



**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members

Welcome back to Term 4. We have a number of staff changes this term and a busy time ahead of us.

Congratulations to Mr Miller who, after the exemplary job he has done in leading our school through the very challenging events of the past couple of years, has won a permanent position as Principal of Victoria Park Primary School. Mr Miller has been an important part of the success of Bannister Creek PS as a Deputy and then Principal and leaves us with very mixed emotions. We send him our best wishes for his new role and give him our thanks for his leadership during his time with us. The position of Bannister Creek Primary School Principal has been advertised and a decision will be made on the new person following a merit selection process. The new Principal will be starting next year and, until then, I will be performing the role.

Mrs Lehmann has left the profession to pursue other opportunities. Miss Hurae, our Art teacher, and Mrs Steed, one of our Year 4 teachers, are both on leave this term. We welcome Mrs Farrell and Mrs Lumsden who will be replacing Miss Hurae, and Mr Border who will be covering Mrs Steed's position and also working with Mrs Beinke to cover Mrs Lehmann's position in Room 14. We also welcome back one of our student teachers who will be working with Mrs Ashlin in Room 8.

Term 4 is a very exciting time at Bannister Creek PS with the following events coming up:

- Week 2: Interschool Athletics Carnival
- Weeks 3 & 4: Swimming lessons for Rooms 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, T2, 15 and T4
- Week 4: Year 6 camp to Point Peron
- Week 5: Super 7s Soccer Carnival, The P&C Slime Run and our Arts Expo
- Week 6: Year 6 Transition Day to LSHS
- Week 7: Basketball Slam Cup and Paws for a Chat
- Week 9: Graduation, Dinner Dance and Aboriginal Students Award Evening
- Week 10: Year 1-5 Presentation Assembly.

As Miss Hurae will not be with us this term, the format of the Arts Expo has been altered slightly to focus on Music. The evening will be a musical event featuring the talents of our choir and band students. There will also be a performance by students who have been working hard to learn Chinese Fan dancing. The evening promises to showcase our students' talents.

Term 4 will be an exciting time here at Bannister Creek and I look forward to welcoming you along to the school.

Kind Regards  
 Howard Christie  
 PRINCIPAL

**COMING EVENTS**

Wed 19 Oct	Interschool Athletics Carnival
Thu 20 Oct	Assembly hosted by Room 7 - 8:45 am
Mon 24 Oct	Swimming Lessons commence
Wed 2 Nov	Year 6 depart for camp
Fri 4 Nov	Year 6 students return from camp

**SCHOOL BOARD**

**Open School Board Meeting**  
**Monday 31 October 2022**  
**Commencing at 3:15pm in the staffroom**  
 All parents and community members are welcome to attend.

**IMPORTANT TERM DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

Tuesday 6 December 2022	Aboriginal Education Awards	6:00pm
Thursday 8 December 2022	Year 6 Graduation Ceremony	9:30am
	Year 6 Graduation Dinner Dance	6:00pm
Wednesday 14 December 2022	Year 1 to 5 Presentation Assembly	9:00am



## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

On Wednesday 21 September, Room 10 brought the ocean to life with an amazing Under the Sea assembly. Everyone worked so hard to memorise all their lines and did a fantastic job.

It was a great way to end an eventful term and display all the information they learnt in Science and at AQWA.



Thank you to Ms O'Neill and the Room 10 students for a wonderful assembly. Well done!

The next class assembly will be hosted by the students in Room 7 on **Thursday 20 October**. The assembly will commence at 8.45am.

## SCHOOL AWARDS

**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	Illiya, Taylor
Room 4	Alexander, Violette
Room 5	John, Robert
Room 6	Lana
Room 7	Charlie, Heidi, Sienna
Room T3	Jordan
Room 8	Faith

Class	Student
Room 9	George, Lachlan
Room T2	Aiden, Charlie
Room 10	Aria, Penelope
Room 11	Jackson, Frank
Room T1	Harshal, Phillip, Pippa
Room 12	Esther, Toby
Room 13	Cody, Jack

Class	Student
Room 14	Amelia, Charli, Emily, Matthew
Room 15	Hayley, Josephine
Room T4	Christine, Jacob, Madeleine, Rigden
Room 16	Archer, Elizabeth
Room 17	Ethan, Tayton
Room 18	Lola, Maaliha

## 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:

Miranda, Year 1/Room 6

Tom, Year 2/Room T2

Ella, Year 4/Room 13

Rebecca, Year 6/Room 18



## ARTS EXPO



### SAVE THE DATE!

Our students will be presenting an evening of music and dance on **Wednesday 9 November 2022** from **5:00 to 6:30pm**.

