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Dates to Remember

Wednesday 8th February

No preps at school

(Prep assessments)

Friday 10th February

Year 4-6 Interschool Sports vs Watsonia North (away)

Monday 13th February

Meet the Teacher & Parent

Information Evening

Prep - 6.30pm-7.30pm

Year 1/2 - 7.30pm-8.30pm

Wednesday 15th February

No preps at school

(Prep assessments)

Meet the Teacher and Parent

Information Evening

Year 3/4 - 6.30pm-7.30pm

Year 5/6 - 7.30pm-8.30pm

Friday 17th February

Year 4-6 Interschool Sports vs St Mary's (home)



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Bundoora Bulletin

From the Principal...

It is wonderful to see our students settled and comfortable in their classrooms. Our teachers are well into the process of assessing students to see where they're at, whether they may need assistance or be challenged, in order to prepare and conduct their lessons. Our Specialist Programs are being delivered with enthusiasm and interest. Our wonderful Visual Art Teacher, Mrs Rhodes, will be absent until the end of this term, following surgery on her back yesterday. Her surgery has been successful and we wish Mrs Rhodes a speedy recovery and look forward to welcoming her back at the start of Term 2. Mrs Ancell will conduct Prep-2 Visual Arts lessons throughout this term until she starts Family Leave towards the end of this term. Mr Luke has taken up a classroom position at another school, which will better suit his family. We wish Mr Luke all the best in his new appointment. Mr Shehan will conduct Science lessons. Mr Cass and Ms Narayan will continue developing our STEM Program, which will become part of our Science lessons. Whilst two of our Specialist programs have been slightly disrupted, I'd like to assure all of our parents and students, these programs are still an integral part of our teaching and learning at BPS, not lacking in development or commitment in any way.

I'd like to welcome all our new families to our wonderful school. It has been sensational to watch many of you chatting with other families in the playground at drop-off or pick-up time. Our new Prep students are so settled and happy and they are living examples of our excellent transition processes. We all hope that your association with Bundoora Primary School is long and happy.

We are holding our **Meet the Teacher & Parent Information Evenings** next week – Prep-2 on Monday 13th February and Years 3-6 on Wednesday 15th February. Our teachers have prepared extensive information to present to our parents, including important information about their students' learning goals. An e-Presentation from our Specialist Teachers, Mrs Newell and Mr Kret, will also be presented. Presentations will be given in the following year groups as follows:

(Please note the change of times for Year 1/2 students and Year 5/6 students)

Monday 13th February

Prep	6:30pm in the Prep classrooms (chat with teachers and class parents until 7.30pm)
Year 1/2	7.30pm starting in the Prep classrooms (chat with teachers and class parents in Year 1/2 classrooms until 8.30pm)

Wednesday 15th February

Year 3/4	6.30pm in the 3/4 Classroom (Building 2) (chat with teachers and class parents until 7.30pm)
Year 5/6	7.30pm in the Palace (chat with teachers and class parents until 8.30pm)

We will be holding our **Parents & Friends AGM on Monday 20th February** at 7.00pm. Being part of our Parents & Friends team is not only rewarding as, together, we raise funds to support our students and our school, it's also an opportunity to meet and mix with other parents and carers from our community in a relaxed and enjoyable way. We hold approximately 6-8 meetings throughout the year, both evening and during the day. We are very eager to welcome existing members to our P&F team, and welcome as many new members into this fun group of parents and carers. We encourage new ideas and hope to see many parents to our first meeting. Sarah Parr, mum to Emily & Catherine, has eagerly taken on the role as P&F Coordinator who will support, guide and encourage anyone who wishes to join our team. If you are interested in joining our P&F Team, but are unable to attend this first meeting, please let our office staff know. Our aim is to agree on several fundraising events/activities throughout the year, which will then (hopefully) be coordinated by a different person/s in our P&F Team, fully supported by our overall coordinator, Sarah.

Our **School Banking** Program is, again, coordinated by one of our wonderful parent volunteers, Kerry Scott, Lenny's mum. To open a Student Banking Account, simply go to your nearest Commonwealth Bank and open it at the counter there. Students can then bring their bank books to school each Tuesday, which will be processed and returned by the end of the week. Students are able to bank as much or as little as they are able to. It's a great way to teach children the importance of saving.

