



# Booleroo Centre District School

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## Newsletter Term 4 Week 9

**Dates for the Diary**  
**THURSDAY**  
**9th DECEMBER 2021**

Breakfast Club  
Every Friday morning

**Term 4 Early Dismissal**  
**2:15pm**  
**Friday 10th December**

2022 School Term  
commences  
31st January 2022

Ian (Splint) Arthur and  
Lyall Fisher

Thanks for all your wonderful  
efforts to the BCDS  
community.  
You will be missed, enjoy your  
retirement



We wish all families a Merry  
Christmas and a relaxing  
holiday

### Principals News

Dear Parents & Carers,

#### The School Cropping

Fingers crossed that the crop of canola will bring a good return to the school this year. Whatever return we get makes up the majority of the school fundraising efforts. School fundraising supports our improvement agenda- learning tools such as (and not just limited to) ipads in the primary classrooms, become an affordable reality.

On behalf of the school community I want to acknowledge the efforts of the following people who have made all this a reality. Donation of grain: Joe Koch, JP Carey & Todd Orrock; Sowing & spraying: Todd Orrock & JP Carey; Reaping: Matt Nottle; Carting: David & Lynne Christophersen. The generosity of some people in this community blows me away. Thank you so much. We really DO appreciate your kind contributions.

#### Bus upsizing

Currently the Wilmington bus is a 45-seater for 42 eligible students. Our forecast for 2022 is 50 eligible students.

Therefore it is proposed we withdraw the 45-seater and replace it with a 57-seater departmental bus. With approval from the Minister's delegate this will come into effect day 1, term 1, 2022.

#### School Reports

Parents/carers can expect reports to be sent home via Sentral or as a hard copy if specifically requested. If you don't receive what you were expecting there will be a small handful of staff on site next week who should be able to help you out.

#### Goodbye to some of our staff

**Xanthe Nowicz:** We wish her every bit of joy and happiness as she joins the ranks of all the parents who have gone before her. Parenthood is indeed a blessing, though she may not think that at 3am with a nappy change and a baby feed. We knew she would make a great Arts teacher! We will miss her. By the way it's a girl!

**Joseph Tanti:** We appreciate his contributions to the Yr 5/6 class this year. Through his efforts he has ignited the students' spirit of enterprise. We are thankful for his efforts. Mr Tanti has successfully secured work at Miltaburra Area School and we wish him well in his endeavours.

**Joylene McCallum:** We are extremely grateful that Lenie has established and upheld such high standards of practice in the Science Labs that she manages. The teaching staff and students have been so well supported over the years, and we thoroughly appreciate the teaching-learning success they have achieved because of Lenie's support.

**Kate Fitzgerald:** Kate is heading off to Clare High School next year. Kate has been here 14 years and everything she has turned her attention to has been a success. Most recently you would agree that her teaching in the Food & Hospitality and Home Economics have been absolutely top-notch. Students, staff and families will miss Kate, but she has well and truly earned the right to exercise her choice and we hope it goes extremely well for her.

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## Principals News (cont)

**Leanne Opperman:** While this notification was shared last week, I want to thank Leanne for all of her contributions to this school, and we wish her every success next year as Principal at Laura PS..

**Kathy Kupke** (who is taking leave): We hope to see Kathy back soon, but for now, she has other priorities in Term 1, and we wouldn't want it any other way. Take good care Kathy.

It is still premature to announce who will be replacing Leanne, Kate and picking up Kathy's teaching role, but the summer draft is in process. We will let you know once things have been finalised.

### Farewell to students

From the Year 12 group, we say goodbye to Darcy Bastian, Kodi Carey, Hunter Cheriton, Lucy Giles, Georgia Kenchington, Jaxon Kumnick, Mitchell Orrock, Gracie Phillips, Emma Prestwood, Leticia Sismey, Lisa Stevens and Eliza Watkinson. From Year 11 group we say goodbye to Kayla Linke and Alec Whellum. The Year 10 leaving us are Henry Hall, William Hall and Livinia Lines. We also say goodbye to Chloe Frick from our Yr 9s, Bella Hall, Danielle Heaslip & Shayla Arthur from our Year 8s and Ethan Arthur from Yr 6.

All of them have received a various number of years of schooling at Booleroo Centre District School and each has left his or her mark on us. We hope that you all hold onto lots of cherished memories of this place, as we will of you. Remember, today is not the end of the journey. It is the beginning of a new and exciting adventure. We wish you all the very best. Hope to see you again sometime soon.

### Farewell to families

To the following: Bastian, Giles, Phillips, Stevens, Watkinson, Linke, Hall and Frick families, we now say goodbye. We are honoured to have had the privilege of teaching your child/ren. We hope you can be positive ambassadors for the school even though you've finished here.

I hope that all our families have a wonderful **festive season**, spent with families, friends and those they love. I wish everyone in our school community a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2022. I look forward to working with all of you again on the other side of a break. For students returning to the school, that will be Monday 31-January, 2022. If you need to have contact with staff prior to term 1, then there will be staff on-site from Thursday 27-January.

**Kindly Yours | Peter Blackburn | Principal, BCDS**

## Kindy News

Farewell to our 2021 Kindy Children and Families. It has been a pleasure and we are excited for you all, as you start your school adventure. We know you will make us proud. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Kindy and Rural Care staff for their hard work and commitment to Early Years Education, providing a highly valued service to our community. Farewell to Elfie Woolford as she moves to Adelaide soon and we wish her all the absolute best. Thank you for your many years of caring and nurturing children of our learning community. We will miss you!

### **When I grow up I want to be .....**

Airlie: A Vet because they look after animals.

Alfie: A Policeman because I want to drive a Police car and put baddies in jail.

