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Mrs Kristy Luff - Principal

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Dear Parents, Carers and Families

Congratulations to our students who have made a settled start to the term. The school term started early for our school leaders who represented our school at the ANZAC service at Teralba War Memorial. Our students read the Prayer for the Nation and laid a wreath on behalf of Booragul Public school. Thank you to the fellow students and staff who came along to support and march alongside our leaders. It was fantastic to have this opportunity after the last two years.



Staff Development Day

Staff spent a portion of the Staff Development Day learning about Aboriginal culture, stories and art with Saretta Fielding. Saretta will continue to work with us to develop artworks reflective of our school values, sense of belonging and place on Awabakal land.

Mothers Day

We wish all of our mums a very special day on Sunday. Preparations are well under way for our Mothers' Day celebrations at school. Thank you to our wonderful mums and P&C for creating another outstanding Mothers' Day stall. Our school staff are busy planning a special MAG's day treat.



NAPLAN

NAPLAN is a point-in-time assessment that allows parents and carers to see how their child is progressing in literacy and numeracy against the national standard and compared with their peers throughout Australia. At the classroom level, NAPLAN provides additional information to support teachers' professional judgement about student progress. NAPLAN online is a tailored test that adapts to student responses, providing better assessment and more precise results. During Weeks 3 and 4, students in Years 3 and 5 will participate in NAPLAN online for writing, reading, language conventions and numeracy.

Connecting with BPS

Please make sure that the SkoolBag app is downloaded on your phone or device. Communication is also available on the school website and Facebook page and all communication is sent home in paper form. Skoolbag notifications mean that families do not miss out on important events and information.

We will look forward to inviting the community back to school for assemblies this term. Assemblies will take place in Weeks 6 and 10 on a Wednesday at 12.30pm.

All community members are warmly invited to our P&C meetings. The next P&C AGM and General meeting is scheduled for Monday 9 May at 3.30pm.

Attendance

The start of a new school term is a great time to focus on attendance. After two tricky years, we aim to maintain school attendance above 90%. In week 1 and 2 our attendance level is at 87.7%. Let's work together to ensure our students are at school and learning.

Kind Regards

Kristy Luff
Principal

Parking

Please take note of NSW Parking Rules, attached below.

It has been brought to our attention that visitors to our school are parking across resident's driveways. We acknowledge that finding a park can be difficult; however, we please ask our visitors to respect our neighbours and refrain from parking across driveways.

No Parking

You must not stop or park your vehicle:

- alongside another parked vehicle (double park)
- across a driveway, unless you're picking up or dropping off passengers
- on a median strip, unless a sign says you can
- on a traffic island
- within an intersection
- on a children's crossing or pedestrian crossing
- on footpaths and nature strips, unless a sign says you can
- in a slip lane, unless a sign says you can.
- Your parked vehicle must not block the flow of traffic or become a danger to other road users.

In some places, you must not park at certain times or under certain conditions.

If you have a Mobility Parking Scheme (MPS) permit, you can stop for up to 5 minutes.

OC Class

A reminder that applications are invited from intellectually gifted and high potential year 4 students who wish to transfer to the Opportunity Class at Biraban Public School for Years 5 and 6. Applications close on Friday 13 May.

Athletics Carnival

Unfortunately, we have needed to make changes to the date and location of our athletics carnival.

Our carnival will now be held on Friday 1 July at Wangi.

The reason for this change is a resurfacing issue at Hunter Sports Centre, Glendale. The centre commenced a track resurface January 2022 with a completion date of March. Unfortunately, the project has been significantly delayed due to the ongoing inclement weather. LMMC and Contractor Polytan had an on-site meeting to discuss works required and project completion date. The general consensus from this meeting is that the track works will not be completed until mid to late June.

Given this information, it is with regret that Hunter Sports Centre is unable to host our Athletics Carnival on 16 May 2022. There were no alternate days for us to book prior to zone. This will have affected many schools.

A new permission note will be distributed in the coming weeks.

COVID – Smart Settings in Term 2

Many of our existing COVID-smart measures continue into Term 2, including:

- rapid antigen testing for symptomatic students and staff
- vaccinations – including booster shots (from 3 months after your child's primary COVID-19 dose) are encouraged for all eligible students and their families.
- ventilation
- good hygiene practices
- enhanced cleaning

What's new in Term 2

- **Change to close contact isolation requirements** – The NSW Premier has announced changes to requirements for close contacts which means that from Week 1 of Term 2, students and staff who are identified as close contacts will be able to attend school with certain risk mitigations in place.
- **Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs)** – The department will continue to supply RATs to students and staff in Term 2 to support symptomatic testing and testing of close contacts returning to school.
- **Masks** – A new recommendation from NSW Health is for people who have recently recovered from COVID-19 to wear a mask for an additional 3 days following their 7-day isolation period (from days 8 to 10).
- **Responding to local COVID-19 conditions** – At times, the reintroduction of stricter guidelines may be necessary depending on local conditions.
- **Ventilation** – We're maximising natural ventilation in classrooms and learning spaces while balancing thermal comfort during the cooler months.
- **Reducing the risk of illness this winter** – Please follow general advice from NSW Health to protect our school community as we head into winter.

Thank you again for your ongoing support.

Stay in Touch with BPS



Uniform Shop – Current Price List

- Polo Shirt Sky Blue \$25
- Polo Shirt Red \$25
- Shorts Navy Blue \$20
- Skorts Navy Blue \$20
- Jacket Navy Blue & Red Trim \$50
- Long Pants Navy Blue \$30
- Hats Navy Blue Bucket \$12
- Beanies Navy Blue \$10
- Hair Accessories Navy Blue & Red \$4
- Library Bags Navy Blue \$5

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Please be mindful that this is volunteer based.

Any questions or concerns can be directed to booragulpsuniformshop@gmail.com or brought to our attention via our Booragul P&C Facebook page.



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