



# BOONAH STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Principal's News

Fete week has finally arrived, bringing with it all the busyness and last minute panic one might expect with such a significant event. While our fete is intended to raise funds to install shaded, terraced seating on our oval bank (keep an eye for the project plans at the fete), it is also a golden opportunity to showcase our school to the wider community. Our community has a long history of supporting the school and each other and I look forward to the tradition continuing this weekend when ALL families do their bit to ensure a successful fete. Remember, if we all take the time to volunteer for a short time, we all get the chance to enjoy the event with our family and friends. Please read this week's fete newsletter (distributed soon) for ways you can support the cause.

## Staffing News

It is with mixed emotions that I announce Mrs Wendy Freiberg will be retiring this week. After more than 27 years as a Teacher Aide and friend to our school community she has made the decision to spend more time with family and friends doing the things she loves. While I am pleased she has made the decision to retire young and enjoy life, I am saddened by the loss to our school. Wendy has been a calm and caring influence to so many in our community and I know she will be missed by many. As a school community, we will be farewelling Wendy with a special presentation at parade on Friday.

Many will already know by now, but I can officially announce that Mr Damien Butler's return to us was very brief. Mr Butler has been appointed Acting Principal of Kalbar SS from this week until August 2018. We wish him the best of luck in his new role and congratulate him on the worthy recognition of his leadership and skills. Ms Sharolyn Johnson will replace Mr Butler as our Master Teacher for the remainder of this term, at this stage, while we conduct a state-wide selection process for the longer term. We hope Ms Johnson will take up her new position from next week – pending the employment of a quality replacement teacher for her P/1 class. We appreciate that these changes will cause some disruption and thank the community for their understanding of our commitment to developing our staff and providing them with leadership opportunities.

## Dress Code Changes

Families will have received a note last week outlining the minor changes to our Dress Code. I sincerely thank the many families who have already worked with their children to meet these changes. We have seen considerable improvement already. Remember the changes will take full effect from next week.

## District Athletics

Next Wednesday and Thursday (2 & 3 August) a team of athletes will represent our school at the Fassifern District Athletics Trials. Students selected for the team will have already received the appropriate paperwork and are asked to return it to the office ASAP to ensure their participation. We wish the athletes the very best of luck and know that they will represent our school with pride.



## Sausage Sizzle

Due to fete commitments, there will be no Sausage Sizzle this Friday 28-7-17. Sausage Sizzle will re-commence the Friday after the Fete.

## Boonah Brilliance Afternoons

This exciting program will begin next Friday and run for 6 weeks. This week the children have been nominating their preferred activities from a selection of Scratch Coding, Lego/construction, yarn craft, scrapbooking, Fitness Club, basketball, Community Bucket Filling, Gardening and Little and Loving It/Early Years activities. They are in anticipation of hearing, later in the week, the activity they will engage in. Don't forget that this program will mean a change to our Friday timetable. For the 6 week period our second break will be changed to 1:00-1:10 so we can run activities from 1:15-2:45.

## Learning on Country

For the last 2 days, all of our classes have participated in the Learning on Country Program with David Spillman and Peter Fowler. These men have been sharing Indigenous culture with our children through stories, dance and language. The children have thoroughly enjoyed the sessions and are looking forward to another round of lessons in week 9 this term. I encourage families to ask their children about the sessions and see what language, dances and stories they remember. In the interests of sharing this knowledge with our wider community to spread tolerance, appreciation and understanding please find some local Ugarapul language learned by your children below.

Koala – Murrumpi  
Kangaroo – Noori  
Kookaburra – Kargum  
Dingo – Nungul  
Thank you – Yalway (silent 'l')

Mark Winrow, Principal

## Free Microsoft Office for Students

All Queensland State School students can now download multiple free copies of the latest Microsoft Office to their personal home computers and mobile devices. To download Office 2016 to a PC or Mac, visit [portal.office.com](http://portal.office.com), log in using your school email address, click through to install and follow the on-screen process. For tablets and smartphones, download from the app store and sign in with your school email address. Detailed instructions are available at [education.qld.gov.au/office2016](http://education.qld.gov.au/office2016)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>JULY</b>	
28	<b>All Raffle Tickets Sold or Unsold</b> Due back
30	Boonah State School Fete – Christmas in July
<b>AUGUST</b>	
2	District Athletics – Time & Venue TBA
3	District Athletics – Time & Venue TBA
14	Show Holiday – School Closed
21	Surf Lifesaving Qld Bush to Beach presentation 9am
31	Hansel & Gretel Art Performance
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	
4-8	Parent Teacher Interviews
6	Indigenous Literacy Day celebration
<b>OCTOBER</b>	
23-26	Emu Gully Camp – Year 5 students
<b>DECEMBER</b>	
2	School Concert – “Everybody Dance Now!”

