



BULL CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL | NEWSLETTER #7 – 2023

Principal's Message

Dear Parents & Carers,

Thank you everyone for starting Term 4 off with such enthusiasm and positivity. This is another busy term with a few more sporting events, incursions, excursions and weekly Edu-Dance sessions.

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge Mrs McCarthy for her extra work in organising the interschool athletics carnival and all the preparation involved. Also, a big thank you to Mr Patrick, Mr Pascoe and Mr Pember for their time and dedication in training the teams before the big two days. We placed equal 3rd with Oberthur Primary School.

Thank you, Mrs Allier and Mr Patrick for taking our Year 6 students to their first ever Basketball Tournament.

The community have been asking for a while for students to participate and this year we were able to join the competition. The girls won their final and finished first, they proceed to the Championship event on 20 November and the boys came fourth. The school is planning for this to now become an annual event.



Thank you, Amanda Green for coordinating and P&C parents and families who helped make the Colour Run day special. Thank you, Hana and Scott from the School Board for being our roving QR Code survey mascots. Feedback from staff and students highlights how popular and successful this event is for our school community.

The school is seeking to hear from as many parents as possible with the recent survey. All schools are mandated to conduct the National Schools Opinion Survey every two years. The questions are generated by the Department of Education and the responses are anonymous. Can I please get all parents to do the survey via the Connect message, the QR code located in admin, or from our roving mascots at assemblies or before class? The school would appreciate hearing from many voices as this informs future planning for our Business Plan and Operational Plans.

The students have started learning their great moves ready to display for us at Celebration Night. This year the kindergarten students will showcase their dances in Weeks 8 & 9. Parents have been notified of these changes.

Pauline and Rob have changed days for the Culture Club meetings. They are hoping organising parents to assist with ideas to celebrate Multicultural Week in Week 6.

Thank you Mrs Owen for coordinating the Volunteer Morning Tea this week. Thank you to our amazing staff for providing a beautiful spread for our invited guests. I would like to acknowledge and thank Alita and the ensemble students for their beautiful background music to entertain our special guests, it was a lovely morning.

The school hosted the Kindergarten Orientation on 8 November in the library for the 2024 Kindergarten parents. This was a wonderful information session that allowed the parents to learn about the school and the expectations. Thank you Mrs Owen and Mrs King for organising and presenting the session. Thank you Ms McFarlane, Mrs Anny and Mrs Chelsea for helping me provide valuable learning experiences in Wattle 10 for our incoming Kindergarten students on Wednesday.

Thank you, Martin Lau for continually championing the Fathering Project. The Dads had a shared cultural dinner recently in the undercover area and are hosting the annual camp out on Saturday 25 November. Please ensure to join the WhatsApp group and be part of this fun event as mentioned in this week's Connect message.



Thank you to the amazing Wattle staff for their hard work setting up the Messy Mud Day experiences for the K- 3 students. It was wonderful to hear the students' feedback on how much they enjoyed the day. The activities were open ended and allowed for sensory and imaginative play in an outdoor classroom environment.

Sharon Marchenko
Principal

Messy Mud Day - Kid Talk

Wattle 1

Tatsuki—I liked the part when we got to break the ice to free the toys and also I loved when we played with real mud. Thank you teachers making messy muddy possible!

Izzy—I really liked the ooblek the most because if you pick it up and leave it melts, but if you sschosh it and hold it it goes solid. Snow was so much fun, but ooblek was better. The snow was so satisfying.

Avaani—I liked the messy muddy day because the ooblek was fun to play with. I also liked the bubbles but, I barely had a chance to create a big bubble, the water was fun, but it was a bit yucky playing with mud.

Micah—I really liked the ooblek because it was hard when we touched it and then when we scooped it up the ooblek was dripping down our fingers. When it touched the ooblek it turned hard again.

Wattle 2

Phoenix - I enjoyed messy muddy day because the activities were fun. Most peoples favourite activity was the oobleck. Messy muddy day was super fun and enjoyable. I did not really like the mud since it was very sludge like. The bubbles did not really become bubbles.

Affan - I had a lot of fun on messy muddy day. The weirdest part was the oobleck. The physics didn't make any sense. It was melting like a liquid, but if you punched it, it would be solid. My favourite part was the snow. I made a snowman, and called him Bonsly. The Messy Muddy Day, was the best day of the term!

George – I had a lot of fun in that day because it had lots of different stations like the ice station, it was about smashing the ice and getting the plastic out of it. My least favourite part was rice because it is just drawing with rice. I want to do it again because it was lots of fun and it was free.

