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IMPORTANT DATES 2021

March

Fri 19 **Bullying – National Day of Action**
Casual Clothes Day

Mon 22 NE Athletic Carnival, Easter
raffle books due

Thur 25 5/6 Dowde Sharing Assembly,
School Association Meeting

Wed 31 Last Day of Term 1

April

Thur 1 Student Free Day, ENE Athletic
Carnival

Wed 21 Term 2 Starts

Fri 30 School Photos

May

Thur 20 1/2 Hodgetts Sharing Assembly

Wed 26 Cross Country (Prep – Grade 6)

Thur 27 Prep Sharing Assembly

School Term Dates

Term 1 Wed 3rd Feb - Wed 31st
Mar

Easter Break Fri 2nd Apr - Tues 6th Apr

Term 2 Wed 21st Apr - Fri 2nd Jul

Term 3 Tues 20th Jul - Fri 24th Sep

Term 4 Mon 11th Oct - Thu 16th
Dec

Reminders

- There is no supervision of students before 8:30 a.m. Please ensure that students do not arrive at school before this time

Dear Community

Progress Report (Prep-Grade 6)

This week your child will receive a progress report with details about how they have settled into their class with respect to their attitude, effort and behaviour so far this year. This report is not about the academic progress the children have made to date. If you have a query about your child's report please contact the school.

Bullying. No Way! Day

This Friday is **Bullying. No Way!** Day where schools take action against bullying and violence.

The National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence is an important day in our school calendar to join with other schools across Australia to say 'Bullying. No Way!'

At our school, we encourage students to take hold of the issue and talk about what works. Let's support our students to drive powerful messages and take action to prevent bullying.

Together we can make change. Everyone has a role to play in supporting young people in dealing with bullying and helping to energise positive discussions about the issue.



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What we can do

Student tips:

If it happens in person, try these:

- Ignore them. Try not to show any reaction.
- Tell them to stop and walk away.
- Pretend you don't care.
- Go somewhere safe.
- Get support from your friends.

If it happens online, try these:

- Avoid responding to the bullying.
- Report and block anyone who is bullying online.
- Protect yourself online using privacy settings and keep records.

If you see someone being bullied:

- Leave negative conversations. Don't join in.
- Support others being bullied.

If it doesn't stop:

- Talk to an adult (parent/carer/teacher) who can help stop the bullying.
- Keep asking for support until the bullying stops.

Parent tips: If your child talks to you about bullying:

1. Listen calmly and get the whole story.
2. Reassure your child that they are not to blame.
3. Ask your child what they want you to do about it and how you can help.
4. Visit www.bullyingnoway.gov.au to find strategies.
5. Check in regularly with your child.

This Friday our student leaders are holding a Be "you-nique" casual clothes day to encourage students to celebrate what makes them unique. Mrs Burke will also be taking photos of students to create posters with anti bullying messages.

Athletic Carnival Results

Congratulations go to the following winners for their efforts in the 1500m, shot put, long jump and high jump events, which were held after the carnival. Final house points will be announced in assembly on Thursday.

Shot Put

Grade 5 Girls: Elsie
Grade 5 Boys: Blake
Grade 6 Girls: Karlie
Grade 6 Boys: Chaice O

Long Jump

Grade 4 Girls: Violet
Grade 4 Boys: Jobe
Grade 5 Girls: Zahra
Grade 5 Boys: Blake
Grade 6 Girls: Maya
Grade 6 Boys: Alfie



High Jump

Grade 5 Girls: Mia
Grade 5 Boys: Tyler
Grade 6 Girls: Maya
Grade 6 Boys: Alfie

1500 Metres

Grade 5 Girls: Elsie
Grade 5 Boys: James C
Grade 6 Girls: Ava
Grade 6 Boys: Chaice O

North East Athletic Carnival

The NE athletic carnival will be held on Monday 22nd March starting at 10:00 a.m. Parents are welcome to attend, however due to COVID only 2 members per family may come along to watch. Parents must also abide by all COVID rules as well. A letter went home to team members last Friday.

