### Newsletter

**Term 4 Week 6 2016**

**From the Principal**

I know that I am joined by staff, students and community in expressing kind thoughts and deepest sympathies to Brenton, Craig, Dora, Helane and Kylie on the recent passing of Leonie.

The end of the school year is drawing closer by the second it seems, so a little bit of housekeeping is required. A reminder that Week 8 is the beginning of 2017 curriculum and in order for that to happen we have a student free day next Friday on 2nd December for curriculum planning. This planning will be with the current data to hand that Jodie McCallum has been busily collating for every student in a one page document. We hope to have NAPLAN and PAT data from our feeder schools next week to work with on this day also.

On the school’s Facebook page there went up an information request for a sausage sizzle on the night of the Presentation Night for busy families. It is to tie into last week’s newsletter item about a fundraiser for SA Variety Club hosted by our parents on Presentation Night. As this can be a busy night, we would also like to run a sausage sizzle for families to have tea.....if there is enough interest to do so. Please comment on the Facebook page if interested and for how many people...THANKS! Could you please indicate by Friday 25th Nov so that we know whether to go ahead with the Sausage Sizzle? Thank you.

Sport Shirt orders have been a little slow in coming in; we need to get an order in by Thursday 1st December. The shirts are $50 each, with collar and sleeves for sun safety at Swimming and Sports Carnivals as well as for sport lessons.
How fabulous to learn that Emily Ellard has earned a spot with the Grease cast for the performances in Adelaide 2017! Congratulations Emily, all that hard work has paid off!

Jenny Stringer

Principal

Kindy and Rural Care

Yesterday we went over to the school to learn about keeping our teeth clean and healthy. The dental therapists talked to us about sugar in drinks and how to brush and floss our teeth.

Did you know that orange juice contains more sugar than sports drinks? Even though it’s full of fruit, juice is still very bad for children’s teeth so the therapists recommended that it is treated as a “sometimes drink”. Water should be children’s every day drink.

We welcomed our 2017 kindy children on Monday. It was a very warm morning but we had a lovely time inside painting, building, dressing up and playing inside. Parents attended a short orientation session and took home a calendar showing kindy sessions for 2017.

Transition to Booleroo Centre District School for our current kindy group will be held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday in Week 8. Parents have received information from the school about the transition days. On the Friday of that week (9th December) the school is having a casual clothes day which will include the kindy children attending transition so please dress children in ordinary clothes instead of school uniforms on that day.

It’s never too late to talk to us about your care needs. If you are organising work days for 2017 and would use child care, please give us a ring on 86672055. We regularly go through our waiting list and if there is sufficient demand we can be proactive in requesting additional two-worker program days.

Alison Arthur, on behalf of Shona, Cathie, Karen, Liz, Elfie and Vanessa

Primary School

On Tuesday the R-8 students were visited by Kelsey and Carly who spoke to the students about dental hygiene. We watched a cartoon called ‘Tooth Defenders’ and were shown how to correctly brush our teeth,
how to floss and also how many teaspoons of sugar are in drinks like coke, powerade and orange juice.

On Tuesday the 29th of November the R/1/2 class will perform parts of “Once Upon a Dream” to hospital residents for their end of year celebrations. If possible can students please bring their pirate gear to be changed into at school?

Staff are busy preparing for our transition into 2017 classes which will occur on Monday 5th December which is the start of week 8. Parents will be notified by letter in the near future which class and teacher their child will have for 2017.

On Friday the 9th of December we will be having a casual clothes day with a gold coin donation to raise some money for ‘Cracker Carols’.

Tamara Schmidt
Primary Leader

Senior School

What has been happening in the Senior School?

The Year 12 cohort has finished all their work and exams and it is currently at the SACE board. We thank Bernadette Cheriton and Nicolle Carey for assisting with invigilating the exams during the exam period. On Friday night the Year 12 students celebrated their year with a dinner at the Keith Michell Theatre in Port Pirie. Congratulations to Blake and Georgia for organising a fantastic evening celebrating with the student’s family, friends and teachers. A reminder to Year 12 students to get their leavers form returned to the front office.

Year 11 students have organised their Year 12 jumpers for 2017 and have sent off their order; they are now in the process of organising their Polo Shirts. The Year 11’s have one and a half weeks left to complete their Stage 1 subjects. We wish them all the best, especially those who have exams.

