



# Bridport Primary School

DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION  
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## IMPORTANT DATES 2022

### MARCH

Wed 9	Athletic Carnival (Gr 3-6)
Mon 14	8 Hours Day - <b>No School</b>
Fri 18	North East Swimming Carnival
Wed 23	Scholastic Book Orders Due
Mon 28	North East Athletic Carnival
Wed 30	School Association AGM

### APRIL

Wed 13	Last Day of Term for Students
Thur 14	Student Free Day
Fri 15	Good Friday

### MAY

Mon 2	Term 2 Commences
Fri 13	State Athletic Carnival
Fri 20	School Photos
Tues 24 – Fri 27	Scholastic Book Fair

### TERM DATES 2022

Term 1	9th February - 14th April
Term 2	2nd May - 8th July
Term 3	26th July - 30th September
Term 4	17th October - 22nd December

### REMINDERS

Wed March 9	Gr 3-6 Athletic Carnival: <b>No</b> canteen orders or BBQ operating; students need a packed recess and lunch, and plenty of water
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## Dear Community

### Athletic Carnival - Grades 3-6

Our athletic carnival for students in Grades 3 – 6 will be held tomorrow on the Village Green, starting at 9:30 a.m. Although parents/spectators are not able to be near the students due to COVID-19 restrictions, we still require parent help. If you are double vaccinated, and have a current Working With Vulnerable People card, and if you can assist, please contact the school office on 63 561 226 or to [bridport.primary@education.tas.gov.au](mailto:bridport.primary@education.tas.gov.au)

Students are asked to bring a packed recess, lunch and plenty to drink on the day. There are **NO canteen orders** on the day for Grades 3 - 6 students.

### School Association

The School Association Annual General Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 30th March at 6:00 p.m. for 6:30 p.m.** at the Bridport Bunker Club. We are now calling for nominations from 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



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consider becoming a member so that we can continue to move forward together. Nomination forms will be sent home today. You are able to nominate a friend or yourself.

### Positive Behaviour Support

We have worked extremely hard to develop a strong, supportive school environment that focuses on the rewarding of students who are displaying positive behaviours. This is known as 'Positive Behaviour Support' (PBS). A key part of PBS has been the development of our three easily understood school rules/expectations: Be Safe, Be Fair and Show Care. Listed below are some ways in which we encourage and reward children:

**PBS Raffle:** Children are awarded raffle tickets when they are exhibiting positive behaviours. Children then place the raffle tickets in the PBS raffle box. A number of tickets are then drawn out at the end of each week. The winners then choose a prize from the PBS prize box.

**Certificates:** These are given for special achievements. Children may be awarded a Merit Certificate based around our values of Growth, Respect, Aspiration and Courage, which incorporates outstanding work or excellent behaviour.

These initiatives are in addition to the positive comments and individual classroom reward systems that are in operation in each class. We urge all parents to encourage their children to strive towards continuous improvement in their school work and to display exemplary behaviour in order to maximise their development. Together we can then celebrate their success.

### Mobile Phones and Smart Watches

Please remind your children that if they choose to bring a mobile phone to school, then they need to hand it into the office for the day for safekeeping. This is in line with our Department of Education and school Mobile Phone Policy – 'Off and Away All Day'. Any students wearing smart watches need to have them set to 'airplane mode' whilst here at school. If parents need to contact their



children they may do so by calling the school office.

### North East Swimming Carnival

The North East Swimming Carnival will be held next Friday 18th March at the Scottsdale Swimming Pool for selected Grade 3-6 students. A letter will go home about this later in the week. Unfortunately we are unable to have spectators at this carnival. We do require parent help to assist with giving out place cards on the finish line. If you are double vaccinated and have a current Working With Vulnerable People card we would like your assistance. Please contact the school office if you can help.

### Eight Hour Day Public Holiday

Please note there is **no school** on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March due to the Eight Hour Day public holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March.

### Visitor Mask Wearing Update

All visitors entering the school site must wear a face mask whilst indoors. This has not changed. From today visitors are NOT required to wear a mask whilst outdoors on the site.



Kind Regards,  
Carol Stingel



### Merit Awards

**Prep Catlin: Respect:** Ramona for demonstrating respect in every way towards her classmates and teachers. **Courage:** Monty for having a go even when it seems tricky! Well done Monty.

**1/2 Hodgetts/Baxter: Respect:** Lexie for being a kind, friendly and helpful classmate. **Aspiration:** Ollie G for great ideas in our duration of time unit.

**1/2 Wheldon/Stewart: Courage:** Bonnie for always having a positive attitude towards all areas of her learning, taking on new challenges in her writing. **Growth:** Oscar L for a great job identifying sounds in words and putting this into his writing.

**3/4 Purdon/Somerville-Hall: Respect:** Eli R for being a thoughtful class member and helping others. **Aspiration:** Alex K for showing interest and enthusiasm during our narrative writing session.

