

# BOORAGOON PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Proudly an Independent Public School*

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## NEWSLETTER

Term 2  
Week 4 Number 5



### Canteen

Closed until further notice

<https://quickcliq.com.au/>

### UNIFORM SUPPLIES

Willetton Uniform Shop  
Unit 2, 185 High Road  
(access via Roxby Lane)  
WILLETTON 6155  
Phone: 9457 7330

<https://willettonuniforms.com.au/>

### SCHOOL SECURITY:

We would appreciate if you could use either of the following numbers to report any security issues at our school:  
9264 4771 or 1800 177 777



## Principal's News

What a fabulous time of year! The weather is absolutely beautiful, and everywhere you look there is something to reaffirm that we are so lucky to be in a wonderful part of the world. One 'silver lining' that appears to have come from the current situation is that many more children than usual are riding bikes and scooters to school. As well it's really heartening to see many Mums and Dads also cycling/walking to and from home at drop off and pick up time.

Our staff is over the moon to have our students back on site, and they can once again work with their whole class cohort. Stability has returned, and even though we have many strategies in place to maintain an environment that is as safe as it can possibly be, life 'feels' as though it is back to normal in many respects.

It has, however, become really chilly in the mornings, and getting out from under the doona can be a challenge. We've had more children arriving at school after the siren in the past couple of weeks which is not desirable. Please do your best to ensure that they manage to arrive at school prior to 8.45am. A reminder too, that in line with the Department's Attendance Policy, all absences require an explanation. This can be verbal or in writing (email or through Connect).

One thing that will be different this term is our Semester One student reports. Because of the disruption over the past several months, it is not possible to award grades based on valid assessment information collected over time. For this reason, the Department of Education has determined that schools are not required to report A-E grades or achievement against the 5-point scale (in Early Childhood).

Student reports will still be on the standard template that you are all familiar with, and as previously teachers will provide comments in English and Mathematics; and a General Comment. We will also report on Attitude, Behaviour and Effort as per usual.

As previously planned, parent interviews will occur throughout the day on Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> August which will be a School Development Day. Depending on the COVID-19 situation at that time interviews may need to occur over the phone. More information will be forthcoming on this closer to the date.

Our OSH Club has developed a range of activities for children to carry out at home. They have provided this information to all parents/caregivers of children who attend OSH Club, but they are also making it available to all families at Booragoon PS. The flyers are attached to this Newsletter.

On a less sweet note, we've had a considerable amount of dog droppings left on the oval this week. I'm aware that many people use the oval as a dog park in the afternoons, and this is fine, provided they do the hygienic things and clean up the mess. Large numbers of children use the oval every day, and neither they, nor the teachers should have to take responsibility for removing the mess of others.



*Barbara Horan*

Why should all primary school aged kids get a free flu vaccine this winter?

Why have children in pre-primary – Year 6 been included in the influenza vaccine program?

For more information please see the link below-

<https://www.telethonkids.org.au/news--events/news-and-events-nav/2020/april/primary-school-kids-free-flu-vaccine-this-winter/>

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 5

\*Mon 25 May 7pm  
P&C AGM

Week 6

\*Mon 1 Jun  
WA Day Public Holiday

Week 7

Week 8

\* Tues 16 June  
School Board meeting (6.30pm)

## ENROLMENTS OPEN FOR 2021



You can now  
your child for  
Kindergarten or Pre Primary in our school for 2021 if they are:

- four years old by 30 June 2021 (Kindergarten) or
- five years old by 30 June 2021 (Pre Primary)

Please visit our office or go to our website

<http://www.booragoonps.wa.edu.au/enrolment-information/> to complete an application form by

**End of Week 1, Term 3**

We will require your child's birth certificate,



# Booragoon Primary School Community Art Project

We are planning a recycle & re-use art project for the Clements Road entrance to our school. This artwork is to commemorate COVID-19 pandemic and the disruption across our country and the world.

The project involves wooden sleeper panels being erected vertically into the lawn, with flower beds featuring bulbs being planted in front of them.

