



**FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members

**Student Leaders**

In a change for Bannister Creek, we have identified our Student Leaders for 2022 this year. Last Friday, 28 Year 5 students stood in front of their fellow Year 4, 5 and 6 students and read prepared speeches to nominate themselves for the 2022 Student Councillor positions.

I was very impressed with the quality of the speeches and the delivery of the public speaking. Year 4 and 5 students were then given the opportunity to vote for their three preferred candidates. I am pleased to announce that the Student Councillors for 2022 are:

- Oliver, Room 14
- Sarah, Room 14
- Alyssa, Room 15
- Oceana, Room 14
- Frederick, Room 15
- Karli, Room T4
- Isla, Room 15
- Jake, Room 15

Congratulations to these 8 students, I am sure they will represent Bannister Creek exceptionally well in 2022. The Councillors will be formally recognised and presented with their badges at the first assembly next year.

**Planning for 2022**

We are well under away planning for 2022, developing our class structure and compiling class lists. Tomorrow is the final day that requests for student placement for 2022 will be accepted. From Monday, we will be unable to grant specific requests. A copy of the class placement request form is included in this newsletter. We also request that you inform the school if you do not intend to have your child attend Bannister Creek in 2022. You can contact the Front Office to share this information.

**Colour Explosion**

We are very excited about the Colour Explosion to be held on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November. I encourage you to set up a fundraising account for each of your children to help raise money for the school. Funds raised will be used to purchase additional flexible furniture options for our school wet areas. Children can win fantastic prizes by raising money and we also have a school competition for the class that raises the highest average amount per class member.

Kind Regards

Travis Miller  
PRINCIPAL

**COMING EVENTS**

Fri, 12 Nov	Year 6 Dancesport lesson
Wed, 17 Nov	Super 7s Soccer Carnival at Lynwood SHS
Thu, 18 Nov	Assembly hosted by Room T3: 8:45am
Tue, 23 Nov	Year 5 Toy & Book Sale
Wed, 24 Nov	2022 Pre-Primary Parent Information Session: 8:45am
Thu, 25 Nov	Arts Showcase Evening: 4:30 to 6:00pm
Fri, 26 Nov	Lynwood SHS Year 6 Transition Day Colour Explosion: 1.35pm
Mon, 29 Nov	School Board Meeting: 3:15pm



Our Year 6 students had a great time at camp. You can read about some of their adventures on pages 4 and 5.



## SCHOOL BANKING

### School Banking update from Commonwealth Bank

For 90 years, our School Banking program has helped children learn about money, reinforced the importance of regular savings and provided structure for parents to support their children to save.

Though the program continues to have strong support from schools, parents and teachers, recent decisions by some state and territory governments because of a review by the corporate regulator mean we are unable to continue providing programs in schools, and we have had to make a difficult decision to close our School Banking program for all government and non-government schools across the country.

Our School Banking program was established in 1931 at a time when having a bank account was not commonplace, and since then we have helped more than 15 million Australians take their first financial steps. This would not have been possible without the wonderful support we have received from schools like yours, including all the parents and volunteers, and for this we are deeply grateful. Thank you.

Even though this is a sad time, School Banking has taught so many young Australians, past and present, the value of money and we believe this should be celebrated. We have created a place for you to share your stories, fondest memories and lessons learnt through the program. To share your story and access our financial education resources, please visit [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking).

Even though the CommBank School Banking program will not be returning to your school after this year, you can continue to make deposits into your child's Youthsaver account through online transfers or at any CommBank branch. If you need further information, please phone 132 221 or visit your local CommBank branch.

## SCHOOL BOARD UPDATE

At the last Board meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> November, the Board:

- Approved the 2022 Booklists
- Approved the 2022 Fees and Charges
- Looked at the 2021 NAPLAN results. The Year 5 results were lower than expected and we will look into the cause of this.
- Mr Miller talked about the Business Plan Review and explained the different categories for the Targets. All areas are progressing well.
- BCPS Admin are planning for 2022, recruiting staff and planning class structures. We have less Kindy students enrolled than usual next year.
- Lots of significant events are planned for later this term:
  - Arts Showcase
  - Colour Explosion
  - Year 6 Graduation
  - Aboriginal Awards Night
  - Year 1-6 Presentation Assembly

## PRE-PRIMARY OUTDOOR CLASSROOM DAY

On Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November, it was Outdoor Classroom Day. Kindy and Pre-Primary students had a day outside participating in a variety of activities in the sunshine. We hope you enjoy our recounts below:

First I went to the boats. Then I drew a horse. Next I did science with Travis. Finally I rode a bike with Narmin and I felt happy because it was fantastic.

