

BORDERTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLINK

Be honest - Practise bravery - Show kindness

ISSUE 5 | 5 June
2025

IMPORTANT DATES

Student Free Day
Friday 6th June

King's Birthday Public Holiday
Monday 9th June

Sapsasa Soccer Trials
Wed 11th and Wed 18th June

School Photos
Monday 16th June

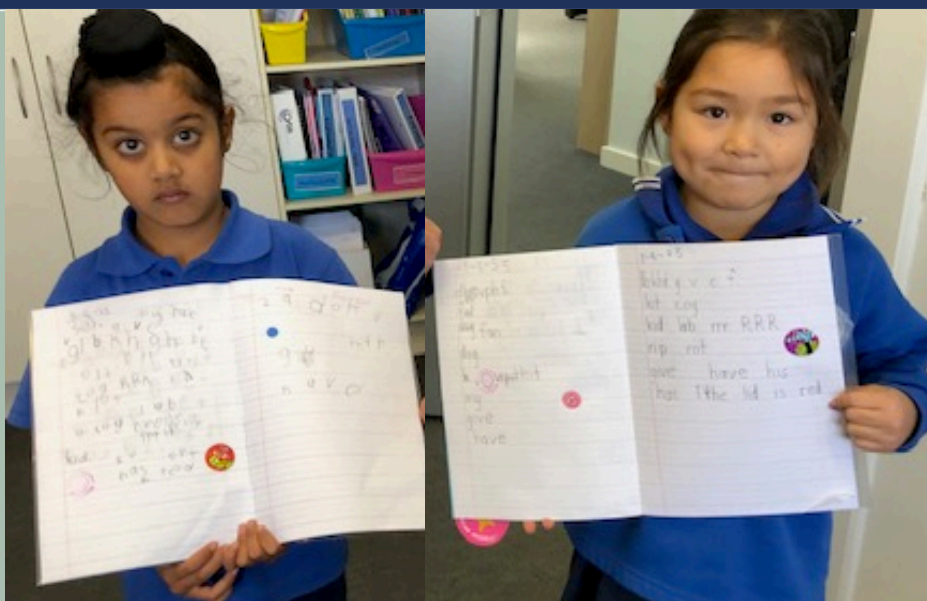
Whole School Wellbeing Day
Tuesday 17th June

Governing Council Meeting
Wednesday 18th June

Sapsasa Netball Carnival
Mon 23rd June - Wed 25th June

**Last Day of Term - 2:25 Early
Dismissal**
Friday 4th July

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A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It is hard to believe we are in the first week of June. The dry season and late break are placing significant stress on our farming community. While we hope for rain soon, it's important to support our farmers and local businesses and families affected by the drought. A listening ear, support and empathy can significantly strengthen our community during these difficult times.

On Friday our teaching and SSO staff will be participating in professional learning provided by our Student Support Service Inclusive Educator and Behaviour Coach to further develop our knowledge in emotional regulation and to support our planning for students with disabilities.



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

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We extend a warm welcome to Pam Steer who is joining our teaching team for the remainder of the term. Pam will be working in Tracey Hillier's reception class while Tracey is taking Long Service Leave.

Our Kindergarten transition program is progressing smoothly for students beginning school in Term 3. We extend our gratitude to the parents who attended the Parent Information session on Monday night. It was a wonderful opportunity to introduce our teachers, Zoe Maney and Rikilee Feder. We hope you found the session informative and valuable.

It is a great pleasure to reward students for their efforts in learning. I am often visited by students eager to share their progress and achievements. This week, I had the pleasure of a visit from some outstanding Reception students who came to share their progress in phonics.

As the long weekend approaches, I wish everyone a wonderful time with family and friends. Whether you're tackling projects at home, relaxing, or travelling, please take care and stay safe on the roads. I look forward to seeing everyone's smiling faces on Tuesday.

Kylie Staude

DON'T FORGET

STUDENT FREE DAY

Friday 6th June

KING'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Monday 9th June

Community Notices



**BORDERTOWN
SPRING
FESTIVAL
& SHOW**

COMPETITION TIME

**'DESIGN THE COVER OF THIS
YEARS SHOW PROGRAMME'**

The winner will win a family pass to this years Bordertown Spring Festival & Show on Saturday the 15th of November 2025.

Entries close on the 1st of July 2025 and the winner will be voted on and announced at the next show meeting after this date.

Please put your name, age and phone number on the back.
Entries can be submitted at Café La Vie, Natural Soul Beauty, Good Country Physio or post to PO BOX 257 Bordertown SA 5268

Grow It. Make It. Bake It. Show It.



learn • design • create

creative kids

**after-school
program**

for school age children - all material supplied

Wednesday 3:45pm - 4:45pm

bookings preferred - call 8752 1473

>> 18th June << >> 2nd July <<

Mini Collage Weaving Webs

Canvas

EPL
Bordertown
Public Library

'Together'

As humans, we were born for connection with other humans. Whether we are introverted or extroverted, human connection is one of the core building blocks to sustaining life.

