



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kaya, Ni hao, Hello to our wonderful Bannister Creek families,

What a fantastic two weeks we have had at BCPS!

Book Week was an awesome celebration of one of our core curriculum areas and I was so impressed with the costumes and the stories that went with them. Students from Kindergarten all the way to Year 6 and our amazing staff were all eager to embrace characters from their favourite books and share that with the whole school. This showcased the importance of fostering a love of reading from an early age. Research shows us that reading every day to and with children gives them the best chance of success across all curriculum areas. When children see the adults around them reading and enjoying it and sharing a love of stories with them, they catch the reading bug. We have had a big focus on reading this year and look forward to continuing to grow this through the school.

This week it has been our Physical Education program's time to shine. Students have been participating in the Jumps and Throws, and Faction Carnival events. There has been lots of nervous energy and excitement on Purely Park as all the training has built up to these key events. Thank you so much to Mr Paul for organising the event and to all the staff who have assisted students to train. Thank you also to all the parents who were helpers or spectators.

A huge thank you to our wonderful P&C for the Fathers' Day Raffle and stall on Thursday and the Cake Stall at the Athletics Carnival. They are continually working tirelessly behind the scenes to support our school community, putting in hours and hours of their own time.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, you will have seen lots of changes happening in our gardens. Bryce is doing some amazing work. We were so lucky to have SERCUL donate 100 native plants for our school grounds which our Pre-Primary students and their Year 6 buddies planted for us. Unfortunately, some people have been walking through those newly mulched garden beds and have damaged the plants. We have also had people walking through the new pebble garden at the front of the school causing damage. Please help us remind our students to stick to the paths around the school to assist the new plants to grow and our lawns to re-establish.

We are keen to get some big developments happening in our K – PP playground, if any community members work in the landscaping design or supplies area, I would love to meet with you for a chat!

Thank you for helping to keep our school a safe community for everyone.

Kind Regards
 Susan Archdall
 PRINCIPAL



COMING EVENTS

Mon, 4 Sep	School Board Meeting - 3:15pm
Tue, 5 Sep	Parent Open Night
Sep, 6 Sep	Parliament House Excursion - Rooms 14, 15 & 17
Thu, 7 Sep	Assembly hosted by Room 11 - 1:40pm
Tue, 12 Sep	Year 5 Parent Information Evening - 3:15 to 4:00pm
Wed, 13 Sep	Book Fair commences
Fri, 15 Sep	Jeans for Genes Day, Book Fair ends
Sat, 16 Sep	Mid Autumn Festival at Riverton Forum
Thu, 21 Sep	Massed Choir Festival - Perth Concert Hall
Fri, 22 Sep	Last day of Term 3

PARENT OPEN NIGHT

Parents and family members are invited to attend our 2023 Open Night.

Our classrooms will be open for you to visit and take a close look at your child's work and school environment.

We look forward to you joining us on:

Tuesday 5 September
5:00 to 6:30pm



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

The students in Room T1 hosted yesterday's assembly. They kept the audience well entertained by playing 2 songs on the recorder, 'Hot Cross Buns' and 'Three Blind Mice'. We were all impressed with their musical skills!

Thank you to Miss Buttler, Miss Taylor and the students in Room T1 for their entertaining assembly.

The next assembly will be held on **Thursday 7 September**. This will be hosted by the students in Room 11 and commences at **1:40pm** sharp.

SCHOOL AWARDS - Friday 1 September 2023

HONOUR CERTIFICATES: Excellence, no matter what you are doing, excellence means you are giving it the best you have. Excellence is what leads to success. It takes courage to practice excellence. When you practice excellence, you can break new ground and try new things that have never been thought of before. Doing your best helps you find out who you really are. **Congratulations to the following Honour Certificate recipients from our last assembly.**

Class	Student
Room 3	Arlo, Lily
Room 6	Parker, Priyal
Room 7	Zahra
Room T3	Violette
Room 8	Lik Yang, Oliver
Room 9	Emma, Torran

Class	Student
Room T2	Basma, John
Room 10	Amara, Irfaan
Room 11	Karma, Ryley
Room T1	Angeleen, Emmet
Room 12	Bodie, Monique
Room 13	Lara, Nurfathia

Class	Student
Room 14	Iliyana
Room 15	Hayley, Magdalene, Thomas
Room T4	Max, Shayde
Room 16	Jerry, Yena
Room 17	Riyana, Tia
Room 18	Alex, Justin

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH: The Aussie of the Month award recognises personal endeavour, achievement and contribution to our School Community. Congratulations to this month's recipients:

Amberley, Year 1/Room 6 Travis, Year 2/Room 8



SCIENCE WEEK 2023

The 2023 Science Week topic is Innovation: Powering Future Industries.