See you there!



## SWIMMING LESSONS - TERM 4, WEEKS 3 & 4



Students from Rooms **3, 4, 5, 8, 9, T2, 10, 15** and **T4** will complete in-term swimming lessons at the Riverton Leisureplex in this term.

Lessons will take place from **Monday 24 October to Friday 4 November 2022**, this is 10-day program. Swimming lessons are part of the Bannister Creek PS Health and Physical Education Program for 2022 and every child should participate.

If you have not received the information letter detailing swimming lesson arrangements or the permission form, please contact the front office.

**PLEASE** return all permission forms by Tuesday 18 October as we must give them to the swim school by the following Thursday. Payments arrangements can be made if required.

## MANGAHIGH 'POWER-UP MATH CHALLENGE'

**COMPETITION RESULTS:** In Term 3, all students at Bannister Creek Primary school were invited to participate in the Mangahigh 'Power-up Math Challenge'.

The school paid for students to have access for three weeks. The students enjoyed participating in the challenge as they learnt Mathematics using purpose-built casual games that balanced fun and learning.

Congratulations to all students that participated in the challenge. The combined scores of all students contributed to Bannister Creek Primary School finishing fourth on the ladder! We were very successful in competing against schools in Australia and New Zealand.

Three Students scored over 300 points - Shanjayi, Roo 17; Hayden, Room 18: and Vinesh, Room 16 received a certificate, lapel pin and a gift or movie voucher to the value of \$15.

The top ten students in the school are listed on the Honour board (pictured below). Students that scored between 100 and 300 points received a certificate and lapel pin.



<b>Room 18 / Year 6</b> Hayden - 642 points Rebecca - 101 points Lovish - 203 points Donovan - 274 points	<b>Room 17 / Year 6</b> Shanjayi - 708 points	<b>Room 16 / Year 5/6</b> Vinesh - 621 points Saaket - 132 points Dana - 126 points Riley - 123 points Alyssa - 106 points
<b>Room T4 / Year 5</b> Yena - 143 points Jayden - 132 points	<b>Room 15 / Year 4</b> Alex - 174 points Logan - 102 points	<b>Room 14 / Year 4</b> Thomas - 249 points Farley - 217 points Afseen - 185 points
<b>Room 13 / Year 4</b> Alexander - 283 points	<b>Room T1 / Year 3</b> Linden - 115 points Oliver - 101 points	<b>Room 9 / Year 2</b> Matthew - 194 points Jonathan - 101 points



## MATHEMATIC OUTDOOR PLAY AREAS

Our Mathematics Curriculum Leader, Mrs Stewart, has worked during the holidays to get our mathematically-themed outdoor play areas completed.

As you can see, they are vibrant, inviting and are designed to spark curiosity, creativity and imaginative play. They will also inspire fitness through children being physically involved in playing on them, using their creativity and imagination to create activities and use the games.

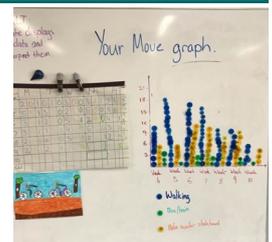


Our Year 6 students, through their 'Take Flight' challenge will also have the opportunity to manage these spaces and help the younger children make the most of them.

## YOUR MOVE

For the first time ever Bannister Creek Primary School has attained Platinum Accreditation. 2022 has been a big year full of fun and educational activities including bike education, The Active Travel Festival, competitions and Ride and Walk to School Days.

Platinum Accreditation means we can use the points gained to purchase items for our school to encourage walking, riding and using public transport to get to and from school. It also meant we were eligible for a Gold Connecting Schools grant of \$2499. This grant has been used to purchase extra bike and scooter racks. This funding has been provided by the Government of Western Australia, Department of Transport.



Finally, the Term Three Active Travel classroom tally competition focused on how every child got to and from school each day. Room 9, Year 2 were vigilant in tracking their progress for the term and have been awarded some extra recess time for their efforts. Room 15 students represented their classroom data in graphs.



## YEAR 2 & 3 AQWA EXCURSION

On September 15 and 16, the Year 2 and 3 students went on an underwater adventure to AQWA. We visited the turtle rescue centre and learnt about wildlife rescue and conservation. This included hands on research activities that taught us about tracking turtles and finding out the effects of plastic in the ocean.

We also got up close and personal with some of Western Australia's incredible marine life which included petting sharks, coming face to face with stingrays in the underwater tunnel and exploring the danger-zone where things were not always what they seemed.

