

Bridport Primary School

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IMPORTANT DATES 2021

April

Thur 29 Walking School Bus, Cross Country Training Starts (Grade 3-6) Fri 30 School Photos

May

Wed 5 Kinder Excursion

Wed 5 – Fri 7 Mothers Day Stall
Thu 6 5/6 Dowde Sharing Assembly

Fri 7 State Athletic Championships
Mon I I - 21 NAPLAN (Gr 3 & 5)

Thu 20 1/2 Hodgetts Sharing Assembly

Wed 26 Cross Country (Prep – Grade 6)

Thu 27 Prep Sharing Assembly

June

Thu 03 5/6 Reid/Butler Sharing Assembly

Tue 15 Gala Day I

Thu 17 1/2 Beard Sharing Assembly

Wed 16 Reports Go Home

Thu 24 Country Gold Football and

Netball Trials

July

Fri 02 Country Gold Soccer and

Hockey Trials, Last day Term 2

School Term Dates

Term 2 Wed 21st Apr - Fri 2nd Jul

Term 3 Tues 20th Jul - Fri 24th Sep

Term 4 Mon 11th Oct - Thu 16th

Dec

Dear Community

It was so lovely seeing all of the students back safe and sound last week, all dressed in school uniform ready for a great term of learning. This term we have NAPLAN, Cross Country, Gala Day (Gr 5/6), one performance in addition to the great inquiry and learning experiences that the teachers have planned, and then of course the students will receive their mid-year reports with parent teacher interviews towards the end of the term.

I had the pleasure of attending a cybersafety information evening in Launceston last week, which included tips and strategies to help our children navigate and use the internet and mobile phones in a safe and responsible manner. A key message is that the internet is not good or bad, it is how we use it or how it is used. This is similar to a car. A car is not dangerous, however a person behind the wheel can drive it in a dangerous manner and that can have devastating effects. The internet is an extension of our real world, and unfortunately there are people out there who use it in the wrong way to create devastating results. We need to teach our children how to use it safely and to keep themselves safe. At some stage you may decide to purchase a mobile phone for your child, or they may already have one. Have you considered the rules that you will need to put in place to help them use the phone in a responsible way? Later in the year we will be hosting a guest speaker to come to talk to parents about cybersafety and I encourage all of you to look out for this great opportunity. I know in hindsight that I wished I had had the opportunity to attend an information session prior to buying phones for my daughters as I would have been better prepared and I would have understood better the rules that are needed to keep our children safe.



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National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) Testing

NAPLAN is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9.

This term NAPLAN will be conducted over a two week window from Tuesday 11th - Friday 14th May and then Tuesday 18th - Friday 21st May.

The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to let them know that NAPLAN is just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can on the day. An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern. Parents may also wish to use their child's results to discuss progress with teachers. More information is available at www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support.html

During NAPLAN we encourage parents to ensure that children get lots of sleep and please make sure that they have a nutritious breakfast every morning.

Cross Country Training

We extend a huge thank you to Miss Rebecca Blundstone who has volunteered to train the students for the cross country this year, starting this Thursday 3:15-4:00 p.m. at the Village Green for those Grade 3-6 students that have returned their permission slip. Thank you also to the other parents who have volunteered to help. Without these volunteers these extra-curricular activities cannot go ahead.

ENE Athletic Carnival

Although we are waiting on the final results we were informed that our Bridport students performed exceptionally well on the day, and we will publish final results once received.

ANZAC Day

Thankyou to the following students, Maya, Grace, Megan, Chaice O & Alfie , who proudly represented our school at the recent ANZAC DAY Ceremony. Alfie





was proudly wearing his father's medals from his time serving in the Solomon Islands. Chaice wore his great-great grandfather's medals.

Kind regards, Carol Stingel

School Photos This Friday

Leading Image will be taking our school photos this Friday 30th April. This year all student and family orders must be made online (only) by 4:00 p.m. this Thursday. If family photo orders are received after this date, a \$20 late fee will be charged by Leading Image (this includes if you request a family photo on photo day also). Please visit https://www.leadingimage.com.au and use the Access Key: XLJMZYKR to do your online order.

