



# Booleroo Centre District School

*... Strive to Excel*

*Integrity · Responsibility · Resilience · Respect*

## Newsletter Term 1 Week 10

### **DATES FOR THE DIARY** 3RD APRIL, 2025

[Year 10-12s—Pt Pirie Seminar](#)

Tuesday 8th April

[Merit Ceremony](#)

Tuesday 8th April

[SSSA Athletics](#)

Wednesday 9th April

[Primary Easter Fun](#)

Friday 11th April

[Flinders Mobile Library](#)

Friday 11th April

Friday 9th & 23rd May

**[End of Term](#)**

**[Early Dismissal](#)**

**[2:15pm](#)**

**[Friday 11th April](#)**

[Year 7 transition parent meetings](#)

Tues 29th & Wed 30th April

[MNSEC/Sapsasa Cross Country](#)

Wednesday 30th April

[Primary Road Safety Program](#)

Thursday 8th May

[GRIP Leadership Conference](#)

Thursday 8th May

**[SCHOOL PHOTOS](#)**

**[Friday 9th May](#)**

### Principal's News

#### Long-Term Plan: Upgrading the Outdoor Basketball Court

Booleroo Centre District School is committed to enhancing its facilities to provide improved learning and recreational spaces for students. As part of our long-term planning, we have set a goal to upgrade our outdoor basketball court, modernising the surface, ensuring greater functionality, and improving overall usability.

#### Project Goals

The upgrade aims to:

- Resurface the court with a durable and modern synthetic top to enhance playability and safety.
- Provide a sheltered area over the court, offering students protection from the elements while also creating an additional learning and recreational space.
- Modernise the schoolyard, contributing to an aesthetically appealing and functional environment for all students.

#### Funding and Timeline

This project is part of a structured five to ten-year plan, with the school committing financial resources towards its completion. Additionally, we have engaged with Governing Council, who will contribute to the initiative through ongoing fundraising efforts. By working collaboratively with our school community, we aim to secure the necessary funds to bring this vision to life. Furthermore, we will apply to the Department for Education to seek additional support in upgrading our school grounds and ensuring the success of this project.

#### Benefits to the School Community

- Enhanced Student Experience: The upgraded court will provide a high-quality sports surface, benefiting both physical education programs and recreational use.
- Additional Learning Space: The planned shelter will create a versatile covered area, allowing for outdoor learning and activities beyond traditional sports.
- Improved Facilities: This project aligns with our commitment to continuous school improvement, ensuring students have access to modern, well-maintained facilities.

We are excited about the positive impact this initiative will have on our school and look forward to working together with the community to achieve this goal.

#### **Wonderful Recognition**

We are thrilled to share that Booleroo Centre District School has been recognised by The Advertiser as being in the top 50 ranked Better Education schools in South Australia. This is a fantastic acknowledgment of the dedication and hard work of our students, staff, and wider school community.

While we do not focus on league tables as a measure of our success, it is encouraging to see our commitment to student growth and achievement reflected in this way. Our strong support for secondary students from Years 7 to 10 has been highlighted as a key factor in our success. This foundation then leads to the outstanding results our senior students achieve as they progress into their chosen pathways, whether it be further education, training, or employment.

PO Box 42 Booleroo Centre SA 5482

PH: 08 8667 2124 • F: 08 86672201

E: [dl.0771\\_info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0771_info@schools.sa.edu.au) • W: [www.booleroods.sa.edu.au](http://www.booleroods.sa.edu.au)

Kindy&Rural Care

PH: 08 8667 2055 • F: 08 8667 2039

E: [dl.6608.leaders@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.6608.leaders@schools.sa.edu.au) • W: [www.boolerookan.sa.edu.au](http://www.boolerookan.sa.edu.au)



Government of South Australia  
Department for Education

## Principal's News (cont)

This recognition is a testament to the collective effort of our school community in fostering a positive and supportive learning environment. We remain committed to ensuring every student is given the tools and guidance they need to succeed, and we will continue to build on these achievements into the future.

Thank you to our dedicated teachers, support staff, students, and families for making Booleroo Centre District School a place of excellence in education. We look forward to continuing this journey together!

### Positive Growth Mindset

**"The only limits we have are the ones we set for ourselves."**

In education, this idea is a powerful reminder that students have the potential to achieve more than they often realise. Learning is not just about acquiring knowledge but also about developing the mindset that growth is always possible. Whether it's mastering a challenging subject, developing new skills, or stepping outside of a comfort zone, success comes from belief, effort, and perseverance.

