

From the Leaders

This week was the Bullying No Way: National Week of Action. This year's theme is '**Everyone Belongs**'. When we feel like we belong, bullying struggles to find a place. Belonging is about embracing who we are, respecting everyone's differences and standing up against unkindness. Belonging means we all have a role in preventing bullying. We're encouraged to speak up and create a safe place where everyone feels supported and respected, and our voices are heard and valued.

In the lead up to the week of action, we were fortunate to win a grant which is allowing us to create a space in the amphitheatre where kids can gather and socialise positively. We have two brand new sheltered seating sets, which will allow groups to sit and engage with each other at eating, play and learning times. This allows the space to be used in all weather and we look forward to further developing this area as a retreat to help foster friendship, belonging, socialising and creativity.

Student Parliament were very happy to hear of the changes in the Amphitheatre and have plans of their own for some other spaces. They have decided to transform the old Birdsnest Swing area into a nature craft area where kids can dig, make mud and build with sticks. The adjacent fenced area is going to be a quieter spot where kids can get comfy with a book or draw and colour in.



Student Parliament also discussed some of the problems students are experiencing around the new soccer goals and handball games. Both games are very popular and very competitive. The students recognised that things haven't always gone well; which isn't a surprise, because when our kids play competitive sports on the weekends, there is a referee or umpire. They are learning to play with independence, resilience, compromise, and how to win well, and lose well. Student Parliament reps brought ideas from their class meetings and decided to set up a roster for the soccer goals on the oval, so everyone gets a fair turn, no matter their age. They also asked for more handball courts so more kids can be active in a game. Sport is such a great way to learn these important socialising skills.

Speaking of sport, how great have the Olympics been! The team spirit of the Aussies was inspiring and the kids soaked in the highs and lows. Some highlights at BPS were a visit to S8 of a real life former Olympian! Summer Lochowicz shared her experience in Athens where she represented Australia in Beach Volleyball. We proudly cheered on Aussie Andy Buchanan in the Marathon. Andy is Mr. Jude's cousin and he knows, like Summer, how many years of effort, training and persistence goes into getting to the Olympics. We hope you all enjoyed some magic moments of your own watching the Olympics. We are sure there is plenty more Gold to come for Australia in the Paralympics Games, beginning soon.



Aunty Deanne's Visit

Last Friday, Studio's 1, 2, 3 and 9 were lucky enough to have a visit from Aunty Deanne. Aunty Deanne is a Ngarrindjeri woman who lives on Peramangk land.

Aunty Deanne shared with us her in-depth knowledge about how Peramangk, Kaurna and Ngarrindjeri Aboriginal people used the land and animals mindfully and sustainably.

She showed us her possum fur coat and described how, traditionally, people would have used bones as needles and sinew as thread from a Kangaroo to sew the possum pelts together.



Aunty Deanne also brought in bush foods, coolamons and shields for us look at.

We acknowledge that we live and learn on Peramangk and Kaurna land and we

are committed to learning from Aboriginal people about culture, land and history.

We thank Aunty Deanne for sharing her time and knowledge.

Winnie (S1) – “We have Pig Face at our house. We never knew we could eat it!”

Max (S1) – “I wish I had a possum fur coat today!”



Liam (S1) – “I found the lesson very intriguing, and it gave me some drawing inspiration for when I got home.”

Alex(S1) – “The Emu Boomerang was interesting that it did not come back. It was also interesting that they used it to attract emus”



DIARY DATES	
Term 3 - 2024	
Sat 17/8	QUIZ NIGHT FUNDRAISER
WEEK 5 * BOOK WEEK *	
Mon 19/8	Choir Rehearsal 11am-4:15pm
Tue 20/8	Book Week Dress-up Day Assembly & Parade 9am Gym ----- Principal's Tour 5:30pm
WEEK 6	
Thur 29/8	NO GARDENING TODAY
Fri 30/8	SACA Clinics pm
WEEK 7	
Fri 6/9	SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY Show Day - OSHC Available Bookings Essential
WEEK 8	
Mon 9/9	Bus Safe Sessions
Mon-Wed	Lightning Carnival (Date TBC)
Tue 10/9	Governing Council 7pm
Thur 12/9	Festival of Music Choir Concert - 11am onwards
WEEK 9	
Tue 17/9	RAA - Street Smart
Wed 18/9	RAA - Street Smart
WEEK 10	
Tue 24/9	3 Way Chat Showcase Night
Fri 27/9	Principal's Tour 9am ----- Daggy Day & 12:15pm Early Dismissal
WEEK 2 of SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	
Tue 8/10	Language Alive at BPS More info to follow



Author Adam Cece's Visit

We had a visit from author Adam Cece. Adam has written a number of excellent books, including the Huggabie Falls series and Wesley Booth Super Sleuth. But he has another claim to fame at BPS because he is also Teddy (\$7) and Albie's (\$6) uncle!! The boys were so proud to see their uncle here talking about his life and work.



Adam talked about the weird and wonderful things which inspired his stories and we learnt a lot about how he writes and how he spreads his Vegemite!

Adam dreamed of being a pilot right up until the moment a teacher wrote a small note in his school book saying she thought he'd write a book one day. From then on Adam was determined to be a writer! Isn't it amazing how powerful those small moments can be! Adam won the prestigious Text Prize for his book 'The Extremely Weird Thing That Happened in Huggabie Falls' and it has gone on to be published all over the world in lots of different languages! You can even listen to it on Spotify!

