Thank you to the families who have already paid their 2017 Essential Items & Resources (Booklist). Those families, together with further families who pay for their children’s booklist by next Tuesday 6th December, will go into our special draw to win a $50 uniform shop voucher. A reminder that parents who hold a current Health Care Card are eligible for a $15.00 discount, but Health Care Cards must be presented to our office. Health Care Card holders can also complete applications for the Camps, Sports and Excursion fund.

Our Prep-4 Swimming Program began yesterday, and our students eagerly jumped into their lessons. Parents are welcome to attend their child’s lessons to see how they progress through the program. Please note our designated Parent Helpers all have a Working With Children Check. Our thanks to Mr Kret for the huge job of organising this fantastic program.

We are all looking forward to our Family Christmas Carols from 5.00pm on Monday 12th December. Our students have enthusiastically begun rehearsing their class Christmas Carol (some using Auslan, some with their own choreography/actions) ready to perform for our families. I encourage all of our families to come along, with their picnic rugs, nibbles and drinks, to enjoy the warm weather and mingle with other Bundoora families, prior to our Carols which will begin at 6.00pm.

A reminder that this Monday 5th December is a Pupil Free Day, to enable planning for 2017 as well as our extensive handover processes. Our Out of School Hours Care Program will be available from 7.15am to 6.00pm at the usual cost of $50 (reduced by 50% once the Government Child Care Benefit is applied). Bookings for this OSHC all day program are now open and must be received by this Thursday 1st December. Please note we require a minimum of 10 bookings for the program to run for the day.

Our 2016 Scholarships of Excellence Awards will be presented at our next Monday morning assembly which will be Monday 12th December, as well as announcing our 2017 Student Leadership Team. I am delighted to announce that this year we will be awarding two students from each class, one for academic excellence and one for effort, as well as one student in each specialist area. Each scholar will receive a certificate and (double the cash prize as previous years) $100.00, which goes towards their education. We will welcome our local member for Bundoora, Mr Colin Brooks, who will present the awards. I encourage all of our families to attend this very special assembly, which will be a celebration of our school year, our students’ successes and all that we have achieved. Following our Assembly, our Parent Helper’s Morning Tea will be held in our Staff & Community Room. This is an opportunity for our staff to thank all of our parent volunteers who have helped our students, teachers and programs throughout the year. There are so many people to thank, from Canteen Volunteers, School Councillors, Classroom Readers, School Banking, Parents & Friends, Working Bee, Class Representatives, and so much more. Each and every one of you have supported our school and we are so very grateful for your help.
I am delighted to announce that we will be welcoming some new staff we will be welcoming into our community in the new year. We will be welcoming Nick Shelley into our 1/2 area, Andrea Lagana into our 1/2 area, Callum Shaw into our 3/4 area, and Nahla Said as Education Support. Our new staff will be joining us on Monday (during the Pupil Free Day) to participate in the handover session. I’m sure you will all join me in welcoming all of our new staff in the new year. Mrs Ancell will be leaving us at the beginning of March to await the birth of her first child.

Our final 2017 Prep Transition sessions completed with their final transition being last Wednesday, which included a welcome ceremony and presentation. Thank you to all of our 2017 Prep families for bringing their children along to our transition sessions, which have been extremely beneficial towards helping our gorgeous 2017 prep students to become familiar with our school, their new teachers, and each other. I certainly hope our families have enjoyed meeting new families and also becoming familiar with our school.

Our Year 5/6 Students will be holding a stall at LaTrobe University Market this Sunday, 4th December, from 9.00am, selling Jolly Jars and frames handcrafted by our Year 5/6 students. Our Year 5/6 students have thoroughly enjoyed immersing themselves in creating beautiful crafted products, which have been sold to people in our school community and beyond, with profits going to under privileged children in North Bali. Our Year 5/6 students have taken on this charitable program, understanding the importance of giving to those less fortunate. Mr Meagher has guided the students tremendously through this program which will continue into next year. Our thanks to Deb McCleary for her support with craft ideas and assistance.

Our Caring Hearts Christmas Card program is on again this year. Our students have been buying and writing in Christmas cards, to be sent to elderly citizens in nursing homes around Australia. This is the third year we have participated in this event, which shares a little joy to our valued elderly citizens who appreciate a little extra cheer at Christmas time.

Enjoy your week, Lee Pollard

Did you miss last week’s Monday morning Assembly?

- Prep Transition information
- Family Christmas Carols
- Swimming Program
- Parent Helpers Morning Tea
- Pupil Free Day coming up
- Scholarships & Student Leadership

...and further reports from our Captains, House Captains reporting on their chosen Value of the week, Birthdays & our School Song.

