

Bridgewater on Loddon Primary School NEWSLETTER

RESPECT, EXCELLENCE & RELATIONSHIPS

Bridgewater-on-Loddon



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EFT DETAILS BSB 633-000 YOU MUST MAKE SURE
A/C 132448242 YOUR FAMILY SURNAME
IS INCLUDED AS THE
REFERENCE!

BRIDGEWATER PRIMARY SCHOOL IS A CHILD SAFE SCHOOL
- We all have a responsibility to report child abuse!

Birthdays...

Nil this week.



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JULY

Monday 27th
Breakfast Program 8:20 onwards
Assembly 3:15 p.m.
School Council meeting

Wednesday 29th
Breakfast Program 8:20 onwards

Thursday 30th
MARC

AUGUST

Monday 3rd
Breakfast Program 8:20 onwards
Assembly 3:15 p.m.

Wednesday 5th
Breakfast Program 8:20 onwards

Monday 10th
Breakfast Program 8:20 onwards
Assembly 3:15 p.m.

Wednesday 12th
Breakfast Program 8:20 onwards

Thursday 13th
MARC

Monday 17th
Breakfast Program 8:20 onwards
Assembly 3:15 p.m.
School Council meeting

Wednesday 19th
Breakfast Program 8:20 onwards

Monday 24th
Breakfast Program 8:20 onwards
Assembly 3:15 p.m.

Wednesday 26th
Breakfast Program 8:20 onwards

Thursday 27th
MARC

READING AWARDS

No Reading awards this week

Reading Goal:
To read at home five times a week!



ATTENDANCE DATA OVER THE LAST 4 Day Week:
For the whole school is 91.25%

KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK
TOWARDS ZERO ABSENCES

Dear Parents,

Hasn't the week absolutely flown!

We have been very busy here at school with student assessment, whole school management, planning and getting to know these fabulous kids.

Junior School Council (JSC)

The first JSC meeting was held this week with students brainstorming the many things they would like to implement this semester. Congratulations to Hannah O'Toole who will be leading the team in the many initiatives that are currently being planned.

Student Action Team

This week we officially formed the 'Bridgewater Primary School - Student Action Team'. The purpose of this group is to help to support and make change within the community. Initiatives may involve work around sustainability and the environment, river science and preservation, connecting with local people and supporting community services. The involvement of students in any initiative will of course, be guided by safety standards as per DEET advice

With social media and the year we have had so far, it is important that our students feel that they can make a positive difference to the people and community around them – we have some very excited students.

"Tell me and I will forget. Show me and I may remember. Involve me and I will understand."

eSmart Digital Licence

This week we introduced the eSmart digital licence program for both junior and middle/senior primary areas.

While the internet is an amazing tool for communication and education, it can be dangerous. Exposure to inappropriate content and exploitation, fraud and scams, as well as bullying are just some of the hazards our children may be exposed to while using technology online. The Digital Licence program contains 8 modules and requires students to score 80% of questions correctly in order to pass.

For more information, please access the Digital Licence site:

<https://www.digitallicence.com.au/about-digital-licence/primary/>

- As a parent, what can you do?
- Take an interest in – and understand - what your children are doing online.
- Make talking about the online world part of everyday conversations as a family.
- Set house rules about internet access and usage.
- Educate yourself. Know what services, games etc your kids are using and familiarise yourself with the types of interactions, privacy settings and reporting mechanisms.

Please find included with this week's newsletter some further information about common and uncommon apps. The fact sheets are produced by the Carly Ryan Foundation and are a great resource for all parents who are trying to navigate the digital world.

Surgical Leave

Unfortunately I was told last Thursday that I would have to have my tonsils out as soon as possible – such bad timing!

The date has been set for Tuesday the 28th of July and so I will be away until the 7th of August. Janine will be taking the reins and because there are other staff in the school most days, will only be employing another teacher for the next couple of Tuesdays. Most of you know Emma Mapson and I feel confident that she will be a great support in my absence.

Inglewood PS Extension

Due to the uncertainty of the current environment, we have decided not to resume our learning program with Inglewood PS this term. Learning collaboratively with a local school exposes the students to a range of other teaching styles, a larger peer network and team teaching opportunities. We look forward to resuming this initiative in the future when it is safe to do so.

Student Learning Interviews

We are hoping to schedule student learning interviews for Monday the 17th of August and Tuesday the 18th of August. There will be more information to come but please pencil in these dates.

Thank you

I would just like to say thank you to the current staff and parents at Bridgewater PS. Janine and I have felt really welcomed and supported and it has been great getting to know you all. Please see below some introductory information about Janine.

School Council Meeting Reminder

Next Monday evening, it would be much appreciated if all school councillors could make every effort to attend.

Janine Andrews

I have been teaching since 2005 in Murchison, Nagambie and Colbinabbin.

I did one year as a Governess on a station in the Northern Territory.

I live in the Wellsford Forest with my Finance, my 3 dogs, 11 chooks and we are currently looking after 2 border collies and 3 horses.

I love the outdoors, riding my bike, walking my dogs; geocaching, camping and I have enjoyed travelling to many parts of Australia.