This human connection, in particular the connection between child and caregiver is critical in the first five years of development to build the Executive Functioning skills of children. It has been shown that the interactions that happen in the mother-child dyad when engaged in free play is crucial to the development of skills such as:



- *Focusing on specific tasks*
- *Sustaining attention*
- *Building self-regulation skills*
- *The ability to complete tasks*
- *The ability to move between tasks*
- *And building working memory*



So what does this connection look like? At the end of the day, it is making sure the child feels seen and heard. Spending time together, without distractions, using eye contact and physical touch such as a hug is a great start. Putting away the phone, switching off the tv and playing a board game or card game is so life giving to children. For younger children, playing with trainsets or farm sets, and creating with Lego and Duplo is amazing. But the key is TOGETHER. You and them.

What has shown to have a great impact is reading together! And not to develop the reading and cognitive skills of the child, but for all these other skills we've listed above, in particular, emotional skills such as self regulation. The language input from caregivers is shown to support the development of childrens Executive Functioning skills, and this happens through both the language and tone used when adults read to children. So grab a hot chocolate, your favourite picture book, your child, curl up on the lounge and enjoy the time together!

'We do not believe in ourselves until someone reveals that deep inside us something is valuable....' E.E.Cummins

Chelsea

Sapsasa Mountain biking



Mountain biking was so much fun. I love the jumps and the flowy tracks. I would recommend that any young people that can't do any other mountain biking to give it a go.
-Lachy

Mountain biking was lots of fun but also challenging as we had to go up and down hills. I would recommend that others give it a go.
-Jacob



I really enjoyed mountain biking because it was a really good trail, and I was there with my friends.
-Oliver



The mountain biking was on the 9th of May. We came 5th out of the 6 girls teams. We think that we did great for our first year.
-Megan, Elise & Charlotte



SE Regional Golf



Upper South East Golf Come and Try/SE Qualifier

On 16th May 35 golfers from across the district attended the Upper South East come and try day to qualify for the South East tournament. The students completed a 90 min skill development session where they learnt the basics of putting, pitching and full shots. After lunch they played a modified 9 hole course where the winner of the day was Logan Long. Other Bordertown students who played well and qualified for Naracoorte were Patrick Devitt, Charlotte Muenster and Isaac Sanders.

Naracoorte was played on the 23rd and Patrick and Charlotte played really well to Qualify for the South East team who will head to Adelaide for the State Championship in July. Well done Patrick and Charlotte.

Sapsasa Football



Sapsasa Football was a good experience and I made a lot of friends with the other people on the team.

-Spencer

For people that would do it next year, you definitely should because you make lots of friends that you'll do footy with for the rest of your career. On the first day we rocked up and it started to bucket down, the second day wasn't as rainy, and the third day was nice. We ended up losing all nine games, but it was a really good experience.

-Cooper

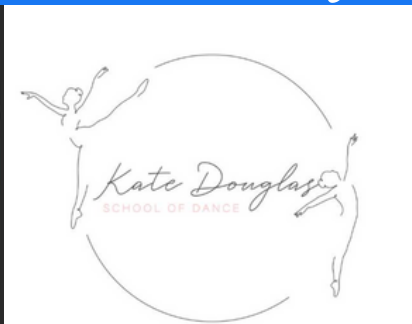
Wellbeing Day

Tuesday 17th of June

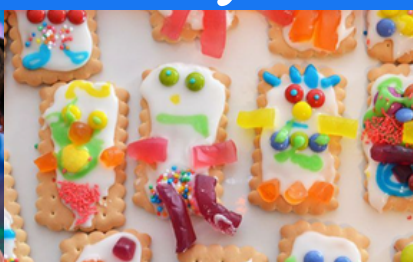
Casual day
gold coin
donation

On Tuesday of week 8 all classes from R-6 will spend the day engaging in a range of activities which support positive wellbeing. We hope this day provides all students and staff the opportunity to fill their cup, practise mindfulness and find a passion they enjoy.

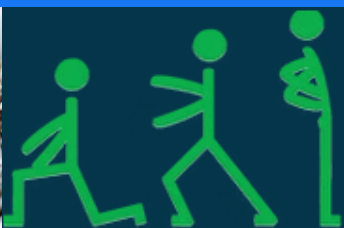
Tree of life - Relaxation - Drumming - Dance - Wildlife



Farm Animals - Art - Silent Disco - Biscuit decorating



Pilates - Balance - Coordination - Team games - Reptiles



Good
Country
Physiotherapy



Nature - Sports - Animals - Mindfulness - Beading - Puzzles



Walkway
Gallery



Bordertown Primary School would like to take the opportunity to thank the **Good Country Community Op shop** for their generous financial donation towards the day, plus a BIG thank you to all of the wonderful local businesses and parents who will be volunteering their time, sharing their craft with the staff and students of BPS.