



Boddington
DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

Boddington DHS Newsletter

Term 4 Week 7 2024



Strive

Considerate

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From the Principal

It is with great sadness, we farewelled Mrs Maddy Whyte, a staff member of Boddington DHS, who passed away on 15 November 2024. Maddy worked at Boddington DHS as the Education Assistant in the Pre-Primary since 2022. Maddy was highly valued and regarded by staff for her calm, kind and caring nature and her patient, positive and thoughtful manner towards students. Maddy's dedication and ability to create a learning environment where students felt safe and comfortable was appreciated by all those who worked with her. Maddy was an educator, colleague, mentor and friend to many people within the Boddington School Community and she will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and condolences are with Maddy's family, her husband Dan and daughter Ellie, who have experienced a significant loss.



Today and over the coming weeks you may be concerned about your child's reactions or feelings about this news. It is important to give children the opportunity to talk during these times and to listen to them. It is important to note that your child may be upset, even if they didn't know Mrs Whyte very well. Below is a link to some general information which may assist you in these conversations.

[Supporting a child through grief and loss | Kids Helpline](#)

ASSEMBLY

The next whole school assembly is tomorrow, Thursday 21 November at **8.50am** in the undercover area. This assembly will be hosted by the Year 1 students in B3 and will also feature an Aboriginal cultural dance performance from students who have been involved in this project.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION 2025

We will be hosting two sessions for parents of next year's Kindergarten students. Information about both these sessions has been sent home to families. The first session is a Parent Information meeting and is on Tuesday 26 November. The second session is on Thursday 28 November and this is a Come and Play session for 2025 students and their parent/s.

Coming Events

21 November



Assembly - B3

28 November



2025 Kindy Come & Play

11 December



Year 6 & 10 Graduation

26 November



2025 Kindy Parent Session

3 December



Awards Concert 10am

12 December



Term 4 Ends

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BDHS POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS



Strive

Do your best.

Considerate

Be caring and mindful of others

Responsible

Do what is expected and own your actions.

OUR SCHOOL - CHANGES TO END OF SEMESTER REPORTS

The Department of Education has provided clarification on the requirements for end-of-semester reporting. In light of this, we have reviewed our current practices and will be making some changes to reports from the end of this semester.

The review included surveying parents earlier this term to gain your perspectives on the current reporting practices and the value placed on the different components included in the report. Respondents indicated that the general comment is the part of the report which parents value the most. The survey findings also indicated that parents learn about how their child is going in school through a range of processes, including speaking informally to the teacher, scheduled meetings and reading the end-of-semester report.

From the end of this semester, Primary school reports will include:

- A general comment
- Grades for all subjects
- Attitude, behaviour and effort indicators
- Personal and social learning indicators (P – 2)

From the end of this semester, Primary school reports will not include:

- Subject comments

The Secondary school reports will remain unchanged for the end of this semester.

Please be assured that these changes will not impact on our communication processes with families and if you wish to discuss your child's progress, please contact the class teacher to arrange a suitable time. Student reports will go home on Monday 9 December so that both teachers and parents have the opportunity to organise interviews where necessary.

YEAR 6 & YEAR 10 GRADUATION

A reminder to parents that our Year 6 and Year 10 Graduation Ceremony will occur on Wednesday 11 December in the undercover area commencing at 9.30am. This will be a whole school event so all parents and community members are welcome to attend.



PLANT SALE

The Year 9/10 Horticulture students will be holding a plant sale tomorrow, Thursday 21 November at the whole school assembly. Prices will be \$2 - \$5 per plant and it is cash only. Plants include sunflowers, zucchini, rockmelon, watermelon, cucumber, tomatoes, strawberries, dill, parsley, capsicum.



YEAR 6 END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

Next week on Wednesday 27 November our Year 6 students are going to Dwellingup Adventures to do the Tree Tops Ropes Course followed by a raft building activity at Lane Poole. Then on Friday 29 November the students will be having a Boddington Fun Day which will include activities at the Boddington Swimming Pool. These activity days will be fun and exciting events for our students and forms part of their graduation celebrations as they come towards the end of their time in primary school. Detailed information about these events has been sent home to families this week.

AWARDS CONCERT

There is less than two weeks until our Awards Concert on Tuesday 3 December at the Boddington Rodeo Grounds commencing at 10.00am and concluding around 11:30am. We are looking forward to seeing parents, family and community members at this event.

END OF YEAR

The final day of the school year for students is Thursday 12 December 2023.



Regards

Danielle Roache

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BOOKFAIR 2024

I'm so overwhelmed by the support we get at for our Bookfairs, **"THANK YOU"** to all families, students, and staff. I am proud to announce that I can purchase \$1,529.50 worth of books for our school Library and here is what I have purchased so far.



I would like to say a special thank you to Mrs Cunnington for your assistance on Open Night and to Keeley from Year 10 for helping in the lunch time breaks throughout the book fair. It is much appreciated.

