# Newsletter



Term 2 - Week 6

No. 8

## From the Leaders

There is never a dull moment at Bridgey!
The visit of the legendary Bridgewater
Peacock was a welcome surprise and a
reminder that you never know what a
day at a school will have in stall for you!

We have, unfortunately, had the unwelcome visitors of COVID and other bugs at BPS recently and that has had an impact on students and staff alike.



Students have had relief teachers and some staff have had to pick up other duties to cover for unwell colleagues. It has been exhausting, hard work at times, but the good ship BPS has kept on course and we seem to be heading into calmer waters now; phew!



Thankfully we have had a few extra pair of hands in S6 and S2. BPS has been hosting Leila and Claudia, who are with us undertaking their Uni Teaching Placements. They have been very successful and we are proud to be part of their formative experiences as they start their careers.

We are delighted to welcome Susan as our new Garden Specialist. Susan has a wealth of experience and knowledge in the garden and in many other areas! In true Hills style, it rained and rained on her first day with the kids, but we all know that doesn't stop our Hills kids!

Ina is once again our Kitchen Specialist, and cooking classes recommenced this week.

If you, or any other of your family members, have time to spare on a Wednesday, we are super keen to have volunteers come in and support our Kitchen Program.

Please contact the school on 8339 1600 if you're interested.

Have a wonderful long weekend, we hope it is a fun filled time with family and friends!

# Bridgey kids changing lives!

We are incredibly proud of some altruistic students who have been hard at work making positive changes in other people's lives.

Freddie, Delilah and their parents Tina & Craig, recently went to Canberra and spoke to a number of politicians in the corridors of power. The trip was a big success! Delilah & Craig's lobbying efforts resulted in a budget win for Parkinson's Australia.

The big news is that Parkinson's Australia's GP and Allied Health Professionals Education Program has received much-needed funding in the federal budget. The Health Minister, The Hon. Mark Butler, MP confirming \$800,000 for the Education Program.

The lobbying efforts of Delilah and father Craig, diagnosed with young onset Parkinson's at age 50, undoubtedly helped get this initiative over the line. Delilah spoke to ten parliamentary members and senators about the impact on the entire family of 'not knowing' during the long diagnosis journey, and how she hoped that others wouldn't have to go through what they did.

Have a look at Parkinson's Australia's latest newsletter for more details and find out how you can get behind this terrific organisation: <a href="https://www.parkinsons.org.au/#newsletter">https://www.parkinsons.org.au/#newsletter</a>



**Let's get behind Jackson** (S6), who is cutting his hair off to fundraise for sick kids throughout Australia. Not only will his lovely locks be



used to make a wig, your donations will allow Kids with Cancer Foundation to continue with their financial support of families that have a child suffering cancer.

Please help Jackson raise money to help fund the cost of a wig for a child, to help that child feel more confident, you can do this by sharing this page with your family

and friends, together we can all make a difference.

https://fundraise.kidswithcancer.org.au/fundraisers/ Jacksonspangler/wigs-4-kids

# **DIARY DATES** Term 2 - 2024 WEEK 7 PUBLIC HOLIDAY Mon 10/6 **Kings Birthday Return all Pie Drive orders pls** Wed 12/6 Choir Assessment 11:30am SAPSASA Netball @ Hahndorf **Selected Students** Fri 14/6 ------**BPS Kindy Visiting** WEEK 8 Tue 18/6 **Governing Council Mtg 7pm** Wed 19/6 **Book Club Orders Due** Thur 20/6 -Year 3/4 Camp - NUNYARA Fri 21/6 WEEK 9 Mon 24/6 Principal's Tour 9am Mid-Year Intake Transition & Parent Info session 9:00am - 12Noon Tue 25/6 SAPSASA Soccer @ Mylor **Selected Students** PINK DAY Gold coin donation Thur 27/6 Whole School Incursion -**Sticks & Stones performance** Pick Up your Pie Drive Order promptly when advised pls Fri 28/6 **BPS Kindy Visiting WEEK 10** Mid-Year Intake Transition Tue 2/7 9:00am to 3:00pm Assembly in Gym - 9am Wed 3/7 Hosted by S7 & S8 Thur 4/7 **Croissant Breakfast Daggy Day and** Fri 5/7 Early Dismissal 2:15pm





# IMPORTANT DIARY DATES Term 3- 2024 WEEK 1 Mon 22/7 PUPIL FREE DAY OSHC Available—bookings essentual WEEK 2 BPS FUNDRAISER Quiz Night - more info to following



### We love our local CFS

They are dedicated volunteers who have our communities gratitude, respect and support. We witnessed first hand how great they are last week when a truck on the freeway caught on fire within metres of the school!

The CFS were there in minutes and dealt with the incident so quickly. It was a timely reminder of the important role they do in keeping us all safe in the Hills.

If you can, why not give a donation to the CFS Foundation.





Got a bit of time this
June? Time to give blood
and
change lives?

1 in 3 people in Mount Barker will need blood, and they need people like you to give it.

We're rolling into Mount Barker from the 25 June to 28 June.

Don't forget to pre-book your spot at donateblood.com.au, on our app or on 13 14 95.





# Cross Country State Championships

We have a State Champion!!! Congratulations Finley on winning the gold medal in the State 10-12 Years Multiclass Para-Athletics event.

Finley won by 100th of a second competing against one other para-athlete in his classification.

Bridgewater also had the amazing Lola, Pat R., Sonny and Jane competing and they did Bridgey and the Hills proud!



### What is the Midwifery Continuity of Care Experience?

In Australia, midwifery students are required to follow women throughout their pregnancy, birth and after birth, under the supervision of a midwife or doctor. This gives the student and the woman an opportunity to experience 'continuity of care' (CODE).

# Are you pregnant or planning to be, or know someone who is, and want to learn more about CODE?

Trinity Taylor is an Adelaide Hills resident and a first year midwifery student at Flinders University. Taylor is looking for pregnant women willing to allow her to follow their pregnancy journey up to 6 weeks postnatal. Interested?

# To register your interest, or for more information, contact Flinders Uni or Trinity Taylor direct.

Brochures available at BPS front office. Contact **Trinity Taylor** direct on:

Mobile: 0438 019 319 email: tayl0934@glinders.edu.au

Registration form available at:

Celebration Return price \$275 - Now \$235

Flinders.edu.au/engage/community/clinics/call-the-midwifery-student

Email: midwifery.COCE@glinders.edu.au Phone: (08) 821 7500



Can you spare some time to support our Kitchen Program? All helpers welcome. Please phone the school 8339 1600.





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