

Boondall State School Newsletter

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From the Principal's Desk

Dear members of our school community,

What a fantastic place Boondall State School is in which to work, learn, play and celebrate.

Welcome back to all our returning families. I hope that your break was restful and recharging in preparation for the 2017 teaching and learning program here at Boondall State School. Welcome to our new families and thank you for making Boondall your choice of schools.

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51	ave the ATE	26 January 2017 NO SCHOOL TODAY Australia Day Public Holiday
to	30 Jan	P & C Meeting 7pm Music Rm
	31 Jan	Footsteps Dance lessons
	6 Feb	Parents Teacher 'Meet & Greet'
II	7 Feb	Early Bird Reading Club 8am

I am humbled and extremely excited by my appointment to Principal of Boondall State School. As a Principal I have always looked to the community to enable and enact improved learning outcomes in partnership. Student engagement is central to enhancing the genuine learning community that exists at Boondall State School. I am looking forward to getting to know all students and working closely with the school community as partners in education. The Boondall School Community has much to be proud of, and I wish to acknowledge the efforts of the school community, staff and administration for the accomplishments thus far.

Staff returned to work last week. Professional Development undertaken included work on Reading, Writing, Higher Order Thinking, Mindset as well as whole school consistent approaches to acknowledgement and correction of our students. I spoke to staff around my priorities of high expectations of ourselves, each other and our students, proactivity in terms of student correction, collective responsibility of all students and student engagement. I thank staff for their commitment and work ethic displayed last week as all staff worked very long hours to prepare classrooms and programs.

Thank you to parents for ensuring children arrived with the necessary equipment and in full school uniform (including black shoes with black laces). The students looked very smart indeed. Parents will soon receive a letter outlining details about our Meet and Greet to be held on Monday 6 February. Please come along as it is a great opportunity for you to meet your child's class teacher and find out more about school and class routines.

Assemblies will continue to be held on Friday mornings in the hall at 8.30am. We welcome your attendance to these. The first P&C Meeting will be held on Monday 30 January from 7.00pm in the music centre. We welcome new and existing members.

This newsletter is of course our more regular, fortnightly means of communication. Please ensure you read this so you stay up-to-date with what's happening in our school. This newsletter is also available on our website.

I look forward to working with you throughout this year.

Yours in education,

Ange Padgett Principal





From the Deputy Principal's Desks



Week 1 Focus:	RESPECT INDEPENDENCE SAFETY <u>EFFORT</u>
Lesson:	Wearing the school uniform with pride.
What does it mean and why do we do it?	We are learning to: make an effort to wear the correct school uniform with pride every day at school. What I'm looking for: Children who take pride in wearing the correct school uniform every day.
At home	Discuss the importance of wearing our school uniform with pride. List how we do this e.g. black school shoes, navy blue coloured socks, hair tied back, BSS school coloured hair ribbons etc.

Week 2 Focus:	RESPECT INDEPENDENCE SAFETY EFFORT
Lesson:	Keep school neat and clean
What does it mean and why do we do it?	We are learning to be respectful of our school environment by keeping it neat and clean. What I'm looking for everything in its right place (e.g. rubbish in the bin)
At home	Talk about the concept of pride and that looking after your surroundings demonstrates pride. Talk about hygiene and that rubbish attracts animals and vermin.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our returning families and congratulate our new students on their first day of school. I hope that our new students find Boondall State School to be as warm, friendly and inclusive as I have in my time as Deputy Principal here. For our new families you will notice the RISE symbol (and message) throughout the school. This set of positive values form the basis of lessons and behaviour expectations taught to our students. Each fortnight we will highlight two RISE lessons for you to revise with students and provide suggestions on the type of language that can be used at home.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is one of three priority areas for the school this year alongside Reading and Writing. Improvement in any of these areas requires a strong relationship between home and school. I encourage you to keep the lines of communication with your child's teacher open and seek support when needed.

This year will see the introduction of an additional two specialist lessons for students across the school. Ms Williams will expand her role as a specialist Dance and Drama teacher and Mr Quartermaine will be providing specialist lessons in Design Technology and Digital Technology. Both of these teachers have been providing lessons in these subjects at various times across the school in the past 12 months however their roles have now been formalised to ensure that our students are able to access their expertise on a regular basis. BSS is truly a special place where great things happen; I look forward to sharing 2017 with you!

Chris Hart Deputy Principal



Dear Parents

I am very excited to be returning as a Deputy Principal for 2017.

At Boondall State school we are working hard to provide all students the best possible education in a safe and inclusive environment. While contributing to all aspects of the school my major focus areas in 2017 include:

- Prep to Year 3 Support
- Student Support
- Student Intervention
- Improving Outcomes for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Students

Pre Service Teachers

Throughout Term 1 (Week 1 to Week 9) we are very fortunate to have three pre-service teachers working with us from Queensland University of Technology. Ms Hannah Allen 1I2, Ms Bonnie Molineux 2Q1 and Ms Ashley Morvad 5A2 will be working closely with their supervising teachers to gain the necessary skills and knowledge to further their development in becoming qualified teachers. Pre-service teachers are a wonderful asset for the school and I would like to take this opportunity to welcome them to the Boondall State School community.

PaCE Meeting

I would like to invite all parents of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to attend our first Parent and Community Engagement (PaCE) committee meeting. The meeting will take place on the 20th Feb at 6.00pm in the Music room. The P&C meeting will follow at 7.00pm. Last year the committee was well represented, however, it would be wonderful to see new faces attend the meeting. In 2016 the PaCE committee made significant contributions to the school including the indigenous mural, the inaugural cultural award and adding an indigenous perspective to our senior shirts. I look forward to another great year.

