

BOOLAROO

PUBLIC SCHOOL

"Sailing towards Success"



We'll come back to 2019 and what a fabulous start to the school year we have had. I hope you are all feeling very relaxed after the well-earned break and have plenty of energy and enthusiasm for our busy year of learning. Thank you to all our families that attended last week's get to know the teacher information evening, it was good to provide the opportunity for parents to get an insight into the skills, backgrounds and experiences of our teaching! We hope you enjoyed it.

Thank you to all the parents who joined us at last week's assembly it was wonderful to see you all there and huge congratulations to last week's award winners.

Congratulations to Ms Webb and Mrs Swain on a wonderful swimming carnival. It was a great day of sportsmanship and fun in the water. The day was also highlighted by the students' willingness to 'have a go' and to 'do their best!' Boolaroo students definitely cheered the loudest for each other, and your behaviour was exemplary.

During, March, May, and July, staff will participate in professional learning in lieu of the last Thursday and Friday of school, 19th and 20th December. These will be 4, 3 hour sessions after school and will be completed with the community of schools.

Teachers must program and prepare lesson experiences using BOSTES NSW Syllabus documents in English, Maths, Science & Technology, Creative Arts, History, Geography and Personal Development/Health and Physical Education. Parents will continue to see and hear language through their children such as, 'learning goals', 'success criteria', 'growth mindsets', and praise for 'positive attitude' and 'effort'. Throughout the year please feel comfortable to discuss the curriculum, expectations, language and lessons with your child's class teacher.

Finally, our door is and always has been open – whether you are happy, sad or mad. We need to know if we are not doing something right, but I also need to know that you trust our motives and intentions. Everything we do, every single day is for YOUR children.

Louise Wrightson

Principal

Reminder from Mrs Mbonimpa the Attendance and Wellbeing officer that **'Every School Day Counts'**

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ a year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2½ weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
½ hour a day	½ a day of learning a week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1 ½ years of learning
1 hour each day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year.	Over 2 ½ years of learning

Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...

Check the time your school starts. DON'T BE LATE!

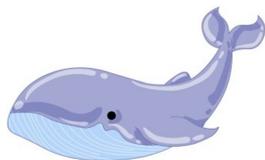


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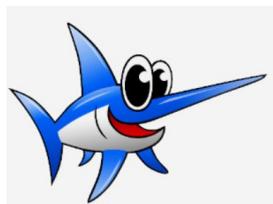
The 5/6 Whales are off to a flying start this term. In literacy we are studying persuasive texts and to begin with we are reviewing the structure, language and devices used to persuade the reader. The students will be reviewing persuasive texts and advertisements throughout the term.

For the first two weeks in mathematics we are focusing on all things angles and whole number. The class have spent time mastering the use of a protractor and I was impressed with their determination and persistence in learning a new skill.

In Personal development and Bounce Back we are studying Bullying and as such discussing the associated behaviours and developing strategies to deal with these situations.

Our HSIE program is also commencing this week and for Stage three our topic is Australian Colonies.

Emma Swain



1/2 Swordfish

This is our first week as a new class and the students have picked our class name, so we are now officially called 1/2 Swordfish. The students, Mrs Clark and Mrs Lynch are all swimming with excitement about this terms learning.



The focus in literacy is learning about the Daily Five literacy program. The students will be completing five rotational literacy activities which include: reading to self, reading to buddy, work on writing, work on words and listening to reading. This week, the students have chosen their own books from the library and are building stamina in reading independently for as long as possible without getting distracted. With writing, the students are learning to write persuasive texts.

For maths, students will be learning to count forwards, backwards up to 100 by ones, twos and threes. Also we will be learning a range of strategies to add and subtract two numbers. Our aim is for the students to become quick in recognising number facts which will help them when answering number questions.



We will be having one to one conferencing with the students to work out their learning goals for literacy and maths. We are both looking forward to getting to know our students their families.

