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Newsletter Term 1 Week 9

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[Year 8-10 English Excursion](#)

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Friday 31st March

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Tuesday 4th April 3:30-6pm

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Early Dismissal 2:15pm

Friday 14th April

[MNSEC Cross Country
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Thursday 25th May

Principal's News

Governing Council AGM

Thank you to everyone who attended AGM night. It was a great pleasure to catch up with the school community and I thank those who have been members and given service to the school over the years.

Congratulations to the 2023 Booleroo Centre District School Governing Council.

2023 membership is:

Chair: Nicolle Carey

Vice Chair: Jacqui Jones

Secretary: Sandy Saal

Treasurer: Jacqui Jones

Governing Council Members: Debbie Brinkley and Sondra Sard.

Sub Committees

Finance Committee: *Nicolle Carey and Jacqui Jones*; **Staff:** Maureen Waters (School Finance Officer), Kathryn Kupke, Vanessa Wegner and Tas Ktenidis

Uniform Committee: *Jacqui Jones and Sandy Saal*

Bus Committee: *Sandy Saal*

Bangor: Paul Jones

Wilmington: to fill

Tarcowie/ Yandiah: JP Carey

Wirrabara: Russell Zwar

Booleroo North Bus: Jessica Koch

Agriculture, Grounds, Building: *Lachie McCallum, Russel Zwar, JP Carey, Paul Jones, Brad Saal*; **Staff:** Russell Glayde and Tas Ktenidis

Fundraising Committee: *Angela Peacock, Meridee Groves, Jacqui Jones, Emily Treloar, Jill Arthur* **Staff:** Emma Waters

Preschool: Vanessa Wegner and to follow up on a Parent representative

Community member: Jill Arthur

Thank you to each and every one of you for joining Governing Council and giving your time to our school. I am looking forward to working with you and having a successful 2023.

MNSEC Track and Field

Congratulations to all students, staff and families who supported our students to perform well and win the MNSEC event for the 18th year. It is a tremendous result and one we should take great pride in. It takes a great deal of dedication, support and commitment to achieve such outcomes. Well done to all involved. I was not able to attend but had a wonderful opportunity to be part of a two-day workshop.

Dare to Lead

Developing Brave Leaders and Courageous Cultures is a body of work that Brene Brown has researched and led with leadership in various sectors of Industry.

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Principal News (cont)

A leader is anyone who takes responsibility for finding the potential in people and processes and has the courage to develop that potential.

The two days were an excellent opportunity to self-review my values as a leader and how I can better support staff and students at our school. The days were inclusive of all leaders from our Partnership and the Whyalla Partnership.

Early Dismissal

A quick reminder that we have approval for early dismissal on Thursday 6th April, leading into Good Friday. This will give families and staff the opportunity to leave during daylight hours for any planned trips for the Easter long weekend and do so safely. Buses leave at **2.20pm**.

As per normal processes, there will also be an early dismissal on the last day of term, (Friday 14th of April) with buses leaving at **2:20pm**. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Thank you

Tas Ktenidis



Kindy News

Our recent Kindy excursion to Port Germein beach was a chance to explore and be inspired by nature. Before the excursion we brainstormed what we might see, the sounds we might hear and what we might feel and find at the beach.

When we arrived, we walked on the beach. The water was too far away but we found some to investigate if our boats floated (which they did) much to the delight of the children. The children built sandcastles and found natural materials on the beach to decorate them. We noticed lots of tiny fish and found half a crab, which created lots of interest amongst the children and we played in the water. After lunch the children had a chance to try out the playground equipment; the spiral slide was a huge hit, and there were lots of laughing and smiles with friends. Following our trip to the beach, the children created a picture telling of their beach experience.

The children were fortunate to visit Mount View Homes to interact with the residents and back at Kindy we baked some apple muffins, using the apples from our own apple tree. This week the children are sharing something from home that is smaller than their hand, using their measuring skills.

Friendly Reminder - Playgroup is run by parents, for parents with small children. The sessions operate on Wednesday mornings at Booleroo Kindy/Rural Care from 9:30 – 11:30. The cost is \$2 per family. Please feel free to come along and join in, we would love to see you there.



