



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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

Week 7 already? Where did our term go? Lots of hard work and learning that's where! How awesome it is to visit classrooms and see all our students learning and growing together. Our wonderfully rich and diverse multicultural school community builds strong, positive, accepting relationships. We still need families to help us map out the fabric of our school community's heritage. Please use the QR Code attached and complete the survey. It only takes 3 minutes to have your family's voice included. We are always striving to authentically represent our families and nurture a sense of place and belonging for everyone.



Here are some beautiful resources from the Australian Human Rights Commission being in used in our Early Childhood classes.

Encouraging respect for cultural diversity

Early childhood is an ideal time for children to learn about and form friendships with people from different cultural, ethnic and racial backgrounds.

In Australia, we live in a highly diverse, multicultural society, with a population that identifies with over 270 different ancestries. Australia is also home to the world's oldest continuous cultures, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. Here are 3 simple ways you can encourage respect for cultural diversity in your setting...

	<p>Explore similarities and differences Emphasise how we are all special and unique in our own way but share many things in common.</p>	<p>Challenge stereotypes Identifying and challenging harmful stereotypes is an important way of preventing prejudice.</p>	
	<p>Discover more about different cultures and different families Discover new things about different cultures, families and communities through art, music, stories, museums, libraries and festivals. Find out more about different families' customs, values and beliefs.</p>		

Colours of Australia

<p>I spy with my little eye Blue and brown and green.</p>	<p>Open, blinking, wide and winking. The brightest eyes I've ever seen.</p>	<p>I see colours, colours everywhere! The colours of Australia, The beauty we all share.</p>	<p>I see colours, colours everywhere! So let's hold hands and show we care.</p>
<p>I spy with my little eye Blond and black and red.</p>	<p>Straight and long, Curly and strong, Different hair on different heads.</p>	<p>I see colours, colours everywhere! The colours of Australia, The beauty we all share.</p>	<p>I see colours, colours everywhere! So let's hold hands and show we care.</p>
<p>I spy with my little eye White and tan and brown.</p>	<p>Cheeks and noses, Fingers and toes, Healthy skin is all around.</p>	<p>I see colours, colours everywhere! The colours of Australia, The beauty we all share.</p>	<p>I see colours, colours everywhere! So let's hold hands and show we care.</p>
<p>We're lucky to live in a colourful world, With lots of boys and lots of girls.</p>	<p>We all look different but on the inside, We have the same heart, And we wear it with pride!</p>	<p>I see colours, colours everywhere! The colours of Australia, The beauty we all share.</p>	<p>I see colours, colours everywhere! So let's hold hands and show we care.</p>

Have a fantastic week.

Susan Archdall,
PRINCIPAL



COMING EVENTS

Thu, 15 Jun	Assembly hosted by Room 14 - 8:45am
Wed, 21 Jun	Winter Carnival
Fri, 23 Jun	Gina Williams & Guy Ghouse Incursion
Mon, 26 Jun	Start of NAIDOC Week
Wed, 28 Jun	Cross Country

Apply to enrol your child for 2024

Applications close 21 July 2023



KINDERGARTEN / PRE-PRIMARY ENROLMENTS

Kindergarten 2024: Children born between 1st July 2019 and 30th June 2020.

Pre-Primary 2024: Children born between 1st July 2018 and 30th June 2019.

'Application for Enrolment' Forms are available from the Front Office or School Website and must be returned by the close of business **Friday 21 July 2023**.

If you have friends or neighbours who live in the Lynwood/Ferndale area with eligible children, please advise them that the application period is now open. We are also accepting enrolments for students in Years 1 to 6 in 2024.

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

On Wednesday 31 May, our students participated in the Koolangka Birdiya Great Book Swap, where our students were able to bring an old book to swap for a different one for a gold coin donation. We raised a total of \$140 for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

Thank you to everyone who joined in!

HEALTH & WELLBEING



Virtue of the fortnight—CARING

Caring means showing love and kindness towards others. It's like being a good friend and helping people when they need it.

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:



Social Awareness focuses on students understanding and supporting others by recognizing their feelings and perspectives, participating in positive and respectful relationships, and gaining an understanding of advocacy. It teaches students to show respect for others and to be aware of the role of advocacy in society.



Our focus in the Behaviour Education Assemblies for the final weeks of term will be bullying.

LIBRARY NEWS



If your child is interested in completing the Premier's Reading Challenge your child can create their own avatar at:

www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au/schools

The Challenge runs until Friday 8 September 2023.



WA MUSEUM EXCURSION RM 14,15,16, 17 and 18

Rooms 13, 15, 16, 17 and 18 ventured to Boola Bardip (the WA Museum) in Week 7 to learn about cultural collisions to mark Reconciliation Week. All students behaved tremendously well, and learned about Australian history, historical relationships with Aboriginal peoples, and explored the museum.



Museum Visit!

On the 6 of June, 2023 room 15 went to the new museum. We went there to learn new things like Aboriginal culture, animals and other stuff.

Firstly we got there we had a quick snack. Then Tom (the person showing us around) told us about Aboriginal culture and also about how different people greet each other. It was really weird and different but also really funny and exciting! I had to say hello to people by stomping and never smiling. I had fun doing that.

Next, he took us to some more places around the museum. We filled out a work sheet and answered some questions about cultural collisions and early encounters. We sat down for awhile listening to him talk. Then finally we filled in the sheets and got to have a quick look around the room. It had lots of interesting and cool things in it.

