



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members

Welcome everyone, to the beginning of the 2022 school year. I am very pleased to report that we have had an excellent start this week, our teachers and students have quickly settled into a regular routine. A special warm welcome to all the new families that have joined the Bannister Creek school community for the start of 2022. I have enjoyed spending some time in the Kindergarten this week, getting to meet the new students and families. The first day of Kindy always brings a wonderful mix of joy and sadness, these emotions have been clearly visible each morning!

The start of the school year sees a number of significant staffing changes. Mrs Macauley continues to be on leave and I have had my appointment as Principal extended in her absence. I am pleased to announce that Miss Bronwyn Carey has won a permanent Deputy Principal position at Kapinarra Primary School. Miss Carey will be greatly missed at Bannister Creek, she was not only an excellent teacher, she also held important leadership roles in curriculum areas and as a Deputy Principal over the last 18 months. I wish her all the best in her new position. Miss Carey has been replaced by Miss Lisa Sampey, who comes to us from Deanmore Primary School, where she held curriculum leadership positions. Miss Sampey will be leading curriculum improvement at Bannister Creek. I would like to welcome all our other new staff members who are joining us in 2022.

- Mrs Marnie Herbert Manager Corporate Services (Thursday and Friday)
- Miss Amanda Love School officer
- Mrs Melanie Strother Room 1 - Kindy
- Miss Juanita O'Neill Room 10 - Year 2/3
- Mrs Leanne Lehman Room 14 - Year 4
- Miss Melissa Foss Music
- Miss Zoe Harper Digital Citizenship
- Miss Tiahni Rigg Murdoch Intern, Room 3



Miss Lisa Sampey
 Deputy Principal

Assemblies

Our first assembly for 2022 will be held on Thursday 10th February, this will be hosted by Mrs Stone and her Year 5 students in Room 15. All parents and community members are welcome to come along and be an audience member. Thursday's assembly will also see the presentation of badges to our 2022 student leaders.

COVID update

Thank you to everyone in our school community for being so accommodating to the adjustments in place to prevent the spread of COVID in our school. As a reminder to everyone, the following conditions are in place:

- Masks need to be worn by everyone, 12 and above, when they enter a classroom or office area.
- Parents do not need to be vaccinated or show proof of vaccination if they are dropping off or collecting their children.
- Adults who volunteer at the school more than once a week are required to show proof of vaccination.
- There is no requirement for primary aged students to be vaccinated or need to show proof of vaccination.

Industrial Action

Teaching staff and school leaders are currently in negotiations with the State Government to improve remuneration and working conditions. While these negotiations are underway, several restrictions have been placed on out of school hours tasks and events that would normally take place. These restrictions will have no impact on the teaching and learning program that happens in your child's classroom, but some events and extra activities will be affected.

The first event affected will be the Parent Information Session that normally happens after school at the end of Week Three. This will be replaced with an information booklet that will be distributed in Week 3. If you have the need to make contact with your child's teacher, then email is the best way to do this. Your child's teacher will inform you of their email address shortly.

If you have any questions or concerns about this, please contact me through the office. I will be happy to meet with you personally or discuss over the phone.

Kind Regards

Travis Miller
 PRINCIPAL

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Friday, 4th March 2022**
 School Development Day - Students do not attend
- Monday, 7th March 2022**
 Labour Day Public Holiday

COMING EVENTS

Thu, 10 February	Assembly hosted by Room 15
Mon, 21 February	School Board Meeting 3:15pm



2022 STAFF MEMBERS

Name	Position	Room
Mr Travis Miller	Principal	
Mr Howard Christie	Deputy Principal	
Miss Lisa Sampey	Deputy Principal	
Mrs Dianne Ridley Mrs Marnie Herbert	Manager Corporate Services	
Mrs Melanie Strother	Teacher Kindy	1
Mrs Paula Wiley	Teacher Kindy	2
Mrs Gina Carrick Mrs Bev Smith	Teacher Pre-Primary	3
Mrs Louise Barlow Mrs Kristy Scahill	Teacher Pre-Primary	4
Mrs Naomi Hinchcliffe Mrs Christine Thomas	Teacher Pre-Primary	5
Miss Katie Precious	Teacher Year 1	6
Miss Clare Little	Teacher Year 1	7
Mrs Sasha Findlay Miss Lauren Benwell	Teacher Year 1	T3
Mrs Sally Ashlin Mrs Dana Beinke	Teacher Year 1/2	8
Mr Callan Hegarty	Teacher Year 2	9
Miss Tegan Morrow	Teacher Year 2	T2
Miss Juanita O'Neill	Teacher Year 2/3	10
Miss Erin Riedel	Teacher Year 3	11
Mrs Cassandra Stewart Ms Kim Addison	Teacher Year 3	T1
Miss Morgan Taylor	Teacher Year 3/4	12
Mrs Kylee Steed Mrs Candice Nikellys	Teacher Year 4	13
Mrs Leanne Lehman	Teacher Year 4	14
Mrs Julie Stone Mrs Bianca Zall-Ilahi	Teacher Year 5	15
Mr David Rakuscek	Teacher Year 5	T4
Mr Aaron Boules	Teacher Year 5/6	16
Mr Matthew Byng	Teacher Year 6	17
Mrs Liz Shurman	Teacher Year 6	18
Mrs Olivia Xu Mrs Enya Chen	Chinese Language Teacher	
Miss Marcia Hurae	Art Teacher	

