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Dear Parents,

There is never a dull moment at Bridgewater Primary School! Our calendar has been packed with fantastic learning opportunities and our students continue to do us all proud each and every day.

School Council

This week, parents on School Council had the option to attend Governance training online. Those who were able to attend found the session to be informative and practical. There are further sessions available on Finance, Strategic Planning and the role of the President. I will be attending Finance training online on Monday, 29/8/22 from 6:15-8:30pm. Let me know if you wish to attend and I will register us all together.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 17/8/22.

Opinion Survey

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement. We encourage all families to participate in this survey. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey will be conducted from Monday 15th August to Friday 16th September.

It will be conducted online, only takes 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones at any time within the period above. Attached to this newsletter is the code and link for families to log into and complete the survey.

We truly value this feedback, so please take the time to complete the survey.

Staffing

We extend a warm welcome to the following new additions to the Bridgewater Primary School community:

- Maddi, who has joined us in a casual classroom support role. She will be at BPS Monday to Thursday each week.
- Jim, who has taken on the garden/maintenance role. Through his hard work, we are already seeing a huge lift in the presentation of our grounds.

Book Week

The MARC van will be coming to Bridgewater Primary School for Book Week dress up day on Thursday 25th August. We can't wait to see everyone's fabulous costumes - Mr. G and I are deep in the planning phase of ours! It will be terrific to have a parade in the morning and to be able to welcome parents and visitors to join the fun.

Music is Fun Excursion

This excursion to Marong Primary School will be on Friday, August 26th. Students will need to be at Marong PS by 9am, meaning we will need to leave Bridgewater by 8:45am. You are welcome to drop your child directly to MPS - please just let us know. Unfortunately due to venue size constraints, parents will not be able to stay for the excursion. A permission form for this excursion will be added to UEducateUs shortly.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Linda Kingsley
Principal

Student Awards—Classroom Award

The classroom awards recognise students who are demonstrating skills that are in line with our school values, Respect, Excellence and Relationships.

Please note that this award will be presented at our next assembly. Assemblies will take place every second Friday afternoon at 3:10 pm either at the front of the school or inside during inclement weather. All parents are encouraged and welcome to attend.

Student	Reason
Isaac	For demonstrating outstanding leadership, initiative and genuine care for his peers and the wider school community.

Calendar

Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9
Monday 15th Breakfast Club Tennis Wednesday 17th Outdoor Classroom - River Lunch Club School Council Meeting Friday 19th Inglewood Extension Assembly	Monday 22nd Breakfast Club Wednesday 24th Outdoor Classroom - Onsite Lunch Club Thursday 25th MARC/Book Week—Dress Up Friday 26th Music is Fun Excursion (Leave School at 8.45am)	Monday 29th Breakfast Club Tennis Wednesday 31st Outdoor Classroom - River Lunch Club September Friday 2nd Spring Sports Assembly	Monday 5th Breakfast Club Wednesday 7th Outdoor Classroom - Onsite Lunch Club Thursday 8th MARC Friday 9th Inglewood Extension

Happy Birthday Gus

Bridgewater PS banking details:

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**YOU MUST MAKE SURE YOUR FAMILY SUR-
 NAME IS INCLUDED AS THE REFERENCE!**



Gym

We had our final gym session at Palmer's on Tuesday. Our students enjoyed the opportunity to explore movement in various new and challenging ways, and the growth in their skills and confidence was obvious from session to session. Thanks to our coach, Sally, for her efforts and flexibility (pun unintended!) in delivering this program.



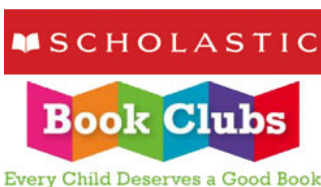
Tennis

This week we have also had another session with Stephen, our tennis coach. Again, the growth in skills and confidence is fantastic. We have one more session next week at Bridgewater Tennis Club, and then a final session at South Bendigo Tennis Club in early September. A transport permission form for this final session will be added to UEducateUs in the coming days.



100 Days of Learning

We celebrated 100 days of learning on Wednesday. As part of these celebrations, students were able to decorate a t-shirt to commemorate the day. Due to the cold, damp weather, the paint is taking a little longer to dry than anticipated. We look forward to them drying over the weekend and being able to wear them!



Scholastic Book Club

Issue 6 is attached to this newsletter and is available from the school office, if you wish to order please return orders with money to the school office box by Thursday 25th August or alternatively orders can be placed online through LOOP.

Bridgewater CBCA Book Week 2022

Thursday 25th August



We will be celebrating Book Week this year with a dress-up parade followed by a range of activities based on some of the short-listed books. Dig through the dress-up box to find something fun to wear!

