

#### BULL CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL | NEWSLETTER #1 – 2025

## **Principal's Message**

Dear Parents & Carers,

I would like to thank staff and students for a very warm and busy term. We have celebrated many exciting events in Term 1 as you can read below.

The school celebrated Harmony Day on the 21 March and this year's theme was "Everybody Belongs". This is a day we celebrate cultural diversity and inclusivity by wearing Orange or traditional costumes to show support.

Thank you to Mr McDowell and Mr Richardson for taking our students to the Interschool Cricket Carnival on 1 April. The students displayed great sporting skills and encouragement and are commended for their positive behaviour and results.

Thank you to our amazing P&C volunteers for giving up their weekend in March to coordinate a Busy Bee. This community clean-up event made our surroundings cleaner and greener. The volunteers also painted and carried out maintenance work around the school, we appreciate your support for our school.

Thank you to the P&C volunteers for creating an Australian Animal Easter Colouring In Competition this year. The new theme was very creative and lots of entries were received and displayed in the library. Winners were announced and prizes were awarded to the most artistic entries. The winning entries will be displayed at the Bull Creek Library over the holidays.

Year 6 "B Dress Up Day" on 10 April was a big success. There was a variety of creative costumes across the school. the year 6 students raised \$436 towards their end of year excursions.

Thank you Mrs Levy, Mr Marshall and Mrs Easterday for your collaborative effort in honouring the brave men and women who have served our country at our ANZAC Service held this morning. Thank you to all the classroom teachers and students for making poppies for our garden display, they looked very beautiful.

Phone*:* 08 6216 4400

School Watch: 1800 177 777 We have some exciting updates to share regarding our team. Please join us in welcoming new members and congratulating those who are taking on new roles!

With a heavy heart we farewell two amazing School Officers. The Bull Creek Community will miss your smiling welcome and wisdom. Meagan Hanson - After 17 years with us, Meagan is moving on to pursue new opportunities at Fiona Stanley. We thank Meagan for her invaluable contributions and wish her all the best in her future endeavours. Lala Lance – after 13 years at Bull Creek, Lala will also be taking on new adventures at Fiona Stanley. We thank Lala for her invaluable contributions and wish her all the best in her future role. Mr Elton Geer and Mrs Denise Williams will be taking on the role in administration for Term 2.

Mrs Louise Twist will be taking the remainder of the year off on long service leave. She will be having a well-deserved break, and we thank her for the dedication, hard work, support and professionalism she has given to the Bull Creek community. Congratulations to Nathanael Howard who will be taking on the full-time Deputy role for the remainder of the year. Congratulations to Tanja Colgan as she will be taking on the Friday Deputy role for the remainder of the year. We welcome Mrs Christine Reger as the Friday German teacher.

Mrs Williams is on long service leave for Term 2 and she is off traveling around Australia. We wish her safe travels. Mrs McFarlane will be the library officer on Monday and Coco will be the library officer working on the Tuesday and Wednesday for Term 2.

We welcome back Mrs Allier and Ms Bradshaw for Term 2, we look forward to seeing familiar faces back with us.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the staff, students and parents for their continued commitment and enthusiasm. Let's continue to support each other and achieve great things together at Bull Creek Primary School.

Please remember school starts on Tuesday 29 April and Swimming lessons begin on Wednesday 30 April.

I would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy holiday break.

Mrs Sharon Marchenko Principal



## **Health & Wellbeing**

The second half of the term at Bull Creek Primary School has been both busy and fun. Our well-informed Parent Club has been instrumental in encouraging connections through shared interests. The lunchtime clubs in the library have been bustling with activity, and the chess club has successfully commenced, providing students with an engaging and strategic pastime.

Wellness Week was a highlight this term, incorporating Harmony Week and Neurodiversity Week. Students enjoyed a variety of activities, including bubbles, dancing and wellness breathing exercises before school. Crazy hair day, buddy class activities, and healthy vegie crunchy lunch boxes.

On Friday last week we had lots of students riding, scootering and walking to school and Harmony Day celebrations further highlighted our commitment to wellness and inclusivity at Bull Creek Primary School. We celebrate our uniqueness and diversity, recognizing that these qualities make us all special.

