

# **Boort District P - 12 School**

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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: Displaying a sense of Fairness



### DIARY DATES MARCH

20<sup>th</sup> Finance & School Council Meeting 21<sup>st</sup> Foundation and New Parents/Carers Afternoon Tea

22<sup>nd</sup> Silver Assembly

25th-29th Yr10/11Work Experience

27<sup>th</sup> Yr 5/6 Redball Tennis

28th Whole School Assembly

28th Last Day Term 1. Finish 2.30pm

## APRIL

15th Term 2 Begins

17<sup>th</sup> House Cross Country

23<sup>rd</sup> BDS Writers Festival

24<sup>th</sup> Parent Teacher Interviews (student

free day)

# **Principal Report:**

### Wellbeing

Our highest priority throughout this year will continue to be the mental health and wellbeing of every student and member of staff. A Key Improvement Strategy of our 2024 Annual Implementation Plan: Wellbeing – is to effectively mobilise available resources to support students' wellbeing and mental health, especially the most vulnerable. As a result, our school will begin advertising several wellbeing positions to further enhance our wellbeing program and support the health and wellbeing of our students. We will also organise a variety of activities and events throughout the year to promote mental health and wellbeing across the whole school cohort.

### Foundation and New Families Afternoon Tea

Next Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March, starting at 3.45pm, our school will hold an afternoon tea to welcome all new families to our school community, including families that have students in our Foundation class. A

Foundation Information Session will follow at 4.15pm.

### **Interim Reports**

An interim report is a short report indicating how your child is progressing in their learning and are a good way to monitor how your child is going at school. Interim reports will be available for students and families from Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

## **Parent Teacher Interviews**

Parent Teacher Interviews will be conducted Term 2 – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April. This will be a student free day.

#### **School Council**

Our next school council meeting will be held next Wednesday 20th March starting at 7.00pm.

#### **Football**

Thank you to a large number of students that reminded me on Monday that Collingwood lost on the weekend. My prediction this week is the Pies to beat the Swans by 14 points.





Todd Woodfine Principal

### **LMR Swimming**

On Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup> of March, students from Boort District School took off to Swan Hill to participate in the Loddon Mallee Region Swimming Carnival. The students had a great day swimming against swimmers that were a class above from the previous stage at North Central District. Our students entered 6 relay teams which consisted of 2 medley and 4 freestyle relays. Jett carried in his good backstroke form, earning himself a 3<sup>rd</sup> place medallion, as well as our senior boys freestyle earning a 3<sup>rd</sup> place. A big congratulations to all students who competed, as we are sure you are better for the experience. We would also like to thank the parents/carers that offered their time to take our students over to give them this opportunity, it is very much appreciated.













# Boort District School Parents' Club Tesselaar Bulb Fundraiser.

Bulb orders close on the 29<sup>th</sup> March. You can view the catalogue and order online using the following link:

www.bulbfundraiser.com.au/BOORTDS



A huge **Thank You** to
Tammy and Doug
Perryman, for kindly
donating the proceeds
from selling their corn
over the Summer Holidays
to Parents' Club.



# Year 6 Easter fundraiser

As in the past, Year 6 students are raising money for their end of the year trip to Melbourne via an Easter raffle. Tickets are \$1 each and can be purchased from any Year 6 student or the School Office.

There will be in excess of 10 prizes to be won.

Be in it to win it!

Thank you







# Risk by Fleur Ferris available in the Library. (We have 5 copies)



Best friends Taylor and Sierra meet a hot guy in a chat room online. Both fall for Jacob's charms, but as usual, the more outgoing and vivacious Sierra overshadows Taylor and wins his attention. Taylor's devastated - Sierra already kissed Callum, Taylor's secret crush, over the summer holidays. Life's not fair, especially when Sierra's around. Moving quickly, Sierra sets up a date with Jacob on Friday after school. She asks Taylor and their friends to cover for her. Even though she's upset, Taylor is still Sierra's best friend and agrees to help. But Sierra abuses the favour and calls to say she's going to spend the night with her date. She doesn't come home all weekend, doesn't answer her phone and nobody's heard from her . . . Taylor is torn. She doesn't want to betray Sierra by telling her parents but at the same time she's concerned for her welfare. Finally, Callum convinces her to tell. The police are called and their worst fears are confirmed when Sierra's body is found miles from Melbourne a week later . . . Devastated, Taylor becomes obsessed with finding Sierra's killer. As clues emerge, Taylor races against time to try and save the predator's next victim.

### SEVEN STEPS.....

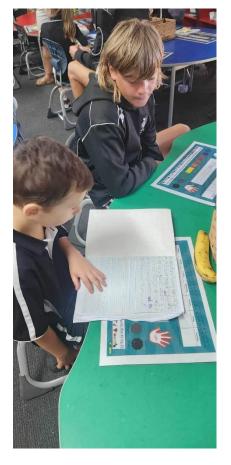
Over the last three weeks Primary staff, Education Support staff and Secondary English staff have been involved in Seven Steps writing professional development.

The Seven Steps writing aims to get students excited about writing and rapidly improve their skills. It breaks writing into seven key techniques that professional authors use. Students focus on one step at a time, which gives them a chance to understand, practice and master each individual skill. Students gain confidence as they learn and master

each building block, and then they put it all together to become creative and engaging writers.