Canteen

A reminder that our Canteen is open Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays for lunch orders and over the counter sales. A copy of our Term 1 Menu is available [here](#), on our website, App, and located in our foyer. Parents or grandparents who would like to volunteer in our Canteen, please see our office staff or complete the volunteer form ([click here](#)) on our App. It's a great way for our parents and grandparents to meet other parents, our staff and students, and children are always excited about having a family member helping around our school.

Uniform

I'd like to remind all parents/carers and students that our school uniform is compulsory. Our School Council Policy ([click here](#)) clearly states that our uniform should be worn proudly and should be the items that are provided through the school's uniform supplier and sold through our own Uniform Shop. Should you wish to purchase more uniform items for your child/ren, please download the uniform order [here](#). Some students may be receiving Out Of Uniform advice letters soon.

Classroom Reps

We have a wonderful program here, where our classes and teachers are supported by the Classroom Reps Program. This means that there is a volunteer parent for each class, or sets of classes, who communicate freely between the class teacher and the parents of the class. This program is thoroughly coordinated by Julie Taylor, Mum to Molly and Ben. Thank you Julie! Thanks to our Classroom Reps.

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1/2L	Monica Grouios	monica.grouios@gmail.com ;
1/2N	Paula Jones-Hunt	paula@peoplesolutionsbypjh.com ;
1/2S	Sarah Treweek	s.jane.h@optusnet.com.au ;
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3/4N	Alanna Quigley	alanna.quigley@me.com
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5/6 J, M & N	Julie Taylor	julieltaylor@yahoo.co.uk ;

If any parents have any questions about school at all, I encourage you to speak with your child's class teacher, our office staff or myself. We are only too happy to help! Information is regularly provided through our School App (download for free), through our Class Rep emails, our website and Facebook page. We look forward to a wonderful year of learning and fun at Bundoora Primary School!

Enjoy your week, Lee Pollard

School Council 2017

Have you thought about becoming a member of **School Council**? The role of Council is to ensure that the school has the appropriate policies to guide its practice, and comply with DET requirements and directives. School Council also monitors the finances of the school. It represents the views of the school community through its membership. As well, it is a supportive group that keeps the needs of the students, staff and community as its core purpose. School Council meets 8 times each year on a Wednesday evening at 7pm, in relaxed, but structured meetings. I encourage parents to consider being part of our School Council as an opportunity to be part of our processes and School Council interests.

We have six councillors who are coming to the end of their two year term. If you are interested, you must nominate for Council by submitting a nomination form, available from our Office or through our School App from Wednesday 1st March. The timeline for School Council Nomination and Election process is:

Wednesday 1 st March	Call for nominations
Wednesday 8 th March	Closing date for nominations
Friday 10 th March	Nominated candidates advertised
Wednesday 15 th March	Ballot papers distributed (if the number of ballot papers exceeds the number of available positions)
Wednesday 22 nd March	Ballot closes 4.00pm
Thursday 23 rd March	Vote counting 8am. Successful candidates advertised via School App
Wednesday 26 th April	School Council Annual General Meeting

Message from.....PETER JAMES - ACTING PRINCIPAL, BUNDOORA SECONDARY COLLEGE

As the school begins, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the Bundoora Primary School and Secondary College communities. Sue Muscat is on leave until July and I have been appointed by the North-Western Victoria Region to sit in her stead for the first two terms of this year.

I have been an Assistant Principal at Lalor Secondary College for the past seven years, and prior to that, I was a Leading Teacher at Copperfield College in Melbourne's west for many years, after having begun my career teaching at Yarram High School in South Gippsland.

My role at Lalor S.C. centred on the management of school facilities and also leadership of the junior students in the school. Included in this was a particular responsibility for the transition of primary school students into the school and I have developed a great interest in what happens in our primary schools.

I spent a month at BSC towards the end of last year and I am aware of the teaching and curriculum changes underway at the school. I am particularly excited about the school's decision to provide a greater range of learning choices at years 8, 9, 10 and 11. This will give students a greater say over what they learn at school and perhaps more importantly, it will encourage students to engage responsibly and enthusiastically with the choices they make. In the brief time I was at Bundoora last year, I was impressed with the professional and caring approach of the teachers at the school and the willingness of the students and their families to embrace the new subject choices. I am confident the new subject electives will facilitate great learning and teaching at Bundoora in 2017 and beyond.