Wattle 7

George - I liked the face painting because Il liked the different colours and it felt different.

Athena – We made mud pies with the mud. It felt slippery!

Afeez – I liked the slippery mud because I like to get really messy and it was slippery in the mud.

Charlie – I liked sculpture station because I got to make sculptures out of the clay.

Vito – I like the slippery mud. It was on my t-shirt.

Dylan – I liked the slippery mud because my leg was all dirty.



Chaplain Chat



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can hardly believe we are halfway through the term and about to decorate our Christmas trees! Time flies when your having fun and it's been another hard working and fun filled term.

Our lunch time library games continue to be a popular option for the students to attend during the week, especially on a hot day. There will be some Christmas card making on offer soon and next year we hope to add a Chess club and some simple craft ideas.

Our staff are all working harder than ever to get the reports written and prepare everything for the year to come so give them an extra big smile or tell them how amazing they are when you see them around the school.

Week 6 is Multicultural week and we are merging Wellness week in, by Celebrating Strength in Diversity - Being Well.

As well as our multicultural storytelling, food tasting, performances, assembly and dress up day, there will be **bubbles on Tuesday morning 14 Nov from 8am to 8.40am in the undercover area with some wellness dancing.**

I think my highlight so far this term has been attending my first Colour Run! So much fun! What a great P&C and school we have!



Pauline Hough
Chaplain

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 Thursday Fit Club.

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

Sickness

The WA Health Department advises that, "it is necessary for children to remain at home in the early stages of illness and should remain absent until they are symptom free if they have a cough or cold; and for at least 24 hours from the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea." To minimize the spread of viruses and to keep our Bull Creek Primary School community healthy, we would appreciate all families diligence in ensuring your children do not come to school if they are unwell.

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 and a current ASCIA Action Plan from your doctor as required.

Mobile Phones Policy

Between the hours of 8:30am-3:05pm mobile phones will not be used by students for any communication purposes. Smart watches must be placed into, and remain in 'airplane 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.

Parking

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.

Bicycle / Scooter Use

All riders must wear protective helmets. Students and Parents are required to dismount and walk bikes/scooters when on the school grounds.

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 at 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.

RAT Tests

The school unfortunately no longer has a supply of free RAT tests. Please visit your local pharmacy should you require more tests.

Interschool Athletics Carnival

Over Tuesday and Thursday in Week 2, we took a team of nearly 80 students to Riverton Primary School to compete in the SCISA interschool athletics. I was exceptionally pleased and proud of our students. Congratulations to all our students who not only displayed outstanding sporting ability but behaved and competed to a standard expected of Bull Creek students – sensational! Overall, as a school, we finished in 3rd place.



Lastly, I would like to mention the efforts of Nicky Stott who runs the Thursday morning before school Fit Club. Nicky's passion and time has been integral in helping our students' reach their sporting goals and we all appreciate your dedication!

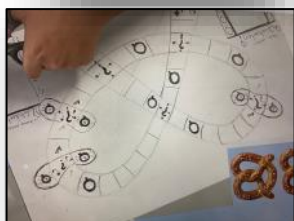
Mr Patrick Fairhead
Phys Ed Teacher

German

Have you ever asked yourself how a bee buzzes in Korean, how a dog barks in German or how a cat meows in Italian? Ask students in Year 3. They are the experts. Animal language can be very interesting and challenging.

Year 6 students are currently designing a German boardgame. We have some very talented game designers and I can't wait to test play the games.

In Year 5 students are getting ready for the Bull Creek Eisdiele. The highlight of the year! Students learn how to order an Ice cream and get to apply their language skill in an authentic situation..... and enjoy an ice cream. Lecker!



Mit freundlichen Grüßen
Frau Tanja Colgan
German Teacher

Banksia 6

Numero or Rowco?

We love our maths games in Banksia Six. But the big question is which is better; Rowco or Numero?

I like Rowco because it involves you thinking Ahead.
Brenda

I like Numero because it's fun and requires strategies and tactical thinking.
Sonia

Rowco is fun to do and fun to play with friends.
Catherine

Numero is complicated and fun to play.
Julia

Rowco is a strategy game that involves thinking.
Jack

I prefer Rowco because it is simple and fast-paced.
Matthan



After surveying the class 21% voted for Numero and 79% prefer Rowco.