Elsie: Astronaut because I get to see Aliens.

Evie: Artist because I love drawing.

Harlow: A Policewoman because the flashing lights on the Police car.

Heath: a Farmer and a Policeman

Lachlan: a Farmer

Ted: A Policeman, a Diver, a Scientist, a Mechanic and a Farmer

Wyatt: A Nurse, like my Mum and a Motorbike driver.



**Kindy Group of 2021 – "Hooray"**

### Quote

*"You're off to great places, today is your day, your mountain is waiting so..... get on your way".*

Dr Seuss

### The Kindy Team

## School News

### Opportunities in Agriculture

Thanks to Kathy Kupke's instigation, in 2022 BCDS will become a host school for Regional Training Skills (RST). This means that training modules will be delivered on site here, rather than students having to travel elsewhere.

The Regional Skills Training (RST) Primary Production Program offers training under the following qualifications:

- AHC30116 **Certificate III in Agriculture**
- AHC32816 **Certificate III in Rural Operations**

This course is best suited for students who are:

- New entrants to the Agricultural industry
- A School-Based Apprenticeship/Traineeship (SBAT)

A year 11, 12 or 13 school student looking to undertake a qualification while still at school

While Yr 11 is the recommended time for students to undertake either of these certificate courses, it is possible to start them in Yr 10. Anyone looking for more information should check out RST at <https://www.rst.edu.au/> or contact Gayle Bury at school.

**Gayle Bury**  
Acting SACE/Vet Coordinator

### Year 9 Camp – Taillem Bend

In Week 8, the Year 9 students travelled from Booleroo to Taillem Bend for our camp. The trip to Taillem Bend was a long and windy one, made a bit more difficult due to the heat and inconsistent air-con. Once we arrived at The Bend Racetrack, we went on a tour of the track, pit-lane and the on-site car museum. This led perfectly into our next activity, which was racing go-karts on the race track. There was some excellent racing, with all the students having a very good time racing the karts. Liam Cooper, Chris Pumpa and Connor McCallum were the fastest around the track, showing good speed.

After the go-karts, we headed back to our accommodation for a swim, some backyard cricket and chill out time. A group of students then cooked a BBQ for dinner, which was fantastic, before we all headed into Murray Bridge to play some ten-pin bowling. Alec Martin was the best of the student bowlers, but none of the students could beat Mr D who was best bowler on the night.

After a good night's rest, we headed to Monarto Zoo on Day 2 for a day at the zoo. The zoo provided a great opportunity for everyone to see some amazing animals roaming around. After the zoo, we went to 'The Bunyip' in Murray Bridge for lunch and a run around, before heading back to our accommodation for some 'RnR' time. We had dinner at Fasta Pasta in Murray Bridge and went to the Frank Jackman lookout before returning to the caravan park to sleep.

On our final day in Taillem Bend, we went to Old Taillem Town where we had some time to explore some buildings from the late 1800s. This was an amazing look back in time and all the students enjoyed exploring the town, but we probably needed a bit longer there to fully experience everything. We left Taillem Bend after the visit to Old Taillem Town and headed home to Booleroo.

I would like to thank Liz Prosser for coming on the trip and helping the trip run so smoothly and also Mr. D for driving the bus and helping out on camp.

**Mr Wade (Year 9 Home Group Teacher)**



## School News

### BCDS Festive Food Frenzy

Thank you to our school and broader community who contributed goods and donations towards the recent Festive Food Frenzy. The idea to try something different certainly proved successful. The variety of goods and contributions certainly shone light on some of our wonderful cooks, producers and businesses in the area. Bidding started with some friendly banter and ended with last minute clicks prior to closing time. Thank you to all the successful bidders - enjoy your goodies. A total of \$2917 was raised to support our students and staff with resources. The Fundraising Committee also acknowledges everyone who has contributed to various fundraising efforts throughout 2021.

Best Wishes for Christmas and 2022.

Angela Peacock, Chairperson BCDS Fundraising Committee

1 December 2021

Dear Principal and Year 12 Coordinator,

Re: 2022 C.A.S. Hawker Scholarships

Applications for the **2022 Charles Hawker Scholarships** open **today** and close on Friday 7 January 2022. An application form and further information about C.A.S. Hawker and the scholarships named in his memory are available from [www.hawkerscholarship.org](http://www.hawkerscholarship.org) or by contacting the secretary to the Trustees on 08 8127 1654.

Hawker Scholarships are valued at up to **\$60,000.00** over three years and are amongst the most generous, privately funded, residential scholarships available to Australian undergraduate and postgraduate students.

There are a number of scholarships awarded each year. The Trustees offer them to capable students of principle and character who have demonstrated a commitment to the wider community. Selection is based on personal qualities as well as academic ability.

It has been another turbulent year. I'm aware your graduating students have completed their studies and year 12 commitments. These scholarships are potentially life changing. I'd respectfully request you pass on the website details to potential applicants at your institution.

Yours sincerely, Ian Doyle OAM, B Ec. Dip Ed

School Coordinator

C.A.S. Hawker Scholarship, 0417 819 189

### Community News

Kelly Engineering is looking for a Junior Administration Assistant or Receptionist to join our Booleroo office! This is a full time role starting in January 2022.

This is an exciting position that offers opportunities for formal training and experience in various administrative tasks - perfect for someone who enjoys problem solving, is self-motivated and has a high level of initiative. If that sounds like you or someone you know, see the full job posting and apply on our website: [www.kellytillage.com/careers/](http://www.kellytillage.com/careers/)



**School of the Air Wool Show**  
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<b>HOGGET (HGT)</b> - 1 1/2 year old Ewe or Wether Fine HGT Strong HGT	<b>WETHER - (WTH)</b> Strong - WTH Fine - WTH

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