

# BOORAGOON PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Proudly an Independent Public School*

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## NEWSLETTER

Term 1

Week 6

Number 3



### UPCOMING EVENTS

**WEEK 7**

**TUESDAY 15 MARCH**

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING 6.30PM**

**WEEK 8**

**FRIDAY 25 MARCH**

**CRICKET/ LACROSSE**

### SCHOOL CANTEEN

The School Canteen is open  
Wed, Thu and Fri for  
recess and lunch

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

### UNIFORM SUPPLIES

Uniform Concepts  
30 Kembla Way  
WILLETTON 6155  
(Next door to Campion Book Supplies)  
Phone: 9270 4669

<https://nellgray.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

Well, what an eventful week or two at Booragoon Primary School.

As all of you will be aware from the flurry of communication that came from me last Thursday afternoon and evening, we had our first 'close contact' scenario stemming from school. This impacted the students and staff in Rooms 4 and 6, who went into isolation on Thursday night and were able to return to school on Wednesday. While they only missed two school days, they were unfortunately in isolation over the long weekend. I'm sure that this wasn't the way that families intended to spend this time, and I'd like to thank the community for their support. It was fantastic to see those students return bright and ready for school on Wednesday. There was a real buzz of excitement in both rooms.

We now have our Year 3-6 students wearing masks. Overall, the Booragoon community has been very supportive. None of us like wearing masks, but our students should be commended for the way they have adapted to what is hopefully a relatively short term requirement. This morning, I posted a letter to parents on the Connect School Space which outlines the changes for school based close contacts moving forward. As you will see in the

letter, mask wearing in Years 3-6 should make the need for a whole class isolation much less likely.

The regular start of the school year events and processes have been somewhat overtaken by COVID, and, unfortunately, the current restrictions made our indoor House Swimming Carnival untenable and it has been postponed. Many local schools have also been forced to postpone their carnivals, meaning the Interschool Swimming Carnival has also been postponed. At this stage, we're intending for the cricket / lacrosse teams due to play at Tompkins Park on March 25<sup>th</sup> to go ahead, as it's in a very open area outdoors. There will be some restrictions around numbers and spectators which will come out in detail for those families directly involved.

Last week, we held the elections for our student leaders. The process was somewhat different from prior years with our candidates producing a short video of their speeches. The quality of the videos and the effort that went in to making them was a credit to the students concerned. All year 4-6 students watched the speeches from their houses and voted online for four leaders of their choice. I'd like to acknowledge all students who nominated, and congratulate those students that were successful in winning a position as a student leader.

Clayton Godwin

# House Captains 2022

	HEAD OF HOUSE		SPORTS CAPTAIN	
<b>BANKSIA</b>	Emmy F	Ashley C	Koa L	Chas D
<b>CANNING</b>	Oscar R	Kyla J	Linken D	Sophia H
<b>SWAN</b>	Lilly K	James E	Ellen H	Oliver R



Last week, year six students presented their leadership speeches to students from years 4 to 6. Due to our current restrictions, they recorded their presentations and students watched the relevant speeches and voted for those they believed would best represent their House as either Head of House or Sports Captain.

I watched all of the videos and I must say, I was impressed with what I heard. Students referred to the many leadership skills they possessed and also gave a good sense of their qualities and personality. All students from Years 4 to 6 made their votes count.

Congratulations to all who nominated. You should be proud of your efforts and you are all great role models to others in the school. To those who were selected, I look forward to working with you this year

Mrs Casas

“If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader.”

– John Quincy Adams



## Health & Wellbeing



The Think Mental Health education campaign is part of a comprehensive approach in Western Australia that aims to build mental health and wellbeing and reduce mental health issues.

Look after  
**YOU**  
Do what brings you joy

Look after  
**YOU**  
Focus on the good stuff

Look after  
**YOU**  
Connect with others



*When faced with ongoing change and uncertainty, it's normal to feel stressed, anxious and a bit burnt out. It's okay to feel this way.*

*Thankfully, there are things you can do to keep an eye on your mental health and take active steps to start improving the way you feel.*

*Learn ways to look after you at [thinkmentalhealthwa.com.au](https://www.thinkmentalhealthwa.com.au)*

## Joining the P+C

Did you know that for 50c (i.e. becoming a "fee-paying" member of the P+C) you'll:

- have the opportunity to attend and vote at meetings all year;
- be added onto the distribution lists for all relevant information, including meeting minutes if you can't attend; and
- become a member of a group chat that will keep you up to date with initiatives across the school (it's a great way to build relationships with parents across year groups too, even if you can't make many meetings)



If you are interested in joining you can sign up in person at the front office or get in touch via the P+C email.

## Year Group Specific Communications

If you are new to the school you might be interested to learn that there are a number of established parent-led group chats and/or Facebook groups that are used to share updates relating to extra curricular activities.



If you would like to be added to one or more of these groups have a chat with your nominated representative (see below) or send us an email at booragoonpandc@gmail.com and we can help connect you.

Kindy Blue, Gold + Red - **TBC**  
PPA - **Christine Tay**  
PPB - **Merridy Parr**  
Y1 - **Julie Kuchak**  
Y2 - **Jess Mitchell**

Y3 - **Wai Sum Woo**  
Y4 - **Shelly Thompson**  
Y5 - **Samantha Koo**  
Y6 - **Natalia Lim**



## UPCOMING EVENTS

In normal times there would be a list of upcoming events and experiences to mark in the calendar... but this year has started out far from normal! As such Term 1 activities will be limited.

- **The Easter Raffle** - organised by the Pre-Primary year group - is set to return in the next few weeks. Don't forget to purchase tickets!
- **The second-hand uniform shop** - has moved online for now. You can find [information about how to buy items here.](#)
- **Next P+C meeting** - Mon 28 March, 7pm (this normally takes place in the staff room, but this one may move online)

## Keep your fingers crossed

We hope that later in Term 2 and beyond will see the return of some old and new initiatives... think school discos, bake sales, Garden Gnomes Club, busy bees and major events including the Book Fair, Jumble Sale and Colour Run, plus another social event for parents after our very successful night out in December)

## A WORD FROM THE CANTEEN

It's been great to see so many orders each Wednesday, Thursday and Friday...and equally great to see so many of our volunteers returning to lend a hand this year! Thanks for your ongoing support.

### Housekeeping note

We've had a number of young students come to the canteen with large denominations to purchase small snacks and we just wanted to let parents know that we are always happy to assist by breaking a note first thing in the morning to help prevent any change from being lost. Just stop by and have a chat.

### Online orders

Recess and lunch orders can be placed online up until 8.30am each day

[ORDER NOW](#)



## DADS + KIDS BIKE RIDE



A record number of Booragoon Dads and their kids - almost 70 in total - made it down to the annual bike ride along the foreshore in late February.

Put on by the industrious Booragoon Organising Dads (or the BODs as they like to be known) this ride, like the always popular Camp Out (likely to become a Camp-In again this year...) is about making memories and bringing our school community together.

By all accounts it was a fantastic day, with the organisers noting that sunshine (rather than the rain that has plagued the event in recent years) helps to bring a crowd and keep juice boxes in high demand!

## POSITIONS VACANT

Finally a quick reminder that the P+C is eager to hear from people who are able to volunteer a bit of their time and/or expertise in the following roles:

- Secretary
- Canteen Committee /Steering Group
- Newsletter Editor
- Fundraising Committee

