



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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

Last week our school community was honoured to have the **Director General of Education, Lisa Rodgers** and the full Corporate Executive Team visit Bannister Creek Primary School. We were incredibly proud of our Student Councillors who met our distinguished guests, and very professionally escorted them to their meeting. Marie-Anne Keeffe – the Director of Communications wrote this in the Department of Education Ed-E-Mail:

“The Leadership Team has been on tour, visiting schools to hold our weekly executive meetings. My day was made yesterday when I pulled into Bannister Creek Primary School to be greeted by a row of beaming young faces. As Year 6 leaver Maddie escorted me through the leafy green grounds, I was struck by her confidence, maturity, and marvellous manners. Our customers are our kids, and she lifted my spirits, which is quite an achievement on a Monday!”

After the Corporate Executive meeting was finished, Lisa Rodgers and the other guests visited our Sustainability Garden, where the Gardening Club had our chickens out in their orbs. They loved sharing the experience with our students. Our Aboriginal students were finishing off artworks for the Aboriginal Awards Night centrepieces and were surprised by a visit from Kevin O’Keefe, the Principal Advisor of Student Achievement. He loved hearing about the research students have been doing on choosing a school baronga (totem) and wanted to check in on how Moort Boodja was going. He was escorted by Madeline Ryder (Koorlangka Birdiya 2023), Amelia Al-Khajaji (Koorlangka Birdiya 2024), Mr Wayne McNamara (AIEO) and Ms Susan Archdall (Principal).



Last night, we attended the BCPS Aboriginal Awards Night. It was fantastic! Thank you to all the amazing people who worked so hard to put it all together – especially Mr MacNamara, Mrs Shannon and Miss Bornshin. Congratulations to all the hard working award recipients (award recipients will be published in our final newsletter next week).

Today, Mr Christie, Mrs Shurman, Mrs Marshall and I were surprised by an invitation to the Kindy to join the elves for pizza. What an awesome, busy group of elves they were!

I am very much looking forward to the Year 6 Graduation tomorrow. This is a chance to farewell our fantastic graduates and send them off on their new adventure!

One more week everyone. Let’s keep working hard to the very end of term.

Kind Regards

Susan Archdall, PRINCIPAL

The 2023 Year 6 Graduation Ceremony will be held tomorrow,
Friday 8 December, commencing 9:30am sharp.

We welcome our Year 6 students’ family members to the ceremony.
Please arrive and be seated before 9:30am to avoid disruption during the ceremony.



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Learning different subjects at school is like building a toolbox of skills that we use to help our minds. We are lucky at Bannister Creek to have specialist Visual Art, Music, Sport and Chinese Language. Our specialist learning areas are part of the fabric of our school and make BCPS a special place to learn.

The assembly on Thursday 30 November, showcased our specialist learning areas as well as other extra-curricular learning opportunities. Mr McNamara and Mrs McKeown together with students in the Drumbeat Program kicked off the event with a collective drumming performance.

This was followed by the School Band and the Percussion students who were conducted by Ms Lyon from the Instrumental Music School Services Program (IMSS). The School Band is made up of Year 6 students in our IMSS program and students who learn an instrument privately. To be selected for the IMSS program, Year 4 students take a musical aptitude test and have to meet other criteria. As part of the IMSS program, students receive free instrumental tuition and the opportunity to participate in a range of music enrichment activities.

Mrs Prince led the whole school community school singing Chinese numbers. Students' Visual Art works and our various sporting achievements and events were on display as well. The assembly highlighted all of the additional learning opportunities that our students have access to at Bannister Creek P.S.

Congratulations to all our talented students, this was a wonderful final assembly!



Remember to join us for the Year 1 to 5 Presentation Ceremony which will be held on Wednesday 13 December 2023. This will commence at 9:00am sharp. Everyone is welcome!

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 recipient:

Cara, Year 2 / Room 9



SCHOOL CHOIR PERFORMANCE



On Tuesday 5 December, students from the Junior and Senior Choirs combined to perform a number of Christmas carols at the Riverton Forum Shopping Centre.

