



Bundoora
Primary School

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Dates to Remember

Month of May

Diamond Valley Food Drive

Wednesday 2nd May

Pizza Forms/Payment due

Friday 4th May

Loose Coin Challenge finishes
BPS Cross Country (3-6) & Tabloid Sports (P-2)

Tuesday 8th May

9.00am – Kindy Craft (bookings ess'l)
Mother's Day Stall

Wednesday 9th May-11th May

Year 5/6 Camp to Candlebark Lodge

Thursday 15th-17th May

NAPLAN Assessments

Friday 18th May

Year 5/6 Interschool Sports vs Watsonia North

Monday 21st May

Education Week

2.15 – Kindy Sports (bookings ess'l)

Wednesday 23rd May

Open Day

(more information to come)



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Bundoora Bulletin

From the Principal...



Following a visit last Friday by our local Member of Parliament, Colin Brooks, who was here to look over the process of our new school building, I am thrilled to announce that the State Government will be **giving our school a further \$2.7 million dollars** for the second stage of our building process! We are very excited by this announcement, as our school will reap the benefits of continuing to move into state of the art buildings that match our fantastic academic results and wonderful student, parent and staff community. We will continue to inform our community as discussions & plans progress.

As part of our Social Enterprise Program, our Year 3/4 students are holding a Food Drive during May, to collect and donate non-perishable foods to Diamond Valley Foodshare. Students are able to bring in non-perishable food such as cans, cereal, long life milk, pasta and rice to help feed many of Melbourne's hungry people. Hopefully we can top the amount of items received last year which was approximately 2,400 items. Items can be left in our classrooms, which will be tallied up at the end of the food drive to celebrate the class with the most donated items.

Our Year 5/6 students will go to **Candlebark Lodge** for their school camp next week. We hope the weather is kind enough for them to enjoy all the activities that school camp provides. School camp is a wonderful way for our students to test their confidence and challenge their abilities, always within their own "comfort zone". We are extremely grateful to our staff who attend camp, spending time away from their families and personal lives. We look forward to hearing all the stories from our students (& staff) when they return.

On Friday from 9.15am-10.30am, our Year 3-6 students will participate in our school **Cross Country event**, the results of which will determine which students will attend the District Cross Country Competition on Thursday 31st May. We have had many parents/carers offer their time to help supervise this event, for which we are very thankful, however, we would appreciate a few more helpers on the day. We are asking volunteers to be positioned around our Cross Country track to help direct the students. Please see our office staff if you are able to help. Our Prep-2 students will enjoy a **Tabloid Sports** competition on our oval during the Cross Country event.

Our Prep Information Evening last night, which included a "Readiness for School" presentation, was very well received by the many attendees. **Enrolments for Prep 2019** continue to come in consistently, which is very pleasing, as we look towards our class numbers and structures for next year. Our Kindy Time sessions will recommence next week for the term, with a large number of kindy kiddies booked in for these popular sessions. Our school tours are being filled quickly, with two more tours almost booked out for this term. If you have a child who will be in Prep 2019 please see our office for an enrolment form.

Thank you to the many families who are confidently using our new communication program, **Compass**. We encourage parents to now enter their child's absence through Compass (illness, medical/dental appointments, etc.), which is directly linked to their child's teacher's roll. Family holiday requests/extended absences are still required to be completed via our office. We will continue to use both our School App and Compass for a few more months (eventually phasing out our School App), until we are confident that all of our families are comfortable using Compass and receiving the important communications we send out. We apologise, in the meantime, for doubling up on notifications you will receive. If you are confident and comfortable receiving and using Compass, you can always turn off your School App notifications (or delete the App altogether).

