



They say time flies when you're having fun and here we are with the final newsletter for Term 3. What a fantastic term it has been. Our students have, as always, worked tirelessly both in and out of the classroom. Each and every one of them has made personal achievements and I would like to commend them for the way they uphold our school values of **RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY and EXCELLENCE**. For me personally it is an absolute pleasure to spend some of my days at Boolaroo Public School every week and luckily for me I get to spend the final two weeks of term filling in for Mrs Wrightson, who is spending some much deserved time on long service leave.

Term 3 has seen students participate in a range of events from Education week celebrations, STEM challenges, Waste workshops, Book Parade and Grandparents Day. Students have participated in Touch Football and Netball Gala days. Our debating team were victorious in their first ever formal debating competition and will now play hosts to the upcoming debating gala day in term 4.

I would like to pay special tribute to our Stage 1 and 2 students who recently took part in their annual excursion to the Hunter Valley Zoo and the Great Aussie Bush Camp respectively. All students represented the school with pride and engaged in all activities with their usual enthusiasm.

This week teachers will hold the follow up part of our 3 way interviews. These interviews are an important time to meet with classroom teachers to discuss student success, areas of support and most importantly build a strong home school relationship. When children see parents making an effort to build these relationships with the school it supports them to make a conscious effort to take part in their own learning journey. Thank you to everyone who has made the effort to make a time to come and meet with teachers.

I would like to thank all the staff at Boolaroo Public School for the outstanding efforts they make each and every day to provide amazing opportunities for our students and support them in a whole range of academic, sporting and social arenas.

Our annual P and C AGM will be held this Friday afternoon in the library. All executive positions will be declared vacant and voted on by financial members of the P and C. I look forward to seeing everyone there. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Nicole Gerrard for all of her hard work over many years as our current P and C president. Mrs Gerrard recently indicated that she has stepped down as our P and C president. Without the dedication of volunteers to take on these important positions our P and C just can't operate. I am sure you will join in thanking Mrs Gerrard for her contributions.

As you are aware at the end of term we say goodbye to Mrs Emma Swain and Mrs Kirsten Davis. I would like to acknowledge the amazing contributions both ladies have made in their short time at Boolaroo Public School. Mrs Davis has been a pleasure to work with in the office and I know Mrs Wrightson has valued her time working with her and the support she has provided. Mrs Swain has been an integral part of the teaching staff here for the last 12 months and I know she will leave big shoes to fill. She has built many strong relationships with staff, students and the community at large. I am sure you will join me in wishing them both good luck in both their future positions.

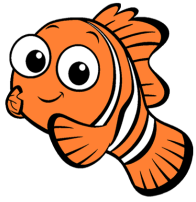


Mr Aaron Quinnell - Relieving Principal



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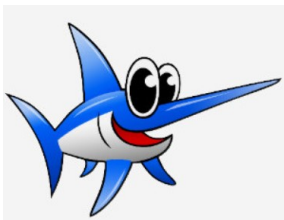


This term has absolutely flown by! The Clownfish have been working so hard in their reading and writing. We are in the middle of doing our assessments and it is wonderful to see students trying hard and making growth in their learning.

In maths last week we learnt all about fractions. We learnt how to recognise and write the fraction for halves, quarters and thirds. We discussed making sure that the parts were equal when cutting objects into halves and quarters. The Clownfish also experimented with cutting different food into halves and quarters to share with our friends and we recorded our findings.

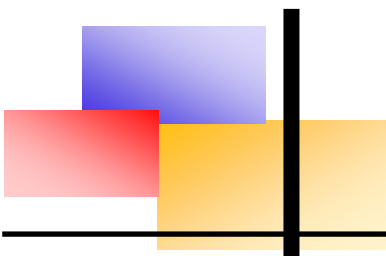
We really enjoyed our excursion to the Hunter Valley Zoo in week 7. We saw a variety of different animals throughout the day and we even got to touch a baby tortoise and crocodile! We thought feeding the kangaroos, goats and camels was great and we loved watching the koalas and meerkats. All students were on their best behaviour and represented Boolaroo PS beautifully. It was a fantastic day out!

Miss McCaw and the Clownfish



Swordfish students have loved using ICT in the classroom, we have been using iPads in our Daily 5 to record students when reading and using the laptops to write up a presentation on our informative texts, also creating a PowerPoint on healthy eating.

The student had a great time at the zoo, even though it was pretty hot to start with, they loved seeing all of the animals. Mrs Lynch was very impressed with how many facts they knew about different animals.



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We have been focusing on healthy eating and encouraging all students to bring in a small piece of fruit or veggie to eat in the morning. After our small break we go outside to have a run around and get our brains ready for learning.

We were very proud of the students at the last assembly, we definitely have a class full of actors! All students were given the opportunity to have a speaking part and were given time to audition for their roles. It was fantastic team work and everyone contributed to an entertaining performance, well done!

Lastly, we are looking forward to meeting with you and celebrating your child's success in the interviews this Wednesday. All students have been working hard on their learning goals and we always celebrate their small or big wins but also acknowledge the failures as well as this is where we grow.

Have a relaxing and fun term break.