Have a wonderful holiday break if you are enjoying time away and if not there are plenty of free and fun things to do on the weekends.

Easter School Holiday Activities - Perth (April 2025) Things to do in Perth during the 2025 Easter School Holidays | RAC WA 100 Things to do in the School Holidays: A Perth List for 2025



The BCPS Health and Wellbeing Committee



## **Celebrating Cultural Diversity**

This term saw our school community come together and celebrate our diversity in many ways.

We welcomed the new year with Chinese New Year celebrations. Classes explored the cultural significance of Chinese New Year and Wattle classes displayed their Year of the Snake activities in their classrooms.

Many families celebrated Ramadan. It is observed by Muslims worldwide as a month of fasting(<u>sawm</u>), communal prayer(<u>salah</u>), reflection, and community.

We had our first Parent Club get -together in Week 7. It was a lovely opportunity for parents and staff to connect. We are looking forward to our next Parent Club meeting in Term 2.

Our Harmony Day assembly was a fantastic way to bring our school community together and celebrate the importance of belonging. The school community looked amazing in a sea of orange and traditional dress.

We are looking forward to continuing our celebration of our school's amazing diversity during Term 2.

Suzy Hutchin EALD Teacher/Coordinator

























## **School News**

#### **School and Office Hours**

The school office is open from 08:30am to 3:30pm.

Classroom doors open at 08:40am and the bell to start the school day is at 08:50am. Children must not arrive before 8:30am unless they are doing a leadership role or PFT Soccer on a Friday morning before school. The school day ends at 3:00pm.

Parents can use the services of Camp Australia to arrange before and after school care to accommodate for working hours.

#### **Change of Address**

Please ensure that your physical address is kept up to date with the school and that you notify the school office if you have moved.

#### **Medical Needs for Students**

It is very important that families inform the school of any medical needs for students. This includes asthma, allergies, anaphylaxis and any other conditions that may affect the wellbeing and safety of a student during the school day. If your child has a current medical condition or develops one throughout the school year, please obtain the medical forms from the front office and return them with updated medication as required.

#### **Mobile Phones Policy**

Between the hours of 8:30am-3:00pm mobile phones will not be used by students for any communication purposes. Smart watches must be placed into 'aeroplane mode' and mobile phones are to be handed in to the office, for safe keeping, when students arrive at school and collected at the end of the day.

#### Absentees

If your child is absent from school, please contact the school office on 6216 4400 or email **bullcreek.ps@education.wa.edu.au** as early as possible to advise of the reason for absence.

#### Late Arrival / Early Departures

Students arriving to school after 9am must be signed in at the office by a parent or guardian before entering their classroom.

Students leaving school early, must be signed out at the office before the student is collected from class.

#### NO Parking or Walking Through Staff Car Parks

Staff car parks are strictly a no parking area. Please do not walk through the staff car parks, it is dangerous as we have workmen, deliveries and the FLDC bus using the staff car parks.

#### **Parking Around the School**

Some of the parking in front of the school is a pick up and drop off zone only (Kiss and Drive). For the safety of all of our children, please do not park and/or exit your vehicle in the marked out green parking area on Francisco Crescent. If you are early, please continue to move around the block in a clockwise direction until your child is ready at the Kiss and Drive collection point.

It is illegal and dangerous to double park anywhere along the school boundary roads.

When collecting from the classroom, please find a safe parking space around the school. Parking is also available on Darley Circle with laneway access onto the school grounds.

Parking is not permitted in the staff car parks at all times and for safety reasons, please do not walk through the staff car parks before, during or after school.

Unfortunately a number of families continue to park in the City of Melville NO PARKING ZONES around the school. If you spot someone doing the wrong thing, to help keep our community safe, please report it to the City of Melville via the below link.