We enjoyed hearing about the weird things that have happened to Adam in his childhood. He used to go to bed and hear a Bunyip, he often went to school with one wet shoe, his last name means Chickpea and his favourite food was brains! All

this and more weaved their way into his books. What a lovely way to look at life; if something weird, strange, funny, sad, or boring happens to you, file it away and use it to create something!

This Book Week we encourage you to pick up an Adam Cece book (or listen to the audiobook) and to try out the 9 Dots 9 Bites Vegemite Technique on your toast!



Readers Cup

It's BOOKS BOOKS BOOKS at Bridgely! We love Book Week so much we started early this year!

Our Readers Cup team of Lola, Orson, Nicholas and Annalise (all Studio 9'ers) went head to head with seven other teams from across the Hills last week.

This was the second part of the competition after the QWuiz last term.

Teams were challenged to come up with a performance piece based on a poem from Mike Lucas' book 'Big Silly and Little Sensible'.

Our team were a little under-rehearsed but, judging from their uncontrollable laughter, enjoyed themselves anyway! Nairne deservedly took out the Cup this year.



Book Week Next Week

Book Week Assembly and Parade is coming up next Tuesday at 9am in the Gym.

Join us to marvel at the amazing costumes and cheer in delight (we hope!) as the teachers put on their annual play.

We can't wait to see what the kids come dressed as!

Parents, thank you for all your amazing efforts, you always get 100% behind the costumes and make it such a special day.



Knock Out Soccer

Watch out for Liam's Match Report coming out soon...

Languages Alive!

Experience the delights of other languages and cultures

OCTOBER 2024

WHO:
Reception to Year 6 students

WHERE / WHEN:
School of Languages: Tues 1 & Wed 2 OCT
Bridgewater Primary School: Tues 8 OCT
Kangaroo Island: Thurs 10 OCT
Kangaroo Island: Fri 11 OCT

COST:
\$10 per day
FREE for School card/Healthcare card holders

Languages Alive! is a program of engaging and interactive language and cultural experiences for R-6 students.

Delivered by highly proficient speakers of the relevant language, the program will run during the October school holidays in metropolitan and country locations.

Workshops will explore a range of languages including: Auslan, Croatian, French, Hindi, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese, Korean & Spanish.

Register online at: www.fichetebc.com.au/languagealive

Languages Alive!

OCTOBER 2024 PROGRAM

WHEN	WHERE	LANGUAGES OFFERED
TUESDAY 1 OCT 2024 9:30am (registration) 9:45am – 3:15pm	SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES 255 Torrens Road WEST CROYDON SA 5008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INDONESIAN • KOREAN • SPANISH
WEDNESDAY 2 OCT 2024 9:30am (registration) 9:45am – 3:15pm		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KOREAN • NEPALI • TO BE CONFIRMED
TUESDAY 8 OCT 2024 9:30am (registration) 9:45am – 3:15pm	BRIDGEWATER PRIMARY SCHOOL 46 Morella Grove CRAFERS SA 5155	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AUSLAN • INDONESIAN • JAPANESE
THURSDAY 10 OCT 2024 9:30am (registration) 9:45am – 3:15pm		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CROATIAN • FRENCH • HINDI • ITALIAN • JAPANESE • SPANISH
FRIDAY 11 OCT 2024 9:30am (registration) 9:45am – 3:15pm	KANGAROO ISLAND COMMUNITY EDUCATION KINGSCOTE CAMPUS	

WE NEED YOU!

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Volunteer's are (always!) needed for Kitchen and Garden Sessions

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Please contact Bridgewater Primary
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PIGEON BRIDGE

CLEAN UP CLUB

WORKING BEE TO CARE FOR OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

NEXT MEET UP DATE AND MORE DETAILS
* (we won't be cleaning pigeon poo)

Click on the link below to keep up to date with all that's happening with fundraising and BPS community events...

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6.00p.m.]

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Website: www.worldtaekwondo.com.au **Sports Voucher Approved Provider**

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MYLOR SOCIAL COMPETITION COMMENCING IN OCTOBER

MONDAYS 6:30pm

Free 'Come and Try' sessions in September

To register your interest contact Mylorpickle@gmail.com or call Martin 0407 182 490

SEASON 2024-25

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Redsox MT BARKER SOFTBALL CLUB

Come & Try and Pre-Season Training Sunday, 11 & 18 August 2024

11.00 am for Juniors (5yrs to 18yrs) – Boys & Girls Teeball, ModBall (U12s), U14s & U16s

1.00 pm for Seniors (16yrs+) – Men & Ladies

All games and training at Anembo Park, Old Princes Highway, Littlehampton
(Top Oval closest to the Playground)

Are you interested in starting a new sport, or maybe dusting off the old equipment and having some fun?

Have a hit, learn some skills, and meet some new friends.

Come along and have some fun, check out our uniform and meet both players and members of the committee. There will be plenty of spare gloves & bats so everyone can have a go. We hope to see you there!

For more information contact Glenys 0438 385 207 or Mandy 0417 830 182 or email mtbarker.redsox@gmail.com