Quote

"It's a wondrous thing how the wild calms the child". Unknown

The Kindy Team

Senior School News

There is a lot of information that comes into the school around careers, VET, universities, TAFE, scholarships etc. All relevant information is passed onto students through Microsoft Teams either through their Home Group or PLP class. Please encourage your children to check out the information regularly so they can keep up with the many options and experiences available to them. Anyone with any questions can contact me at school anytime.

VET - 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**

Senior School News (cont)

To that end, we are still looking for some farmers to provide

- 50-100 sheep as part of a 2 day Livestock Feeding Plan on 23/24th October. These can be ewes, wethers or hoggets and do not have to be in top condition for condition scoring – average of the mob.
- A range of Fat score (7 lambs) store – top end
- Needle/drench sheep – if required in your livestock plan. If not, RST will provide an ADE or Cabalife vitamin injection for the task.

We appreciate the continued support of our farming community in our Agricultural programs. If you are able to assist, can you please contact Gayle Bury at school.

Tertiary and Career Expo – On Monday 3rd April, a mix of Yr 10-12 students will be attending the Tertiary and Career Expo at the Adelaide Convention Centre with Gayle Bury and Tas Ktenedis. The bus will be leaving at 7:00 am and returning by approximately 6:30pm. Alternative pick-ups and drop-offs can be made with Gayle Bury beforehand. Note: this is the day before SSSA Athletics which may impact some students. IF STUDENTS ARE PLANNING ON STAYING IN ADELAIDE OR NEED ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS MADE, PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL OR DIARY NOTE

White Card – This course is now full. Those students who expressed interest need to return their paperwork and pay their invoice by Friday 14th April.

National Careers Institute – The National Careers institute has many resources for senior students as they begin their transition from school into careers or university. The School Leavers Information Service is free for young people aged 15-24 and can provide access to qualified career practitioners for tailored assistance with their education, training and employment options. There is also a Parent and Guardians Guide.

Check out <https://www.yourcareer.gov.au/school-leavers-support> for more information.

Champions English Excursion – on Friday the 8/9/10 students are going to Port Augusta to watch *Champions*. We would like to thank Michelle and Roger Coles at Cinema Augusta for supporting our students in this excursion. Students are able to be picked up and dropped off in Wilmington and Melrose but must have made this request in writing beforehand.

Gayle Bury

Senior School Coordinator

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Governing Council News

Booleroo Centre Steam & Traction 2023 – Fundraising Event

On Sunday 26th March, the BCDS Fundraising Committee were responsible for the canteen for the Steam & Traction. This year's event was an outstanding success, with significantly more funds raised than the last couple of years due to no COVID restrictions and the expansion of food we offered. A massive thanks to everyone who donated dollars towards purchases, cooked (WOW we have some fantastic cooks in our community), assisted with preparation for the day or at the canteen or worked on the gate on Sunday. Thanks to those community members who donated food or worked - even when they no longer have a connection to the school. A special mention to those who jumped in the kitchen to assist when we were extremely busy, or stayed most of the day, or longer than their allocated shift. All your efforts are greatly appreciated by the BCDS Fundraising Committee. We look forward to your continued support throughout 2023.

Angela Peacock, Fundraising Chair



School News

Year 10 Spotlight

PLP – They are currently completing work in class in preparation for the Year 10 Careers Trip to Adelaide in Week 2 of next term.

Geography – The class completed their environmental changes sustainability unit, and they are progressing to a unit on Adelaide's coastline. In the weeks to come they will build the skills to analyse Adelaide's coastline and conduct a field trip which will allow them to apply their knowledge of soft and hard technologies that help protect Adelaide's beaches.

Health & Physical Education – In Physical Education the class has just concluded their practical unit for badminton, but will be completing a written post-assessment early next week. There were impressive skills on display, the post-assessment provides students with an opportunity to display their tactical awareness. This is important because not every student will have the skills required to execute the game plan they are able to visualise. Last week the class set their group norms for their SHINE lessons and will continue to work through the 15-lesson program in the coming weeks.

Digital Technology – The class has been experimenting with new, and complex, graphic manipulation techniques to plan and create their own designs. They have also been looking at the eSafety website to learn about several issues such as digital footprints, fake news, trolling, unwanted and unsafe contact, and more.

