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VISION STATEMENT

Our vision is to empower our students and staff to work together to become active and valued community members. We provide a safe and supportive learning environment, which fosters independent, resilient lifelong learners.

> **BDS Motto:** 'Achieving Excellence Together'

BDS Beliefs and Values: Thinking Creatively and Independently



DIARY DATES

May

5th NCD X-Country - Charlton 10th F-6 Mary Poppins Melbourne 11th Yr 3-6 Winter Sports @ Boort

12th Mother's Day Morning Tea Yr 4-6 Pamper Session 10.30

15th F-6 AFL Session 1

22nd F-6 AFL Session 2

23rd Professional Practice Day – Student free

26th Biggest Morning Tea

29-30th Yr 8 Granites

Principal's Report

Welcome Back

I hope everyone had a restful and happy Easter break. This term will be 9 weeks in length. Excursions, camps and sports days are planned throughout this term. Keep your eye on XUNO for approvals or camps and excursions.

ANZAC Day

Over the last two days our students participated in Anzac ceremonies. Our school captains represented our school at the town event and we also had other students representing community groups and RSL members. (See photos below)

At school on Monday, Drew Crilly organised student speakers to talk about Vietnam War experiences and commemorate this

important historical day. We had two special guests at school (Paul Haw – from the RSL and Alan Streader who played the bugle). Thank you to all who gave their time to attend these events and to those who spoke so well.

Student Attitude Survey

Over the next few weeks we will be running the annual student attitude to school survey. A parent letter will be emailed out via Xuno next week. If you wish to have your child opt out of doing the survey, please let me know via email.

School for Student Leadership

Our five Year 9 student representatives are going to the School for Student Leadership in Marlo at the end of this week. We wish them all the best for a fantastic adventure.

Working Bee

We will hold our first working bee for the year in Term 3. Look out for details then.

'What did you do at School?'

We encourage every family to ask their students about school and be involved with what is happening but sometimes it requires some different questions to be asked if you are going to get responses that truly reflect what went on during the day. Try these – If I spoke to your teacher, what would he/she tell me about you? If you were a teacher tomorrow, what would you teach the class? Who were you nice/kind/friendly to today?

Creating conversations gives permission to kids to ask questions and share ideas. Happy talking!!

Xunc

Thanks to everyone who is regularly going onto Xuno and checking student information. Teachers have uploaded comments and feedback for every student from Foundation to Year 12. If you need support in navigating around Xuno, please contact me and we can organise a one-on-one meeting. These have helped many parents in the past and I thank those parents for taking the time to contact me and coming into school. Teachers upload things all the time but expect to see new information from week 4.

Annual Report

The 2022 Annual report will be available on the school website by the end of this week.

Principal Availability

Thursday	Friday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
At School				

BDS participation in our town's ANZAC service.

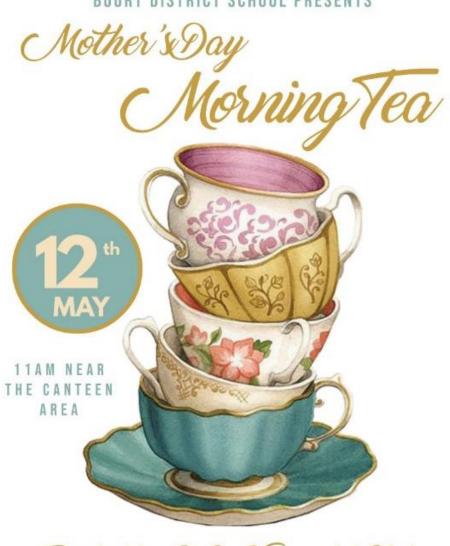




STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Foundation/1	Archie R	For a fantastic first week back after his time away!	
	Emma S	For working hard on her listening skills	
	Lincoln M	For his enthusiastic approach to everything this term.	
	Sebastian H	For always being a kind and responsible member of our class	
	Esther B	For her enthusiasm during Big Book reading.	
	Whyatt B	For his hard work during handwriting time.	
Year 1/2	Isabel Cr	For always being a responsible class member.	
	Mae Mc	For great co-operation in Numeracy.	
Year 3	Lucy L	Her wonderful enthusiasm towards all tasks.	
	Ceyon E	His wonderful efforts this term.	
Year 6	Archer L	For supporting his classmates at the House Cross Country	
	Jason W	For persistence shown when completing the cross country.	

BOORT DISTRICT SCHOOL PRESENTS



Hosted by B.D. & Parents Club

MOTHER'S, GRANDMOTHER'S & SPECIAL FRIENDS ALL WELCOME





Koonawarra 2023

The annual school magazine is a fantastic keepsake of your child's school year, including key sporting events, cultural activities and academic achievements.

'Koonawarra' is a full-colour magazine. released at the end of each year and is \$20 per copy. This item is an addition to your yearly fees (not a compulsory contribution) and you need to make sure you have 'checked' that box to ensure you secure your copy.