At Booleroo Centre District School, we encourage our students to push beyond perceived limitations, embrace challenges, and recognise that setbacks are simply opportunities to learn and improve. With the proper support, determination, and willingness to try, there are no fixed boundaries to what they can accomplish. Take the time to discuss this with your children, and reinforce the idea of not giving up, as there is always a solution to a challenge that may come their way.



### Farewell and Thank You to Gayle Bury Dodman

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Gayle Bury Dodman for her incredible years of service to Booleroo Centre District School. Her dedication and contributions have had a lasting impact on our students and school community. While we are fortunate to have Gayle with us until the end of the year, continuing to teach Stage 2 English, she will also be stepping into an exciting new role at the new technical college in Port Augusta. We wish Gayle all the best in this new endeavour and sincerely thank her for all she has done for our school.

### Thank you for term 1

As Term 1 comes to a close, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to our students, families, teachers, SSOs, grounds staff, and bus drivers for their dedication and hard work in making this term such a success. Your support, commitment, and teamwork have been invaluable, and I truly appreciate everything you do to contribute to our school community.

A special thank you to the Governing Council for their ongoing support and involvement—it makes a real difference in shaping the future of our school.

I hope everyone takes the time to rest and recharge over the break. For those travelling, please do so safely. Looking forward to seeing you all refreshed and ready for an exciting Term 2!

Enjoy the holidays!

Thank you,  
Tas Ktenidis



# Bush schools with lessons for the elites

Lauren Novak  
Shashi Baltutis

Tiny country schools have been named among the ranks of South Australia's best performing high schools.

The state's largest public school has tied for top spot for the third year running, alongside two elite all-girl colleges, in the latest Better Education analysis of academic outcomes.

But smaller and remote campuses have also shot up the list of almost 60 top schools published online.

Every school scored at least 90 points out of 100, based on the performance of year 7 to 10 students in English and mathematics.

Located more than 620km from Adelaide, Karcultaby Area School on the Eyre Peninsula is the farthest-flung campus to feature on the 2024 list. The school of just 80 students is one of 15 public schools on the list and scored 92 out of 100.

Public Glenunga Interna-

FULL LIST



bit.ly/sabetter education

Anglican School for Girls in Hyde Park (460 students) in scoring a maximum 100 points.

Booleroo District Centre School, almost 300km from Adelaide, scored 92 points.

Principal Tas Ktenidis credited the "awesome achievement" to his staff and small class sizes at the school of just 170 students. The year 12 cohort at the school comprises about 20 students.

"It's how we care about our kids and they get extensive support," Mr Ktenidis said.

"We've got one purpose and that's supporting our kids to meet the pathway they choose."

ional High School, with about 2320 students, joined St Peter's Girls School in Stonyfell (850 students) and Walford

Small class sizes at the school "allows the classroom teacher to become more in depth in what they're trying to teach".

Year 10 student at Booleroo Zaiden van der Werf, 15, said he was supported by his teachers to pursue higher level maths and will this year study year 11 mathematical methods online through Open Access College.

"It doesn't matter if we're regional, it's just about who's at the school (teaching)," said Zaiden.

Year 12 students Bayley Dodman and Jasmine Martin, both 17, said they got ahead with personalised feedback.

"You're not just a number, you're a student they know," Jasmine said.


Five private schools scored an almost perfect 99, including Seymour College in Glen Osmond, Southern Montessori School in O'Sullivan Beach, Wildemess School in Medindie, Pembroke School in Kensington Park and St Ignatius' College in Athelstone.

## Kindy News

On a beautiful day, a simple pleasure is sharing a big book outside. The children commented on the pictures of Australian native animals, both those familiar and those less familiar to us, depending on where they are found in Australia. Our learning continued with the children describing and talking about an Australian Animal of their choice for 'Show and Share'.

We were fortunate to attend the 'Beats N Pieces' performance, joining surrounding pre-schools and schools at Wilmington Town Hall. This interactive performance highlighted the variety of languages, including different nationalities and sign language, through the language of music. The performance was engaging and fun.

Children are naturally curious and we have been extending our thinking through noticing and experimenting with varied experiences. Our latest experiment was on change in colour and chemical reactions.