Family photos will be taken in two sessions throughout the day to ensure Kinder students have their family photos before they finish school at 12:00 p.m. Students must be in full school uniform. Summer dresses may be worn. Children will be photographed with their jumpers off. Please ensure your child is wearing their school polo top with navy trousers/shorts/skort (or alternatively wearing their summer dress if they choose to). Please do not send your child to school if they are unwell.

For any ordering enquiries please contact Leading Image on 62 289 966.



Merit Awards

Prep: Growth: Armarli H for working hard to form her letters correctly. Finn for working hard to correctly form his letters.

I/2 Hodgetts: Aspiration: Sophie O for continuing to set high expectations for herself in all areas of literacy. Growth: Kadence for starting off the term in a focused and settled manner. Keep up the good work.

1/2 Beard: Aspiration: Ash for always giving 100% and doing his best work. Growth: Indi N for great work sounding out words and writing interesting sentences.

3/4 Purdon/S-Hall: Aspiration: Luke for excellent contributions during our discussions in reading activities. Respect: Catherine for suggesting wonderful ideas in whole class discussion about the reading strategy- Making Connections. Meredith for positively engaging in our class discussions concerning reading strategies. (Making Connections)

3/4 Brown: Aspiration: Riley for taking considerable care with his graph construction, thinking about the overall design by overcoming problems. Taj for making a conscientious start to Term 2, and taking care to produce an effective, clear and colourful graph.

5/6 Dowde Aspiration: Maddy L for doing great work on her illustrated information piece on bees. Seth for starting Term 2 with a positive and motivated attitude.

5/6 Reid/Butler: Respect: Jackson for demonstrating excellent social skills at all times - very respectful. Aspiration: Ava for aspiring to achieve pleasing outcomes with all projects.

Reading Awards

25 Nights: Eve L, Finn, Penelope, Jace, Lewis M, Amali C, Ash, Charlie, Theo, Heidi, Edith, Savannah, Abel, Macey L 50 Nights: Penelope, Finn, Oscar L, Rory, Willow, Charlotte S, Lewis M, Isla, Abel.



Mathletics

Silver Certificate: Zane

Walking School Bus

The Walking School Bus starts again this Thursday 29th April. Please meet Mrs Howell and Mrs Gillespie at the Bridport Community Hall/Library at 8:30 a.m. There is no supervision before this time.

Community News





Kinder & Prep Exeursion to



The Preps used four of their five senses to observe the environment. We looked at the different types of trees and animals that use this area. We also created our own habitats for some animals and a tree artwork.



- We learnt about how trees use their roots to suck up water and nutrients from the soil.
- We learnt how leaves used the sunlight to make food for the trees. We learnt how lichen and other plants can grow on trees.
- We got to touch a funny kind of lichen called Old Man's Beard. It actually felt like a man's beard!
- We found some special nesting trees with tracks up them made by possums climbing up to their homes.
- We saw some evergreen trees which always stay green, as well as some deciduous trees that had yellow leaves.
- We made tree artworks out of natural materials. We looked at a nest made by a bird. We shut our eyes and listened to the sounds of the forest.
- We had a treasure hunt to find thigs in the forest by their colour.
- We finished off the day by playing in the "enchanted forest" and building forts with rocks.









Children are unable to attend school if they feel unwell or have any of the following symptoms:

- fever
- runny nose
- · cough, sore/itchy throat
- · shortness of breath
- nausea
- vomiting

Children are required to stay home and you should phone your GP or the Public Health Hotline on 1800 671 738.

Children should only be returning to school once all their symptoms have cleared.

Qkr! App Orders

Please ensure that all online orders are put through before 9:00 a.m. and you check your

receipt to

ensure you have selected the correct date for your child to receive their order.





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MOVE & PLAY

a fun free active play session for busy kids 0-8 years

NEW MONTHLY SESSION THURSDAYS 10.30-11.30 AM

25TH MARCH 29TH APRIL 27TH MAY 24TH JUNE

SCOTTSDALE INDOOR ACTIVE CENTRE ARTHUR ST, SCOTTSDALE

New families/carers always welcome (no sessions school holidays) more info: Tanya 0400 002 116