What: PaCE Committee meeting When: 6.00pm 20 February 2017

Who: Parents of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students

Where: Music Room

I am looking forward to an exciting year ahead and working closely with you all. If you have any enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely Greg McCallum



Pool Closure

Due to the electrical problems currently being experienced in the pool complex we have closed the pool for safety reasons until it is fixed. Education Queensland is working with the contractors to have this work completed as soon as possible and we will advise you when swimming will start for Term 1. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Christine Porter

Business Services Manager

Boondall Baracudas Swim Club News

Welcome back to all our families, I hope you have all had a great break!

Regarding pool closure - We understand that a contractor has been appointed to rectify pool issues, but do not have a timeframe as to when we can return. In the meantime, we are looking at options of joining with another club, possibly Zillmere. I will let you know more as soon as this has been confirmed, please keep an eye out on the app or newsflash.

Tamie Sweeney,

Swim club President



Scholastic Book Club



This week your child will bring home an Issue 1 Book Club brochure, there will be two per term. Purchasing books is entirely optional. With every order, the school earns reward points that are converted into more books and resources for our library. Please see the back of the brochure for ordering via Book Club LOOP online. If you are paying with cash or cheque please compete the order form with child's full name, class and payment and return to the Office. All orders must be made by the due date. Issue 1 orders are due by Friday 10 February.

Wendy Seel 3R1 Book Club Co-ordinator



Library

Welcome to the library for Term 1! As Ms Lindberg has taken long service leave, I have stepped in to the role of teaching in the Library, alongside Mrs Betts our wonderful Teacher Aide.

Along with borrowing, reading, enjoying, discussing and comprehending a range of fantastic books, we will also be learning about Indigenous Perspectives during our Library lessons.

To start the year, you will find a selection of stories written by 'Great Aussie Authors' on display at the front of the library. Come along and choose one to borrow!



Some reminders about Library:

- Prep to Year 3 students must bring a library bag in order to borrow books (preferably water proof)
- Classes will borrow fortnightly and a calendar of your child's borrowing dates will come home in the first few weeks of school
- The library's core focus is to instill a LOVE OF READING in our students, so we always encourage students to read books and borrow as often as possible- the more reading the better!
- Along with fortnightly lessons, students are welcome to come up and read or borrow books at the following times:

Before school: 8:15- 8:30am First break: 10:45- 11:10am After School: 2:30- 2:45pm

 Parents are welcome to come up and assist their children to borrow books or to read them a quick story!

Happy Reading!
Mrs Harris & Mrs Betts







Uniform Shop

Term 1 Week 1 2017 - January 27 7:30am to 9:30am Standard Opening Hours – Every Friday 8.00am to 9.30am



Code Club

Come and join us! Code club is open to all Year 4, 5 and 6 students. CodeClub is held on Wednesday afternoons commencing Wednesday, 1 February. Due to the schedule change, new permission slips will be given out on assembly, this Friday. Please return forms by Wednesday 1 February 9.00am. CodeClubbers are reminded to bring their memory stick for an updated version of Scratch and headsets. Further information from Mr Quartermaine.



Arts

FOOTSTEPS DANCE PROGRAM

- Whole school dance program provided by the Footsteps Dance Company.
- Starts in Week 2 Tuesday 31 January and runs for all of Term One.
- Notes and invoices will be sent home regarding payments on Tuesday 24 January.
- Payments of \$11 per student to be made as soon as possible.
- Footsteps disco Friday 17 March in the evening





Q Parents

Have you registered for QParents yet? It is easy, follow these steps

- 1. Have you received your QParent email with the unique Invitation Code? Contact office if you need this to be resent.
- 2. Do you have all you identity documents? If you don't have sufficient documents, remember to bring in the additional documents to the office to complete the registration process.
- Do you know your child/s EQID. You can find it on their report cards

• Academic report card in the data line at the bottom of each page:



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Contact the office if you need assistance.
Using QParents is a great way to pay for camps, excursions etc, re-print school report cards, notify student absences etc.

Register now











A big thank you goes to artist Rachel Saurini (left) who has used her creative gifts to bring to life both Michelle Samson's (Tuckshop Convenor) philosophy of fresh wholesome food for our children and Hayley Gillam's (5A1) winning name of 'Rise Café'.

Before







After









TRIPLE P POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM: BE PART OF SOMETHING LIFE-CHANGING

The Qld Government is giving parents and carers free access to evidence-based parenting support through the Triple P — Positive Parenting Program. Join us on <u>Facebook</u> to get quality parenting information, and visit <u>www.triplep-parenting.net</u> to see what programs are available. More seminars and group sessions coming soon.

SET YOUR KIDS UP FOR SUCCESS IN 2017

We all want our kids to do well at school – and in life! Set your kids up for success by learning how to positively parent. <u>Find out</u> how to encourage kids to be respectful, make good decisions and feel positive about themselves. And it's all free! Why not <u>do Triple P Online</u> over the holidays (Teen version coming soon)? You can register online 24/7.

NEW PARENTING MAGAZINE OUT NOW

Want to know if Triple P works for real Qld families? What sports are available for kids and teens? What teenagers are REALLY thinking about? And why it's important for parents to take time out? Read Triple P's latest parenting magazine here.

DID YOU KNOW TRIPLE P TRAINING IS FREE?

Do you have practitioners who would like to deliver Triple P sessions to parents? Free training, resources and support is now available. For more details visit our <u>training calendar</u>. If there's no training in your area or for the course you want, email <u>training@triplep.net</u> and let's talk. If you have more than 15 people interested, we may be able to run a course just for your group. Call <u>3236 1212</u> for more details.

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