Students at Bannister Creek learnt about Binary Code by making a bead bracelet using the first letter of their name. Binary Code is the system of zeros and ones that computers use to code text, images and videos. Each one or zero is called a bit, and a series of eight bits is called a byte. One byte is used to code each letter of the alphabet.

Senior classes buddied up with junior classes to assist with the tricky knot tying.



LIBRARY NEWS

Scholastic Book Fair - Hats off To Reading!

Our Scholastic Book Fair will be held in Week 9 of this term in the School Library. Book sale times will be confirmed on an A4 Scholastic flyer which will be sent home next week.

Students will be able to preview the Book Fair items on Friday 8 and Tuesday 12 September during their library session. They will have their own Wish List to write down their favourite books to purchase or add a title to the Library Wish List.

Help needed with Book Fair

Please consider volunteering 30 minutes of your time on Wednesday 13, Thursday 14 or Friday 15 of September to help us run this event. Call into the Library any day Tuesday to Friday or leave your contact details at Reception.

Mrs Helen Bretherton and Mrs Tanja Pope



SCHOOL FEES AND CHARGES

Please remember to return excursion / incursion permission notes to the front office along with payments.

Thank you to all the families who have paid the 2023 Contributions. The contributions assist the school in provided resources and programs for our students. There is still time to make payments for 2023 if you haven't had a chance as yet.

2023 BOOK WEEK

On Friday 18 August, the students and staff at Bannister Creek PS dressed up as book characters as part of our Book Week celebrations. The 2023 Book Week theme was 'Read, Grow, Inspire'. There were some amazing costumes and everyone had a great day!



PARENT VOLUNTEERS

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PARENT VOLUNTEERS

From 1 July 2023 reforms to strengthen Working with Children (WWC) checks have come into effect. These changes are to help better protect our children by making it harder for people who have committed certain offences to obtain a WWC Card.

This means that before a parent can volunteer at school or be a helper in class, you will need to complete a 'Parent and child volunteer declaration form' giving details of your WWC check **OR**, if you do not have a WWC, a declaration stating that you do not have a current working with children negative notice or interim negative notice.

This Declaration will need to be filled in annually if you wish to continue volunteering at the school. This declaration only applies to legal guardians and family members under 18 who volunteer at school. **Any other family member who wishes to volunteer at the school will require a working with children's card, e.g. grandparents.**

Next time you sign in at the office to volunteer, the office staff will provide you with a declaration to fill out and sign. We will keep this declaration on record for the next year.

Thank you to all the wonderful parents that volunteer at BCPS, we are very grateful for everything that you do to help our children grow and keep them safe.

P&C NEWS

FATHER'S DAY STALL: Thank you to all the families who supported our Father's Day Stall and raffle by donating items and/or purchasing tickets, or working on the stall. Congratulations to all our lucky winners.

Diamond, Room 1

Ritav, Room 2

Elliot, Room 2

Tylor, Room 7

Violet, Room T3

Violette, Room T3

Aurora, Room 8

Matilda, Room 9

Aubree, Room T1

Geoffrey, Room T1

Olly, Room 10

Thomas, Room 17

Jade, Room 18

Tobias, Room 18

CARNIVAL DAY: Another thank you to everyone who supported the P&C on carnival day, your help is greatly appreciated.

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12 September in the staff room at 6:30pm. Meetings usually last for only 30 to 45 minutes, so please come along, we'd love to meet you!

Linda Ross, P&C President

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MORE BOOK WEEK FUN



HEALTH & WELLBEING



Virtue of the fortnight - *Courtesy*

Courtesy is being polite and using good manners to make others feel respected and happy. It's about thinking of others and treating people kindly, the way you would like to be treated.

Behaviour Education at BCPS

Every Monday, students attend a 'Behaviour Education Assembly'. Students also work in small groups with our Behaviour Education specialists. This fortnight, students will be learning about:

Our focus for the term is Safety!