The students sang beautifully and lifted the Christmas spirits of the very large crowd of family, friends and shoppers.

Thank you to Mr Hall for rehearsing and preparing the students for the event. Thanks also go to Mrs Prince for her support liaising with the shopping centre.

REMINDER: There will be rehearsals next week as follows:

- Senior Choir: Monday 11/12/23 at 8:00am.
- Junior Choir: Wednesday 13/12/23 at 8:00am.
- School Band: Tuesday 12/12/23 at 2:45pm (ends 3:30pm).

LOST PROPERTY

Please make sure you check the lost property boxes and claim anything that belongs to you before the end of Week 10, Thursday 14 December.

Thank you

CHILD AND PARENT CENTRE BROOKMAN

Enrolments for the 2024 Pre-Kindy program will open on Friday 1 December 2023. Please email the centre CPCBrookman@parkerville.org.au or drop in to fill out an application for enrolment form at our front desk.

In order to keep track of when applications are received, we ask you not to phone through your child's application for enrolment or register on Facebook. Please ensure that all information requested is provided please.

Our Pre-Kindy playgroup is a readiness to learn, play-based program. We encourage learning through play and building social skills, through the provision of fun and engaging activities for parent/carer and child. The pre-kindy programs will start in Week 2 of Term 1, 2024. Please see attached flyers for more details.

To be eligible for Pre-Kindy enrolment, your child needs to be attending Kindergarten the following year (2025), as well as currently residing in our catchment area (Thornlie, Parkwood, Ferndale, Langford, and Lynwood).

Please also note that priority to access the Wednesday Pre-Kindy is given to our current 'Hand-in-Hand' playgroup families. Once the group is filled, you may be allocated to the Thursday 'Together We Learn' at Yale Primary School.

If you wish to find out more, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Please check the School's Connect Library for further information.

COMING EVENTS

Fri, 8 Dec	Year 6 Graduation Ceremony - 9:30am Year 6 Graduation Dinner - 6:00pm
Tue, 12 Dec	Year 6 Big Day Out
Wed, 13 Dec	Year 1 to 5 Presentation Ceremony - 9:00am
Thu, 14 Dec	Last day of Term 4 for students

END OF TERM REMINDER

- Please remember to collect all your child's belongings from their classroom next week.
- If you are going on holidays early, please collect their things on your last day at school.

START OF 2024

If you are going away over the summer holidays and will not return in time to start school on 31 January 2024, **please** notify the school ASAP of your expected return date. You can do this by emailing maria.edson@education.wa.edu.au

If your child will not be returning to Bannister Creek Primary School in 2024, please notify the office via email or phone.

Thank you for your assistance.

2024 COMMENCEMENT

Monday 29 January	Front Office will be open from today, for enquiries and payments. 8:30am to 3:30pm
Tuesday 30 January	Class lists available for viewing in the Library windows and on Connect from 10:30am
Wednesday 31 January	Students commence Term 1

2024 REQUIREMENT LIST

If you have misplaced your child's 2024 Requirement List, please contact the front office for a replacement.

FUN AROUND THE SCHOOL





Bannister Creek Toy and Food Collection

BCPS is partnering with C3 Church Langford to support our local community this Christmas season.

If you would like to contribute please drop off Toy and Food donations to front office by

12 DECEMBER

Please Note: Donations should be new and non-perishable items.



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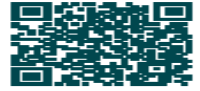
FREE



Get into the spirit at the free Bunnings Christmas family event. Thursday 7th of December from 6pm to 8pm at Bunnings Cannington

Activities and fun for the whole family

Join us for our enchanted forest themed event! We will have:
Free sausage sizzle, popcorn, fairy floss, kids craft, caricature illustrations, face painting, glitter tattoos, sensory play, real unicorns, fun games with prizes to be won and a special visit from Santa and his reindeer Bolt!



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