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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: Acting with Integrity and Honesty**

# HONESTY

### DIARY DATES

#### **June**

21<sup>st</sup> House Athletic Sports

21<sup>st</sup> School Council & Finance Meeting.

22<sup>nd</sup> Pies Delivered.

22<sup>nd</sup> Year 12 Parent Teacher Conference.

23<sup>rd</sup> SRC Sports Dress up day.

23<sup>rd</sup> Whole School Assembly 2.05pm

23<sup>rd</sup> Last Day of Term 2 Dismissal 2.30pm

Term 3 Begins 10<sup>th</sup> July

#### Principal's Report

##### Athletics Sports

Today we are running our House Athletics Sports. Thanks to Hayden Rowley and Chris Hatcher for marking the oval and to Brooke Chamberlain and April Hatcher for supporting organisation. Thanks to Ben Lee and the Gateways class who have been working over the last few weeks to get the oval into tip-top condition.

##### Staffing

Brooke Chamberlain, Karen Coutts and Tom Bleicher will be absent for the first week of Term 3. Ben Lee and Drew Crilly

start leave during week 2 of next term.

##### Unit 3 Student Conferences

This Thursday afternoon all students involved with a Unit 3 subject will have interviews with their teachers. Parents are welcome to attend and those who organised times via the XUNO portal, please come to the General Office before heading off to interviews. Interviews will now be held in Room 21.

##### Reports

All reports will be handed to students on Friday before they finish school for the term. Other reports can be collected from the general office after 2.30pm on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

##### Assembly

We will be holding a final assembly for the term at 2.05pm this Friday in the Stadium. We welcome all parents and carers to come along.

##### Parents' Club Fundraisers

This term Parents' Club have run a couple of events and fundraisers. We thank Kelly and the team for their work. The Pie Drive Orders will be here later this week.

##### Holidays

The staff hope everyone has a happy and safe holiday. All students will return to school on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July.

Lee-Anne Sherwell

Principal

## Principal's Availability over the Next Week

Thursday	Friday
At School	At School - Last Day Term 2 – Finish at 2.30pm

## School Bus Management System Information for Families that use the Pyramid Hill School Bus to connect to the Durham Ox/Yando School Bus.

Important update for students who are approved for travel on the School Bus Program: Thank you for your patience while the School Bus Management System (SBMS) has been under maintenance. The School Bus Management System has now been upgraded, and the new Student Travel Assistance Portal will be available from early Term 3. It is important to note that the School Bus Program Policy has not changed, and navigating the new Student Travel Assistance Portal will be very similar to the previous SBMS.

The Student Travel Assistance Portal requires new log in details. All existing users will be sent their new username and a link to create a new password via the email address attached to your SBMS account, to allow you to access the system.

### **In relation to Term 3 travel:**

All eligible and conditional travellers (those approved for travel at no cost) will continue to be approved for travel in Term 3. All ineligible travellers will be communicated with shortly. They will be provided with a Term 3 travel offer and payment advice. As per previous terms, families will need to make the applicable bus fare payment of \$125 to be approved for travel in Term 3.

To check your current e-mail address is on file, or to update your contact details, please contact the School Bus Program team on [schoolbus@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:schoolbus@education.vic.gov.au) or call us on 1800 338 663.

Pie Orders will be delivered this  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at Boort Park  
Between 3 and 4pm.



## Year 6 Fundraising Quilt

Year 6 are selling tickets for a magnificent queen bed quilt made and kindly donated by Carol Ritchie.

Tickets are \$2 each and are available at the School, Chemist, Post Office and Newsagency.

Don't miss your chance to own this wonderful quilt by purchasing a ticket before June 23<sup>rd</sup>.





Our next SRC event will be on the last day of term. We want to celebrate the end of what has been a busy, exciting and positive semester for our School. We are therefore having a Sports Team dress up day, with activities at lunch time. Students are asked to come dressed in their favourite sporting team's colours, any sport! Hot dogs orders are now complete and we thank Dawn for preparing the lunch for this day. There is no donation required, this is purely a day for fun and celebration, hosted by the SRC.

### **Ballarat careers excursion**

On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June, around 40 Year 10, 11 and 12 students made an early start to venture to Ballarat to explore Federation University and the Australian Catholic University (ACU), and learn about tertiary life. The day involved campus tours, as well as an 'Amazing Race' around Federation University, where students frantically competed in groups of 3-4 for prizes. A highlight of the time at Federation University was a tour of the accommodation facilities by past Boort student Sharni Streader. Students were also able to take part in a food science practical session, which included a 'rapid' cheese production and the making of liquid nitrogen ice cream – a nice snack for everyone, complete with the essentials of sprinkles and topping. The campus tour of ACU allowed the group to take in the campus's state of the art facilities, including experiencing practical paramedicine and physiotherapy settings, and was a terrific way to finish the day that will assist students with their future pathways.

Here are a few thoughts on the day from students:

Erin - Having the opportunity to visit two unis was really helpful and opened my eyes to what living on campus could be like. We explored many different fields across both universities, with some being nursing, food science and seeing sporting facilities. The pool at Fed Uni was really cool, especially because it was cost effective for students to access.