Mrs Clark and Mrs Lynch

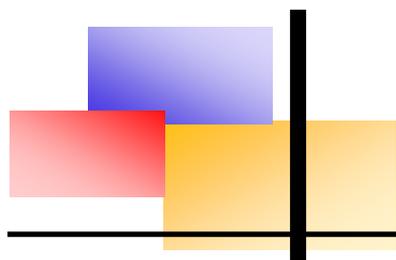
3/4 Stingrays



It has been an excellent start to the year for the Stingrays. We have already had the swimming carnival with some of our talented students making it to Zone. We started basketball last week and the kids had a fantastic time.

This term we will have Science with Mrs Geres, Library with Mrs Burke and PE on a Wednesday and sport will be on Friday. We have started learning about sizzling starts in persuasive writing and the students have already been thinking of some great ideas.

This week is addition and subtraction in maths so if you wanted some homework for the kids they can practice this. Can't wait for a wonderful year together!



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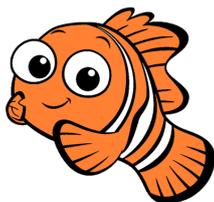
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Here are some of the Stingrays doing a LEGFO STEM challenge.

Miss Webb



K/1 Clownfish

WOW! Term One is here and we are super excited to begin our learning journey for 2019!

This term the Clownfish will be focusing on the following topics:

Literacy - Friendship texts and persuasive writing

Maths - A variety of mathematics strands such as number, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, space and geometry and measurement

Science - 'Weather in my World' with Mrs Geres

PE - Games and sports

PD Health - 'Fun Friends'

History - 'My Family Tree'

Creative Arts - Drama and visual arts

We are looking forward to a busy and fun filled year!

Miss McCaw and the Clownfish

Speech Pathology in Schools

The Speech Pathology in Schools (SPinS) program has started at Boolaroo School this year! The SPinS program is run by Newcastle University and was developed to provide:

Accessible speech pathology services for school-aged children with communication difficulties.

Opportunities for clinical education placements for speech pathology students.

The program works through collaboration between class teachers, the speech pathology students and their clinical educator. The SPinS team will be at Boolaroo School each week on Thursdays throughout terms 1 and 2, 2019.

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Assessment and therapy can take place within the classroom and in the SPinS room at school, in both groups and individual sessions.

We look forward to getting to know the school community. Please feel free to drop in and ask questions or introduce yourself on a Thursday when we are at school.



Courtney



Courtney



Tanya



Lauren

(student speech pathologist)

Thanks, Jesse Hassett - Clinical Educator

Beginning of year news

Recently information about your child's medical conditions and contact details were sent home. Thank you to those parents who have returned them. It is important for the school to have up to date information on your child. Please return this form asap so we may update our records. If everything is still the same feel free to send an email, School Stream message or phone or text the school to say that all is correct.

Term sport is basketball and has already commenced.

SRE note Please fill out on School Stream

Events this year We will be trying as best we can to have all extra curricular activities run on Fridays so as not to disturb the important Literacy and Numeracy times during the week. The year's proposed calendar should come out early next week this will give you all end of year dates and anything else that we know is planned.

Headphones All students require their own individual set of headphones with their names on. This is to help assist in the elimination of those critters. Please ensure your child brings them to school starting tomorrow. The school has some headsets to purchase if needed for \$8.50 please see the office.

School Stream is the most important communication method our school is using. If you have not downloaded the APP you will be missing vital information. Should you be having troubles with viewing or operating the APP please come into the office and we would be happy to help. If you notice any glitches with forms or information please call the school and notify us so we may be able to rectify the issues.

Prescribed Medications For your child to have medications administered at school you need to fill a form out to give permission be it a short or long term medication. As this is a voluntary position staff are not obliged to give medications but do so to assist students.

Term 1 Calendar	
19th Feb	ZONE swimming carnival
6th March	Planetarium
12th April	Easter hat parade

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The school acknowledges the traditional custodians of this land.