We are so thankful to the parent helpers that came along and made this amazing day possible!!



### AQWA EXCURSION RECOUNTS FROM ROOM T1

#### The Best AQWA Excursion Ever

On Friday, 16 September, the Year 3 class went on an excursion to AQWA. We were going to AQWA because we have been doing Biological Sciences.

First, we got on the bus and drove to AQWA. As soon as we got there we had recess and played for a little bit. Then we got organised and played on a ship playground.

Next, we had a look around and played at the touch pool. There were starfish, sharks, urchins, sea cucumbers and fish. They were all slimy and wet.

After that, we went to the dark area and in the tunnel. In the tunnel there were fish, big sharks and sting rays. After the tunnel we went to the danger zone. There were stone fish which are the most poisonous fish in the world and other dangerous fish or other marine animals that were cool.

Then we went to have lunch at the same spot we went first. After that we had a turtle talk with Sasha and went to the play room. It was fun.

Finally, we got back to school. It was the best first excursion ever!

By Oliver Room T1



## Our Biological Science AQWA Excursion

On Friday, 16 September, all B.C.P.S. students in Year 3 went on an AQWA excursion. We went for our Biological Science.

First, we sat on a bus. It took us a while to get there. When we reached AQWA we got organised, had some recess and played for a while.

Next, we went to the touch pool. It was amazing. We touched starfish, sea urchins and port Jackson sharks. It was so much fun.

Then we got to explore everything! We went to different places with our group, like the tunnel full of sharks, stingrays, schools of fish and in the glow place I saw a saltwater crocodile.

Finally, we had our lunch. We stayed and played at the big fish tank and the boat. Then we met an AQWA person called Sasha. She talked about AQWA's rescue turtle called Bubbles. Bubbles was only two years old and its species was loggerhead. Then Sasha talked about the five turtle species, then we did some activities. My favourite was digging up sea creatures.

The day was really, really fun! I loved the day, it made me feel very happy.

By Amal Room T1



## Year 3's Trip to AQWA

It was about 8:50am when got on the bus to go to AQWA to do Biological Science and to see the sea creatures.

When we got there we had recess. We got ready in a few minutes.

After we ate, we went to the touch pool and touched a starfish, a mini shark, a fish and a pencil urchin. Then we went to a dark aquarium and to the danger zone.

Next, we had lunch and had a play. We went to the conveyor belt tunnel, then we had the turtle talk and went to the activity room.

After the exciting activities we went to the bus and back to school. Then when we got back we packed up.

I had a great time at AQWA. It was amazing!

By Phillip Room T1



## AQWA EXCURSION

All the Year threes went to AQWA on 16/9/22 to learn about creatures for Science. We got name stickers and went to the bus.

When we got there, we had morning tea and played tag. I was it, so I got Prapthi, Prapthi got Amal, Amal got Phillip and Phillip got Hayden, then recess was over.

We went to the touch pool next. The starfish were bright red, orange, brown and yellow. The sea star was like a rock because it didn't move at all. There were little sharks that were slimy but shiny.

Then we went to the DANGER ZONE. The blue bottle jellyfish was blue and glowed in the dark. The sea snake was poisonous and it was a reptile. There was a salt water crocodile that was still a baby.

Finally, we went to an information room full of activities about sea turtles and learned about six types of sea turtles.

By Dvij Room T1



### Mid-Autumn Festival 2022

The annual Mid-Autumn Festival event at Stocklands Riverton took place on Saturday 10 September and was a collaboration between Bannister Creek PS, Lynwood SHS and Stocklands Riverton.

This year, 9 of Bannister Creek PS's upper primary students volunteered their time and worked closely with students from Lynwood SHS to run various art and craft activity activities including paper cutting, Chinese calligraphy, lantern making, paper folding and colouring. In addition, there were lion dances, face painting and live Chinese music provided by the shopping centre.

The students did a marvellous job of representing our school. This event has brought increased awareness to Chinese culture in the local community in addition to shining a spotlight on Bannister Creek's Chinese Language Program.

A big thank you to our Art teacher Miss Hurae for her support of the Chinese program through integrating Chinese in the Art Program. The display of students' art work at the event was a highlight and received a lot of accolades.

Thank you to families who were able to make it on the day and for the students who volunteered their time. This event could not happen without your support!



### 2022 CLTAWA State Chinese Writing Competition

In Term 3, our school participated in the State Writing competition organised by the Chinese Language Teachers' Association of WA.

This annual State Competition was open to students in Years 3 to 6 who attend schools with Chinese language programs. Separate categories were designed for students from both Chinese speaking backgrounds and non-backgrounds.

