

# BORDERTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLINK

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## IMPORTANT DATES

#### **Student Free Day** Friday 9th August

**Science Week** 12th-16th August

**Parent Teacher Interviews** 13 + 14 + 15 August

**Book Week** Monday 19-23rd August

Junior Primary Reading Night Wednesday 21st August

Sapsasa SE Golf - Naracoorte Friday 23rd August

Book Week Dress Up Day Friday 23rd August

Sapsasa AFL Girls Trials Wed 21st + 28th August

#### School Closure Day Monday 2nd September

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A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL Dear Parents and Caregivers,

All families should have been able to access student reports last week. Thank you to everybody for your patience as we transitioned to our new department administration system. If you have not been able to access the reports please let the front office know.

Parent Teacher interviews will be held next week and I encourage everybody to make a time to discuss student learning. This will be an opportunity to discuss anything of concern from the reports and determine the next steps in learning for your child.

Included in this newsletter is information about our Art Showcase in term 4 which is part of our collaboration with the preschool, the high school,



25km/h past a stationary school bus - this applies to all traffic in both directions

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hospital, our local council, the Palette Painters and artist in residence. Put this date in your calendar so you can share all the wonderful art experiences at BPS.

Our Student Free Day tomorrow is an opportunity for staff to work together to further develop our assessment processes in mathematics from reception to year 6.

Also included in this newsletter is a link to complete a survey with regards to Out of School Hours Care. This is a statewide initiative to gather information of need in South Australia. Please note this process does not guarantee an OSHC service will be established in our area.



### Shelley Cameron

The Department for Education is seeking our help to inform the future planning for Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) services. You are invited to participate in a survey which will seek your feedback your potential needs for an OSHC service, to better understand the demand in our community and across the state.

You can access the survey via the link or scan the QR code below. The survey is open until **Friday 16** August 2024.

### https://survey.education.sa.gov.au/n/1WnS5O3



The survey takes less than 5 minutes and is completely anonymous- your answers will never identify you or your child.

Please note that completing this survey does not mean an OSHC service will be established.

For more information, or if you have any questions about the survey, please do not hesitate to contact the department's OSHC Reform Team via email: <u>education.OSHCReform@sa.gov.au</u>.

# Sapsasa Basketball Carnival

On Wednesday this week, 26 students in years 5 and 6 represented Bordertown Primary School in the Upper South East basketball carnival. The teams all played well and showed great teamwork and basketball skills.

One of our boys and one of our girls teams were successful in qualifying for the regional Sapsasa basketball carnival which will be held in Mount Gambier later in the term.

Well done to all of the players involved and a big thank you to the parents who helped with coaching, scoring and in the canteen.







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# **Boys Knockout Netball**



Tuesday 30th July, 8 year 6 boys travelled to Tailem Bend to compete in the first round of the SAPSASA boys knockout netball competition. The first game found them up against last years winners, Henley. After a well fought game the boys went down by 1 goal. The second game was against Woodside and the boys came away with a good win. Although the boys were knocked out of the competition they had a great day and showed fantastic sportsmanship. Thank you to Belle and Kerri for umpiring and coaching and to the parents for taking and supporting the boys.

# Thankyou for our support on our MND casual day



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# Book Week 2024

Starting Monday 19th August, we will hold our celebrations for Book Week. The theme for this year is Reading is Magic. During the week, classes will be using the shortlisted books to read and make the activities associated with the book.

### JP Story Night (Rec-Year2)

On Wednesday 21st of August, we will hold the Junior Primary Story Night starting at 6pm and finishing at 7pm in the library. This is a drop-off and pick-up event. If parents can park outside the school grounds and walk the children in and out again, it would be appreciated. The children can wear their pyjamas and bring a teddy or soft toy. As usual, we will end the story time with a drink of milo and a biscuit. We will have alternative milk for children with intolerance. Please make sure your children know if they need an alternative. It would be great if the children could BYO a cup.

### **Dress Up Day**

On Friday 23rd of August, children are invited to dress up as one of their favourite book characters. We will have a "Dress up Parade" at 9.30am that morning to share all our wonderful costumes.

### Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the library in week 7 from the 3th - 9th September. The fair is an opportunity for parents and students to see a wide range of books which are for sale. The students will make a wish list of things they would like to buy and bring it home to show you. Books can be paid for by filling in the credit card details on the back of the wish list, by cash or EFTPOS. More details will be sent home closer to the date.





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# SHOWCASE

### **CELEBRATE WITH US!**

Join us for this magical showcase and help to celebrate the boundless creativity of young local artists.

### *Plus* explore the Intergenerational Art Trail

WHEN: Thursday 17th October TIME: 4.30pm - 6.30pm + WHERE: Primary School Gym, Library, Classrooms + art trail locations

BBQ + Sweet Stalls + Turkish Food Truck Face Painting + Choir Performances and so much more!

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### FROM OUR PASTORAL CARE WORKER



Kimochis are a Social and Emotional Wellbeing tool that has been used at Bordertown Primary School for many years. On the surface, they're a family of cuddly critters and a big bowl of emotions, but underneath, they're a proven system for helping kids grow and transform by dealing skillfully with their feelings.

Over the next few newsletters, we are going to be introducing all the Kimochis characters and we would love for you to have conversations with your children about the characters, their characteristics and how your child relates to this character.

As well as characters, Kimochis includes a 'big bowl' of feelings and emotions. Below are some of those. When we teach children about feelings, we often use the saying 'name it to tame it'....meaning, that if a child can identify a feeling, by what their face or body might be doing, or what they might be experiencing on the inside, its easier to communicate the needs of those feelings and how they lead to our actions.

Below are just a few of the emotions and feelings Kimochis uses. You might like to put these on your kitchen table and chat about them with your child/ren over dinner time. Heres some conversation starters you might like to have with them:

# Ask them to pull the facial expression for sad, scared and excited Ask them what their belly feels like if they are 'shy' compared to 'happy' Ask them what their arms and legs feel like doing when they are 'angry' Ask them when the last time was that they felt 'mad' and 'brave'

Understanding feelings is a great starting point in helping us to understand our actions. ALL feelings are important and there are no right or wrong feelings!



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