By Jaanki, Room 4



First I went on the bikes with Oliver. Next we went to the blocks it was fun. Then I went to the slime. Finally we went back to the classroom. I was exhausted because I was outside all day.

By Torran, Room 4

## PRE-PRIMARY EXCURSION

On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November, the Pre-Primary students in Rooms 3, 4 and 5 went to the Canning River Eco Education Centre to learn about our local environment and the creatures that live there.

Throughout the day, we explored the riverbank, learnt about frogs that sound like motorbikes and used magnifying glasses to study macroinvertebrates! We would like to thank all the staff at CREEC, BCPS and the parent helpers who made our day so memorable.



## NATIONAL WATER WEEK TABLOID ACTIVITIES

Last Thursday, Room T4 assisted the Year 1s to participate in Waterwise Tabloid activities to celebrate National Water Week. The theme for National Water Week 2021 is 'Caring for Water and Country'. The Year 1s have been learning about how to conserve water and Mr McNamara has visited the Year 1s to discuss water in Aboriginal culture. Here are some Year 1 recounts of the Water Tabloid activities.



Yesterday, the Year Ones and T4 went to play with water outside Room 6. First, we got a number on our hand, my number was 3. Then, we lined up outside and my group went to make paper boats. Next, when the whistle blew, we had to go to the next station. It was the water pipes station, it was so much fun! Finally, we went to the last station where we had to get the water in the bucket but try not to drop it! It made me feel happy.

Matilda, Room 6

Yesterday, all the Year 1s and Room T4 did water tabloids. First we got our numbers on our hands and after we got a number we lined up. Then we went to a station and my station was the music cups. What you have to do is get a stick and softly tap it on the cup. Next, I went to paper float. What we have to do is you draw on the paper and put it in the water and it will move. Finally I went to the cup bubbles. What you have to do is blow in a straw and bubbles will come out. I felt happy!

Paige, Room T3



On Thursday, all of the 1s and T4 did water activities outside Room 6 and Room 7. First, my group went and did the bubble shapes activity. Next, we learnt how jugs can make noise, they were called the water xylophones. Then we drew on some paper and put it in some water and rubbed it, it dissolved a little bit. My favourite was the blowing bubbles activity from a cup. Finally, we did a water race it was lots and lots of fun.

Le Ning, Room 7

On Thursday the Year 1s and T4 did fun water activities outside Room 7. First, Miss Little gave us a number on our hands. Next, we went outside and listened to Mrs Lilly explain the activities. Then we rotated around all the activities. Finally, we did a water race and we had to put water into buckets with a measuring cup. My favourite part was blowing bubbles from a cup with a straw.

Rachel, Room 7

## CAN YOU HELP?

The Year 5 students will be organising and running a second-hand toy and book sale on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. This event will reinforce concepts learnt in their Business and Economics unit of work. All money raised will go towards the 2022 Year 6 Camp and Graduation events.

We would really appreciate donations of children's books and toys. Please ensure that they are clean and in good working condition, as students won't have time to fix or clean items. Donations can be dropped off at Rooms 14, 15 or 18. Thank you very much for your support.



## GIFTED & TALENTED PROGRAMS

Apply for our **Gifted and Talented** Secondary Selective Entrance Programs. Bring out your child's exceptional creativity and academic talent with our unique Gifted and Talented programs.

Our academic, arts and languages programs offer learning environments that challenge, inspire and empower children to excel and thrive. Programs are hosted at select public secondary schools, and include a fully selective academic school and an arts college. Your child will learn with like-minded peers and be taught by expert teachers and mentors who will extend and enrich their studies.

If your child is in Year 5 in 2021, you can apply now for entry into Year 7 in 2023. Limited places may also be available for children entering Years 9, 10 and 11 in 2023.