English – The class has been doing a film study and looking at the use of techniques such as cinematography, mise-en-scene, diegetic and non-diegetic sound. As part of the study, they are going with the Year 8s and 9s to see the movie Champions at the Port Augusta Cinema this Friday.

Design and Technology – The Year 9/10 class are currently working on their individual projects, which required them to design and construct a timber stool. The process required them to conduct research and analysis where students looked at a vast range of stool designs and noted factors that could influence their designs. Students needed to include 3 timber joints in their construction and complete an evaluation of their entire process after completion.

Science – The Yr10s have been covering numerous physics topics including speed, velocity, and displacement.

Maths – The students have examined the fundamentals of factorising and are moving onto factorising exponents and fractions.

The Year 10s have settled into secondary school well, with an increasing number of students doing their best to balance their studies with commitments outside of school. For some, they are already planning to get their driving learners.

Alby Nicholls

Year 10 Home Group Teacher

Sports Day hosted by BCDS 2023

On Friday 10th March we held our annual Sports Day, pitting Dunstan against Rogers for the athletics shield. Rogers put on a dominant display at swimming carnival and Dunstan was out to make amends early on the day. It was fantastic to welcome back the K – 12 event as last year we were forced to split the carnival due to covid restrictions at the time. The place was buzzing with spectators and it really was great to see the wider school community together again. Thanks to Melrose Primary School and Wilmington Primary School for attending; their presence adds to the event.

With temperatures reaching 27 degrees, the conditions were near perfect to compete on the track. It was clear we were in for a superb day after the completion of the hurdles with Che Lee-Bruce breaking the Junior Boys Hurdles Record which spanned back to 1976 and was held by Gavin Woolford. The record was 14 seconds flat and Che ran a super impressive 13.97 seconds. Congratulations Che on a brilliant run and outstanding achievement!

Leading up to the event, it is always difficult to tell whether students are going through the motions or training with purpose, but once the day arrives it is always clear that students are determined to excel. The competitive nature and drive of our students is near impossible to question when you see the efforts they put into events like the 400m. When they cross the finish line after giving the event every ounce of energy they had, it is something we need to stand back and admire.

There were many examples of this throughout the day, but Jaden Carey's 400m stood out with her pushing herself to her limits to edge out her opponents. She did not compete in the event last year, but should have and it was fantastic to see her embrace the challenge this year. This is just one example of many excellent moments on the day.

Patrick Fuller had a dominant display in the Open Boys taking out the cup, but just as important is that he was leading by example as House Captain for Rogers and encouraging everyone to compete because every point matters whether you win, place or score a singular point for your team by entering an event. It truly is about participation and strength in numbers.

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Dunstan did well to bridge the gap at times, but each time they got the score below 100 points Rogers would answer back and eventually took out the shield with a score of 1596 to Dunstan's 1338. Congratulations to both teams on the standard of competition, but in particular Rogers need to be congratulated on taking home the overall house shield after winning the first two events out of the three.

Congratulations to all cup winners, record breakers, and benchmark setters. These accomplishments are not easy to achieve and you should be proud of your efforts. Please see the cup scores, records broken, and benchmarks set below.

Thank you to all staff, volunteers, and anyone else who helped throughout the day. Your contributions do not go unnoticed and quite frankly the event would not run efficiently without your support. A special thank you to Russell Glayde for helping maintain and mark the oval along with many other jobs he does before and on the day. Well done to Chloe Clarke, Rosie Simpson and the SRC for running a successful canteen. Jane Crawford and the primary staff need to be commended on the fantastic organisation and running of the Reception to Year 4 events.

Alby Nicholls, PE Coordinator



SSSA Swimming 2023

On Wednesday 1st March we had 9 students earn the right to represent BCDS as a part of the MNSEC Swimming Team at the South Australia Leisure and Aquatic Centre at Marion. This level of competition is high, with several swimmers achieving state standards, meaning they are in the top 5 percent of competitors for that event across all the grades. It was fantastic for our students to test themselves against this level of competition.

