

# Bundoora Bulletin

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## From the Principal...

It has been fantastic having our students onsite! Our students quickly settled into the normal school routines, reuniting with their peers and teachers, and are well and truly back into their learning inside the classroom.

Today our students and staff enjoyed our Footy Dress Up Day, where we proudly wore our favourite sports team's colours! Sadly, unlike previous years, we were not able to have our parade, but students have grouped together for their class photos. See over the page for photos.

We have continued to remain vigilant in being a COVID-safe school, consistently reminding our students about hygiene and COVID health practices. We will await further instructions from DET regarding student play bubbles during outside play breaks and continue to have our students' play areas separated safely. I'd like to congratulate our students for cooperating so well and complying with these COVID-safe rules. We have had new Operational Guidelines issued today, which state that our play and work bubbles must stay in place for now. This may change after our Premier's announcement on Sunday.

With only eight weeks left of the 2020 school year and given that our students have had such limited time on-site this year, we have decided to abandon our planned Pupil Free Day which would have been Monday 2nd November (the day before Melbourne Cup Day). It was agreed upon by staff and our School Council that it is possible our 25km travel restriction will still be in place, therefore limiting the opportunity for a long weekend away. We are sure our families will agree that it is preferable to have our students onsite, rather than a Pupil Free Day. I am very grateful to our Bundoora Primary School staff for making this responsible decision that clearly puts the needs of our students first. Our next Pupil Free Day will be Tuesday 8th December, which is our handover day in preparation of 2021 classes.

A reminder that our office is unable to receive cash payments due to COVID-safe rules. Please do not pay for Canteen orders with cash. Canteen will only accept Qkr! orders through Qkr! App.

Our 2021 Prep Transition sessions are well underway being delivered online and our sessions so far have received wonderful feedback from our new families. Our Prep teachers have delivered several pre-recorded transition sessions, which will allow our incoming Prep students to become familiar with them. They have been having so much fun putting their acting skills in place. Our Specialist teachers have been busy this week preparing their sessions in the same way, which will be delivered in the coming weeks.

We invite all parents/carers to join our Monday morning assembly at 9.05am which we are presenting to each classroom via Webex. Our Student Leadership Team continue to be part of our assemblies, assisting me in presenting information to our community. A link will be sent via Compass Monday morning, for any parents who would like to join us.

I hope everyone can enjoy this coming long weekend, with tomorrow (Friday) being the planned "Grand Final" public holiday - altered to the "Victorian Thank You" Day. I would like to thank you all, our wonderful Bundoora PS community, for being so supportive and cooperative during drop off and pick up times. Thank you also to the parents who have continued to get their children tested when symptoms emerge.

Take care,  
Lee Pollard

### Friday 23rd October

Public Holiday—No School

### Tuesday 27th October

Prep 2021 Transition session uploaded

### Monday 2nd November

Normal School Day (students at school)

### Tuesday 3rd November

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday (NO School)

### Wednesday 11th November

Remembrance Day