Being healthy, safe, and active - Strategies to use when help is needed, such as:

- dialling 000 in an emergency and providing relevant information
- reading basic safety signs (safety house)
- seeking help to ensure the safety of themselves and others
- making decisions that keep themselves and others safe in a range of situations



In Weeks 7-10, students at BCPS will be visited by a Youth Operations Sergeant from our local Police Station to talk about being safe. Students will explore scenarios and discuss what they can do to increase their safety when faced with challenging or emergency situations when out in the community.

During our Behaviour Education Assemblies, we will continue to help students understand bullying and how to get help.



Health Curriculum - Protective Behaviours

All students at Bannister Creek will be learning about how to keep themselves safe through the Protective Behaviours Program.

This program provides vital information to help students learn how to be the boss of their bodies to keep themselves safe.

Theme 1 for Protective Behaviours is:

We all have the right to feel safe at all times.

We encourage all our families to discuss this important theme with their children at home. Let's work together to keep our kids safe! See the 'My Body Safety Rules' poster to learn more. Please see the next page.



Gostalks

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Claire Orange:

Parenting 101 – Regaining Calm from the Chaos

Children's Week event
21 – 29 October 2023

Claire Orange

Child and family mental health author, advocate and speaker Claire Orange is committed to helping children and their families to thrive and flourish.

Claire has co-authored 16 books with her codirector of BEST Programs 4 Kids, Helen Davidson, and draws on over 27 years of working with children and their families, as well as her own experiences of raising four boys.

Thursday
26 October

5.30pm – 8pm

Don Russell Performing Arts Centre
Murdoch Road, Thornlie

Refreshments, speaker presentation followed by Q&A opportunities

free event

Tickets essential, scan code to book.

Includes light refreshments

BATTERY RECYCLING

There are a wide range of battery types, many of which contain toxic metals such as cadmium, mercury and lead. Others contain valuable materials like magnesium and zinc.

Recycling batteries keeps toxic materials out of landfill where they can contaminate the soil and groundwater. It also ensures the valuable materials in batteries are recycled into the something new, which reduces the amount of finite natural resources used in the production of new batteries.

Bannister Creek PS has its very own Battery Recycling Bin, which is located in the Ibis Block. Please use this bin to dispose of your old batteries. Let's all help our environment!



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VacSwim

Enrolments now open!
Places are limited, so get in early.

Help keep your child safe in the water.
Enrol now for the school holidays.

education.wa.edu.au/vacswim

My Body Safety Rules

My body is my body and it belongs to me!

I can say, 'No!' if I don't want to kiss or hug someone.
I can give them a high five, shake their hand or blow them a kiss.
I am the boss of my body and what I say goes!



I have a Safety Network

These are five adults I trust. I can tell these people anything and they will believe me.
If I feel worried, scared or unsure, I can tell someone on my Safety Network how I am feeling and why I feel this way.



Early Warning Signs

If I feel frightened or unsafe
I may sweat a lot, get a sick tummy,
become shaky and my heart might
beat really fast.

These feelings are called my Early Warning Signs. If I feel this way about anything, I must tell an adult on my Safety Network straightaway.



Secrets

I should never keep secrets that make me feel bad or uncomfortable. If someone asks me to keep a secret that makes me feel bad or unsafe, I must tell an adult on my Safety Network straightaway!



Private Parts

My private parts are the parts of my body under my bathing suit. I always call my private parts by their correct names. No-one can touch my private parts. No-one can ask me to touch their private parts. And no-one should show me pictures of private parts. If any of these things happen, I must tell a trusted adult on my Safety Network straightaway.





BANNISTER CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL

2024 Class Placement Parent Request

*Please return this form to the School Office by **Friday 22 September 2023***

Child's Name: _____

Current Year Level: _____ Current Room No.: _____

Parent's Name: _____

The information I would like the school to take into consideration during the process of allocating students to classes for next year:

Academic considerations

Social considerations

Behavioural considerations

Please tick this box if a parent interview is requested with the Principal or Deputy Principal.

Please Note:

Whilst every effort will be made to accommodate requests and concerns, no guarantee can be given with regard to any placement.

The final decision about the placement of students will rest with the Principal.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____



Students NOT returning in 2024

Please return this form to the School Office as soon as possible.

My child/children will NOT be returning to Bannister Creek Primary School in 2024.

New school _____

Child/children's Name/s: _____ Room No. _____

_____ Room No. _____

_____ Room No. _____

_____ Room No. _____