If you would like to clarify that you have already organised for your family to receive a copy of the 2023 'Koonawarra' please contact Vikki at the office. If you have not already done so, you can send \$20 in a clearly marked envelope to the office.

New orders will be accepted up until the end of Term 2.

Jess Lee

Publishing House Teacher



Year 11 Melbourne Orientation and Work Experience

Year 11 ventured to Melbourne on Sunday $\overline{2^{nd}}$ April and along with four days of work experience, they undertook activities such as; Melbourne Uni tour with past BDS students, CBD Scavenger Hunt, Escape Room challenges, Ten Pin Bowling, Laser Tag, Ice Skating and enjoyed eating out with the varied cuisines on offer. Here are the students comments about the Melbourne trip.

<u>Ella</u> – I really enjoyed my experience at the MCH Centre, I learnt a lot from the people that I worked with and will definitely consider the profession in the future. The highlight of the trip was being with the class doing all the activities and going out for tea.

<u>Isabelle-</u> I had a great experience at Docklands Health, I got insight into a wide range of allied health professions and got to speak with many interesting practitioners and patients. The highlight of my trip was spending time with the class and meeting new people.

<u>Jett</u> - I worked at Pondeljak Engineering. It was good learning how to do new things and even learning different ways to do things. It was fun spending time with my class mates.

Zak – Working in Melbourne at motorcycle city was a great experience. I found many tips and tricks that can elevate the workmanship done on motorcycles. My time there allowed me to learn the importance of detail and how every action taken should be done with thought about potential outcomes. Exploring Melbourne and gaining knowledge on managing travel was also a much needed learning curve.

Alby - Work was good, I liked when work finished. After we did a lot of stuff and it wasn't boring.

Alex – Working at Luma Landscape was an interesting experience as I did a variety of different things. After work was fun with all the activities that we did.

<u>Britney</u> - I had a really great time during my stay in Melbourne, I enjoyed working with kids everyday even if it meant a long day at work. I enjoyed spending time with my friends after work and doing the activities with them. <u>Eliza</u> - Working at Hello Willow was an awesome experience, I enjoyed every minute of it and learnt so many different things that are going to help me in the future. The girls there were so welcoming and the absolute best! I enjoyed the activities at night and just letting lose and not worrying about school. Big thank you to all the teachers that made this week possible.

<u>Ryan</u> – I enjoyed working at Clingan Guitar Tone. I built pickups from scratch and then winded them. I really enjoyed all the activities and food we did after work.

<u>Jacob</u> - working at Heartland Records allowed me to experience all kinds of genres of music, as it was all there physically in front of you. It also helped improve my social skills as I served customers and understanding how to get to and from work via public transport is a good skill I learnt.

<u>Guessey</u> - Working in Melbourne's Upmarket Pets and Aquarium was a wonderful experience. Building cat cages, manufacturing dog treats, and cleaning were all the stuff that we did. After work we did some fun activities with the class. I had really fun staying in Melbourne, it was a nice experience.

<u>Danica</u> - I worked at Upmarket Pets with Guessey, it was tiring but a good learning experience. We put stock away, sorted dog food into bags, cleaned and built cat cages. Trying all the different foods we don't get at home was fun and they all tasted good.

<u>Alex Co</u> - It was a good experience working at Focus Fitness. I got to meet some amazing people and have a good chat with a VFL player that I worked with. Having to do multiple tasks with them all throughout the days I was working got me more and more invested in this great company focus fitness. I would highly recommend working at Focus Fitness for work experience because the guys there are so caring and always there for a laugh and interested to know you better.

