

Boolaroo Public School

Quality Education in a Caring Environment

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Staff

Miss Bevan and Miss Day will finish their practicum this week. They have been a terrific bonus to our school, offering quality teaching and new experiences to our students. Miss Bevan has been teaching K-1-2-3 Japanese and has arranged for some Japanese students to visit the school. Miss Day has experience in teaching Drama and has provided some very stimulating and engaging lessons to the students, as well as teaching the whole school some very basic 'Ti Chi'.

Thank you to Miss Day and Miss Bevan.

We will also farewell Miss Slattery this week, as Mrs Meek will return to school next week. I would like to thank her for her wonderful contribution to the school over the past 3 weeks and wish her every success in obtaining full time work in her chosen profession.

Surveys

Our annual school review is in progress and we are in the process of gathering information to improve our teaching & learning programs, well being of our students and the resources of the school. We ask you to take time to fill out the attached surveys and return them to school by the **end of this week**. Feel free to ring me or drop in for a chat about any aspect of the school you feel could be improved. All input is important to help develop a sense of what our community needs and desires for our children's education and their future.

Active After School

Over the next few weeks Debra (Active After School Teacher) will be running water games for the students on Monday Afternoons. Could you supply an old T-shirt, shorts and old shoes that your child can change into to enable them to participate in the games. The students will change into these old clothes for the afternoon session.

Crunch and Sip

Fruit will be provided to the students at no cost for the remainder of the year.

Anti-Bullying Brochure

Through out last term the students were involved in a series of activities through the Peer Support program that explored and reinforced a range of positive behaviours and strategies to deal with bullying. The most critical and effective anti-bullying strategy that was reinforced through out the program was that bullying is a shared responsibility and every member of the community has an important role in successfully reducing bullying. Attached is an anti-bullying brochure the school developed to provide information for parents and students about their responsibility and useful strategies. Together we can work to educate our children and reduce this problem in our community.

Dates for your Diary

17 th November	P&C Meeting
20 th November	Lapathon money due
27 th November	Election of School Captain
1 st December	School Council Meeting
11 th December	Presentation Day
15 th December	Year 6 Farewell
16 th December	Movie Day
16 th December	Last Day for Students

School Elections of 2010 School Captain

Our Year 5 students will begin preparations this week for their Elections speech. Voting will be held on Friday 27th November after the students deliver their speeches. Information will be sent home this week to prepare for the big day.

Good Luck Year 5!

Lapathon

Last week the students completed the Lapathon to raise money for the school. All students were enthusiastic and participated fantastically on the day. Well done every one! Some students have already returned their sponsorship money and we thank all those who have supported these students. We ask that all sponsorship money be returned to school by Friday 20th November so that all students will have a chance in the draw of prizes to be held on that day.

Sponsorship money due Friday 20th November

Year 6 Fundraiser

This Friday the 20th November will be a school fundraiser to raise money towards the Year 6 gift to the School. In order to reach this aim, we ask that each student brings in a \$1 donation for being out of uniform. In addition, we are asking that all children bring lots of coins (of any amount) as we plan to spell out the word 'GIFT' using these coins. Your child's contribution towards this fundraiser would be greatly appreciated.

JETS Visit and Clinic

Last week the students participated in the JETS clinic. I am always very proud of the participation and respect our student's show visitors to our school. It demonstrates the great community values held at Boolaroo.

Kindergarten 2010 Transition

This week transition activities continue for our 2010 Kindergarten students. I am pleased to report all is going well and they are settling very quickly in their new class.

Illness

If your child has been ill, it is a Department of Education & Training requirement to provide a note to the school stating the dates of absence and reason why. It is wise for students who have longer than three days consecutively of illness to be seen by a doctor and the Doctors certificate passed onto the school.



YMCA OOSH OPENING TERM 1 JANUARY 2010 AT BOOLAROO PUBLIC SCHOOL!!

Come and join us at this exciting new OOSH, have fun, laugh and meet new friends at:

Before School Care: Open 7am – 9am, breakfast provided along with a range of fun and exciting activities, arts & crafts and safe transport to school.

After School Care: 3pm – 6pm, afternoon Tea provided along with a range of fun and exciting activities, sports, arts & crafts and safe transport from school to the centre.

For information on how to enrol or any enquiries contact Alanna on 49594444

School Vandalism

It has been noted that on the weekends we have had some visitors to our playground leaving unwanted messages.

Please report any vandalism or suspicious trespassers in school grounds to the School Security Number **1300 880 021**.

Classroom Capers

K-1-2-3

This week your child will have received the information about a class talk to prepare. The date due will be marked on your child's note. This activity will form part of your child's assessment for English. Observations have been made on a regular basis in class of how your child participates in discussions, how they listen, how they speak to adults and one another, how well they understand and follow instructions. All these aspects are considered when assessing a student's ability in Talking & Listening. Aspects of how your child delivers his or her speech will be assessed on the day of delivery. Students need to have completed their task by the end of this week, presentations will begin on Friday and continue throughout next week.

Mrs Lewis

4-5-6

During the past 3 weeks, I have seen a major improvement in spelling and English activities. I must credit Year 4-5-6's ability to constantly self-regulate their progress in all key learning areas and to always ask for help when necessary.

I look forward to beginning our Christmas carol renditions within the classroom, but I'm confident ALL students will take to it like ducks to water!

It's been a dream relieving Mrs Meek's "little angels", I will miss them dearly! Good luck to all students as they strive towards their future goals and dreams.

Miss Slattery

Awards



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Bronze

Ashley Pinkowski
Tayla Pinkowski
Teliah Connolly
Tyeisha Whitten

Silver

Ashley Pinkowski
Tayla Pinkowski
Tyeisha Whitten

Gold

Tayla Pinkowski