If you have any thoughts or comments, or would like to speak to me on any issue, please feel free to contact me as I am keen to meet as many members of the school community as possible in the short time I have!

Performing Arts – Mrs Nerida Newell

The grade 1/2 students are learning how to use a microphone properly and will be focussing on singing and exploring musical elements! A terrific start to the term!



We provide our students with the skills to become confident and capable global citizens.

OSHClub News

Before School / After School Care Program

(for bookings phone 0467 712 368)



A reminder to all parents that our Out of School Hours Care Program operates each morning from 7.15am-8.45pm and from 3.15pm-6.00pm. The cost of our Before School Care Program is \$15.00 (less 50% CCB Government Rebate, then less CTR Rebate), and our After School Care Program is \$20.00 (less 50% CCB Government Rebate, then less CTR Rebate).

Most families are eligible for Child Care Benefit (CCB) and Child Care Tax Rebate (CCTR 50%), which makes our After School Care Program very affordable. The full fee (\$15.00 before school & \$20.00 after school) applies for families who do not apply for and are not eligible for CCB and the CCTR (50% Tax Rebate). We also offer a discounted charge for our international families (please see our office staff) who are not eligible for CCB/CCTR benefits.

To enrol your child in the Bundoora Primary School OSHClub, simply go to www.oshclub.com.au and enter your details online. Once you have registered, **you can book your child in our Before or After School Care Program by simply calling 0467 712 368.** You can also use the OSHClub online service to make or cancel a booking (24 hours' notice required for all cancellations) via www.oshclub.com.au. Please do NOT call the school's number for bookings or cancellations.

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 have been 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 [click here](#) to see our website for full terms & conditions, including late fees and how to register.

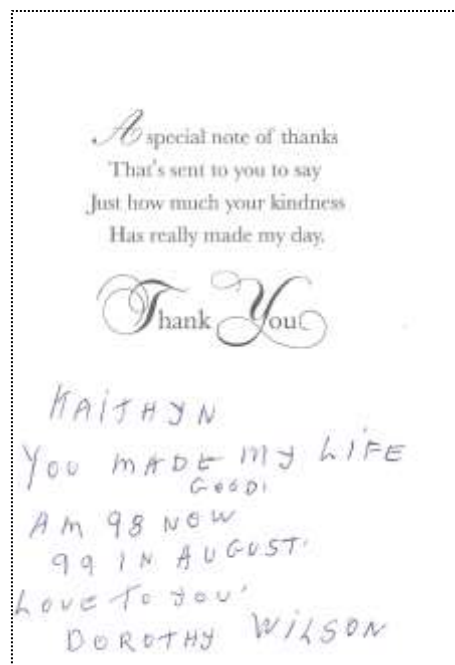
Michelle, OSHC Coordinator

A response from our Caring Hearts Drive in December 2016.....

One of our wonderful parent volunteers, Deb, coordinates a Christmas Card drive, where she guides students to create Christmas cards with little messages that are sent to nursing homes, simply to brighten up someone's day.

One of the residents that received a Christmas card from our Caring Hearts Drive, has sent a thank you card (inside pictured here).

It is lovely to see that such a simple act of kindness has made such a difference in a person's life. We hope to continue to drive for many years to come.



Community News



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FOOTBALL:
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Club/Organisation: Watsonia Heights Junior Football Club
Venue: Elder Street Reserves, Elder Street, Watsonia
Start date: 15th February 2017
Price: \$85
Contact: Colin Roberts - 0433118842 or grassroots@whfc.org.au



Participant Pack includes:
Sing Bag, Bag, Lunch Box, Water Bottle & Activity Book

Register at miniroos.com.au



A pre-employment program for females

Self Confidence is a full 1 day workshop designed to help females to feel empowered and confident to look for work and attend job interviews!

Some topics that will be discussed:

- Assertiveness
- Communication Skills
- Barriers to employment
- Resume and cover letter writing
- Self care
- Job interviews
- Plus more!

Female job seekers

What is stopping you from finding a job?

Do you lack confidence?

Eliminate some of the barriers that keep you from being employed

Become empowered

Spaces are limited

Date: Monday 6th March 2017.
Time: The workshop starts at 10am and finishes at 4pm
Where: Reservoir Neighbourhood House
2B Cuthbert Road, Reservoir.
Cost: \$40.00 which is payable on the day

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