Newsletter Term 1 - Week 4



No. 2

From the Leaders

Acquaintance Night was a big success and it was terrific to see so many families exploring their child's classroom and enjoying the social side of our school community at the picnic. We strongly believe in fostering belonging and connection between kids, families and staff within our school.

We are especially grateful to the volunteers who hosted our picnic. There were a lot of parents who put their name down to volunteer or offer their expertise in the future which is great to see.

There was a novelty trophy (made from real plastic gold!) on offer for the Studio with the most parents putting their name down to be part of our community; be it a volunteer, Governing Council Member, willingness to share their skills and expertise or be part of their Studio 'WhatsApp' group. Amazingly, we had 162 of our 181 students with a parent who committed one way or another! Wow!

The winning Studio and newly crowned Acquaintance Night Champions are (drum roll please...)

STUDIO ONE!

Thank you to all who came to get acquainted or reacquainted!



STUDENT FREE DAY

This Monday (26th February) is a Student Free Day and will be a chance for our Teachers and SSOs to be the learners. BPS Staff will join with other Hills primary schools to learn about Student Self-Regulation.

The day focusses on building our skills and capacity to help students develop and improve their emotional literacy, build strategies to regulate themselves in different sensory environments. The work builds on the trauma informed practices we began implementing in 2023.

ASSEMBLY

We invite you to join us for Assembly on Wednesday morning (28th February), 9am in the Gym.

We will be joined by a special guest; The Honourable Blair Boyer MP Minister for Education, Training and Skills. Minister Boyer will be making a special presentation.

Minister Boyer will be followed by BPS's own budding politicians as the candidates for Student Parliament Prime Minister deliver their campaign speeches. The BPS Student Parliament Election will be held on Friday 1st March. The PM will be voted for by all students. Each Studio will also elect two Studio Representatives to join Student Parliament. Power to the Students!!

LOCAL SPORTING CLUBS

It is all go at Bridgewater's local sporting clubs! We are always delighted to support the brilliant Bridgey clubs. We all love the community we are a part of and the school and clubs are at the heart of that magic.

BPS and Bridgewater Cricket Club worked together to win a grant from SACA to have a brand new cricket pitch installed on the school oval. The turf top will be laid in the next two weeks and this will allow the club to have a number of new junior teams next season. Cricket is booming at BCC, as anyone who has seen the action on Monday nights at the Bridgewater Oval will testify. An added bonus of the SACA grant was tickets to the Australia v West Indies match at Adelaide Oval! The BPS section of the crowd were thrilled to see Glenn Maxwell score an amazing ton and get a few autographs from David Warner on his last match at the famous Adelaide Oval.

We welcomed Bridgewater Netball Club to school to run a lunchtime clinic this week. Did you know boys can play too? We have a number of our boys playing already and more and more showing an interest; which is good to see. The club are beginning their pre-season and on the lookout for new players.

Term 1 - 2024 WEEK 5 STUDENT FREEE DAY Mon 26/2 OSHC Available—bookings essential Assembly 9:10am in Gym **Special Guest - Education** Wed 28/2 Minister Blair Bover - All welcome WEEK 6 WEEK 7 **PUBLIC HOLIDAY** Mon 11/3 **Adelaide Cup Day** Wed-Fri NAPLAN Lunch & Crunch Volleyball Wed 13/3 **HHS-Yr 5/6** Fri 15/3 Police Cyber Safety Session 1 WEEK 8 **NAPLAN Continued this week** Fri 22/3 **Police Cyber Safety Session 2** WEEK 9 **PUBLIC HOLIDAY** Fri 29/3 **Good Friday WEEK 10 PUBLIC HOLIDAY** Mon 1/4 **Easter Monday District Athletics (selected** Wed 3/4 students) Thur 4/4 SCHOOL PHOTO DAY Fri 5/4 Assembly 9:10am in Gym WEEK 11 - Parent/Teacher interviews **Details out soon** Mon 8/4 PHOTO CATCH UP DAY **DAGGY DAY** Fri 12/4 2:15pm EARLY DISMISSAL

DIARY DATES



LOCAL SPORTING CLUBS Continued...

Last weekend was also the launch of the Bridgewater Raiders Football Club's season. There were plenty of our students and parents involved as the kids had a great time kicking, handballing, taking specky marks and enjoying themselves on a bouncy castle and colour run! The Raiders have had a tough few years but it is brilliant to see the new club rising from the brink of extinction and looking strong for the season ahead. If you love your footy (boys and girls!), get behind the club, get involved and keep the Raiders alive and kicking goals!

Every Studio seems full of students playing for Bridgewater Soccer Club! The club continues to grow beyond expectations; 16 teams forecast this year, including 4 all girls' teams! A great club with a proud heritage and the oldest consistently running soccer club in the Adelaide hills we're told!





PFTFR PAN

We have so many talented students, including Elke, Sonny and Topper who are performing in The Fringe show Peter Pan - 1954 Broadway version; definitely one not to miss! Click on the link below to get your tickets:

Peter Pan - 1954 Broadway Version | Adelaide Fringe

BPS WILDLIFE RESCUE

Studio 1 students rescued a very young Kangaroo this week.

They found the little Joey in Batta Paintyi and acted swiftly to save its life. With advice from the wonderful people at Save Our Wildlife Foundation (SOWFI), the joey hung in there, warmed up and SOWFI have been able to place it with a carer who will raise it until it is ready to return to the wild.

What care and compassion our students showed. Bravo!

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