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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

CREATIVITY

DIARY DATES

October

18th Finance and School Council

19th 5/6 Cricket @ Boort Park

19th – 20th Kooyoora Excursion

20th Whole School Assembly

23rd- 24th Halls Gap Exc.

24th Year 12 exams start

25th NCD Lawn Bowls/Shooting.

30th Malthouse Exc.

30th VCE Canoeing

November

7th Melbourne Cup Holiday

13th Parents' Club AGM

Acting Principal's Report

Year 12 Last Day at School

After 13 years of schooling, our 2023 Year 12 students yesterday had their last day at school. Most of them will now spend the next week preparing for their exams before starting the exam cycle on Tuesday 24th October with their English exam. Students enjoyed a morning tea with staff outside the admin building and reflected on their time at Boort District School. Personally, I'd like to thank our School captains this year, Zarlie, Phoebe, Bridie and Alyssa for their leadership and work at school events, as well as Charlotte and Sam for their SRC involvement. We wish them all the



best over the next month and look forward to seeing them all again at the Year 12 dinner and Presentation Night. During the exam period, staff and school facilities are available for students to use and for many of them, studying at school may be the best option at times.

Computer/Laptop Use

The school's Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program has been in place for many years. Parents/Carers are provided with information around which devices are most appropriate for each year level and the different levels of device that are available. Information regarding this for 2024 will be sent out in the next few weeks. We need parents/carers to ensure that students arrive at school with their devices that they are fully charged and that devices are repaired in a timely manner if faulty. The school has a number of "loan" computers but these are running out daily as so many students are not bringing their computers to school, or they are not charged or not working. Please contact me or Merryn Rees and we will assist with longer term loans if required.

Astounded By The Opportunities!!

The start of Term 4 has seen a flurry of incursions, excursions and sports opportunities. I thank staff for the work that they do in preparing for these and even seeking them out in the first place. We've seen Athletics with Cricket, Lawn Boys and Clay Target coming up soon, Science Circus and First Aid incursions for our F-6 students and a wide range of Geography and Outdoor Education trips. Living where we live, giving students these opportunities from outside their normal world is priceless!

Professional Practice Day

Today is our student free Professional Practice Day. Staff will spend the day planning, assessing and collaborating in order to prepare for the rest of the term.

Thank you

A big thank you to staff, students and parents who have supported me over the last three weeks in my Acting Principal role. It's been very busy but rewarding in having to deal with a wide variety of areas and communicating with parents and others. Lee-Anne will be back from her leave next week.

Tom Bleicher
Acting Principal



Acting Principal's and Principal's Availability over the Next Week

| Thursday | Friday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| At School | At School | At School | At School | At School |

Reminder Fresh Fruit Orders 2023

Orders returned to BDS
boort.district.p12@education.vic.gov.au
 Today [Wednesday 18th of October](#)

Canteen News

As hot food has stopped for Term 4 the Wednesday lunch menu is as below.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Wednesday 25 th October | Hot Dogs | \$5 |
| Wednesday 1 st November | Chicken wrap (sweet chilli or Mayo) | \$6 |
| Wednesday 8 th November | Hamburgers | \$6 |

Scholastic Book Club

Issue 7 of Scholastic Book Club is now available. Orders for Issue 7 of Scholastic Book Club need to be completed by Friday 20th October. Please note that all orders need to be completed and paid for online. Payment cannot be accepted at Boort District School.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

| | | |
|--------------|--------|--|
| Foundation/1 | Esther | For showing us how to be brave in health class. |
| | Casey | For great cooperation. |
| Year 1/2 | Hunter | Great work on division. |
| | Cruz | Great work on division. |
| | Maxine | Fabulous reading group work. |
| | Isabel | Great Smart Spelling work. |
| | Jed | For always helping out his peers in health. |
| Year 3 | Shelby | For amazing work in our fractions unit in maths. |



BOORT DISTRICT SCHOOL

Parents' Club

Alone we can do so little – Together we can do so much

BOORT DISTRICT SCHOOL PARENTS' CLUB AGM

Please join us for our
Parents' Club 2023

AGM

Monday 13th November

7:30pm

Via WebEx

Meeting number-2654 001 0725

Password - PC

For more information, please contact:

Kelly Henderson - 0427280583

Or Nikki Lanyon - 0487180067

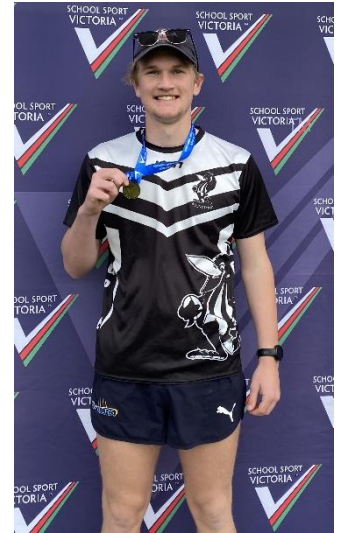
LMR Athletics Carnival

On Thursday 5th October, 17 competitors took to Bendigo to compete in the LMR athletics. It was another great day of weather with Mrs Hatcher and Mr Grogan accompanying these students. We had some great results all round, with the podium finishes being listed below.