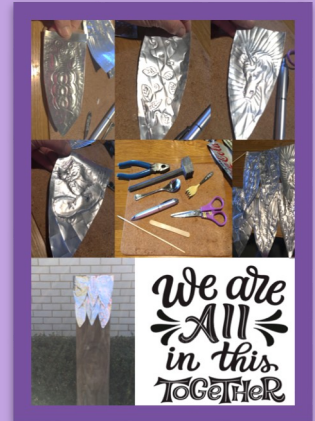
Every spring the blossoming flowers will remind us of the way we all worked as a team, and commemorate the loss of life across the nation and the world that occurred in 2020. The project also highlights the support we have received from our community as we've managed the complexities of the pandemic in our school.



Parents are asked to save soft drink cans which will be used to make silver feathers to cover the vertical sleepers. The number of sleeper panels will depend on the number of embossed feathers created by families.

Instructional steps will be placed on *Connect* by Mrs. Waldron, (Art teacher) for all groups by this Monday, 11th May. Parents and students are welcome to contribute their own designs on the feathers and return them to school via students or to a collection box located at reception. Kindy and Pre Primary students may need a little help in manipulating the aluminum.

Some Parents may prefer to donate flower bulbs. These will be listed in the Connect Notifications. It will also reference the family of Tawny Frog Mouth birds that have been residing and breeding in the trees of our school. Three bird sculptures will be added to sit aloft the feathered panels at their completion. All metals will rust over time, adding to the character.



## CHAPLAIN MATTERS

Hello Booragoon Primary School Community,

Welcome to Term 2. It's great to see the smiling faces of students back in school.

### parenting\*ideas

This latest blog from Parenting Ideas will provide great covid19 directives for your well-being. With a degree of physical isolation still being necessary strategies to keep as well emotionally are important, and this is an excellent article on [Maintaining kids' mental health during the coronavirus pandemic.](#)

A summary:

Foundations of good health:

- Healthy balanced diet
- Exercise fun
- Maintain good sleep patterns

The four pillars of good mental health:

- Maintain social connection
- Stay in the present (Mindfulness)
- Enjoy yourself at play
- Spend time in nature (even have some puddle time in your wellingtons)

Practise protective behaviours

- Keep to routine as much as you can
- Practice deep breathing
- Check in on your feelings

Thank you for your commitment, dedication and resilience in a time of adversity. If you require further assistance or would like a chat please don't hesitate to call me at school.

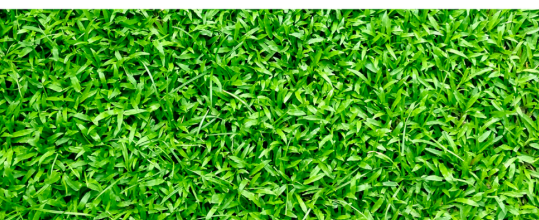
Kind regards,

Joyce Barrett





## Dads... can you dig it?



## UPCOMING PROJECTS

The Booragoon Organising Dads have been masterminding a few new projects. Any dads, granddads and father figures interested in taking part are encouraged to get in touch with Carl Young on 0424 476 316. Dates for both is TBC.

**#1: Oval improvement initiative.** No skills needed, just lots of pitchforks, wheelbarrows and muscle.

**#2: Pump track creation.** We'd love to hear from anyone with access to earth moving equipment.

## HELP BRING BACK THE CANTEEN

We know you miss it! We think the canteen will likely be reopened in stages, starting in three-to-four weeks time. In the meantime we'll be in touch with those who expressed an interest in being part of the canteen steering committee. We're also eager to hear from anyone who is interested in volunteering in the canteen.

Anyone interested is encouraged to call P+C President Shelly Thompson on 0447 131230 for a chat.



## Canteen update



## AGM next Monday



## YOUR PLACE OR OURS. ALL WELCOME

The 2020 P+C Annual General Meeting has been rescheduled for Monday 25 May at 7pm.

The restrictions in place mean that we will only be able to have 8 people in physical attendance, so we will also have the option for people to attend via Zoom. More information will be available via email and our Facebook Page. If anyone interested in joining the P+C has questions please contact Shelly Thompson on 0447131230 for a chat.

## UNIFORMS

As parents are not allowed on school grounds we have not yet been able to schedule any second-hand uniform pop up stalls for this term.

We are currently considering other ways to make this service available, as we recognise that it's valued by many families and helps to keep uniforms out of landfill.

If you have uniform-specific queries you can contact Julie via [booragoonshop@gmail.com](mailto:booragoonshop@gmail.com).



## Second-hand uniforms