Several of our students placed in their event(s) which is a huge accomplishment. Our team was largely full of swimming club members who were happy to have the opportunity to compete at this level. Seeing non-swimming club members like Matilda van der Werf and Ned Woolford relish the opportunity and compete well at this standard was great. Matilda placed third in her freestyle along with club swimmers Mikayla Garrard and Joel Voigt, and Olivia Roocke in her two breaststroke events.

It is not all about placing or winning events, but rather the opportunity this provides our students with to measure their abilities. Others swam personal best which is an impressive achievement. They would've learnt from this event what standard is required and it gave them a goal to strive for. Several comments have been made about those not in the swimming club joining the club to be stronger for next year.

Thank you to all the parents who helped transport students to and from Adelaide - this is a huge effort and it does not go unnoticed. Several parents offered to help time, which was appreciated and it is a great position to view the events from. Amanda Bowman did a superb job facilitating the event and it ran efficiently. Congratulations to our 9 representatives, you upheld the school values and achieved some excellent results.

Well done!

Alby Nicholls, PE Coordinator

MNSEC Athletics 2023

On Thursday 23rd March, our Year 7 to 12 students travelled to the Jamestown Community School to compete in the annual MNSEC Athletics carnival. There was excitement in the air as the carnival had only run once in the past 3 years and everyone was thrilled to have it back! We had a squad of nearly 50 students and each member contributed throughout the day.

It is always difficult to gauge how our school will fair; some outstanding athletes have graduated in recent years and the comments are usually that we've lost depth but in actual fact, it is a hole that is filled with emerging talent, with up-and-comers like Lily Omahen, Eva McCallum, Maisie McCallum, Henry Zwar, and Geoffery Garden to name a few.

In the early events, it was unclear which school was going to gain initial ascendance. Milla Roberts ran a fantastic 800m comfortably crossing the line in first place, but several of our competitors placed second in their 800m events. However, the winners of those events came from a variety of schools meaning we were still highly competitive, narrowly trailing the leading school by 4 points after the first score update.

Our competitors did well in the field events either winning the events or placing in the top 3. The 100m sprints have 3 divisions and are usually a good indicator of which school is well placed to take out the relay and give themselves the best opportunity to win the event. In past years this has been one of our strengths.

It was evident after the 13 and under girls competed that we were in a good position with all of them winning their events in impressive fashion. We had many students across the divisions win their heat. Patrick Fuller was in the Open Boys second heat but ran the fastest of all competitors with a superb run of 12.33 seconds. It was clear from our athletes' results in the 100m sprints that we were going to be in a good position to challenge for the shield.

One of our mantras is 'strength in numbers' and this has proven to be true in recent years. Our competitors may not win every event but they give everything they have for the school and that pride in representing your community needs to be commended. We did not have a competitor for the 13 and under boys hurdles, but we filled the event because Geoffery Garden volunteered for the event. He wasn't just there to make up numbers, he finished second in the event! There were so many examples of students stepping up to fill events and some outside of their comfort zone.

Olivia Roocke embraced the challenge of a 1500m and ran third in the event. Mack Bishop became ill and had to withdraw from the Open Boys hurdles - enter Lucas Omahen to save the day, finishing third. Eva McCallum experienced her first MNSEC Athletics carnival by being placed in the 16 and under girls 400m - she won the event and is now off to SSSA Athletics in Adelaide. There are so many excellent stories of success, but there were also stories of determination and perseverance.

Ned Woolford and Charlie Lines were both placed in the 1500m events outside of their age groups and did not win their events, but both were determined to give it their best shot. It is hard not to admire the attitude of our athletes when they are selfless and show grit to uphold a long-standing school tradition. Ned ran 4th and Charlie ran 9th. These efforts are vital to helping gain the points needed to retain the shield.

There were some sublime efforts on the day and it is hard to go past our 4 competitors who were competing for the Champion Athlete of the Day. Kiera Mount's effort on the track was sensational and her resilience shone through with her winning each of those events. Her only loss was in the javelin, where she placed third. Leah Phillips had some excellent results on the track, long jump, and triple jump. She placed second in both high jump and javelin. Patrick Fuller was brilliant in his discus, breaking Jaxon Kumnick's old record of 32.92m and setting the new record with a throw of 34.29m. Congratulations Patrick, this was no easy feat! Patrick was dominant on the track winning all of his running events; it was only his high jump and triple jump where Ronald Nash was able to get the better of him.