Apply online at [education.wa.edu.au/giftedandtalented](https://education.wa.edu.au/giftedandtalented)

Contact us: 9264 4307      [gtsu@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:gtsu@education.wa.edu.au)

**APPLY NOW**  
Applications close  
**Sunday 13 February 2022**



## VACSWIM CLASSES

Enrolments are open for VacSwim swimming lessons during the summer school holidays (January 2022). VacSwim offers fun lessons at beach or pool locations during the long break. It's a great school holiday activity that teaches valuable safety skills to help keep your child safe in the water. Your children can start as young as five years old.

Don't wait! Enrol your children in VacSwim now at [education.wa.edu.au/vacswim](https://education.wa.edu.au/vacswim)

## 2021 YEAR 6 CAMP ADVENTURES

### Day 1: Tuesday October 26<sup>th</sup>

Today we arrived at the camp school, we placed our bags down and took a quick tour of the place. We then split into three groups for either soccer, basketball or a walk. I went for the walk because I wanted to have a chill first day before all of the activities.

The boys then set up their beds in the dorm and got dressed for the beach, so did the girls. We walked to the beach and through the water. Some people built sandcastles while others collected shells. Before we went back, Mr Christie told us about expectations, then we practised our skits for thirty minutes.

By Justin, Room 17

### Day 1: Tuesday October 26<sup>th</sup>

Today we arrived at camp. The first thing we did was to go to the food hall and have morning tea. The second thing we did was look around Point Peron. After that we split into three groups; soccer, basketball and going up a hill.

After we split into the three groups, we all went to our dorms and got ready for the beach. We stayed at the beach for about thirty minutes. Once we got back from the beach, we washed all the sand off our legs and then practised for skit night.

By Layla, Room 17



### Day 2: Wednesday October 27<sup>th</sup>

Today when we woke up, some of the people went for a morning walk on the beach. When we came back, we all got changed and went for breakfast. For breakfast we had; bacon, sausages, eggs, baked beans and toast.

After breakfast we split into our activity groups, my group started with beach games. After the beach games, everyone went and had morning tea before moving on to the next activity. For the second activity, my group did raft building. I was grouped with Dzaky, Justin, Callum, Caleb and Maddie. My group's raft was the only one that floated out to sea, Maddie and I had to swim it in.

After the activity we had lunch and then we moved to team games, they were a lot of fun. After team games we had afternoon tea and then we moved to crate building. We all had to make a massive tower, we went fifteen crates high and Dom stood on the top. After that we played a fun game of basketball.

By Georgia, Room 17

### Day 2: Wednesday October 27<sup>th</sup>

On this day, we were enlivened by our first camp sleep and ready to do the overload of activities to come. We were greeted with a warm breakfast of eggs, toast with spread and bacon....just the average.

After breakfast, my group, Dwert, was faced with team games, this included many games such as milk carton climbing and mini car fixing. These activities taught us the lesson of copying, communication and the most important lesson of all....TEAMWORK! We then had a very saucy Mexican lunch with our choice of tacos, burritos or nachos.

With our team bursting with excitement for the beach activities, we walked to the calm beach and played beach games. Afternoon tea came and passed as we reached the most exciting moment.....rafts! My group built a messy raft that floated for three seconds before collapsing in the waves. Although we failed, it was fun and our faces were brimming with laughter. After a nice shower and dinner we were excited for the campfire and spotlighting.

By Tyra, Room 16



## 2021 YEAR 6 CAMP ADVENTURES

### Day 3: Thursday October 28<sup>th</sup>

Today, for our first activity we went rock climbing, the wall was about ten meters tall! I got to about four meters. Aida got to the top really quickly. For our second activity we did abseiling, it looked easy but it was really scary. When we got to the top, I was shaking and I almost never shake!

After lunch we did a scavenger hunt, I was paired with Gabriel, we joined with Holly and T-Jay. We almost won, only getting one question wrong! Aida and Lilly won, if we had have gone with our gut instinct we would have won, but that is life I guess.

After the scavenger hunt we went to archery. I got my arrow on the target on the first try, later I got two arrows in a row on red! Today we also won the skits, I have no idea how we did it.

By Naomi, Room 17



### Day 3: Thursday October 28<sup>th</sup>

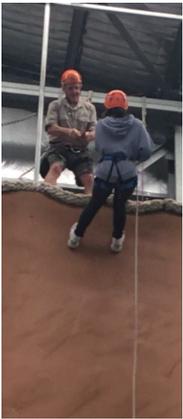
Today, we woke up sad, it was our last full day at camp. With tired bodies from the night before, we got dressed and headed out the door.