Congratulations to all the participating students who devoted their time and effort into producing their posters with exceptional Chinese writing. The following students' work were chosen to represent our school. Their work is currently on display in our library. Their certificates will be handed out at next week's assembly.

#### Non-Chinese Background:

- Wanita, Room T4      Year 5-6 Category – Participation
- Tia, Room 15          Year 5-6 Category – Participation

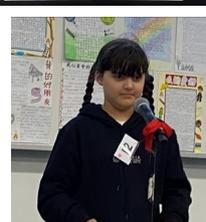
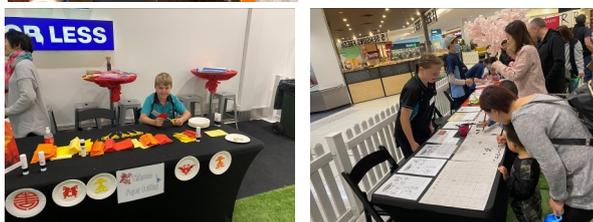
#### Chinese Background:

- Zachary, Room 16    Background E1-2 Category – Participation
- Ethan, Room 11      Background E1-2 Category – Excellence
- Le Xuan, Room T4    Background E1-2 Category – Excellence

### 2022 CLTAWA State Mandarin Speaking Competition at UWA

On Saturday 14 September, Tia, Year 5 - Room 15, participated in the State Mandarin Speaking Competition at the University of Western Australia. This annual competition was open to students in Years 5 through to 9, with 59 students from 22 WA schools participating. Congratulations to Tia for stepping out of her comfort zone and giving her best in the competition. Many thanks to her wonderful family for their support too!

Ms Xu & Mrs Chen, Chinese Language Specialist Teachers



## REMINDERS

**YEAR 6 CAMP:** All outstanding payments and permission form are due NOW. Please contact the front office if you are unsure of any outstanding amounts/form.

**HATS: 'No Hat, No Play!'** Please make sure your child has a wide-brimmed hat to wear for outdoor play and activities.

**CRUNCH & SIP:** Please remember to pack fruit, or veggies, for your child's crunch & sip everyday.

## LIBRARY NEWS

### SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everyone who supported our Book Fair. We sold a total of \$4118.00 worth of books and novelties which enabled us to add 12 new books to our library, including many of the books that students had requested on the Library Wish List. We also banked 1081 Scholastic points, to be used for more additions throughout the coming year.

Here are just a few of the new titles to look out for, on display soon:

Minecraft Annual 2023; Diary of a Wimpy Kid - Big Shot; 100% Unofficial Roblox Annual 2023; Avatar, The Last Airbender - Suki Alone; Minecraft - Amazing Bite-size Builds; The Official Harry Potter Baking Book.

It would not have been possible to run this year's Scholastic Book Fair without the support of Anna, Cathryn, Holly, Kate B, Kate D, Kate S, Mabel, Naomi, Nicola, Shane and Sonam who all kindly volunteered their time to assist with book sales. Their help and support is very much appreciated.

Congratulations to the following students who won Book Fair vouchers in our 'Guess the Number of Sweets in the Jar' competition:

Narmin, Room 6	Heidi & Sienna, Room 7	Jasmine, Room T3	Bodie, Room 8	Sophia, Room 9
Aiden, Room T2	Adam, Room 10	Ethan, Room 11	Carsen, Room T1	Max, Room 12
Amelie, Room 13	Matthew, Room 14	Sienna, Room 15	Hazel, Room T4	Sophia, Room 16
Oliver, Room 17	Frederick Room 18			

**Great guessing everyone!**

Mrs Bretherton & Mrs Pope, Library Officers

## HEALTH and WELLBEING CORNER

**7 weeks to go!**

**Paws**  
for a chat

**25th November 2022**  
**9:00-10:40AM**

BANNISTER CREEK Primary School  
Mentally Healthy WA  
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### Mental Health at Bannister Creek

This week is Mental Health Week (8 to 15 October 2022). This year's theme is **'Mind, Body, Environment'** to promote the benefits of spending time in nature on mental health and wellbeing.

Research has shown spending time in nature, and being connected to nature, can improve wellbeing in many ways including:

- Improving cognitive skills – like memory and attention
- Improving mood.
- Reducing feelings of stress

We also know from research, connecting to nature can positively influence wellbeing regardless of how much time one spends outdoors and whether you spend time in green or blue (aquatic) environments or even in urban nature.

BCPS will be celebrating this year's theme **'Mind, Body, Environment'** at our **'Paws For A Chat'** event in Week 7.

## SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Financial support by parents has always played a significant role in providing resources that support the learning experiences of students. Parents and caregivers of children in K-6 are asked to pay \$60 per child, per year which is within the School Educational Act Regulations 2000. Money collected is used to supplement school expenditure in the learning areas and other activities.

### Where does my \$60.00 go and how does it benefit my child or children?

- Reading books and resources
- Library books and resources
- Sports equipment
- Music equipment
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths) equipment and digital devices
- Specialist art materials
- Classroom resources
- On-line educational programs e.g. Maths Online, Reading Eggs

If you have not already done so, there is still time to pay your school contributions at the front office. Payments may be made by cash, Eftpos or bank deposit.

Thank you for your support.

## BCPS PUZZLE CORNER No. 16

The answer to Puzzle Corner No 15 – ‘Number Fill Puzzle’ is shown here.

The first correct solution drawn from the Puzzle Corner Box was **Natsu, Year 2/Room 8**. Congratulations! You have won a canteen voucher to the value of \$5.00 to spend at the canteen.

Now, everyone has the opportunity to solve this fortnight’s puzzle. Please complete the puzzle below, write your child’s name on the entry form, 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! Answers to Puzzle No. 16 will be published in the next newsletter.

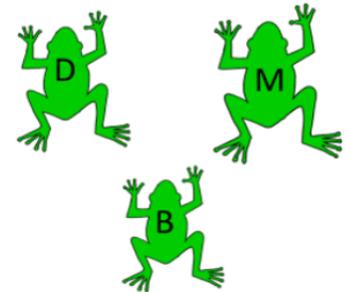
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	7	1	2	9		9		6
	2		1	4	1	0	3	7
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	9	9	5					4
9	2	5	6	3	2	7	0	6

**Math Puzzling Problems** – This puzzle involves using thinking and reasoning skills to work out the weight of each frog.

Captain Salamander has 3 pet frogs called Dorris, Borris and Morris. He weighs them to check they are at the right weight. However, the frogs will only be weighed two at a time!

- Dorris and Borris weigh 12g altogether.
- Borris and Morris weigh 16g altogether.
- Dorris and Morris weigh 14g altogether.

How much does each frog weigh?



**Answers:** Dorris weighs \_\_\_\_\_g, Borris weighs \_\_\_\_\_g, Morris weighs \_\_\_\_\_g.

Child’s Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Room: \_\_\_\_\_

## P&C NEWS

Welcome back to Term 4 !

Thank you to everyone who supported the Year 6 Graduation Raffle fundraiser. Congratulations to the following lucky winners:

**1st PRIZE: \$1000**  
Christopher E

**2nd PRIZE: \$500**  
Danielle P

**3rd PRIZE: \$250**  
Ngahuia M

**SLIME RUN:** This year, the P&C fundraising team, headed up by Jessica Sloss, will be running a SLIME FUN RUN! Students will receive their sponsorship booklet this week and can create their online profile at [www.australianfundraising.com.au](http://www.australianfundraising.com.au). Big prizes are up for grabs! Raise at least \$10 and your child will receive a selection of awesome prizes. You can also share in \$200k of extra prize credit, win a Razor Prize Pack, and become a Fundraising MonSTAR!



### CANTEEN RULES:

1. **If you order it, we cook & prepare it.** If you fail to cancel your order (providing more than a day's notice) consider it a donation to the canteen. Due to the cost associated with the preparation of the meal, refunds will not be given. Orders must be in by 9am Monday to Friday. Cancellation must be prior to the food being prepared for your child.
2. **All Pre-orders (recess & lunch) are kept on a list and marked off.** Children who don’t come to collect their order, might miss out. Please ensure that your child knows to come and collect it from the canteen.
3. **Manners are FREE to give and receive!** Rudeness will not be tolerated and will result in you not being served. This rule applies to everyone! Children, parents, volunteers and everyone .... ALWAYS, Treat others as you wish to be treated.

**NEXT MEETING:** Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 18 October in the Staffroom at 6:30pm. Meetings usually last for no longer than 30 minutes. Please come along, we’d love to meet you!

We will be calling for volunteers for all positions in 2023. If you are interested in learning about the P&C, come along to a meeting and ask as many questions as you like.

We will then look to have the final P&C meeting for the year on Tuesday 22 November at a restaurant to celebrate the year’s achievements. Please RSVP for this dinner by email to [bannistercreek.pnc@gmail.com](mailto:bannistercreek.pnc@gmail.com) so we can make a booking somewhere local.

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