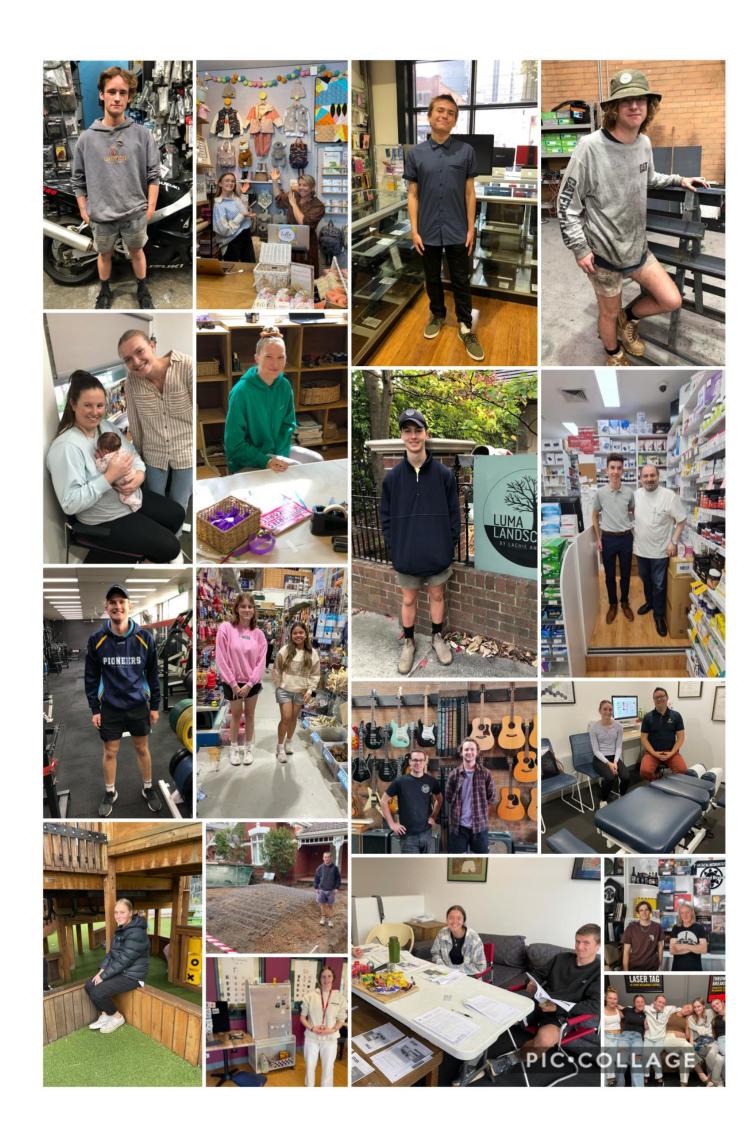
<u>Eddie</u> – For my work experience, I went to the Pharmacy Guild of Victoria and Creelman's Pharmacy. At the Pharmacy Guild, I worked with Kerry Free, who assists pharmacies all over Victoria, helping them get membership with the Guild. During my day at the Guild I met the various employees and also travelled to a Pharmacy to help them become a member of the Guild.

From Tuesday-Thursday I went to Creelman's Pharmacy where I worked with Paris and Maria Asmanis, their family and Sonia. At the pharmacy I learnt to perform retail duties and also put away stock. I also sorted medications into the dispensary and helped prepare weekly pill organisers for patients. After my time I have come away with lots of knowledge and plenty of interesting stories, most of them coming from Paris (some not being true). I would like to thank both Kerry Free and the team at Creelman's Pharmacy for their help in organizing my work experience, and for ensuring that I enjoyed my time there.

<u>Dylan</u> – I did work experience at an electronics shop called A.M.T. Electronics. I watched many sales take place and learned a little bit about how to communicate to customers. I was taught how to add products to their website and even added two. It was interesting to see how different parts of the business was managed. I learned lots about retail and it has given me foundation to further my knowledge on how computer repairs work. It has inspired me to learn more about soldering. Overall it was a really great experience that has made me want to learn more about many things.

<u>Tayla</u> - For the 5 days we spent away in Melbourne there was a lot of understanding based around city life and how different we live our lives here in Boort. Although Melbourne isn't the place I see myself in future I took in a variety of knowledge especially about safety and operation of big vacuum trucks and drain cleaning trucks which can be used all around Australia. Ethan (our employer for the week) was very accommodating for my interests and capabilities and related the theory back to life in Boort. We were lucky enough to sit 2 courses and on the last day came down to Bendigo and actually got to operate the trucks, which was awesome considering I didn't even know anything about this kind of work before hard. Ethan and his family were amazing people to be around and the trip was very eye opening. Thanks also to Brooke for organising this for us.

<u>Lily</u> - I did my work at Guardian Childcare and loved helping out with the kids. I was placed with the 2.5 year olds. It was a very fun experience as I mostly played and read books with them. It was interesting to be with the rest of the class while in Melbourne.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Boort Netball Club - Net Set Go 2023

NSG will commence Thursday 27th of April - Thursday 29th of June.

4-5pm at the netball courts for ages 5-10.

To register click on the link https://registration-netball.squadi.com/appRegistrationForm

Existing users login and new users will need to create an account, fill in or check the information is correct and make sure you are registering for NSG Boort 2023.

All participants must be registered before the 27th of April.

For further details please contact Sharlene Stringer on 0409 866253.

AUSKICK 2023!!!

To the next generation of football stars -

Great news, Auskick will be starting on Thursday 27th April and running for all of Term 2.

We are very pleased to announce that Jarrad Nuttall be this year's Auskick coordinator.

Auskick will start each week at 3:45pm. We will have more information over the next couple of days.







Girls Only- 4.00pm-4.45pm- https://www.trybooking.com/CHTMZ
Boys/Mixed- 4.45pm-5.30pm- https://www.trybooking.com/CHTNA

We are also planning on running some sessions before and after teen gym, for 2-3 weeks where we will pay young people for their time with gift vouchers. The sessions will help us create a checklist on how to create safe, welcoming and inclusive spaces for young people. We will chat to young people about what a hangout spot at BRIC could look like. If you are interested in being involved in this, please select yes on the trybooking link or send rachel.clarke@ndch.org.au an email