After that we had lunch for about 20 minutes. Then we went into our groups and got to look around the museum again. The people in my group were Bella, Henry and his mum, Daisy, Tenzin and Thomas S. First we looked at some dead/stuffed or extinct animals. It was super fun, that was probably my favourite part. There were some big foot prints from dinosaurs or extinct animals. They were HUGE! We also looked at other cool stuff and some bones of a giant whale!

After we came back to the part we started in and got ready to go back on the bus. It was a really fun and enjoyable time with my classmates and friends.

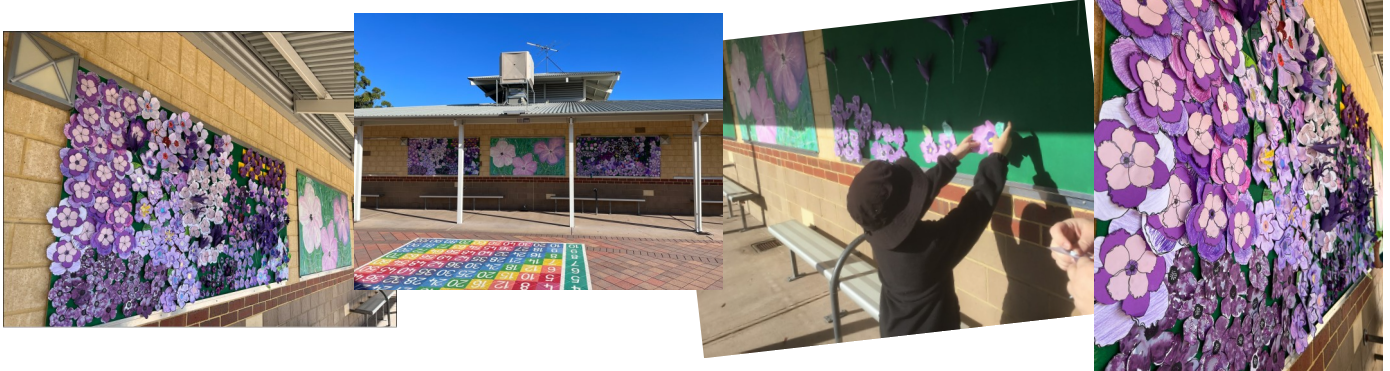


By Layla Rm 15



SORRY DAY 2023

On Friday, 26 May Bannister Creek Primary School paused to reflect on the strength and endurance of Aboriginal people and to acknowledge and support those affected by intergenerational trauma caused by the Stolen Generation. The purple desert hibiscus is the symbol for Sorry Day because like the stolen people the flower can bloom in tough situations.



CHICKEN NEWS

Chicken Orbs

BCPS has recently purchased 5 chicken orbs for our chickens to explore and forage the school. The chickens will be supervised while in their orbs and will only be roaming the school in the quieter times of the day, so they will not out at recess and lunch.

Chicken Naming

Our chickens are looking for names! There will be a box in the office to put any awesome name suggestions in. We will draw these names out of the box at random at the Week 10 Assembly.



P&C NEWS

CALLING ALL FOODIES!

Do you love meeting new people, having some fun banter, and making food? Well, have we got the job for you canteen helper! If many hands make light work, then laughs and friends definitely make work FUN! If you can spare some time and can help us please contact us about helping out in the canteen. Our canteen is under new operational management and since we are one of the few schools able to effectively manage a full time canteen we need your support. As you know, we operate the canteen as a community service, but we need volunteer parents to keep our canteen open full-time and supporting the school and now also support Parkwood Primary School P&C canteen services.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Have you started saving on your dining and subscribed to an Entertainment Book Digital Membership? Simply follow this link <https://www.entertainment.com.au/orderbooks/875b46> and start saving straight away.

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 25th July** in the staff room at 6.30pm and is usually only 30 - 45 minutes long so please come along, we'd love to meet you!

Linda Ross

P&C President

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LOST PROPERTY

The lost property bins are overflowing with lost jumpers, hats and all sorts of interesting things. If your child seems to be coming home minus important uniform items you can go and check the lost property bins situated in the alcove or wet area of each building. Make sure that you clearly name all your children's uniform items as it makes it easy to get them back to them when they do go missing.

The Office also has an array of lost goggles and towels from swimming, Call in and see the Office Ladies if you think that these items might belong to one of your child/ren.

BREAKFAST CLUB

From Term 3 BCPS will be running a Breakfast Club Program!

Hosting a school breakfast program provides more than a good breakfast for our students. While soothing a rumbling tummy is the most immediate impact, it also has positive health, social and educational benefits. The breakfast program provides nourishing healthy breakfast foods that meets the physical needs of the students to start the day well and aid in increased participation and focus in the classroom. It is a friendly and safe atmosphere that allows students to interact with each other in a positive way.

Mr Rakuscek, Mr Hands, and Mrs Mckeown will be running the club Monday-Friday 7:45-8:25am starting from Week 1 in Term 3 in the Ibis wet area. If you are interested in helping with the Breakfast program please contact the Chaplain, Tammara Mckweon.

KISS AND DROP

Please remember that the staff car park is not a designated drop off zone for your children. There is a dedicated kiss and drop zone situated at the back of the school near the basketball courts, where your children can disembark the car safely onto a foot-path

RIDING SAFELY TO SCHOOL

There have been a number of concerned community members advising the office of Bannister Creek Students riding in an unsafe manner to school. If your child rides to school could you please remind them to look both ways before crossing the road when riding a bike.