We walked over to the hall to have some breakfast to give us energy for the day. Then we went on a treasure hunt. We had to find letters all over the campus using a map. Ella and I came first (by a long way). It was now time for a snack, yum!! We then shot some arrows using a bow (this activity is known as archery) before going off for lunch.

It was now time for rock climbing, YAY! Sadly, I didn't make it to the top but my friend Valma made it up, so I was happy for her. After another snack we headed over to the shed. Freaking out? Yes, it was time for abseiling!

First we tested the ropes and they reassured us that everything was going to be okay. We got into our harnesses and climbed a ladder to the top. When it was my go, I was a little nervous but I knew everything would be okay, so I leaned back and walked down the rope. The I jumped off the wall. I had done it!!

By Isabelle C, Room 17



### Day 4: Friday October 29<sup>th</sup>

"Sniff, sniff", you know what? It is our last day at camp, I want to stay here a little longer! So, everyone in our dorm woke up, dressed, brushed teeth, packed our bags and went to have breakfast. Danindu and I washed the dishes and cups, it was clean up.

After that we all had to choose basketball or a walk; of course, you know what I chose....walk, because it was our last day here. It was so beautiful and I explored so many new things. I wanted to swim but the teachers did not allow that.

We took a group camp photo, then ate morning tea. We then took photos of each camp group. After photos, we went back to the parking area. Before the bus came, we took more photos of everyone. Then we rode the bus back to school, I was so tired!

By Dora, Room 16

### Day 4: Friday October 29<sup>th</sup>

Today we woke up extra early, we had to strip our beds and pack our stuff. It was the last day of camp today! Time flies fast! The time I have spent at camp has been great. I have had a lot of new experiences and tried many new things.

After packing, we had our breakfast and a photo of everyone together. I went for a last morning walk with my other friends, it took us hours though. When we came back we had lunch. After lunch we had a big rest and decided to take another group photo. The bus arrived to pick us up and we went home.

By Violet, Room 16

## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Last week, Room 7 did our assembly. Our assembly was about protecting the ocean from plastic pollution. We had to practice the story called 'Someone swallowed Stanley'. The story is about animals swallowing plastic bags and how it's important to protect the ocean. We had to practice for many days. My favourite part about the assembly was when we did the play.

Written by Phoenix



Our next assembly will be held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November, commencing at 8:45am. This assembly will be hosted by the students in Room T3.

## 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 practise excellence. When you practise 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	Jasper, Shark
Room 4	April, Jaanki
Room 5	Henry, Jasmine
Room 6	Billy
Room 7	Irfaan, Rachel
Room T3	Beau, Paige
Room 8	Maddison, Toby

Class	Student
Room 9	Ethan, Eva, Hayden
Room T2	Emily, Sophie
Room 10	Matthew
Room 11	Maddison
Room T1	Ahmad, Chloe, Katie
Room 12	Kairie, Ziyin
Room 13	Alex, Rigden

Class	Student
Room 18	Liara
Room 14	Jack, Poppy
Room 15	Emily, Ethan, Rebecca
Room T4	Brady, Karli, Vinesh
Room 16	Nadilene, Omid
Room 17	Dzaky, Adelina

### FACTION TOKEN TALLY WINNER:

11/11/2021

SWAN



Students who follow our Code of Conduct and display outstanding social skills are awarded Purple Tokens. At each assembly, a raffle draw is conducted for fortnightly winners who receive a prize. All tokens go into an End of Term Second Chance Draw, so keep doing your best.

Congratulations to the winners 11/11/21: Sophia, Room T3; Claire, Room 8; Shaneika, Room 11 and Natalie, Room 18.

## 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:

Mehtab, Year 1/Room 7

Joy, Year 2/Room 9

Kairie, Year 4/Room 12

Karli, Year 4/Room T4



## SCHOOL PARKING

We have again received complaints from homeowners opposite the school regarding people parking on their lawns and across driveways.

We respectfully request that when dropping your children at school, or picking them up at the end of the day, that you only park within the designated school parking areas, see the parking map below.

Let's be good neighbours!