Report Local Issues to Councils | Snap Send Solve



## BULL CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL

## **TERM DATES for 2025**

Term 1	Wednesday, 5 February to Friday, 11 April 2025
Term 2	Tuesday, 29 April to Friday, 4 July 2025
Term 3	Tuesday, 22 July to Friday, 26 September 2025
Term 4	Tuesday, 14 October to Thursday, 18 December 2025

## **Public Holidays**

Labour Day	Monday, 3 March
Good Friday	Friday, 18 April
Easter Monday	Monday, 21 April
Professional Development Day	Monday, 28 April
ANZAC Day	Friday, 25 April
Western Australia Day	Monday, 2 June
Professional Development Day	Monday, 21 July
King's Birthday	Monday, 29 September
Professional Development Day	Monday, 13 October

## **Term 2 Calendar**

WK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Apr/ May	28 PD Day	<b>29</b> School starts today	<b>30</b> In term Swimming Lessons	1 In term Swimming Les- sons	2 In term Swimming Les- sons
					P&C Election Sausage Sizzle Saturday 3 May
2	5	6	7	8	9
	In term Swimming Les- sons	In term Swimming Lessons	In term Swimming Lessons P&C Mother's Day Stall	In term Swimming Les- sons P&C Mother's Day Stall	In term Swimming Les- sons
3	12	13	14	15	16
5	12	P&C Meeting (6:30pm)	14	AEC Incursion (Yr 5/6)	Assembly – W3
		Pac meeting (0:30pm)		ALC Incursion (11 5/0)	Assembly – WS National Walk Safely to School Day
4	19	20	21	22	23
	Constable Care Excursion (Yr 5)	Constable Care Excursion (Yr 1)		Parent Club (8:45am)	
5	26	27	28	29	30
			Yr 6 Cake Stall Fundraiser		Assembly – B4 Newsletter
6	2	3	4	5	6
June	WA DAY				
7	9	10	11	12	13
				P&C Meeting (3pm) Yr 6 Excursion – Par- liament House	Assembly – W5
8	16	17	18	19	20
			School Board 4:30pm		Faction Cross Country
9	23	24	25	26	27
				Parent Club (8:45am) In my pocket incursion (Yr6) Laternenlauf	
10	30	1	2	3	4
		Winter Carnival			NAIDOC Assembly – W9 & B2 LAST DAY OF TERM Newsletter
HOLS	7	8	9	10	11
Jul					
HOLS	14	15	16	17	18

Email: bcpspandc@outlook.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/BullCreekPrimarySchoolPC

END OF TERM ONE (ALREADY?)



Term one has been really successful for P&C fund raising and activities. We thank everyone who came to work on maintaining our school grounds at the recent Busy Bee. It was great to sit back and admire the results of our teams hard work. THANK YOU TEAM BEE'S!!!

Our welcome picnic was also a success, a great opportunity for some fun and meet some new faces and names. Thank you to everyone who attended to help celebrate and welcome everything new.

P&C raised funds for our school with the Easter colour competition and the State Election Sausage Sizzle. As we continue to work hard to raise funds for our school extras, and with an abundance of activities planned in 2025, we would love to see some new faces at our P&C meetings and events. P&C is a great way to show our children real community spirit and pride for their school. Please if you can, register your interest for our Just One Thing program.



The School Mother's Day stall fundraiser is an event organized to honor mothers while raising funds for various school projects or events. The stall will feature a variety of small gifts all priced at \$5 per item.

#### Email: <u>bcpspandc@outlook.com</u>

Facebook: www.facebook.com/BullCreekPrimarySchoolPC

#### CANTEEN

Hello from BCPS Canteen

It is difficult to believe that we have already come to the end of term 1. We got overwhelming response for all our new menu items. Thanks for all your love & support.

Re-introduction of Sushi was also a big hit ! It was loved by everyone again. We are happy to announce a few more new items in term 2.

The new feature of "Pay back" worked really well for both team canteen and parents. Thanks to all those who used it. Thanks,

Anuja (Canteen manager)



#### UNIFORM SHOP

Please note the slight change to open times. Many thanks.



Email: <u>bcpspandc@outlook.com</u>

Facebook: <a href="http://www.facebook.com/BullCreekPrimarySchoolPC">www.facebook.com/BullCreekPrimarySchoolPC</a>

#### WHATS ON IN 2025

Important dates for the Calander.