Name	Position	Room
Miss Zoe Harper	Digital Citizenship Teacher	
Miss Melissa Foss Ms Kim Addison	Music Teacher	
Mr Arphi Paul	Physical Education Teacher	
Mrs Elaine Choo	Education Assistant	4
Mrs Darshika Chouhan	Education Assistant Minilit	
Mrs Trish Clark	Education Assistant	5
Mrs Fenny Hadiwinata	Education Assistant	6
Mrs Duhee Hettiarachi	Education Assistant	3
Mrs Brooke Holland	Education Assistant	1
Mrs Naomi Jenkinson	Education Assistant	11
Mr Jacob Khoo	Education Assistant	2/5
Mrs Sue Linnegar	Education Assistant	9/10/ 13
Mrs Carol Munro	Education Assistant	PP
Mrs Stacey Pope	Education Assistant	1
Mrs Dawn Rivers	Education Assistant	1
Mrs Tania Shannon	Education Assistant - MacLit	
Mrs Gina Waller	Education Assistant	12
Mrs Michelle Wheaton	Education Assistant	2
Mrs Lilian Williams	Education Assistant	18
Mrs Cheryl Rooney	Learning Support Coordinator	
Miss Luwandi Perera	School Psychologist	
Mrs Grace Edson	School Officer	
Miss Amanda Love	School Officer	
Mrs Helen Bretherton Mrs Tanja Pope	Library Officers	
Mr Wayne McNamara	AIEO	
Mr Karl Schicker	I.T. Specialist	
Mrs Corriene Van Halteren	Cleaner in Charge	
Mrs Emerlita Monks	Cleaner in charge	
Mrs Susan Latummba	Cleaner	
Mrs Beth Dato	Cleaner	
Mr Geoff Ray	Gardener	

WHAT IS 'CRUNCH&SIP'?

'Crunch&Sip' is a break in class for students to refuel with fruit or vegetables and rehydrate with water. Make sure your son or daughter has fruit or vegetables and a small bottle of water for 'Crunch&Sip' each day!



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Our first school assembly for 2022 will be held on **Thursday 10th February** commencing at 8.45am sharp. This assembly will be hosted by the students in Room 15.

2022 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS & PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Students are not required to attend school on the following days:

School Development Days:

Friday, 4th March

Friday, 3rd June

Monday, 18th July

Public Holidays:

Monday, 7th March (Labour Day)

Monday, 25th April (ANZAC Day)

Monday, 6th June (WA Day)

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS & CHARGES

Thank you to all families that have already paid their contributions and charges. Statements will be sent out later in the term.

Chinese Language Workbooks (\$3.50ea.) are needed for all students in Years 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 but only if they have already filled all the pages in last year's book.

The Chinese Language Workbooks are available from the Front Office, payments for these, or the contributions, can be made by cash or EFTPOS during school hours.

YOUR MOVE

Bike racks are provided for students to secure their bikes and scooters during the day. A new scooter rack will be installed soon. Please encourage students to walk their bikes and scooters on school grounds to ensure everyone's safety.

The State Government has introduced new regulations regarding eRideables that can result in fines if not adhered to. Children under the age of 16 are limited to motorized scooters with a maximum speed of 10km/h.

The following penalties apply:

- Exceeding 10km/h on a footpath = \$100
- No Helmet = \$50
- No hands on the handlebars = \$50
- Not giving way to pedestrians = \$50



P&C NEWS

The P&C would like to welcome everyone back to school, we hope that everyone had a relaxing holiday. On a personal level, I would like to thank Jessica Sloss for all her efforts in organising the Australia Day Community Day and for all her support.

While, due to restrictions and mask requirements, it was quieter than expected, we still managed to have over 300 people trickle through on the day. The Hon. Sue Ellery MLC, Hon. Bill Johnston MLA and a representative from the office of the Hon. Ben Morton MP also attend on the day which is very pleasing. Our school was also chosen as the 'poster child' by the National Australia Day Council and as such a camera crew was also here filming our event and Bannister Creek will be used in all the footage next year in their promotions nationally.

Unfortunately we only had approval for the grant in mid-December, so had a limited time to organise, but with the support of Aboriginal Elders and the Bannister Creek community we managed to have a very respectful and inclusive event that we are very proud of.

Our first meeting this year will be held on **Tuesday 15th February** commencing at **6:00pm** in the school Staffroom. This meeting will be our Annual General meeting. This means that all the positions are vacant and elections will be held to for a new President, Treasurer, Vice President and Secretary, as well as all the committees (fundraising and graduation mainly). Please consider putting your hand up and being a part of the P&C where we try to have a bit of fun and kick some goals along the way.

Hope to see you there.

Linda Ross, P&C President BannisterCreek.pnc@gmail.com

CANTEEN NEWS: The Canteen will continue to operate every day this year. Volunteers are always welcome. Please complete the form below and return to the Canteen or School Office if you are able to assist.

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Canteen Volunteer: Name: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please circle the days, frequency & shift you would prefer: Monday / Thursday / Friday

Weekly / Fortnightly / Monthly / Per Term / Now & Then 9:00-10:00am / 9:00-11:00am / 11:30- 2:00pm / as required

BCPS PUZZLE CORNER No. 1

Mathematical puzzles and games have been around for thousands of years. Today, they are a popular pastime, but historically they have been used to teach and amuse. Every fortnight in this school newsletter will be a puzzle for you to work through with your child. Answers will also be published in the following fortnightly newsletter.

For your chance to win a Canteen Voucher to the value of \$5.00, please complete the puzzle below. Write your child's name on the entry form. Then cut out your solution and place it in the Puzzle Corner Box in the Front Office. The first correct entry drawn from the box wins the Voucher to be spent at the school Canteen. Mrs Stewart will provide the voucher to the winning student. Good Luck!



Magic Square

Fill in the square using nine consecutive numbers so that each row, column and diagonal adds to the same total. Some numbers have already been placed to get you started.

Child's Full Name: _____

Year: _____ Room: _____

	8	
		14
	16	

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