Meredith for showing enthusiasm and excitement when writing narratives and striving to make her stories engaging and entertaining!

**3/4 Brown: Respect:** Mason R for being a respectful and patient leader who offers supportive help to class peers. **Growth:** Jax for developing persistence to learn new routines, and to have a go completing challenging tasks. Taj for the extraordinary efforts he continues to display in refining his handwriting style, as well as persisting with his learning.

**5/6 Dowde: Growth:** Jordan for his much improved attitude and for becoming an excellent example when working in the canteen and the classroom. **Aspiration:** Ned for challenging himself to improve his output and presentation when completing written work.

**5/6 Reid/Genge: Respect:** Zahra for starting the year in a respectful way – always happy to be focussed with her work. **Aspiration:** Lotti for excellent participation in reading group - offering great discussion points.

**Principal Award:** Zane for his excellent attitude and leadership in his roles as a sport shed and library leader. Tahlisia for her excellent attitude and leadership in her roles as a sport shed and gardening-grounds leader.

**Reading Award**  
25 Nights: Elsie H

**Positive Behaviour Draw**  
Lexie R, Franklin H, Indi N, Imajen, Banjo, Cameron, Savannah, Zeke, Meredith, Zac

**Scholastic Book Club Orders**  
Students will receive a Book Club catalogue this week. Orders can be made by either making the order and payment online (instructions are in the catalogue) OR by completing the form and returning to the office with cash.  
All orders must be made by **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**.

**SCHOLASTIC**  
**Book Club LOOP**  
for Parents

**LOOP** is the Scholastic Book Club  
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:

**[www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)**



#### NEW CHANGES TO HAYFEVER ADVICE

Public Health has reviewed their advice about hay fever in the current COVID-19 environment.

Hay fever symptoms are similar to COVID-19 symptoms, so its important families know what they need to do if their child experiences hay fever symptoms.

If your child has hay fever symptoms, please keep them at home and test for COVID-19 using a rapid antigen test (RAT).

If your child tests negative on a RAT and symptoms continue, Public Health advises that you must do a second RAT 24 hours later, or seek a PCR test.

If the second RAT or PCR remains negative, this is sufficient evidence for your child to return to school if they feel well.

If symptoms change or increase in severity, please see your treating medical practitioner for review.

Please know that Public Health advice can change at short notice, and we appreciate your patience as we respond to these changes as quickly as possible.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office. For more information, please visit the Tasmanian Government Coronavirus website or contact the Tasmanian Public Health Hotline on 1800 671 738, or Department of Education COVID Support Hotline at [COVID19support@education.tas.gov.au](mailto:COVID19support@education.tas.gov.au) or on 1800 816 057.

#### FACE MASKS



## Visiting this site?

**All visitors must wear a  
face mask indoors.**

For staff and students 12+ years,  
masks are to be worn indoors.



[education.tas.gov.au/COVID-19](http://education.tas.gov.au/COVID-19)



# Bridport Village Market

SATURDAY 12.3.2022

**March Long Weekend**

**9am-12pm**

COMMUNITY HALL  
MAIN STREET



## MOVE & PLAY

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

OUTDOOR PARK PLAY

THURSDAYS 10.30-11.30AM

24TH FEB, 17TH AND 31ST MARCH,  
14TH APRIL

ANZAC MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S PARK SCOTTSDALE

New families/carers always welcome  
COVID SAFE session  
more info: Tanya 0400 002 116



## AQUATHON

SWIM AND RUN

LAUNCESTON TRIATHLON CLUB

GEORGETOWN,  
YORK COVE

SUNDAY 13TH MARCH

Trystars	100m swim - 1km run
Short	300m swim - 2km run
Sprint	1 km swim - 5km run

Individual or Team of 2

Looking for a challenge?  
Wanting to boost staff morale?  
Do you have some students to inspire?  
Or have your school carnivals been cancelled?

**This would be a great event to come along and be a part of!**

Find out more information on Launceston Triathlon Club Facebook page.

TRIATHLON AUSTRALIA  
WT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Contact: [penelope.armitstead@education.tas.gov.au](mailto:penelope.armitstead@education.tas.gov.au)

DORSET ROTARY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

## Easter Disco

bring your drink bottles

Wednesday 13th April  
Mechanics Hall Scottsdale  
6.30pm till 8pm

Children MUST be signed in and out by Responsible person

Ages 4-12  
\$5 entry



GAMES TO PLAY

BYO HAT AND  
DRINK  
MORNING TEA

NATURE ART

BUILDING  
BLOCKS  
ACTIVITIES

## Bridport Park Play & Learn

Bridport Community Park

**new date!**  
**Friday 18th March 10-12pm**

**Free Family  
Friendly  
Event  
all welcome**



COVID safe event: QR code in, stay away if unwell or asked to self-isolate