In Week 4 the year 10 students travelled to Adelaide for their Geography trip. Students are now writing a field report as part of their assessment. Their PLP (Personal Learning Plan) is also due Wednesday next week. This subject is their first SACE compulsory subject, good luck to these students in finishing this task.

The Year 9 students completed their round table last Friday. Students presented a variety of topics to panel members consisting of staff and community members. Students completed these to a very high standard and should be congratulated on their preparation and presentations. Thank you to Nicolle Carey, Craig Roberts, Margaret Koch, Melissa Koch, Jane Higgins, Katrina Kumnick, Bernadette Cheriton and Wanda Rainsford for being on the panels.

This week there are a number of Year 7 students participating in SAPSASA tennis and cricket in Adelaide. Reports back have been that these students are enjoying playing against students of their own age and some differing abilities.

Chloe Clarke, Leanne Opperman & Kathy Kupke, Senior Leaders
School News

Scholastic Book Club

Please note that the last day for Scholastic Book Club will be tomorrow; the 24th of November.

Governing Council Update

Governing Council met on Monday 21st of November, key points from our meeting include:

- Reminder that we are holding a Christmas Themed trading table at the presentation night on Monday 12th December, as a fundraiser for the variety club who have supported the school generously.
- The 2017 Materials & Services Fees have been determined as per the letter that you all received home.
- Governing Council supported the draft 2017 budget.
- A guide to supporting students with learning difficulties has been put together by Chloe Clarke; Governing Council endorsed this resource and would like to thank Chloe for developing this very valuable resource.
- Governing Council is aware of the conditions of some school bus roads and will continue advocating to the District Council of Mt Remarkable to ensure buses are able to travel safely.
- Governing Council appreciate the support that the staff have provided to students over the last week with the sudden passing of one of our parents.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on 0447672173, as your representatives Governing Council are happy to hear ideas for improvement, or any suggestions that you may have.

On behalf of Governing Council I would like to thank the staff of BCDS for the support and care that they have shown to our children. I would also like to thank parents and the community for your ongoing involvement in our school.

Regards, Melissa Koch, Chairperson
2016 SCHOOL MAGAZINE ORDER FORM

Please complete the attached order form with payment and return to the school by 30th November 2016 to secure your copy.

Magazines will then be distributed early 2017.

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National Skin Cancer Action Week 2016

Booleroo Centre District School has reached 10 years of membership with the SunSmart Program! Australia has one of the highest rates of skin cancer in the world. Two in three people are diagnosed with skin cancer before the age of 70 years, and over 2000 people die from skin cancer each year. With sun exposure during childhood and adolescence being critical in determining the risk cancer, Booleroo Centre District School decided to join Cancer Council SA in the fight against skin cancer by becoming a SunSmart school. To celebrate our longstanding membership, Cancer Council SA has sent us a certificate and some special stickers for the students. Join us in celebrating our membership milestone during National Skin Cancer Action Week!

Southern Flinders Primary School Christian Seminar – Term 4

This term’s Christian seminar is on Thursday 1st December and the Theme is: Christmas: a time for family and for fostering peace and goodwill toward others.

If you would more information or to change your permission given at the beginning of the year please contact our Pastoral Care Worker – Tricia Hooper

PE WEEK

Last week was Australian Physical Education Week and our school actively participated in the event. Our students’ participated in badminton, basketball, futsal, mini games and volleyball. As the week progressed the interest in PE Week continued to grow. Each day more and more students’ were participating in the events, with several students’ involved every day.

It was simply fantastic to see the interaction between various year levels, the competition between staff and students’ was also exceptional. Everyone that either participated or came along to watch should be proud of the manner in which they conducted themselves. The sportsmanship shown throughout the competition was first class and was pleasing to see.
This year PE Week’s gold coin donation is being donated to the Movember Foundation. The support given to this fantastic cause not only through PE Week, but also the wider community has been outstanding. It truly is a credit to everyone. Throughout PE Week the school raised just under $250.00. This is a fantastic effort, and can help contribute to improving Men’s Health.

Due to the popularity of the event, next year we will start to advertise it earlier and organise a draw of events prior to the week. The fun had by all during the week is exactly what PE Week is all about!