Quote: *"Simplify, slow down, be kind. And don't forget to have art in your life – music, paintings, theatre, dance and sunsets."* - Eric Carle 



The Kindy Team

## School News

### School sores

We have had a case of school sores (Impetigo) reported to us at school this week. These can be easily spread, directly or indirectly. Please keep an eye out and if your child is infected, children must stay away until there is no more discharge from the sores. Please seek Doctor advice if in any doubt.

**CROSS COUNTRY**  
*Fun Run*  
**1KM**  
 SA schoolsport  
 8YRS GIRLS/BOYS  
 9YRS GIRLS/BOYS  
 10 YRS GIRLS/BOYS  
 WILMINGTON GOLF COURSE  
 10AM START  
**WEDNESDAY | 30 APRIL, 2025**  
 Winners receive a block of chocolate and certificate for each age group and gender  
 REGISTER ON THE DAY - PARENTS/CAREGIVERS RESPONSIBLE FOR TRANSPORTING STUDENTS

# School News



## Booloroo Centre District School



Visit Store: [www.hp.com.au/byod](http://www.hp.com.au/byod)

Enter School Code: **BoolorooCDS**

All prices include: Free Shipping & 3 year Onsite Support/ Warranty

**Optional 3 Year Accidental Damage Protection (ADP) Add on Insurance:**

Purchased separately after 4 day mandatory cooling off period, please see back of brochure for more details.

Costs for ADP cover options: **1 claim over 3 years - \$45 for OR up to 3 claims over 3 years - for \$166.50 inc GST.**



~~\$1,416~~  
**\$789**  
SAVE \$627

### HP 245 G10 I4"

AMD Ryzen 5 processor + 3yr Onsite Support  
8GB RAM / 256GB SSD Storage  
14" diagonal FHD Display  
Windows 11 Home



~~\$1,800~~  
**\$1,289**  
SAVE \$511

### HP ProBook 440 G11 I4"

Intel Core Ultra5 processor + 3yr Onsite Support, 16GB RAM / 256GB Storage  
14" WUXGA Clamshell Screen  
Windows 11 Pro



~~\$1,924~~  
**\$978**  
SAVE \$946

### HP ProBook x360 435 G10 I3.3"

AMD Ryzen 3 + 3yr Onsite Support  
16GB RAM / 256 GB Storage  
13.3" FHD Touchscreen converts to Tablet  
includes Stylus Pen  
Windows 11 Pro OS



~~\$3,120~~  
**\$2,089**  
SAVE \$1031

### HP ProBook 460 G11 I6" Multimedia

Intel Core Ultra7 Processor  
3yr Onsite Support  
16GB RAM / 512GB SSD Storage  
16" WUXGA Display with NVIDIA GeForce  
RTX 2050 4GB dedicated Graphics Card  
Windows 11 Pro OS



For any assistance please call your friendly HP BYOD specialist  
Katrina Parker m: 0456 898 814  
katrina.parker1@hp.com



Visit Store: [www.hp.com.au/byod](http://www.hp.com.au/byod)

Enter School Code: **BoolorooCDS**



## Trade IN & Trade UP Recycling Program

### How Online Trade In Works



### FAQ's

#### What payment options are available?

Credit Card: Visa, Mastercard, American Express, Buy Now Pay Later: PayPal, Afterpay, ZipPay, Digital Pay: G Pay, Apple Pay & Latitude Finance Interest Free for 12 or 24 months, contact us for more information



#### BYOD Program?

Buying directly from HP ensures your child has the right device and support to work in the school environment. Importantly, it guarantees the latest learning devices at affordable pricing. All devices have been selected to meet the schools minimum device requirements.

#### How Do I Purchase?

The easiest way is to purchase online at [www.hp.com.au/byod](http://www.hp.com.au/byod) and use your school code. You can also purchase via the HP Call Centre 1300 725 017 (Mon - Fri 9am - 8pm AEST)

### Accidental Damage Protection Insurance

#### What is Accidental Damage Protection (ADP)?

ADP covers the device against accidental drops, spills or damage with \$0 excess. E.g if a student were to drop their device and crack a screen we will come to site to repair at \$0 excess including parts and labour.

ADP cover options: **1 claim over 3 years - \$45 for HP ProBooks OR 3 claims over 3 years - for \$185 for ProBook's \*all prices including GST**

### How To Purchase ADP Insurance

