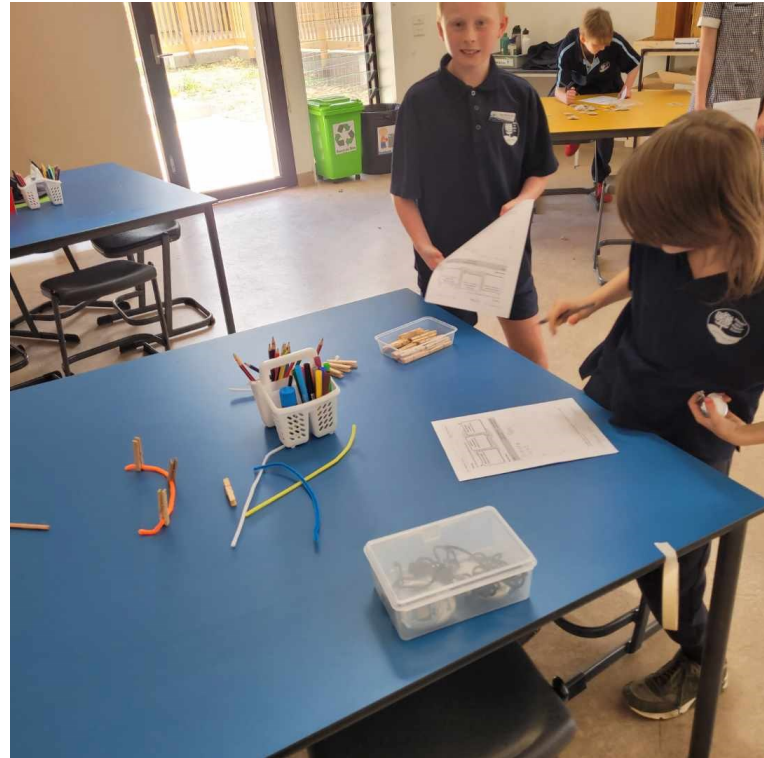
Our students spoke about how they show leadership and learnt how leadership now can help develop skills that they will use throughout their lives.

The session finished with our students sharing with Jackson their career aspirations.

We thank Jackson Taylor for making time to visit our school and meet our 2024 Student Leadership Team.



STEM





School Wide Positive Behaviour



Students earned 3 leaves this week
which is **300** acknowledgements of
positive behaviour.

Amazing work everyone!

DONT MISS OUT

Complete your Teeth on Wheels E-form



Great News! Our school is pleased to announce that the Teeth on Wheels team will be coming out to our School every 6 months to provide Oral Health Education and quality dental treatment to our students.



CLICK OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO COMPLETE YOUR FORM



TeethOnWheelsAustralia



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Phone: (03) 9338 1191

Email: info@teethonwheels.com.au



TeethOnWheels
a positive dental experience

Dear Families,

Just a reminder that we have Teeth On Wheels visiting our school for dental check-ups and oral health education starting on the 14/03/2024.

Please click on the link below to complete your child's consent form.

<https://teethonwheels.com.au/consent-forms/consent-eform/>

Please complete your form today and the Teeth On Wheels team will be in contact to schedule your child's appointment and notify you on your eligibility. If you are not eligible, Teeth On Wheels will offer you a special deal of \$99 for the full check-up, oral cancer screening, clean, fluoride treatment and any x-rays if required (this can be claimed back through your private health insurance).

For any further questions, please contact the Teeth On Wheels team on (03) 9338 1191.

PLEASE NOTE, THE CUT OFF DATE FOR COMPLETING YOUR CHILD'S FORM IS 07/03/2024.