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

Our P&F Team met recently and are busy continuing to plan activities and events to help raise funds for our school. **Our Loose Change Challenge** has so far been such a hit with our students, who have enjoyed putting their change in the pipes and watching it travel down. It has been entertaining listening to them talk so competitively about which learning area will win! Next Tuesday morning our students will be able to visit our **Mother's Day Stall** to buy a little something for that special lady in their lives. We have received lots of little handmade gifts by our parents, which we are extremely grateful for, to go with the purchased items that will be on sale at our stall. Students are invited to bring along \$5.00-\$10.00 to purchase a gift and card for their mum, step-mum, grandmother, aunty or special lady in their lives. **The Entertainment Book** is available for \$70.00 which provides hundreds of dollars worth of discounts and savings. A copy of The Entertainment Book is available for view at our office. Events to follow will include our Book Fair, during Education Week and Bunnings BBQ which we will call out for assistance, so please look out and offer your help where possible.

Enjoy your week, Lee Pollard

Did you miss our recent Assembly?

Our assemblies are held each Monday morning to celebrate our student achievements and report important information to our community.

- Diamond Valley FoodShare Food Drive begins this week

- Cross Country this week
- Loose Change Challenge finishes this week

- Interschool Sports report
- Prep Information Evening

....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 week ending: 20th April 2018

GRADE	REASON FOR CITATION	NAME
5/6T	For always trying your best in everything that you do. Keep up the great work!	Jacinta
5/6N	For passing up three levels in Math Clubs. Well done!	Jenna
5/6M	For your outstanding result in your spelling test and your great attitude to your learning.	Darcy
3/4S	For always completing great quality work and making a great start to Term 2. Keep up the great work!	Unnati
3/4M	For always being a friendly and accepting person to your classmates.	Alexander
3/4B	For consistently using your initiative and your consideration of others.	Alana
3/4A	For your improved focus and effort towards your work. Keep it up!	Antonio
1/2S	For your persistence (never give-up attitude) in all that you do and for being a most helpful and responsible member of our class.	Yuvraj
1/2N	For settling into our class well. Keep up the great work!	Hamish
1/2B	For working hard at learning your 3 and 4 times tables.	Arlia
Prep T	For your outstanding effort and problem solving during Math.	Milo
Prep L	For putting in a great effort with all of your work. You are kind and caring and make us all smile!	Fia
Prep E	For powering through your Magic 100 Words! Well done!	Evie
STEM	For always completing your work to a high standard and helping your classmates whenever you can.	Hala
Visual Arts	For using your time really well and listening carefully to instructions. Keep up the great work!	Thomas O
Phys. Ed	For showing great enthusiasm during soccer, with great kicking skills. A future soccer star in the making. Well done!	Lebron
Performing Arts	For being so respectful, optimistic and always having a smile on your face during concert dancing, choir and band.	Bixie
Corrective Reading	For your fantastic effort knowing your sounds and tricky words. Well done!	Reem
Auslan	For the terrific way you concentrated and practiced your signing. Awesome work!	Amelijah S
OshClub	For starting this term being helpful and kind. Thank you for being amazing!	Logan



Our Pupil of the Week Winners



Happy Birthday!



Our Prep Captains/Class Captains



Bundoora's Got Talent winners

Pupil of the Week for the week ending: 27th April 2018

GRADE	REASON FOR CITATION	NAME
5/6T	For settling right into our school and displaying our school values consistently.	Dominique
5/6N	For being a respectful student to both her peers and teachers.	Jade
5/6M	For always displaying a positive attitude to her learning, even seeking extra work.	Caitlyn
3/4S	For showing great maturity in a number of situations throughout the year. Keep it up!	Rosco
3/4M	For always trying so hard with her work. She sets an excellent example for her peers!	Dania
3/4B	For his great enthusiasm for reading and teaching out class about WWI.	Scott
3/4A	For your outstanding efforts towards your spelling and writing improvement. Keep it up!	Isabella
1/2S	For all your hard work this week. You have been so focused and have worked independently with great success. Well done, Benjamin.	Benjamin
1/2N	For trying super hard to improve your writing skills. Keep it up!	James
1/2B	For listening and working quietly during handwriting. Well done on a fantastic start to BPS.	Moayad
Prep T	For being such a great role model at all times. Well done!	Lachlan
Prep L	NO Award this week.	
Prep E	For matching his numbers, words and collections to 10 perfectly.	Liam
STEM	For thinking carefully about your Science learning and working hard on your Auslan!	Stella S
Visual Arts	Using her time wisely and persisting with her Starburst Letter Art piece.	Jade
Phys. Ed	For showing great focus and balance during egg and spoon.	Isabella A
Performing Arts	For his outstanding Dance skills during concert practice! Wow, this boy can move! What a superstar!	Madhav