Mr Nicholls
Health and Physical Education Teacher

School Project

Three of the year 10 students are seen photographed in various stages of their school project. The boys are Tait Lambert, Bryan Zanker and David Nichols. The boys have used a range of equipment including the laser level and brick-cutting machine in their work. The results are very impressive and look very professional. Thanks to Bruce Walter who has facilitated this group.

Year 6 Transition Day

On Thursday 17th of November 18 students from BCDS, Wilmington Primary and Melrose Primary took part in a Year 6 to Year 7 transition excursion to Port Pirie. This year is the first time that such an activity has taken place and aimed to begin to forge
social skills between new groups of students in preparation for future transition visits. Mrs Chapman, Mr Roberts and Miss T accompanied the students, with Mr Roberts driving the bus.

The excitement levels were high on the bus ride over as students reacquainted themselves with students they already knew and began to mingle with people they had not met previously. After a quick recess we headed to Bowland and split into 4 groups for 2 games of ten pin bowling. Students were put into teams with a student from their own school and students from other schools in order to socialise. Students interacted with each other and encouraged each other to improve their bowling skills, with many students showing a competitive streak. For some it was their first ten-pin bowling experience and for others it was a chance to try and beat personal bests. Students experimented with different approaches to getting the ball down the alley and there was close competition amongst all of the lanes. Some students found that they took the first game to warm up and blitzed the field in the final game.

After a stop at KFC and Subway for lunch we decided that we needed to cool off so headed to Solomontown Beach to dip our toes in the water and have some fun on the foreshore, before jumping back on the bus for the ride home.

As the day progressed it was clear that students were beginning to interact more easily with students that they had met and began to make connections with each other. Students commented that they really enjoyed the day and that it should be an activity that occurs every year.

Things that students liked about the day:
- “Bowling and getting a strike with the Pepsi ball”
- “The bus ride and getting to talk to people I don’t usually talk to”
- “Going to the beach because the water was nice”
- “KFC chips”
- “Getting to know people better”

**Community News**

The end of the year is approaching all too quickly and it looks as though it will be a busy harvest, so to give everyone a chance to get creative before the mad rush here is the idea for the Booleroo Centre Christmas Competition for 2016. This year there will be two categories.

Category 1: Make your own Christmas tree out of recycled material. (To be placed in the same Main Street section as last year)

Category 2: make a Christmas ornament. (This tree will be in the hairdressing shop window)

Entry tickets are $5 and can be picked up from Donna Hall at the hairdressers or Alice Nottle. The winners will be announced at the Booleroo Centre Xmas New Years Eve party for cash prizes.

**GET YOUR BAKE ON FOR THE VARIETY CLUB**

The "Christmas" themed trading table (at Presentation Night 12 December), in aid of the Variety Club, desperately needs your help to make it a success! We would gladly welcome your home baked treats - cakes, slices, biscuits! Doesn’t have to be particularly Christmassy! If you can contribute from
your kitchen, please ensure your goods don't require refrigeration and are labelled with the ingredients you have used. Please send your goods to school with your children or drop into the office on Monday 12th and we will organise it from there. **Let us know if you can help by texting either Donna Hall (0400 326 262) or Caitlin Polden (0456 866 565), giving us an indication of what it is you plan to donate.** If you can't donate, please come to the Presentation Night prepared to generously support the Variety Club by either buying some yummy goods and/or dropping a monetary donation in the tub on the table. If you can’t make the Presentation Night event and would still like to donate money, please forward this to the school. Thanks in advance! Donna & Caitlin.

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**FIRST AID COURSE**

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**One Day Training**

**BOOLEEROO CENTRE**

Sunday 11th December 2016
Community Activity room, Booleroo Hospital
9 am — 5 pm
For further information and registration contact:

**Sally Lightburn**
Phone 08 8666 4284, 0428 849 566 or
Email jemagras@activ8.net.au

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**First Aid Kits, Supplies & Equipment**

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**What do employers expect from young job seekers?**

- Positive attitude & motivation
- Willingness to learn & take direction
- Reliability to stay the course
- Punctual and dependable

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**ARE YOUR EXPECTATIONS REALISTIC?**

- Do you understand the demands of the job?
- Are you aware of the tonel of pay other?
- Are you willing to start at the bottom?