Mrs Amanda Allier
Banksia 6 Teacher

Wattle Five News

Wattle Five love being healthy. We have enjoyed many valuable learning experiences outside.

The term began with our class sharing with representatives from the Cancer Council WA the amazing produce from our school vegetable garden. Our vegie gardens are an important part of motivating students to see the value in growing and eating healthy, nutritious, and seasonal produce. This year the students have grown a variety of vegetables with many being successfully harvested including, carrots, broccoli, and celery. The students have enjoyed learning about where our food comes from 'paddock to plate'.

Wattle Five have shown an intrinsic interest in plant life cycles and have flourished in our outdoor classroom. We have also loved doing early morning fitness on the oval with our Year Five buddies. The Year Fives have set up amazing obstacle courses and guided our class through amazing fitness routines.

Highlights from this term include using our imaginations outside and exploring the interesting materials when participating in the Loose Parts incursion. Recently Wattle Five got very messy outside during Outdoor Messy Play Day. We thoroughly enjoyed playing with Oobleck, Bubbles, Frozen, Mud Kitchen and Snow.



Ms Sue Bolton
Sheoak 4 Teacher

What's on in Wattle 10?

WOW! What a busy term we have had already! We have had the Loose Parts incursion, Better Beginnings library incursion, the Colour Run, Messy Mud day as well as weekly Edu-Dance lessons. We are having so much fun in Kindy and have been loving all of the exciting things that we have been doing at school.

In Numeracy we have been focussing on Number. We have been learning to recognise number beyond 10 and write them using the correct number formation. In Literacy, we have been focussing on recount writing and we have had lots of exciting things going on to recount! Here is what some Wattle 10 members had to say about all of the things we have been up to:

"I loved spraying the colours and the water at the colour run" – Maya

"I liked getting an icy pole at the end. I had fun getting colourful" – Nora

"I liked playing with Gracie, we played on the SeeSaw" – Chloe

"I made a SeeSaw out of tiles and the barrel, we needed to use a mattress to be safe." – Leah

"I slid in the mud at messy mud day, I was the messiest" – Ezra

"I liked stepping in the muddy puddles with Maya" – Sherab.



So far, term 4 has been very action packed, filled with lots of learning and fun activities. We are so excited to spend the last 5 weeks having lots of fun in Kindy.

Ms. Ebony Kursar
Wattle 10 Teacher

Term 4 Planner

WK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Oct	9 PD Day	10	11	12 Year 6 Fundraiser Dress Up Day	13 EDU-DANCE
2	16 Basketball Camp – Lakeside (Yr 6) EDU-DANCE	17 Interschool Athletics – Day 1	18 Loose Parts Incursion (Kindy)	19 Interschool Athletics – Day 2 Year 2 Parent iPad info session 4:30–5:30pm Loose Parts Incursion (PP/Yr 1) National Thank Your Cleaner Day	20 P&C Colour Run EDU-DANCE
3	23 EDU-DANCE	24 P&C Meeting	25	26	27 Assembly - IMSS World Teachers Day EDU-DANCE
4 Oct/ Nov	30 EDU-DANCE	31	1 Muddy Cully Incursion (K/PP)	2	3 Assembly – W3 EDU-DANCE
5	6 EDU-DANCE Volunteer Thank You Morning Tea	7	8 Kindy Orientation	9	10 Newsletter EDU-DANCE
6	13 EDU-DANCE Multicultural Week	14	15 Multi-Cultural Food Tasting Day	16 Taiko On Incursion	17 Assembly – W7 & W8 Multicultural Day Diwali Festival of Light EDU-DANCE
7	20 EDU-DANCE	21 P&C Meeting	22	23	24 EDU-DANCE
8 Nov/ Dec	27 EDU-DANCE	28	29 School Board Meeting Year 6 Orientation – Willetton SHS	30	1 Assembly – W2 W10 – Edu-Dance Performance EDU-DANCE
9	4 W8 Kindy – Edu- Dance Performance EDU-DANCE	5	6 Booklist Pick Up (Library)	7 Year 6 Shirt signing	8 EDU-DANCE
10	11 EDU-DANCE Celebration Night	12 Year 6 Graduation Day Reports Home	13 Year 6 Excursion	14 Last Day of School Newsletter	15 PD Day
HOLS	18	19	20	21	22
HOLS	25	26	27	28	29

BCPS P&C NEWS

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THANK YOU MORNING TEA

Some of our P&C members were treated to a beautiful Thank You morning tea on Monday November 6th, put on by the administration and teaching staff at school. We were very grateful for the sentiment, it was a wonderful way to finish a very successful year at school. The orchestra performing for us was also a treat!