Mathletics

Mathletics is a dynamic and rewarding computer program that helps students enjoy maths and improve their skills and understanding of maths concepts. Live Mathletics encourages quick responses and focuses on automatic recall of basic number facts. The Live Mathletics part of the program places students in competition with others of similar abilities, not necessarily similar age levels. As students' results improve, the problems become harder. There are three key parts to the program:

1. Constructing a Mathlete.
2. Completing a variety of maths activities to improve basic skills.
3. Playing Live Mathletics.

Students are rewarded as they use Mathletics with credits that they can use to create their Mathlete profile. Each student from Prep – Grade 6 has been given a username and password to access the program through the internet. If you have the internet connected at home, your child may also access Mathletics from home if they would like to continue to practice the maths skills they are learning at school.

Swimming Success for Ava

Congratulations to Ava who competed in the Tasmanian State Swimming Championships achieving personal bests and improving those times to come away with a bronze medal in the 200m Freestyle and silver medal in the 100 Freestyle races.

School Association Elections

A reminder that the School Association Annual General Meeting will be held on **Thursday, 25th March**. We are now calling for nominations for any people who are interested in becoming members of our School Association, which meets two to three times per term. The School Association is the primary parent group voice through which issues or concerns can be raised, policies are developed and important school decisions are made. Current issues include the development of the playground, fundraising and looking at the ways in which we can improve our school. I believe we have a great school here at Bridport, however school improvement is still a constant focus, whether it be curriculum, the supportive school environment or how we work with parents. By working together, so much more can be achieved in order to satisfy everyone's needs and I encourage all parents to consider becoming a member so that we can continue to move forward together. Nomination forms are available at the school office. You are able to nominate a friend or yourself.

Kind regards,

Carol Stingel



Merit Awards

Prep: Aspiration: Penelope for working hard and aiming to learn the correct formation of letters and numbers.

Respect: Eve for always using her beautiful manners.

1/2 Hodgetts: Aspiration: Arden for proving that he can be an independent learner during literacy rotations without needing reminders to stay on task. **Growth:** Samuel for having a growth mindset in numeracy by challenging himself to add bigger numbers.

1/2 Beard: Aspiration: Mulisha for working hard to sound out words during writing. **Aspiration:** Alexis N for attending to her work and doing her best. Well done.

3/4 Brown: Growth: Peter for showing commitment to solve addition and subtraction sums using the split strategy. **Respect:** Porscha for being a positive role model in class by setting to work quickly and staying focussed.

5/6 Dowde: Aspiration: Adam for going 'above and beyond' with his work in digital technologies. **Courage:** Jade for her awesome effort in the 1500m and in her narrative writing

5/6 Reid/Lynch: Growth: Megan for excelling in her House Captain role - great leadership attributes. **Aspiration:** James C for being an exemplary participant in all learning tasks and excelling in sport.

Reading Award

25 Nights: Fletcher



Positive Behaviour Draw

Jeriah, Heidi, Harrison Mu, Grace S, Amelia, Micayla G, Rory L, Mabel, Lewie H, Henry

Breakfast Club Co-ordinator – Urgent

We have been unable to start our breakfast program this year as we don't have a volunteer co-ordinator. Breakfast club runs one morning a week from 8:10 - 9:10 a.m., and two parent volunteers assist each week on a rotating roster. The co-ordinator ensures we have food supplies for the week and reminds volunteers when they are rostered on each week. If you can be the co-ordinator and have a current Working With Vulnerable People Card please advise the school office urgently



School Association Easter Raffle

The School Association Easter Raffle was sent home with students last week. Each book consists of 5 tickets at \$2 each. All books and money (sold or unsold) are to be returned to the school office no later than **Monday 22nd March**. If you would like more than the one book, please let the office know and we can arrange for more to be sent home. This is a great fundraiser for our school and your support is very much appreciated.