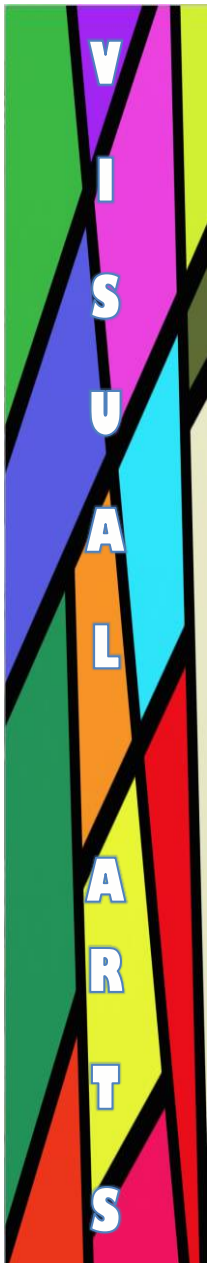
Corrective Reading	For your fantastic effort reading your challenge words.	Brodie
Auslan	For the terrific way he knew everyone's names when they were 'signed' by the teacher and for being able to sign his own name!	Ronan
OSHClub	For always coming to OSH with a smile and a fantastic helpful attitude!	Benan



Our Pupil of the Week winners



Happy Birthday!



Where was I?

During my recent holiday overseas I saw the statue in this photo. I was not in New York so where was I and why is this statue erected there?

Tell Mrs Allibon the answer and win house points.



QUOTE:

I found I could say things with colour and shapes that I couldn't say any other way - things I had no words for.

-Georgia O'Keeffe

Our kids matter.

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Helping your child navigate through tricky friendships

By Sharon Witt

Friendships are an important aspect of all of our lives – perhaps even more so for our children as they navigate the often complex years of growing up and discover their place in the world. As our young people grow and develop, so do their friendships.

In the early years, many friendships are developed through manufactured situations and groups we are involved in as parents. First time mother's groups, antenatal birthing classes, playgroup, church groups and other friendship groups for mothers, often become the first opportunities that our children have to play and develop these early skills of relating to their peers. It is during these early toddler years that we can safely observe and guide our children's play time. We can help them deal with minor disputes over whose turn it is to play with the truck, use the dress up cape or the blocks. We teach our children to play fairly, share and take turns.

As our children enter their early Primary School years, these friendships develop more out of our earshot. Some parents may even feel a little concerned that they will not know each of your child's friends at school and whom they choose to be influenced by. However, there is a lot we can do as parents to help guide our children through these years of critical relationship building. Developing the strategies to deal with friendship conflicts, tricky situations and issues of bullying are lifelong skills that will stand them in good stead for the years ahead.

What makes a good friend?

From an early age, we can have conversations with our children around what makes a good, healthy friendship. What are the qualities we look for in a friend? I have asked this very question of hundreds of children over the past two decades and the same qualities are mentioned time and time again:

Honest
Trustworthy
Friendly
Dependable
Kind-hearted
Humorous
Forgiving

These qualities are probably the same for many of us parents too. However we also need to remember that we should also display these qualities if we are seeking positive and healthy friendships. We will actually attract these same qualities in the friendships we make when we model these ourselves.

Lead by Example

Whether we like it or not, our children are observing us all the time. They watch how we speak, act and conduct our own friendships.

Model your own positive Friendships

As parents, we can do a lot to teach our children about navigating friendships by modelling our own in a positive way. Demonstrate that a friendship is a two-way street by phoning your friend occasionally, sending an encouraging note or card, or making a meal for them if they are unwell. When we do these things naturally in our own relationships, we are teaching our children how supportive real friendships can be.

Dealing with Tricky Friends

We will always encounter friendships that can become a little complex or tricky at times. Our children will find this very difficult when it occurs but we can teach them how to handle this effectively and let them know that it is okay to set their own boundaries and enforce these when necessary.