Pupil of the Week for the previous two weeks:

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<td>5/6M</td>
<td>For an outstanding effort with his handwriting this week. Slow and steady is the way to go.</td>
<td>Travis</td>
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<td>5/6J</td>
<td>For her improved attitude and application towards her school work. For assisting her classmates without being asked to. Well done!</td>
<td>Daniella Tahlia W</td>
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<td>4/5N</td>
<td>For always being a positive student in class. For volunteering to be our computer fixer-upper!</td>
<td>Alhasan Layne</td>
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<td>3/4A</td>
<td>For the increased effort you have been putting into your work. Keep it up! For always demonstrating our school values. You are a fantastic member of our BPS community.</td>
<td>Levina Tanaeang</td>
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<td>3/4B</td>
<td>For great problem solving skills in class and the schoolyard. For showing compassion to others.</td>
<td>Wil Bethany</td>
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<td>1/2T</td>
<td>For your outstanding weekend writing piece. Great job doing it all by yourself! For your excellent efforts in improving your reading. Well done!</td>
<td>Reilly Alana</td>
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<td>1/2S</td>
<td>For being such a wonderful and caring friend for your classmate. For your excellent writing recount of our concert night. It was a very interesting and detailed writing piece. I especially like the part when you were busy waving and blowing kisses to your family in the audience that you almost forgot to walk off the stage! An enjoyable read. Well done.</td>
<td>Malcolm Phoebe</td>
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<td>1/2N</td>
<td>For your excellent efforts in Maths this semester. Keep up the great work! For your excellent concert recount writing. Keep up the great work! For always approaching your work with a positive attitude and trying your best!</td>
<td>Maanas Scott Lizzy</td>
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<td>Prep D</td>
<td>For beautiful reading during out 'EEKK' sessions. For working so hard at improving her writing skills.</td>
<td>Arya Alice</td>
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<td>Prep B</td>
<td>For being an amazing worker and trying his best.</td>
<td>Lucas</td>
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<td>Science</td>
<td>Outstanding knowledge about the needs of pets. Excellent work in the presentation of her Mars Project.</td>
<td>Alice Jamie</td>
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<td>Visual Arts</td>
<td>For working so beautifully on your textile dove. Great work, Henry! For always following our school values beautifully and showing kindness and consideration to others!</td>
<td>Henry Max and Libby</td>
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<td>Phys. Ed</td>
<td>For showing fantastic enthusiasm and sportsmanship during our soccer clinics.</td>
<td>Maksim</td>
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<td>Performing Arts</td>
<td>For always being so helpful, happy, respectful and full of energy every time you bounce into the classroom! You can brighten anyone’s day with that attitude!</td>
<td>Alannah S</td>
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<td>Corrective Reading</td>
<td>For your fantastic results during timed reading. Great effort knowing your sounds within the word list.</td>
<td>Emily S Brayden</td>
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<td>Auslan</td>
<td>For trying very hard when signing and describing your art work this week. Congratulations, Demi. You are an Auslan Star. For always being so willing to learn new Auslan signs in Art. Congratulations - you are an Auslan star!</td>
<td>Demi Benjamin and Stella</td>
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Visual Arts - Nikki Rhodes

A huge thank you to our grade 6 students for creating such beautiful bottle top murals. Thank you to everyone who has collected hundreds of lids for our murals. They will be on display very soon!

Canteen

Firstly, I would like to thank the grade 5 and 6 students who helped out with the Canteen Cupcake program.

Secondly, the Wednesday Treat for next week will be Chocolate Chip Cookies @ 50 cents each and for Wednesday 14th December there will be M&M Cookies @ 50 cents each.

Thank you to the many parent/carer and grandparent volunteers who have helped out in the Canteen this year.

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Before School / After School Care Program

(for bookings phone 0467 712 368)

A reminder to all parents that Monday 5th December is a Pupil Free Day. The cost of the day will be the usual charge of $50.00 (less Government CCB Rebate). The day will include an excursion to the Bundoora Farm (for the cost of $15.00 payable on the day). If your child will be attending this all day program please book them in as soon as possible, prior to tomorrow (Thursday 1st December).

A reminder to all parents, where possible, to provide as much notice (at least 24 hours is preferable) to book their child into our before and after school care program. Our OSHC Program is growing in success and popularity and we are running the program, regularly on some days, close to our maximum licensed capacity. Also, a reminder that a late fee of $2.00 per minute is charged when children are picked up from our OSHC Program after 6.00pm. It is a requirement that we are advised if, for whatever reason, parents will be running late and collecting their child after 6.00pm. Please see our website for full terms & conditions, including late fees and how to register.
Goodstart Bundoora Karl Court is now taking enrolments for 2017.

Contact Tamika or Kristy to book your tour today, and meet our friendly staff.
9466 9877
bdr@goodstart.org.au

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MEET THE COACH DAY
SUNDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2016
10.00AM – 2.00PM

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GREENWOOD DRIVE
BUNDOORA

ALL PLAYERS WELCOME FROM
Under 8’s – Under 17’s (Colts)

FREE BBQ & SOFT DRINKS

JUNIOR FOOTBALL FOR GIRLS
AT
Bundoora Junior Football Club

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