



News from The Helm



We are almost half way through the year and what a year it has been!! We would like to thank our community for supporting the school throughout these times. We appreciate you following the restrictions that have been put in place to help protect the community. I thank the parents and carers for following the new pick up and drop off procedures to ensure we can adhere to the social distancing rules. All classes have been doing some amazing work and we can't wait until we can invite you back into the school to celebrate our learning. Just to see the children enjoying their recess and lunch breaks, playing, running around and engaging with each other has been really heart-warming.

As the weather has cooled we encourage students to wear appropriate clothing to stay warm particularly in the mornings. At this time of year there is always an increase in lost property, so please ensure all items of clothing are clearly marked with your child's name. It is also important that students are in the correct school uniform. Teachers are not on duty in the morning until 8.30am. Parents are encouraged to make use of Before School Care if they have work commitments before 8.30am.

Under Covid-19 protocols all students who present to sick bay are examined by our office staff and if necessary parents will be contacted to come and collect their children. This is allowing the school to follow the guidelines for restricting contact with potentially infectious illness. If your child presents as sick prior to school, please keep them home and seek advice from your doctor.

We are currently taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2021 and encourage parents who have school aged children to begin the enrolment process as soon as possible. This will help us to plan for the Transition to School process and ensure you receive the information required. Please let any local parents know to contact the school with their details so we can include them in the Kindergarten Transition process. We are hoping we can commence our 'Little Skippers' program in mid-term 3.

Louise Wrightson

Principal



1/2 Yachts



We have been loving learning about different Australian animals, especially the interesting facts! The students have been writing some fantastic informative texts using the information they have learnt. We have also have been enjoying creating these animals in art lessons using different materials including clay.

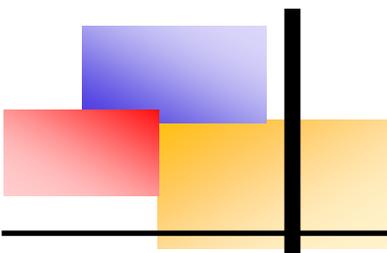
The students have been very focused in their Daily 5 reading activities. We have been learning about syllables in our word work and have been investigating how many syllables in a word by clapping. For our comprehension, we have been focusing on the comprehension strategy of rereading the sentence if we get stuck on a word. A great reading activity you can do with your child at home is to read them a chapter book that you both pick out together and after reading them a page, ask what did the characters do?

What do you think will happen next?

Students have been learning to multiply and divide in maths and now the last two weeks we will be using this knowledge to help us understand fractions.

We hope you have a safe and restful holiday, we are so proud of how the students have been so resilient through these uncertain times.

Angela Clark and Amber Wilkinson



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5/6 Anchors

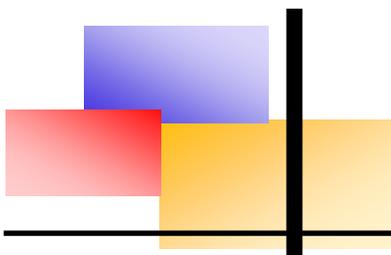
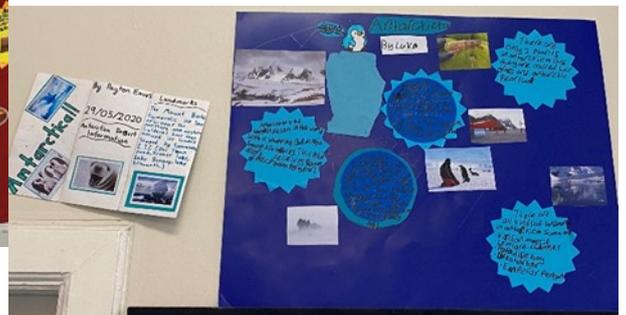


The Anchors have been hard at work since we've been back. We have researched deserts and created posters and websites and now we are focusing on plastic pollution in our oceans and creating brochures. So far, they are coming together really well and are looking amazing. We have also been learning a lot about fractions, decimals and percentages these past few weeks and the students are doing well in our daily number talks and mental. It has been good to see the students getting involved in our sport rotations each Friday and having a go at different sports.