Hurt Feelings

Feelings will often be hurt during our friendships- that is the nature of living in relationship and part of a community. However, it is how we deal with hurt feelings – that is most important. When your child experiences hurt feelings, try and use this as a teachable moment!

We cannot possibly protect our children from having their feelings hurt or having to deal with difficult people – but we can teach them how to respond and learn valuable life skills about navigating tricky friendships.

Be Friendly!

As much as this may seem like such a simple point to make, it is important that our children learn to be friendly – even to those who are unkind or cause conflict in our lives. There will always be people who annoy us, speak rudely to us for no apparent reason. But we are not always privy to what is going on in their lives. If someone is mean or nasty to your daughter, explain to her that we don't always understand why people choose to be rude to us or react in certain ways. What we can do is demonstrate some grace and act with kindness.

Elbert Hubbard said: 'In order to have friends, you must first be one.'

This is a good mantra to teach our young people. So often, our children complain that they have no real friends, or they are not popular at school. But this quote is a timely reminder that they need to practice being a friend. The more you practice being friendly and being interested in others, the more people will be drawn to you.

Friendships will always be a lifelong learning opportunity. Hopefully, as we navigate and manage our own friendships as adults, we can model to our own children how to best take this journey through life.



From our Parents & Friends Team.....

Entertainment Book

This year we are again fundraising with the Entertainment Book.

Pre-order and receive your NEW 2018/2019 Entertainment Membership in time for school holidays! PLUS, pre-order now and you'll receive over \$150 in Early Bird Offers.

To order your membership head to <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/19008k0> for both Digital and Book memberships. Books can be collected from the school office from end of this week.

Any questions please email Cheryl Whiteway at cheryl.naturedirect@gmail.com



Loose Change Challenge

Have you got 5c, 10c, 20c, 50c \$1 & \$2 coins hanging around and you don't know what to do with them?

From today until Friday 4 May, Bundoora Primary School is having a **Loose Change Challenge**.

The Learning Area that collects the highest amount of loose change will win a special surprise! Will it be the Preps, 1/2's, 3/4's or 5/6's?

Each Learning Area will have a special **Loose Change Collector** to put their change into.

So, check your pockets, check the sofa and check the car for all the loose change you can find!





Tuesday 8 May – Mother's Day Stall – Save the date

During the Mother's Day Stall, all students will have the opportunity to visit the stall to purchase a gift for the special woman in their lives. Gifts range from 50c to \$5.00. We are appealing for any parents who may have an hour or two to come

along and help during our stall opening times (between 9.00am-12.00pm). If you're able to help out, please let our office staff know.

Community Notices





TWO-WEEK FREE TRIAL

Trial the Kumon English or Maths Programme over two weeks during May.

Find out how we can develop in your child:

- calculation and reading ability
- concentration
- a daily study and reading habit
- the confidence to learn independently.

Just follow these four easy steps to register:

1. Call your Kumon Instructor to register for an information session.
2. Have your child assessed for the Kumon English or Maths Programme and discuss a study plan.
3. Arrange for your child to attend four consecutive class sessions during May.
4. Meet with your Instructor to discuss your child's Kumon experience.


Contact your local Kumon Centre to register your child

**KUMON BUNDOORA
EDUCATION CENTRE**
Instructor: BRUNDA TANGIRALA
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TERMS AND CONDITIONS:


- Places are limited and acceptance for the Free Trial is on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- The registration deadline for the Free Trial varies across Kumon Centres.
- Attendance at an information session is mandatory prior to your child participating in the Kumon Free Trial.
- The Free Trial consists of four consecutive sessions at a Kumon Education Centre over two weeks during May.
- Worksheets are provided for non-centre days during the two weeks.
- Late registration may result in fewer study sessions.
- Class days, operating hours and available sessions vary across Kumon Centres.
- The Free Trial is available for one subject only (either English or Maths).
- There is no obligation to enrol after the Free Trial.

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Social Enterprise



"A 1000 cans can feed many thousands of mouths"

Donate non-perishable food such as cans, pasta and rice to help feed many of Melbourne's hungry people.

Ends Wednesday 31st May