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Respect

Excellence

Relationships

SCHOOL COUNCIL

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Dear Families,

We've had another fantastic fortnight of learning, fun and friendship at Bridgewater Primary School, including the first presentation of our new awards at assembly last week.

Baby News

Mr G's family grew by one late last week - congratulations Chris, Gab and Fin on the arrival of Murphy. We are all delighted for you, and are looking forward to seeing you all soon.

Prep Transition

The first of our six Transition visits is on Monday 7/11/22. We are very excited to welcome you to our school and can't wait to show you our beautiful school. Please let us know if you are planning to attend.

Dental Service

As you are aware, the Martin Vale Dentistry van will be attending Bridgewater Primary School on Monday, November 28. Children do not need to attend Bridgewater Primary School to receive the services provided - the only requirement is that you are a recipient of Family Tax Benefit A and have a Medicare card. Anyone aged between 2-17 is welcome to attend. Pop in and pick up a consent form from the office.

CCTV Installation

As mentioned in our last newsletter, School Council will be discussing the possible installation of CCTV cameras at our meeting on Wednesday, 9th November. Installation of cameras may deter potential offenders and assist local police with investigations. There are strict processes and policies around the installation and use of CCTV in schools. Footage will only be viewed when an incident occurs.

The DET Security Advisor and Bendigo Security, who would be installing the system, have recommended the installation of six (6) cameras in the following external locations:

- 1 outside the main entry door,
- 1 looking toward the Eldon St entrance,
- 1 looking towards the mower and sports sheds,
- 2 looking over the undercover area towards the art shed and outdoor classroom/water tank/chickens, and
- 1 mounted high on the corner of the staffroom looking towards the oval.

If you have any questions, concerns or comments, please make sure you have a chat to a School Councillor or come and see me before 9/11/22.

Linda Kingsley
Principal



Student Awards

- The **Values Award** recognises students who are demonstrating skills that are in line with our school values of Respect, Excellence and Relationships.
- The **Environment Award** specifically recognises students who are consistently demonstrating care for the environment.
- The **Aussie of the Month** award at the end of each month, recognises personal endeavour, achievement and contribution to community. This award encourages an appreciation of diversity, concern and consideration for all members of the school community, and communities nearby in need.

Our next Assembly will be Friday, 11 November 2022.

Award	Student	Reason
Values Award - Respect	Rylea	Rylea consistently models pro-social and pro-learning behaviours, demonstrating care and respect for all members of the school community. She always tries to understand each person's unique circumstances and perspective.
Environment Award	Amaya	Amaya consistently demonstrates care and respect for the classroom and school environment. She is a great ambassador for our environment, carer for animals, and enthusiastic participant in Outdoor Classroom activities.
Aussie of the Month	Isaac	Isaac's love of his family, school and wider community is consistently demonstrated in his words and actions. He is an active citizen - getting involved, looking out for and helping others. This was clearly demonstrated during the recent flood event in Bridgewater. His behaviour promotes fairness, inclusion and a sense of belonging for all. <i>This award will be presented on 11/11/22.</i>



Hi, I'm Loddon! I am the mascot for the Loddon Kookaburras, the awesome environment and sustainability group at Bridgewater PS. I love going on adventures with the winner of the Environment Award each fortnight.

Things I like to do include:

- sorting rubbish, recycling and green waste,
- taking the bins out for collection,
- identifying native plants and animals
- picking up litter,
- pulling out weeds,
- composting, and
- bushwalking.

I can't wait to visit and go on an environmental adventure with you!



Congratulations to our award winners, Rylea and Amaya.

Transition Dates

Prep Transition Dates for 2022 (2023 school year)		Activity	Time
Session 1	Monday 7 th November	Fitness, Literacy, Numeracy, morning tea/play	9:00am-11:30am
Session 2	Monday 14 th November	Storytime, lunch/play, Art	1:15pm – 3:30pm
Session 3	Monday 21 st November	Storytime, lunch/play, STEM	1:15pm – 3:30pm
Session 4	Wednesday 30 th November	Outdoor Classroom, morning tea/play	9:00am-11:30am
Session 5	Monday 5 th December	Storytime, lunch/play, STEM	1:15pm – 3:30pm
Session 6	Tuesday 13 th December (state-wide)	Storytime, lunch/play, PE	1:15pm – 3:30pm



Calendar – Term 4

Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9
<p>Monday 7th Breakfast Club Chaplain Transition 1.15-3.30pm</p> <p>Tuesday 8th Tennis in Bendigo</p> <p>Wednesday 9th Breakfast Club Outdoor Classroom Chaplain School Council Meeting</p> <p>Thursday 10th</p> <p>Friday 11th Inglewood Extension Assembly</p>	<p>Monday 14th Breakfast Club Chaplain Transition 1.14-3.30pm</p> <p>Tuesday 15th Transition visit—East Loddon P-12</p> <p>Wednesday 16th Breakfast Club Outdoor Classroom The Little Mermaid—Wedderburn College Chaplain</p> <p>Thursday 17th MARC Van (last borrowing day)</p> <p>Friday 18th Inglewood Extension Newsletter</p>	<p>Monday 21st Breakfast Club Chaplain Transition 1.15-3.30pm</p> <p>Tuesday 22nd</p> <p>Wednesday 23rd Breakfast Club Outdoor Classroom—River Chaplain</p> <p>Thursday 24th</p> <p>Friday 25th Inglewood Extension Assembly</p>	<p>Monday 28th Breakfast Club Chaplain Dental Van Swimming Lesson</p> <p>Tuesday 29th Swimming Lessons</p> <p>Wednesday 30th Breakfast Club Transition 9-11.30am Outdoor Classroom—Onsite Chaplain Swimming Lesson</p> <p>December Thursday 1st MARC Van Swimming Lesson</p> <p>Friday 2nd Milo Cricket Newsletter</p>



Loddon Healthy Minds Network

2022 Loddon Healthy Minds Network Art Competition

The network was very pleased to have Bridgewater Primary School participating in this year's competition. The event would not be possible without the support of students and their teachers who have guided them through production of their artworks, and the network would like to extend its appreciation for their hard work and support of the event.

136 entries were received this year, and the quality of the work presented shows that there is exceptional talent within our Shire.

This year's judges were very impressed with the way entrants produced their artwork to the themes and the network would like to congratulate all participants in the competition, and announce the following winners from Bridgewater Primary School:

- Isaac
- Gus
- Emily
- Amaya

Prize winners will be presented their awards by Michael Prowse, the manager of the Inglewood and Districts Community Bank (sponsor of the competition) on 11/11/2022.

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MARC END OF YEAR BORROWING

It's hard to believe we are coming to the end of another year! One of the best parts of my job is seeing students excited to borrow from the MARC library. One of the trickiest parts of my job is finding all these books at the end of the year! To give me time to stocktake and track down missing books, borrowing will finish on

Friday 18th November

To help you track down any MARC books this an example of our barcode that is on the back of all library books.



If there are any problems finding library books please let me know, Mrs G.

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