## BOONAH BRILLIANCE STUDENT OF THE WEEK



♦ Safe ♦ Responsible ♦ Respectful ♦ An Active Learner

**Year 2/3** – Year 2/3 filled their teacher’s bucket to overflowing by showing what calm & committed workers they can be.

**Addyson** – Addyson has made a huge improvement in her reading. Well done!

**Amilee** – Amilee worked consistently and enthusiastically, point by point, to learn about decimals, in Maths this week.

**Austin** – Austin has shown a very good commitment to his learning this week, by giving his best effort in all areas.

**Ava** – Ava consistently uses her manners and always has a positive attitude. Keep it up!

**Ben** – Ben has contributed positively to our Science lessons this week with his insightful ideas.

**Charlee** – Charlee took to maths with all the right angles when learning geometry.

**Eboni** – Eboni has started the term with a positive and hard-working attitude. Keep it up!

**Eddie** – Eddie has settled in to routines and made a positive start at Boonah State School.

**Ella** – Ella strives to do a little bit better every day. Well done!

**Gus** – Gus did some wonderful work in RIP into Reading – learning about the Ancient Wonders of the World.

**Harry** – Harry can always be relied upon to follow the four pillars. He is a great role model.

**Hayley** – Hayley displayed outstanding athleticism and sportsmanship during our athletics carnival.

**Ilaise** – Ilaise has had a great start to Term 3, joining in learning and filling peoples’ buckets.

**Jack** – Awarded for fabulously focussed and productive work in the classroom and for helping others without being asked.

**Jade** – Jade takes on feedback and actively strives to read all learning goals. Well done!

**Jai** – Jai filled his teacher’s bucket this week by being a model student. He tried his hardest, helped others learn and treated everyone with respect.

**Jake** – Jake has had a positive start to Term 3, demonstrating Boonah Brilliance in all aspects of his learning.

**Joey** – Joey has made an exceptional start to Term3, showing Boonah Brilliance.

**Laurence** – Laurence has worked hard this week to improve his Active Learning skills.

**Lillee** – Lillee has shown a wonderfully positive attitude to work and great success in her maths and writing.

**Maddi** – Maddi has made a massive improvement in her reading.

**Malakai** – Malakai has made super improvement in his reading and spelling, we are so proud of him!

**Matthew** – Matthew has shown a positive attitude this week and it was a pleasure to have him in the class.

**Mitchell** – Mitchell is always a positive, diligent and courteous class member. He strives for excellence and is going ahead in leaps and bounds

**Raaf** – Raaf continues to show respect and responsibility during all activities inside and outside the classroom.

**Ryan** – Awarded for continuing to work hard through assessment items. Great diligence!

**Samuel** – Awarded for being an active learner.

**Samuel** – Sam has had an awesome learning week. He has tried his best in everything that he has done.

**Sebastian** – Sebastian shows persistence and determination every day when tackling challenging tasks.

**Taylor** – Taylor’s enthusiastic approach to maths is to be commended. It is great to see you excited about your learning!

**Zander** – This week, Zander shined with Boonah Brilliance in all areas of our four pillars.

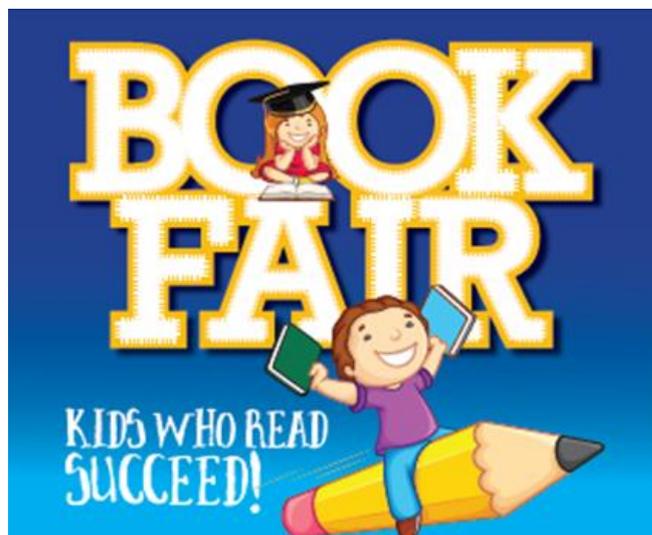
## P&C NEWS

### FETE NEWS

Thank you to all the families who have donated their second-hand goods to the Trash & Treasure Store. We have had a very good response.

### RAFFLE TICKETS

**IMPORTANT!** All raffle tickets (sold or unsold) **MUST BE** returned to the Office by **THURSDAY 27<sup>th</sup> JULY**.



## BOOK FAIR AT THE FETE

VISIT BOOKFAIR IN THE LIBRARY

BOOKFAIR CONTINUES NEXT WEEK  
FROM MONDAY TO FRIDAY 8AM TO 4PM

Early Readers, Activity & Picture Books

Non Fiction

Junior, Middle & Senior Fiction

Books and activities for as low as \$2

**SAFETY, RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY AND ACTIVE LEARNING.**