Our weekly riddle this week was: If you have it, you don't share it. If you share it, you don't have it. What am I? Have a go and see if you can guess it. Here are our amazing finished posters hanging up in the classroom.

I'm sure you're all looking forward to the holidays soon approaching.

Miss Webb



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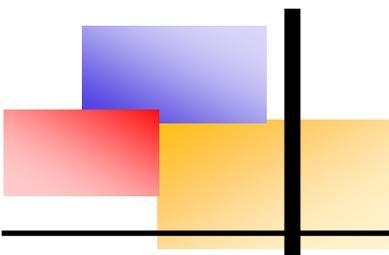
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3/4 Runabouts



3/4 Runabouts have been busy learning about Ocean plastic and the effects on our environment. Students have been researching facts and information about the topic and learning about the devastating impacts it can have on marine life. Students have been learning about the impacts of single use plastic and the importance of using reusable items. Students have been creating an information brochure on 'Ocean plastic.' 3/4 are very excited to teach other students at Boolaroo Public School how they can help stop plastic reaching our ocean. Students will be sharing their brochures with students in 1/2 Yachts and teaching them about micro plastic in the ocean. If you see a student from 3/4 Runabouts please ask them about micro plastic! Keep up the great work everyone!

Mr Harvey



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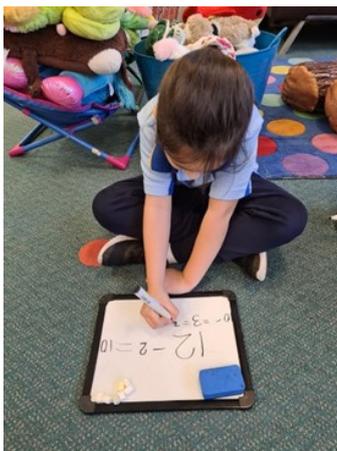
Rubber Duckies K/1



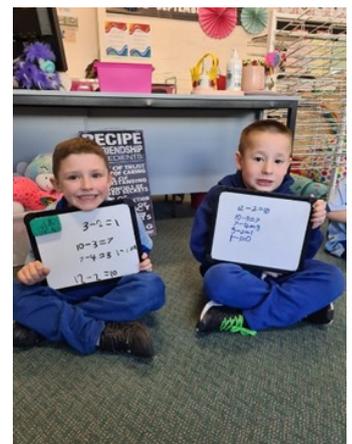
The Rubber Duckies have been working super hard in the classroom these past few weeks. Last week we read the text 'Enormouse' which is a beautiful story that touches on the themes of friendship, belonging, acceptance and individuality. It also allowed us to discuss the differences between mice and rats. We



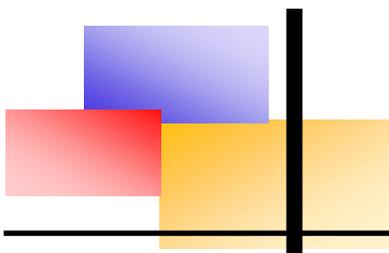
conducted some research about the two by watching videos and brainstorming our ideas. We then used dot points and listed the differences between mice and rats. Some of the comparisons students were making were very creative and thoughtful! We also spent some time making these cute mice artworks. We just love how different each one is.



For maths we have really been focusing on adding and subtracting. We have been using concrete materials such as teddy bear counters and even fun food items like choc chips and marshmallows to help us with our equations. Counting backwards and taking away can be difficult concepts to learn, but using marshmallows has allowed us to understand the process with more ease... Plus it's not only a fun but a delicious way to do our maths work as well!



In our PD Health lessons lately we have been focusing on nutrition, environment and medicines. We have spent a lot of time discussing the items in our lunch boxes and planning healthy meals together. We even made healthy fruit smoothies and have been learning to try new foods. The Duckies have also been learning about the importance of keeping our environment clean.