Lily Omahen was electric on the track and equally as impressive in her field events. She won all 6 of her individual events giving her the perfect score of 36 points. She took out the Female Champion Athlete of the Day with Kiera Mount and Leah Phillips trailing her by 2 points as runner-ups. Patrick also finished as a runner-up by 2 points to Alex Kotaras from Jamestown Community School. Lily was humble with her victory and she should be proud of this achievement because she edged out some exceptional athletes to win the award. Congratulations Lily! An outstanding accomplishment!

Thank you to all the BCDS staff for helping on the day or in the lead-up to the event. You all know this event requires a team effort and that's how we approached it. A special mention to Ella Thredgold and the Jamestown Community School staff; they always do an incredible job preparing for the event and it adds to a first-class events. Amanda Bowman is a tireless worker and always facilitates and organizes events at a high standard. This event was no exception, thank you!



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To our students and team, it was a true team effort; every squad member gave their all but the cheer squad always brings home the final runner of each relay. You just give them the encouragement and spark they need to finish strong.

It is hard to believe that the 14 and under boys won the relay even with a baton drop - this just shows the unbelievable run they had to have an error but recover so well. It may have been on record pace before the minor setback. Our relay changes after this were near perfect and helped our relay teams gain solid leads to win 6 out of 10 relays.

The competition at MNSEC Athletics is always fierce, which makes the day significantly more enjoyable as our team and athletes are required to dig deep and challenge themselves. It is always important to acknowledge the success of the other schools. Congratulations to Gladstone High School for taking out the MNSEC Athletics Handicap Shield. Well done to Orroroo Area School for winning the 15 and under age group pennant.

Well done to the 25 competitors who have been selected to represent BCDS as a part of the MNSEC Team at SSSA Athletics in Adelaide on Tuesday 4th April (Week 10). Have a great time at the event and be willing to embrace the challenge of the next standard of competition. It is an opportunity to measure your abilities and growth as an athlete.

As many of you would know our school was competing for our 18th consecutive win of the Overall Shield. It is a credit to our team for making the effort to take the training sessions on offer and fine-tune their techniques. Gladstone and Orroroo did push up, and we had to respond. Our athletes rose to the challenge and went on to win the event by 108 points. Thanks to all of the MNSEC schools for a fantastic day out, and to our team - enjoy the win as you never know how long the streak will last. A superb team effort!



Champion Athlete Award	
Male	Female
Alex Kotaras 36 points (JCS)	Lily Omahen 36 points (BCDS)
Patrick Fuller 34 points (BCDS)	Kiera Mount & Leah Phillips 34 points (BCDS)
Riley Risdale 32 points (OAS)	Annie Mae Pitkin 30 points (OAS)

Overall Shield		
Place	School	Points
1 st	BCDS	763
2 nd	GHS	655
3 rd	OAS	646
4 th	JCD	486
5 th	QAS	258
6 th	PHS	222

Remember to:

'Be humble in victory and gracious in defeat.'

Alby Nicholls PE Coordinator



SCHOOL MAGAZINE

We are hoping to have the magazine ready to go home in week 9 next term. Reports and photos from events after week 5 will be added to the 2024 magazine. To ensure we cover costs we would like orders to be in by the end of term 2 – 5th July 2023 – order numbers will determine the number of pages we can publish.

Booloroo Centre District School
2023 MAGAZINE ORDERS FORM
\$40 per Magazine (GST incl)

PLEASE RETURN ORDERS & PAYMENT TO M.WATERS **BEFORE** WEDNESDAY 5th July 2023

Student Name: _____

No. of Magazine required: _____

Payment enclosed/ paid by QKR (please circle) \$ _____

Board games

The school is looking for board and card games that are still in reasonable condition and complete to be used during our Tuesday board game lunch sessions in the library. Do you have an old chess board with pieces, a memory game, dominoes or Chinese checkers that you are not using anymore? We are happy to receive any type of game, for a broad range of ages, but preferably ones that can be finished in half an hour. Games can be delivered to the front office or given to your child's teacher. Thank you very much in advance for any donations.

Community News



Saturday 10am - 10pm
Sunday 10am - 4pm

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