



Boonah State School

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Every Day Counts at School



Principal's News

We are delighted to welcome you to the new year. It was such a pleasure to see all the familiar faces, and to meet some new families last week when the children eagerly returned. The start of the year is always filled with optimism and potential, and we are committed to keeping the feeling alive by supporting everyone to have success through the year.

Our school prides itself on working with families through open communication. We encourage parents and children to speak with us when issues arise so together we can work on a solution. We are firm in our belief that it takes a village to raise a child.

School Vision

Work was done last year to review our school vision to define exactly what it is we want to achieve as a school. Our vision is important because it will be our constant form of reference for the decisions we make, to hold us accountable to our moral purpose. It is why we do what we do.

We are excited to share this vision with our community.

Boonah State School strives to work with our community to nurture *Boonah Brilliant* children who are **curious, caring, collaborative** and **courageous**, ensuring success for everyone in an inclusive environment. We lead our children on a precise inquiry journey through the Australian Curriculum.

Core Values

You will see, from our vision, that we are placing a significant emphasis on preparing our students with the 4C's.

- Caring** for ourselves, each other and the environment around us
- Curious** to ask questions about the world and the people and in it with a commitment to find the answers
- Collaborative** working with others to share ideas, knowledge and skills to find solutions to problems
- Courageous** to take safe risks and stand for what is right

It is our aim to gift these tools to our children so they may continue to be successful in life far beyond school. I encourage you to regularly speak to your children about these core values and highlight to them when you see them using the skills or when you see others use them. It would also be great for you to model the skills to your children and challenge them to identify when you are using them. We need to work together to gift these tools to our kids.

Please note that these core values do NOT replace our 4 school rules of *Safety, Respect, Responsibility and Active Learning*, but are intended to compliment them.

Welcome New Staff

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to the following staff who have joined us.

Mrs Fiona Henley	5/6B	Ms Samantha Atkins	3/4
Ms Deborah Hampshire	4	Mrs Zoe Zorzetto	The Arts
Mrs Sharna Richters	HPE, 4/5 (Wednesdays) & Digital Technology		

Swimming

Students in years 3-6 will participate in a learn to swim program each Wednesday in weeks 3-7 this term. Notes have been sent home and we strongly encourage all students to participate in the important curriculum opportunity. Please ensure you return all notes and money by Tuesday 9 February. If you have difficulty with making payment by the due date please contact the office before the due date to arrange a payment plan.

Year 6 MOEC Camp

Our Year 6 students will be joining other year 6 students across the Fassifern Cluster of Schools on camp at the Maroon Outdoor Education Centre from 22-28 February. Notes have been sent home and need to be returned with payment by Monday 8 February. If you have difficulty with making payment by the due date please contact the office before the due date to arrange a payment plan.

P&C

Parents are encouraged to join our valuable P&C Association. This important group of committed parents and citizens provide significant support to our school. One of the most important contributions made is the ability for parents to volunteer at our school (in classrooms, tuckshop, fundraising etc). Without a P&C we cannot have parent volunteers or provide a tuckshop to our families. Most members of our current P&C Executive will be retiring at the AGM in March so we need new members to replace them. Please email pandc@boonahss.eq.edu.au or contact the school if you are interested in joining the P&C or willing to volunteer in the tuckshop. We currently need a tuckshop coordinator before tuckshop can recommence.

Parents in School

I wish to extend my thanks to parents for adhering to our guidelines for allowing parents back on the school site. We appreciate you avoiding congregating and maintaining physical distance. Please remember that if you wish to speak to a teacher to contact them via email or dojo or arrange a suitable time – before and after school are very busy times for teachers.

Student Leader Induction

Please note that we will hold our Student Leader Induction during our usual parade at 9am on Friday 19 February. Families are welcome to join us as we present our leaders with their badges, followed by a morning tea.

CALENDAR

2021

FEBRUARY

- 4 First Sausage Sizzle for 2021
- 10 3-6 Swimming
- 17 3-6 Swimming
- 19 Student Leader Induction
- 24 3-6 Swimming
- 22-28 Camp Yr 6

MARCH

- 3 3-6 Swimming
- 10 3-6 Swimming
- 17 Swimming Carnival
- 30 Cross Country

APRIL

- 1 Last Day of Term 1
- 2 Good Friday
- 19 First Day of Term 2
- 26 Anzac Day Holiday

BOONAH BRILLIANCE STUDENT OF THE WEEK



♦ Safe ♦ Responsible ♦ Respectful ♦ An Active Learner

Cianna – Congratulations on a very positive and mature start to the year.

Bradley – has settled into his new class and routine calmly and with maturity, setting a fine example for others.

Max – has been an excellent role model to his peers this week by staying focused during all lessons.

George – has put in a wonderful effort into his poem this week. Thank you for sharing it with your peers.

Cooper – for showing courage and giving everything a go.

Heidi – for being helpful and respectful to her classmates and teacher.

Lilly – modelled the four pillars of safety, active learning, responsibility and respect brilliantly.

Petra – you shined with Boonah Brilliance every day. Keep up the great work!

Anastasia – has had a wonderful start to the year. Well done!

Emmet – has had a great start to the year. Well done!

Oscar – has demonstrated active listening this week. His listening skills will see him learn a little bit more each day.

Robyn – has had an awesome start to the year. She has demonstrated Boonah Brilliance every day.

1R – is already showing they are a brilliant group of students! Keep it up!

P&C

Next Meeting

TBA

BOOK CLUB

Orders due 12th February 2021 to Admin Office or via the Loop App on your Smartphone.

UNIFORM SHOP

Convener – Claire Sourivong

Regular Opening Hours:

Every Tuesday: 3:00pm to 3:30pm

Every Friday: 8:30am to 9:15am

WELCOME BACK!