Our winners from our competitions are:

The Withers Family for coming to Open Night in the library- this was drawn out by Ms Roberts witnessed by Mrs Cunnington and myself and The Hewett Family for Guessing the shells which was 113.

Happy days!!

Mrs Sharon Bell

Library Officer - Mon to Thurs



CHAPPIE'S CHAT

Lately I have been having a lot of Chappy Chats with students about the bumps in the road or the day. Travelling along in your day there are always things that might be hard and difficult and even troubling. We talk about moving over these bumps and getting on with the day.

Bouncing back , being brave and resilient - getting on with the day - not getting stuck along the way. Give it a go! You might surprise yourself.

Sharon Johnstone

Chaplain BDHS

(Monday, Tuesday, Friday)



P&C RAFFLE!

Have you seen our end of year Raffle??

Prizes include \$500 Greg Day Motors Voucher, \$500 IGA Voucher, \$500 Mitre 10 Voucher and \$500 Boddington Pharmacy voucher!

The tickets are \$10 each and each family representative was sent home with one (1) ticket last week!

You are under no obligation to sell/buy the tickets sent home, however any effort is appreciated.

All tickets (sold & unsold) along with money must be returned to the front office by Friday The 29th November. Spare tickets are available at the front office should you wish to sell/buy more.

The raffle draw will take place at school on Tuesday 3rd December.





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11 November 2024

Mrs D Roache
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Dear Mrs Roache

On behalf of the Boddington Arts Council I would like to thank the Boddington District High School, its staff and students, for participating once again in its annual Open Day and Art Exhibition which was held last weekend. The displays and artwork were wonderful and a beautiful addition to the overall exhibition, many comments were made about the beautiful "Bower Bird" display.

Special thanks go to Sharon Bell who was the 'driving force' at the school once again. We can't thank her enough for her encouragement and enthusiasm which drove the students to participate in the Lego, Colouring-in competition and most importantly, Youth Art. On the day we had 23 Lego exhibits, 77 colouring-in drawing and 31 pieces of Youth Art which helped make the exhibition a huge success and encouraged many families to attend the event. It was wonderful that our Youth Award was won by a local this year, Lewin Rayner, for his piece "Bubble Alchemy" which was beautiful.

Thank you very much once again and please extend our thanks to Sharon and her assistant, Jinty, (forgive me if I have misspelt her name) and all the teachers who helped encourage the children to participate. And finally to the Boddington District High School for its continued support with our event. We very much look forward to working with you again next year.

Yours sincerely

Hilary Phillips-Ryley
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Containers for Change Raffle

How to drop off your cans to be in the chance to win the SCOOTER



Individual

You can bring 10 individual cans along each drop off day to get 1 ticket in the draw



Net Bag

You can sign out one of our net bags and get 3 tickets per full bag



In our free standing bags

You can sign out one of our free standing bags and get 7 tickets per full bag

Drop off days will be every Monday morning and every second Thursday at the front of the school

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Term 4 Planner B D H S Student 2024

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	7 Oct	8 Oct	9 Oct	10 Oct	11 Oct
2	14 Oct	15 Oct	16 Oct	17 Oct	18 Oct Loud Shirt Day
3	21 Oct	22 Oct Yr 5 & 6 excursion – Parliament House BEYN Children's Week 10am (K and PP)	23 Oct Camp Parent Sessions – 4pm	24 Oct Assembly – C1	25 Oct Interschool Athletics Carnival - Kojonup
4	28 Oct Book Fair	29 Oct Book Fair	30 Oct Book Fair Open Night - 4.30pm to 6pm	31 Oct Book Fair	1 Nov School Development Day Student Free Day
5	4 Nov Book Fair Swimming Les- sons – PP to Yr 2	5 Nov Book Fair	6 Nov Book Fair Swimming Lessons – PP to Yr 2	7 Nov Swimming Lessons – PP to Yr 2	8 Nov Swimming Les- sons – PP to Yr 2
6	11 Nov Swimming Lessons – PP to Yr 2 SIDE Incursion – Year 9	12 Nov	13 Nov Swimming Lessons – PP to Yr 2	14 Nov Swimming Lessons – PP to Yr 2 Olympics Unleashed incursion – Year 5 – 8	15 Nov Swimming Lessons – PP to Yr 2
7	18 Nov Yr 7 – 10 Camp	19 Nov Yr 7 – 10 Camp Yr 3 & 4 excursion Kings Park Educa- tion Centre	20 Nov Yr 7 – 10 Camp	21 Nov Assembly – B3 SIDE Careers Excursion	22 Nov Yr 9 Careers event
8	25 Nov	26 Nov K 2025 Parent Session	27 Nov Year 6 Activities - Day 1	28 Nov K 2025 Come and Play	29 Nov Year 6 Activities - Day 2
9	2 Dec	3 Dec Awards Concert 10.00am	4 Dec Childrens University Graduation	5 Dec	6 Dec 2025 Year 7 Orientation day
10	9 Dec	10 Dec	11 Dec Year 6 & 10 Graduation	12 Dec Term 4 Ends	13 Dec School Development Day Student Free Day

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