Mrs Clark and Mrs Lynch



Well our most exciting news is that we went to Camp. The 3/4's had such a fun time on the Flying Fox, at Mud Island, doing archery and rock climbing. All students behaved amazingly and I was so proud of them all for having a go at things they may have been scared of. The Junior Netball gala day was great fun as well. All the kids played their hardest even though it was a scorching day.

Here are some short snippets of recounts of our Camp trip.

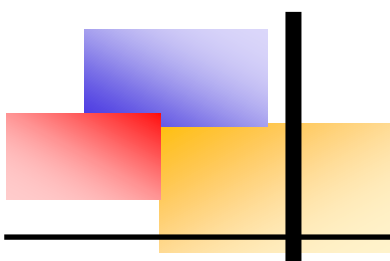
Miss Webb

The first activity we did was the Flying fox. I had mixed emotions, first I felt confident then I got a little bit nervous. The Flying fox was nine meters tall it as a dual flying fox. When I got up I went with Cassidy, she was a bit scared so I ended up going by myself. Cal put my Flying fox on the rope and Cal counted down from three and I jumped off, but I forgot to relax and I accidentally held myself up. Then at the end they had ladders that had wheels on them then Luke caught me and the other person pulled the ladder out and I climbed up to it.

Amelia Way

"Yawn, ah a nice sunny day to go to camp. I even dreamed about it. AHHH I HAVEN'T PACKED!!!!!!!!!!!! Oh I forgot, my mum packed for me". Finally we were on the bus, it took an hour to get there. The first thing we did was flying fox, Jazz and I went last. The next day we did archery and I didn't even hit the target.

Urbannah Blattman



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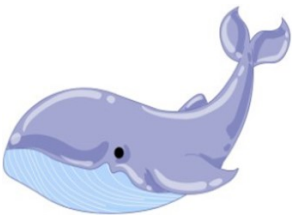




Then we had Lost Island, it was disgusting. I got out of the mud. I hated Lost Island, only Kayley, Zack and Jaxsen finished it. Then we had snow cones and bushcraft. We made a shelter out of sticks, a different school made a shelter in a hole. Our shelter was made on a tree and we used a lot of big sticks.

Jaidan Anderson

Then we went to the mud run and it was very fun! It took me 20 minutes because the instructor was wetting everyone with a bucket of water and made me lose my spot. We had to climb over walls and slide down the other side and through tunnels made of tyres. I felt for Zack as the instructor snuck up on him and threw a bucket of muddy water all over him. The best thing I enjoyed at camp was the mud run.
Jaxsen Halton



I cannot believe that it is nearly the end of Term3!

The Whales are continuing to work hard in the classroom. Our focus in mathematics has been on Fractions, decimals and percentages. They have particularly enjoyed using the calculator during this unit.

In literacy, the Whales have explored lots of different types of factual texts and have enjoyed the research component in particular.

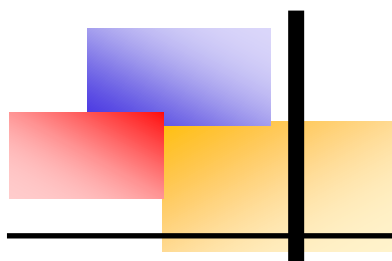
In sport the Whales love their Friday soccer sessions and as a class we are preparing for the senior netball gala day this Friday at Wangi Wangi.

On a personal note, I have realised as I write thisthat this is my final newsletter for Boolaroo PS. I would like to thank the staff and parents who have welcomed me into this learning community. I have absolutely loved my time at Boolaroo PS.

To the parents and caregivers of my 'little loves' in the Whales class, I just want to say thank you. It has been my sincere privilege to spend each day with your children. Please know they are smart, strong and capable at times all we are lacking is the self-belief.



Mrs Swain



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Commonwealth Student Banking day is each Tuesday: Students can drop their completed bank deposit book to the office in the morning for processing. Every deposit will earn a token, ten tokens can be used to claim a reward. Deposits also help to raise money for Boolaroo PS.

Breakfast Club



Our Community Place will only be holding breakfast club on Wednesday mornings only from now on. Students can arrive from 8:15am for a nutritious breakfast.

If your child would like to come along please complete a permission form available from the school office.

Cardiff and District Little Athletics



Registrations are now open for our 2019/20 season.

All registrations are done online via the Little Athletics NSW website -

www.lansw.com.au

Registration days to collect your packs and try on uniforms will then be held at Neegulbah Park, Lawson Road, Macquarie Hills on the following dates:

Saturday 14th September 2019 at 2pm – 4pm

Friday 27th September 2019 from 5:30pm

For more information head to our website at www.cardifflittleathletics.org.au or find us on Facebook and follow Cardiff and District Little Athletics.

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Are you interested in helping to assess applications for contaminated land grants?

We are calling for Expressions of Interest from residents who have knowledge of local lead contamination issues and experience assessing applications, to become a volunteer member of the Lead Mitigation Grants Panel.

As a member of the Panel, you will be responsible for implementing Lake Macquarie City Council's Lead Mitigation Grants Program. You will assess grant applications and disburse funding to help eligible landowners in North Lake Macquarie manage soil contamination issues.

Express your interest

To express your interest in joining the Panel, please see the selection criteria and application form:

- Visit shape.lakemac.com.au/living-safely-with-lead; or
- Call 4921 0333 and ask for an information pack to be emailed to you

Expressions of Interest close 27 September 2019



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