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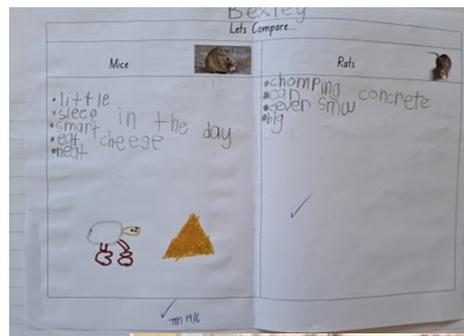
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We spent some time picturing our world without bins and discussing what this would look like. We then drew comparison pictures depicting what the world would be like with bins and without bins. Students had some really great ideas! This week we discussed how to keep ourselves safe around medicines. We talked about the purpose of medicines and how to store them properly. The Duckies have really been enjoying our PD Health lessons. I am super impressed with how hard students have worked during assessments as well. We have completed sight word, reading and maths tests over the past few weeks and the Duckies tried their personal best every time. I am so proud! We look forward to winding down next week as we come to end of a very busy term.

The school holidays are fast approaching and I hope that all students have a relaxing and fun time with their families!

Miss McCaw



Office News



New payment method for uniforms

The PandC have purchased an Apple payment unit, so that payment will now be directly paid into the PandC account. Parents may receive a receipt either by adding yourself as a customer to the APP or requesting one directly from the PandC. The unit will be at the office as per before and you are able to purchase at any time.

Group activities

During second half of lunch, staff are conducting a range of great activities to keep students engaged and avoid playground clustering. These include, chess and typing club, choir, gardening, sport and coding. Students are able to choose which group they would like to participate on certain days. In future weeks students will be able to try each activity for a period of time.

Softfall

We have been very fortunate to obtain a grant for the replacement of the soft fall under the playground. This will also include the establishment of artificial grass covering the bare dirt surrounding the playground. We believe this will be completed very soon.

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First Aid

Boolaroo School has a firm policy on first aid procedures and our duty of care for your children. Our staff, are trained in accordance with Department of Education First Aid policy.

If a student is injured at school, treatment is offered and a record kept. Care is taken to assess the student both medically and emotionally, and to also ascertain as to how the accident or injury happened. Should the injury be of a serious nature, parents will be notified by text or phone call depending on the severity and urgency of the injury/ incident. Should the injury / incident be due to the behaviour of another student/s, then this will also be addressed at school and parents will be notified if necessary. Should a student obtain a head injury, if deemed non serious a courtesy text message will always be sent out. Once again should it be deemed that the injury is of a more serious nature then parents will be contacted by phone and asked to collect their child. It is appropriate if parents are concerned by a text sent by the school, to call and speak to the staff member that attended the student's injury, not to contact the teacher after hours, as they may be unaware of the injury if it was not serious.

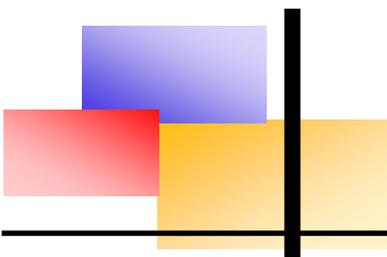
Students injure themselves on a regular basis at school, just as they do on the weekends when they are at home with their parents and friends.

School Banking

Will be starting back on the first week of Term 3 on each and every Tuesday. If your child does not have a banking account with the Commonwealth Bank and you wish to start participating in student banking. Then please go into a Commonwealth Bank or go online and join and then you will be able to participate each Tuesday. This is a great program that encourages your child to save from an early age.

2021 Payments

A survey will come out shortly on School Stream asking if our community is in agreement with the school billing a set amount at the beginning of the school year to cover the majority of excursions (excluding major ones) As each excursion/incursion occurs the amount will be deducted without parents having to send anything further in. Any left over at the end of the year will be returned to each family. This will alleviate staff having to chase payments and also students missing out on excursions/ incursions. Stay tuned.