		SULL CREDA
FV	FNT S	CHEDULE 🚫
	M3&	
I LA	unoa	
⊕ B	ULL CREEK DAD'S	EVENTS TBC
TU	ES 5TH AUG	P&C Meeting (6.30pm)
ТН	RS 4TH SEPT	Fathers Day Stall Kindy Kongas Stall Tues 2nd Sept
тни	RS 4TH SEPT	P&C Meeting (3pm) Term 3, Week 7
FR	26TH SEPT	Colour Fun Run
SA	T 25TH OCT	BCPS 50th Anniversary Fete
TUE	S 28TH OCT	P&C Meeting (6.30pm) Term 4, Week 3
TUE	ES 11TH NOV	Spellathon
THU	RS 27TH NOV	P&C Meeting (3pm) Term 4, Week 7
MO	N 15TH DEC	Celebration Night
hen	spandc@outlook.com	https://www.facebook.com/BullCreekPrimarySchoolPC





#### P & C WISH EVERONE A SAFE AND HAPPY EASTER / ANZAC BREAK. LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU ALL AGAIN IN TERM 2!



Email: <u>bcpspandc@outlook.com</u>

Facebook: www.facebook.com/BullCreekPrimarySchoolPC

### THE WINNERS OF THE 2025 P&C EASTER COLOURING COMPETITION HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED!

THIS YEAR, WE'RE EXCITED TO UNVEIL EIGHT STUNNING NEW TEMPLATES, EACH ONE BEAUTIFULLY INSPIRED BY AUSTRALIA'S UNIQUE FLORA AND FAUNA, CRAFTED BY TALENTED LOCAL ARTISTS. DIVE INTO A WORLD OF CREATIVITY AND CELEBRATE THE VIBRANT SPIRIT OF OUR WESTERN AUSTRALIAN WILDLIFE!

# EASTER COLOURING COMPETITION

TEMPLATES CREATED BY LOCAL FINELINER ARTIST AND ZOOKEEPER RENEE BAUHOFER OF @GUMDOTS INCLUDE: "I BELIEVE IN THE EASTER BILBY" (KINDERGARTEN TO PRE-PRIMARY) "BILBY EASTER BASKET" (YEAR 1) "EASTER QUOKKA CONNECT-THE-DOTS" (YEAR 2) "BILBY IN WA BUSH WITH EASTER EGGS" (YEAR 3).

RENEE EXPRESSES HER DEEP LOVE FOR ALL ANIMALS AND PLANTS, PARTICULARLY NATIVE AUSTRALIAN SPECIES, WHICH REFLECT THE BEAUTY AND UNIQUENESS OF HER HOME. MOTIVATED BY A COMMITMENT TO PREVENT EXTINCTION, SHE CHANNELS THIS PASSION INTO HER WORK AT PERTH ZOO AND HER BUSINESS, GUMDOTS, FOR HER, EDUCATION IS A VITAL TOOL FOR CONSERVATION, AS UNDERSTANDING FOSTERS PROTECTION FOR WHAT WE CHERISH. THROUGH HER CAPTIVATING DRAWINGS, SHE ASPIRES TO IGNITE A LOVE FOR THESE MAGNIFICENT SPECIES IN EVERYONE SHE REACHES.

#### BILBA TEMPLATE (YEAR 5) BY @CAITLIN.MIRII.ART

CAITLIN TRINDALL, A PROUD GOMERDI WOMAN AND THE CREATOR OF MIRII ART, HARNESSES HER LIFE EXPERIENCES TO CRAFT UNIQUE CONTEMPORARY ARTWORKS THAT WEAVE ABORIGINAL ART AND CULTURE INTO EVERYDAY SPACES AND CONVERSATIONS. THE EASTER BILBY COLDRING PAGE SHOWCASES "BILBA," MEANING "BILBY" IN THE GAMILARAAY LANGUAGE, CELEBRATING THE BEAUTY OF HERITAGE AND CREATIVITY.