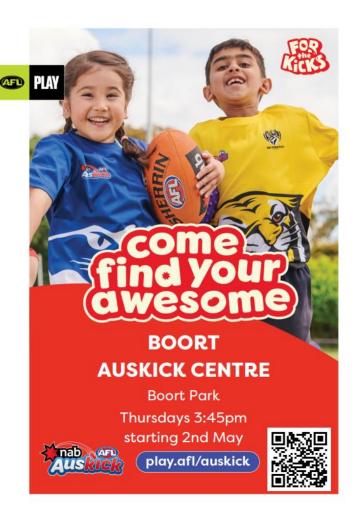




# STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Year 1/2	Whyatt	For awesome sound box work.
	Mae	For terrific number work to 120.
	Nadia	For excellent work on her 'All About Me' backpack.
	Kristie	For AMAZING guided reading.
Year 6	Layla	For her creative 'sizzling starts' when writing narrative
	Victoria	For effectively proof reading her narrative writing.
	Sunny	For actively contributing during class discussions on 3D objects

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**



# BOORT HOCKEY CLUB – REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN!!

Boort Hockey Club is inviting all interested players, both existing and new to register for the upcoming 2024 Season!

Please register as soon as possible so we can gauge numbers for each level before our next league meeting. We are seeking registrations in all grades of hockey:

-Minkey (Foundation to Year 4)

-Under 12's (born 2012-2014)

-Under 15's (born 2009-2011)

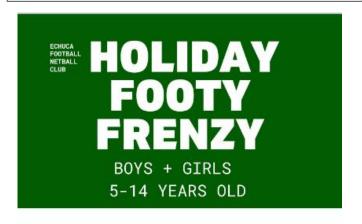
-Women

-Men

### **REGISTER WITH THE LINK BELOW:**

https://www.revolutionise.com.au/boorthc/registration

Any questions please contact: Kelly Henderson 0427 280583







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Fitzpatrick Cup + Medal Draft Day Trades Tribunals Successful state wide program

# **2 FULL DAYS**

April 2nd + 3rd (Easter School Holidays) 8:30am - 5:00pm \$80 for 1 day - \$150 for both days Victoria Park, Echuca



**BOOK NOW** 





### Wednesday 20 March | 2pm to 5pm

Register your interest by scanning the QR code or turn up on the day!

For more information phone (03) 5450 5370 or email recruitment@gmwater.com.au



Location: Kerang Office: 78 Kerang-Koondrook Rd, Kerang

# Why work with us?

- Flexibility
   Monthly rostered days off
- · Training and development opportunities
- Collaborative teams
   Opportunity to progress

Multiple outdoor Customer Service and Field Officer Opportunities!









# Need help getting your P's?

Struggling to get your 120 hours of learner driving experience?

Don't have the money for professional lessons?

The TAC L2P program helps young learner drivers living in the Buloke and Loddon Shires (16-21 years of age) with limited access to a supervising driver or vehicle to get on the road with trained mentors available to help them obtain the 120 hours necessary to get their licence.



For more information about this FREE program contact the North Central LLEN on 03 5491 1144 or email l2p@ncllen.org.au



#### Careers and Pathways



# School Holiday Uni Tours & Experience Days

Discover ACU – Ballarat www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events

Deakin University – all campuses www.deakin.edu.au/student-life-andservices/events/campus-tours

Latrobe University - Bendigo

www.latrobe.edu.au/events/all/bendigo-campus-talkand-tours2

Monash University – all campuses www.monash.edu/discover/events/campus-

experience

RMIT University www.rmit.edu.au/events

Deakin University Year 10



### 27<sup>th</sup> –31<sup>ct</sup> May 9:00am – 4:30pm Melbourne Burwood Campus

Located at our Melbourne Burwood Campus, this week-long work experience program is designed for high-achieving Year 10 students who are strongly motivated in science – preferably in molecular biology and cell science. Students will experience laboratory science in an interactive and demonstrative environment. The program will include participation in micro-molecular biological techniques, invertebrate and vertebrate biology, chemistry practicals, tracking and mapping using GPS/GIS, ecological survey techniques and more.

Participation numbers are capped at 36 and limited to 2 Year 10 students per school

Applications Open Now!

www.deakin.edu.au/sebe/outreach/laboratoryscience-work-experience



### March 14<sup>th</sup> to March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Victorian Careers & Employment Expo is open from March 14 to 16, 2024 at the Melbourne Showgrounds. The Expo will showcase over 130 organisations and employers with career opportunities for all ages. Visitor entry is free.

The event is for school students, parents, teachers, graduates, job seekers, people looking for courses and workers seeking new opportunities.

www.careersemploymentexpo.com.au/Victorian.html

### VTAC Dates for 2025 Entry



The Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) is the central hub for applying to tertiary institutions. They are responsible for processing and forwarding course applications to universities, & some TAFEs and independent tertiary institutions in Victoria. After selections are made by the institutions, VTAC will send out messages of offer to applicants who were successful.

VTAC has now set the date for 2025 Course applications. Courses, SEAS & Scholarship Applications open for current Year 12 students on:

Monday 29th July 2024

To explore courses, visit: www.vtac.edu.au



OPEN NIGHT

#### Tuesday 23rd April 2024, 4:00pm - 6:30pm

Bendigo TAFE is holding an Open Night in 2024. Come to discover our amazing facilities and meet our experienced teachers who are dedicated to assist you with your academic journey.





#### To Register Visit:

www.bendigotafe.edu.au/study-with-us/what-son/open-night

Email: p.mcconville@ncllen.org.au