Bridie - Going to the unis was a massive eye opener for me to see what it would be like to actually undertake a course, but it also helped me realise all the different options and possibilities available to me, not only at uni, but at TAFE too.

Eddie - Our day at the universities was very insightful, with lots of information about different pathways. My favourite part was the paramedicine simulation room.

Phoebe - We learnt about all the different courses on offer and pathways into certain careers. Highlight of the day was definitely the ice cream made using liquid nitrogen!

Zarlie - The day was very insightful and helped to open up other university options, along with how other universities work and the different living situations.

Carissa - Was good but cold, so glad the buildings have efficient heating, but yeah, really beneficial and learnt a tonne and ate some yum cheese.

Danica- Talking about the two universities and what they offered was interesting. It was also good to do a prac along with it. I found all the different rocks and fossils along the corridor the most interesting.

Drew Crilly, Brooke Chamberlain  
Careers Coordinators



### School for Student Leadership news

On Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>, Year 9 students who are attending the Snowy River Campus, School for Student Leadership formally presented their Community Leadership Plan. As their liaison teacher I was fortunate enough to watch it via WebEx and, on behalf of BDS, congratulate them and thank the staff at Snowy River for taking such wonderful care of our students. Their CLP is raising awareness and funds for Farmers' Mental Health and they creatively performed a skit highlighting this important issue, and to add an element of positivity to conclude their plan they danced to the 'Shaun the Sheep' theme song. Our students will return from their 8 week experience over the school holidays, so if you see them around, be sure to ask them some questions about their time at SSL. We look forward to their return to school in Term 3.

Brooke Chamberlain



### Year 10 Careers – Mock Interviews

As part of the Careers class in Term 2, year 10 students were required to find a job that interested them, create a cover letter for the position and update their personal resume. Angela Poxon from the NCLLEN visited the class and discussed key aspects of a job interview; what to wear, questions to ask, and being prepared for what the position entailed were highlighted. Mock interviews for their job were then undertaken last week. Alister McDougal, Anna Beamish, Drew Crilly and Jess Lee kindly donated their time and expertise to conduct the interviews and provide valuable feedback. Boort District School is fortunate to have members of our community involved in special programs that add such importance to the future of our students, we thank them for their time and efforts. It was great to hear the students reflect positively on the interview experience. Feedback from the interviewers was also very positive with many students complimented on their forward planning with career pathways and many students interviewed comfortably engaging positively with the interviewers.



# Community Announcements

*Family*  
**FUN DAY**

**FREE COMMUNITY EVENT**

**ROCK CLIMBING WALL - MINI GOLF - DISC GOLF - TABLE TENNIS**

KERANG	COHUNA
<b>KERANG COMMUNITY MARKET</b> <b>SAT 24TH JUNE</b> <b>9.30AM - 1.30PM</b> <b>ATKINSON PARK KERANG</b>	<b>COHUNA FARMERS &amp; MAKERS MARKET</b> <b>SUN 25TH JUNE</b> <b>9.00AM - 1.00PM</b> <b>GARDEN PARK COHUNA</b>

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**SPECIAL EVENT**  
**Children's**  
**Author Talk**

**SPIKE SURFS**  
FROM LOST DOGS' HOME TO SURFING CHAMP  
Robert Lorenzen

*"When Rob first chose me (Spike the dog) at the Lost Dogs' Home, he didn't know I was going to become a surfing champion. Find out how I did it."*

Meet Spike and his owner and share this story of friendship and devotion.

Suitable for the whole family.

Light refreshments provided.

**Kerang Library**  
**2.00pm**  
**Monday, 3 July**

Bookings essential  
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**FREE**

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**JUNE COMING ATTRACTIONS**

Movie Prices: General Admission \$12 Members \$10 VIP Members FREE

## THE LITTLE MERMAID

PG Mild fantasy themes and violence, some scenes may scare young children

135 mins | Family | Fantasy



**Sat 24 June 8pm**  
**Sun 25 June 2pm**  
**Tue 27 June 8pm**

The youngest of King Triton's daughters, Ariel is a beautiful and spirited young mermaid with a thirst for adventure. Longing to find out more about the world beyond the sea, Ariel visits the surface and falls for the dashing Prince Eric. Following her heart, she makes a deal with the evil sea witch, Ursula, to experience life on land.

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Watercolour and Collage  
5+  
Kerang - 10.30am  
Wednesday, 28 June

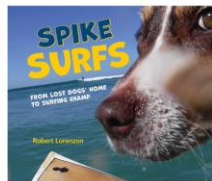


Mechanical Toys  
5+

Cohuna - 10.30am  
Thursday, 29 June  
Kerang - 10.30am  
Tuesday, 4 July



Children's Author Visit  
Suitable for whole family  
Kerang - 2.00pm  
Monday, 3 July



Phone to book.  
Adults to accompany children.

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# NETSTARS NETBALL CLINICS



## KERANG

DATE: Wednesday 5th July 2023  
TIME: 9am - 3pm  
AGES: 7 - 14 years old  
VENUE: Kerang Stadium,  
Maxwell Street, Kerang  
COST: \$85 per participant



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