## SAVE THE DATE

Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6 Graduation Ceremony	9:30am in the Undercover Area
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Aboriginal Awards Night	6:00pm at the Lynwood/Ferndale Football Club
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 to 5 Presentation Assembly	9:00am in the Undercover Area

## SUSTAINABILITY CORNER

### Natural Garden Pest Remedies

**All-round insecticide** - Chop four large onions, two cloves of garlic, and four hot chillies. Mix them together and cover with warm, soapy water and leave to stand overnight. Strain off the liquid and add it to five litres of water to create an all-round insecticide.

**Soap spray** - Add two tablespoons of soap flakes to one litre of water and stir thoroughly until completely dissolved. There is no need to dilute this further, just spray it on. This controls aphids, caterpillars.



## P&C NEWS

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE:** We will be conducting an end of year Christmas Raffle and tickets will be sent home soon. Prizes will include Christmas gifts and meat trays thanks to the team at IGA Lynwood and many other items. Forms will be sent home soon! Thank you to all the families who generously donated items for this raffle.

**NEXT MEETING:** Our final meeting for the year will be short and more of a social get-together. It will held at the Riverton Bar and Grill in December, details will be sent through as soon as we have an idea of numbers. If you would like to come along please RSVP to [BannisterCreek.pnc@gmail.com](mailto:BannisterCreek.pnc@gmail.com)

**JOIN THE P&C IN 2022!** The P&C are always on the look out for more members who are keen to contribute and help us achieve our goal of putting a shelter on the basketball courts to allow the kids an extra play area all year round – shaded in summer and usable for classes in winter. If you would like to join the group, or would like to consider a position (President, Treasurer, Vice President & Secretary) feel free to contact us as the current team are keen to support succession planning and keep the good work and supportive team culture going! Full support and handover training will be provided for the next few years. Please come along, learn the ropes and consider being a part of taking it to the next level!

Thank you to all our parents for their continued support of the Bannister Creek P&C!

Linda Ross, P&C President  
[BannisterCreek.pnc@gmail.com](mailto:BannisterCreek.pnc@gmail.com)



Thank you so much for continuously supporting our school, especially through fundraising. This term, we are hosting a **Colour Explosion** to raise money for the School.

**Start fundraising today. Did you know?** Students raise 3x times more when they fundraise online! Visit [myprofilepage.com.au](http://myprofilepage.com.au) to create your child's cybersafe fundraising profile. Instructions are in your child's sponsorship booklet. You have until 28<sup>th</sup> November 2021 to fundraise, so make sure you get cracking!

**The big day is coming!** We are so excited to host our Colour Explosion on **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021** from **1:35 to 1:45pm**. Parents are invited to attend. On the day, make sure your child brings a white shirt for the Fun Run! They will be covered in non-toxic, high quality colour powder from head to toe! They will also need a water bottle and their hat.

**How do prizes work?** Help your child fundraise more by setting a prize goal! It's okay if they change their mind – you order their exact prizes later. You can order your child's prizes online at [myprofilepage.com.au](http://myprofilepage.com.au) between 21/10/21 and 28/11/21. Alternatively, complete the back page of your sponsorship booklet when you return your cash donations. Students can choose a prize based on the total amount of dollars raised, or mix and match smaller prizes.

**Share in \$200,000 worth of extra prize credit!** Achieve bigger prizes by helping your child earn bonus credit on their online profile. By reaching fundraising milestones online, you can share in \$200,000 of extra prize credit!

**Become a Fundraising MonSTAR!** Collect all virtual badges on your online profile page and receive your own Fundraising MonSTAR bag tag.

**Class Reward Prize.** Teamwork counts! If your class creates the most online profile pages each student will receive a Fundraising MonSTAR handball.

**FundRazor of the Year Award.** Do you think you can top the national leader board? Australia's highest fundraising student in Australia will win a Razor Prize Pack, worth \$4,900!

If you have any questions about the Colour Explosion, please contact the office of [Australian Fundraising](http://AustralianFundraising.com) on 1300 133 022. Thanks for supporting our school and we hope to see you at the event.

Happy Fundraising

**Fundraising Goal:** flexible furniture options for our school wet areas.



**BANNISTER CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**2022 Class Placement Parent Request**

*Please return this form to the School Office by **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021***

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**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Behavioural considerations**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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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 2022**

*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 2022.**

New school \_\_\_\_\_

Child/children's Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_ Room No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Room No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Room No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Room No. \_\_\_\_\_