EASTER BILBY'S UNDER THE OZ MOONLIGHT (YEAR 6) COURTESY OF @DISOBEDIENTGOAT (ETSY)

EASTER KANGAROO WITH EGGS (YEAR 4) AND EASTER EGGS WITH NATIVE FLOWERS (PARENTS / CARERS, TEACHERS AND STAFF) CATEGORIES BY @LITTLESTEMCODERS (ETSY)



#### IN 2025, WE RECEIVED OVER 200 ENTRIES FOR THE COMPETITION!

THE STUDENTS' ENTRIES WERE JUDGED BY MRS. WILLIAMS (LIBRARY), MS. MCFERRAN (ART), MRS. EASTERDAY (ART), AND MS. MCFARLANE (EA).

IN A FUN TWIST, THE ADULT ENTRIES WERE JUDGED BY THE KIDS!

#### **OVERALL WINNERS**

KINDY MACEY, WID PRE-PRIMARY NIRVIK, W8 YEAR 1 EDIE, W6 YEAR 2 ISLA, W3 YEAR 3 IZZY, W2 YEAR 4 ANAIAH, S4 YEAR 5 ARSHIDA, S3 YEAR 6 SOPHIA T, B6

#### PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARDS

KINDY-PRE-PRIMARY ISHITA, PRE-PRIMARY, W7 YEAR 1 - YEAR 2 DECLAN, YEAR 1, W6 YEAR 3 - YEAR 4 ADVIK, YEAR 4, S4 YEAR 5 OLIVIA J, S5 YEAR 6 NIYA, B6

PARENT/CARER AND TEACHER/STAFF CATEGORY AS JUDGED BY

THE STUDENTS! CANDY, PARENT OF OSCAR, DECLAN AND TRISTAN CINDY, PARENT OF ALYSSA

ALL STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED WILL RECEIVE THEIR ARTWORK BACK AND A CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION IN WEEK 1, TERM 2. THE COMPETITION WINNERS WILL BE ON DISPLAY OVER THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT BULL CREEK LIBRARY.









## Keep your kids entertained during the school holidays with our fun and active camps throughout the year.

Willetton Basketball runs fun and active camps during the January, April, July, September, and December school holidays each year. Our camps are open to all school-aged kids from six and over. Not only are our holiday camps a great way to keep your kids entertained during the holidays, but they are an active, enjoyable and social environment for your child while they are off school.

## Dates & Pricing



## Week One 6-9 year olds – 4 Day Camp

Monday 14th April – Thursday 17th April 2025

Camp runs 9:00am - 3:30pm daily.

Cost: \$246

## Week Two 9-15 year olds - 3 Day Camp

This will be a FUN camp with no competitions. Instead there will be games, and a trip to Lazerblaze and Hoyts!

Tuesday 22nd April – Thursday 24th April 2025

Camp runs 9:00am – 3:30pm daily.

Cost: \$186



For further information and registrations, please visit

www.willettonbasketball.com.au/programs/holiday-camps/



## FREE Squash Stars Holiday Camps – Fun, Fitness & Friends!

Looking for a free, action-packed holiday activity for your child? Squash Stars Holiday Camps are the perfect way to keep kids (ages 6-12 years) active, engaged, and making new friends these school holidays!

#### Date: 22 April, 9:00am - 3:30pm Location: Squashworld Cambridge 292 Cambridge St, Wembley

#### What's in store?

- Enjoyable squash games
- Exciting skill challenges
- Fun activities
- Loads of laughter & memories!

No experience needed—just bring energy and a smile!

#### Spots are limited—Register Now!

Give your child the chance to try something new, stay active, and have a blast these holidays.



## WWW.SQUASHSTARS.COM.AU



Ph 0476149696. Visit the website for more info and to book! www.creativekidsartclub.com.au

# \* Studio Marigold

## CREATIVE WORKSHOP SPACE

SHOP 7/1 DUNDEE ST, LEEMING

AFTER SCHOOL ART CLUB



BIRTHDAY ART PARTIES



MINI MAKERS TODDLER SESSIONS



PRIVATE GROUP EVENTS



ADULT ART WORKSHOPS



SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS



creativity is intelligence having fun

~ Albert Einstein

BOOK ONLINE · STUDIOMARIGOLD.SHOP FOLLOW US @STUDIOMARIGOLDPERTH