It was wonderful to see some new faces at our last P&C meeting and we're really looking forward to the events we already have planned for 2024. If you want to meet more people at school, or you want to have a say with what happens around our school, then....PLEASE JOIN US! Our next P&C meeting will be held in week 7 of term 4. Send an email to bcpspandc@outlook.com for more information.

COLOUR EXPLOSION FUN RUN



Thank you to everyone who contributed to our online fundraising for the Colour Explosion Fun Run, we had a fabulous afternoon in the sunshine and managed to raise over \$5000 for our school! Prizes have been ordered and will be delivered to school before the end of term 4. Congratulations to the highest fundraising student from our school, **Sherab Wangchuk from Wattle 10**, you're in the draw to win a \$10,000 JB Hi-Fi Shopping Spree. Goodluck!



WISE WINE – Be Wise and support our school with the latest fundraiser!

Order wine and spirits online from <https://www.wisewine.com.au/> Enter the coupon code BCPS23 at the checkout to receive 10% discount on all online prices. Wise will kindly donate 20% of all sales back to our school. HURRY, the code expires November 30th, so jump online and order today!

FATHERING PROJECT



Bull Creek Dads

Dads & Kids Camp Out

Come and camp with us on Saturday November 25th. BBQ facilities will be available for dinner, or pre-order your pizzas for dinner before Tuesday 21st November. RSVP to <https://forms.gle/aNTgg7rCn7EnM7gi6>. If you don't have any camping gear, you're still welcome to bring the kids down for a play on the oval!

UNIFORM SHOP

We've received new shorts! Sizes 4, 6, 8 and 10 are available to order online at www.spriggyschools.com.au. Larger sizes are still available in the older style, for a discounted price until stock runs out.

Avoid the back to school rush on uniforms and order now for 2024. Any uniform enquiries should be emailed to bcpspandcuniform@gmail.com

BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Book Club Brochures are distributed twice per term. A proportion of sales is returned to the school as book club credits and rewards which are awarded to classrooms, individuals and the library. To purchase from Book Club register on LOOP, www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP. If you need help please contact us at bcps.bookclub@outlook.com, or Scholastic directly. Your books are delivered in 'Boomerang Bags' which are made from obsolete



school uniforms. Please return them to the office so they can continue to be used. If you have any old logo school uniforms, please donate them back to the school for us to make more bags. Like all gift vouchers, ours have an expiry date so don't forget to use your gift voucher before it expires!

Book Club will be back term 1 of 2024 with more fun and exciting books.



Sushi is now available on Fridays! Thanks Kylie and her team for adding sushi to the menu on Friday, the kids really appreciate it 😊

Lunches must be pre-ordered - preferably using www.spriggyschools.com.au (app or website), otherwise cash orders before 9am at the canteen window. Morning tea can be pre-ordered or cash transactions (excluding Pre-Primary & Kindy children).

Extra snacks, drinks and icy poles can be purchased with cash at lunch time.

SPONSOR SHOUT OUT!



Ultimum Financial Services, founded in 2011, is dedicated to offering comprehensive financial advice tailored to our clients' best interests, ensuring their financial objectives are met both now and in the long term. The P&C is truly grateful for Ultimum Financial's generous financial support at our August Quiz Night, and it's worth noting that one of their Advisors is also a BCPS parent. Should you ever need financial guidance, we encourage you to connect with them!

Bull Creek Podiatry, a warm and locally owned business, was founded by Kerry Pennington, who



received her training and qualifications in London. BCP proudly operates from a modern, well-equipped clinic on the corner of Parry Avenue and Lefroy Road in Bull Creek, ensuring exceptional accessibility for their valued clients. Kerry's holistic approach, strong patient rapport, and unwavering commitment to delivering the highest standard of care distinguish her practice. The P&C would like to express our sincere appreciation to BCP for their generous contribution to our Quiz Night in August. Our community is fortunate to have Kerry extending her services to numerous families from BCPS.

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Holiday Camps

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

DECEMBER HOLIDAY CAMP

Week One – 7-13 year olds – 5 Day Camp

Monday 18th December – Friday 22nd December.

Camp runs 9:00am – 3:30pm daily.

Cost: \$270

Registrations close Thursday 14th December at 12pm, or once maximum numbers are reached.



For further information and registrations, please visit

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



Dec 2023 and Jan 2024

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