- Alex Cockerell: hurdles – 1st
- Cooper Gooding: discus – 3rd
- Brodie Arnold: javelin – 2nd, shotput – 3rd
- Sam Barraclough: 800m – 2nd
- Seth Muller: javelin – 2nd
- Phoebe Henderson: shotput – 3rd
- Abby Potter: discus – 3rd
- Jack Potter: discus – 3rd
- Emma Gawne: 200m – 3rd
- Zarlle Featherby: 100m – 3rd

Boort also had two relays team in, which put up a good fight against some really strong competitors. We even had part of a third relay team in with Max Beattie making friends and racing for St Joseph's in Mildura! Well done to all of our students who represented the school at this year's athletics.



2023 END OF YEAR DATES

VCE Unit 4 (Year 12 and some Year 11 students)

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|------------------------------|--|
| Year 12 Study days | Wednesday 18 th October – Monday 23 rd October |
| Unit 3/4 and VET exams start | Tuesday 24 th October |
| Melbourne Cup Public Holiday | Tuesday 7 th November |
| Last Unit 3/4 or VET exam | Friday 10 th November |
| Year 12 dinner | Friday 10 th November |

VCE Unit 2 (Year 11 and some Year 10)

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Last day of Year 11 classes | Monday 13 th November |
| Study day | Tuesday 14 th November |
| Unit 2 exams start | Wednesday 15 th November |
| Unit 2 exams finish | Monday 20 th November |
| Kickstart program begins | Monday 20 th November |
| Kickstart program ends | Friday 24 th November |
| Last day for Year 11 students | Friday 24 th November |

VET

Last VET day for 2nd Year students who have completed certificates – Thursday 2nd November
Last VET day for 1st Year students – Thursday 23rd November

Year 6 to 7 step up

Thursday 7th December

Year 9 and 10

Last day for Year 10 students with employment is Friday 8th December.
Monday 4th December would be the last day at NCTTC for Year 9/10 students.

Correction / Report Writing Day

Monday 11th December (Student free day)
Reports with Victorian Curriculum levels to go out Presentation Night and Celebration Day.

Activities Program

Thursday 14th December – Friday 15th December

Year 6 Melbourne Camp

Monday 11th December – Thursday 14th December

Presentation Night 7-12

Monday 18th December – 7.00pm

Celebration afternoon F-6

Monday 18th December - Year F-5 step up
Monday 18th December – Celebration Afternoon – 2.00pm

Finish

Wednesday 20th December (Student free day)

Year 7 Home Eco – Show Cooking

The Year 7 students supported the Boort Show with an array of cooking entries. It was positive to see some of our students receive recognition for a job well done, by being awarded prizes for their created products. Sharing the kitchen in a lead up to the show was definitely a busy place to be, and I would like to congratulate the Year 7 students on their support to make slices for the judges and stewards and support each other in the chaos of everyone undertaking different things in a shared space. Well done Year 7!



SSL Boort Show activity

The School for Student Leadership students had planned to conduct yabby races at the show, but unfortunately the weather turned cold and the yabbies' hid in their holes! But it was great to see the students discuss options to continue an activity to support the Boort Show with a primary and secondary competition of basketball shootouts, bowling at cricket stumps and kicking a footy into a bin. Winners on the day were; Secondary students: Lachlan Hall basketball shootout, Fred Gjorup cricket bowling and Luke Boyd footy kick. Primary students: Indi Gooding basketball shootout, Amelia Hosking footy kick and Victoria Lanyon cricket bowling. Thank you to the students who participated on the day and supported the SSL activities.



Fresh Fruit Orders 2023



Name: _____

Best Contact Details: _____

Reference Used to pay via EFT (fruit / family name) _____

| <i>Produce</i> | <i>Cost</i> | <i>Quantity</i> | <i>\$ Amount</i> |
|----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Cherries | \$15.00 per kg | | |
| | \$65 per 5 kg box | | |
| Mangoes | \$27.00 per tray | | |
| <i>Total Amount</i> | | | |

Order information:

- Funds raised will assist Parent's Club in upgrading some play areas
- Cherries can be ordered in 5kg boxes or 1kg bags
- Tray of mangoes is approx. 7kg of 14-20 mangoes
- **Payments to BDS by Cash or eft to BOORT DISTRICT SCHOOL BSB 063644 ACCOUNT 10067619**
- **Payments must be made with the order**
- Orders returned to BDS **boort.district.p12@education.vic.gov.au** by **Wednesday 18th of October**
- Enquiries to Jo Bear 0408 578 211 or Kim Potter 0447 554203
- Separate delivery dates (dependant on when fruit ready so it is important to include contact details with order form)
 - Late November - Cherries
 - Early December - Mangoes

Cherries – locally sourced from Silverwood Orchard Pyramid Hill. The cherries are 1st grade cherries.

Mangoes – a family owned farm in Northern Queensland (www.bowenmangoes.com)

COMMUNITY NEWS



B  **RT**
swimming club

SWIMMING LESSON REGISTRATIONS

Lessons will be Tuesday & Thursday nights from late November through to March (during school term)

PRIMARY & SECONDARY LESSONS \$80

KINDERGARTEN LESSONS \$45

(Kinder children must be 5)- Day to be confirmed and the kindergarten lesson will be one lesson a week.

Registrations are to be completed online by November 10th 2023

<https://form.jotform.com/232877191588876>

LIMITED SPOTS ARE AVAILABLE - so prompt registration and payment will assist in ensuring a place will be available for your child.

Any queries contact Sharlene Stringer 0409866253
or Kelly Henderson 0427280583