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Boolaroo Public P&C

We will be running a Thomson's Pie Fundraiser with order forms being sent home in week 10. Please send completed orders forms back to the school office by the end of week 1 Term 3, Friday 24th July.

Due to current circumstances, our next General P&C meeting will be held during Term 3, with a date still to be decided. Any questions can be emailed through to us at boolaroopublicpandc@gmail.com



P&C are running a **Pyjama** Day on the last day of this term, **Friday 3rd July**. A gold coin donation will be collected from students.

Good for Kids good for life

BREAKFAST IS THE BEST ROUTINE



Breakfast is important for kid's blood sugar levels. It helps them to concentrate while learning, moderate behaviour and have the energy to engage in physical activity.

Breakfast also reduces the desire to snack on high sugar and high fat foods.

Quick and Easy Breakfast Ideas

- Cereal with milk, yoghurt and/or fruit
- Wholegrain toast or raisin bread
- Smoothies made with fresh, frozen or canned fruit

Tip: to get kids ready to learn, keep the TV off during breakfast time

For delicious breakfast recipes visit the Healthy Kids recipe page and click 'breakfast'
<https://www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au/>

Source: Northern Sydney Local Health District



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The school acknowledges the traditional custodians of this land.



BOOLAROO HOLIDAY PROGRAM

JULY 2020 - WEEK 1

<p>MONDAY JULY 6</p> <p>NAIDOC Celebration Day</p> <p>This year's theme is <i>Always Was, Always Will Be.</i></p>  <p>Celebrate and acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, culture and art.</p>	<p>TUESDAY JULY 7</p> <p>TASK Underwater</p> <p><i>Dive into the deep blue sea!</i></p> <p>Create sea creatures real & imagined.</p> <p>Watch a doco style movie too!</p> 	<p>WEDNESDAY JULY 8</p> <p>TASK has Talent</p> <p>Do you have a talent, maybe something cool you can do?</p> <p>Participate in TASK's Talent show!</p> <p>A day of music, performances and hidden talents.</p> 	<p>THURSDAY JULY 9</p> <p>Sports Day</p> <p>Get outside and enjoy the sunshine (hopefully) with a day filled of outside play.</p> 	<p>FRIDAY JULY 10</p> <p>Chill Out Day</p>  <p>Relax in PJs today.</p> <p>Enjoy trivia, fun and movies with popcorn.</p> 	<p>THE AFTER SCHOOL KLUB</p> <p>Hours: Mon - Fri 7:00am - 6pm</p> <p>BOOKING: enrol@task-kids.com.au task-kids.com.au 1300 827 500</p>
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JULY 2020 - WEEK 2

<p>MONDAY JULY 13</p> <p>In the Lab</p> <p>Calling all budding Scientists!</p>  <p>You know those awesome experiments that are too messy to do at home?</p> <p>We'll be doing them at TASK.</p>	<p>TUESDAY JULY 14</p> <p>Crazy Hair & Disco</p> <p>Wear your briest colours and crazy hats ready for a groovy day of dance and colour!</p> 	<p>WEDNESDAY JULY 15</p> <p>TASK does Art</p> <p>Get creative!</p> <p>Today is all about embracing your inner artist and letting your imagination take over.</p> 	<p>THURSDAY JULY 16</p> <p>Wellness Reset</p> <p>A wellbeing day. Discover fresh ideas at morning and afternoon workshops. Feed our bodies and minds.</p> 	<p>FRIDAY JULY 17</p> <p>Recycle & Remake</p> <p>Recycle and learn what we can do to help our environment.</p>  <p>Time to put those recycled items to good use.</p> <p>Let your imagination run wild!</p>	<p>MONDAY JULY 20</p> <p>Be Your Favourite Animal</p> <p>A fun filled day of animal activities and crafts.</p> 
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• Afternoon tea provided • Daily fee: \$55 • All HP subject to change dependent on Government advice / direction. • Each day please bring: recess, lunch and water bottle, hat, raincoat, socks, covered shoes and jumper - all labeled.