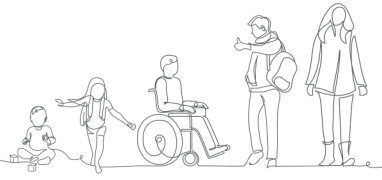




BRIDPORT PRIMARY SCHOOL



Issue No. 3 21st February 2023

IMPORTANT DATES 2023

FEB

Tues 21	Welcome Back BBQ Kinder Parent Meeting Prep Parent Meeting
Wed 22	Launceston Cup Holiday – No School
Fri 24	Walking School Bus Starts
Mon 27	School Lunch Project (Kinder– Grade 2)

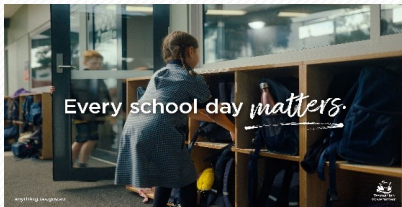
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Wed 1	Athletic Carnival (Prep – Gr 6)
Fri 3	Athletic Carnival (rain date)
Mon 13	Eight Hour Day – No School
Tues 14	North East Athletic Carnival (selected Gr 3-6 students) School Lunch Project (Prep – Grade 2)

TERM DATES 2023

Term 1	8 February - 5 April
Term 2	26 April - 7 July
Term 3	25 July - 29 September
Term 4	16 October - 21 December

REMINDERS



Dear Community,

It has been a pleasure visiting the classes as the children have settled in beautifully and to watch and listen to the exciting learning that has commenced.

Positive Partnerships

Creating positive partnerships between home and school is critical to the students' learning and wellbeing. All staff within the school are working at all times to achieve the best outcomes for the children in our care. If you have any concerns about your child/ren it is important to notify the school or contact the class teacher so that it can then be followed up to maximise children's learning and emotional development.

Welcome Back BBQ

Looking forward to seeing you all at the BBQ tonight, where you can meet the class teachers and have a bite to eat courtesy of Scottsdale High School students. The Kinder and Prep class teachers will be holding parent meetings in their respective classrooms to outline the routines for the year from 5:00-5:30 p.m.

School Lunch Pilot

Yesterday we had our first free lunch being served to the primary students. We were super pleased with the number of students that said yes to trying the aromatic butter chicken and rice served up as part of the new school lunch project. Some children tried butter chicken for the first time, other students went back for seconds. Well done to our student helpers who set up and served the food alongside our wonderful parent volunteers. Thank you to Mrs Lyons for getting the program up at running in our school. Please see the photos included at the back of the newsletter.

School Crossing- Main Street

As of this year we have placed a teacher at the Main Street crossing to supervise the safety of our children crossing the



road after school. We would appreciate parent support, and ask that you remind your children to use the crossing in order to cross the road. This also applies to the South Street crossing.

Every School Day Matters

Welcome back for another school year – we're excited for what's ahead! Start the year right by making every school day count. There are lots of things you can do to set your child up for success:

Make sure your child goes to school, every day

Going to school every day gives your child every chance to learn and grow, and connect with their mates and teachers. It's where bright futures start and where they'll benefit the most.

Get them excited for school

If you show a positive attitude and excitement towards school, your child will pick up on that. The most common thing we hear from students, of all ages, is that school is where they can:

- spend time with their friends and teachers,
- create new and fun experiences,
- find their interests,
- learn new things, and
- open up their options – for whatever future they want (whether that's their dream job or to travel around the world). Share these positives with your child.

Talk to your child about school

Open up a conversation with your child about what's happening at school. It will help you to better support their interests and confidence in learning. If you show an interest in school, they'll know that getting an education is important and valued.

Celebrate the milestones

Big and small! Celebrate milestones such as making it through the first day or week of school. And remember: all milestones look different. If it's a big achievement for your child, it's important to recognise it.

Set up a time to talk to your child's teacher or principal

If you're struggling to get your child to school, help is available. Please talk to us at school about your situation. We'll support you, in whatever way we can.

Know when to seek help

There is no weakness in admitting you need help. If your child has completely disengaged with school, and not

attending at all, there is support to help you. In the first instance, talk to us at school. For more helpful tips, please check out the "Anything can happen" website:

[Anything can happen - Department of Education, Tasmania](#)

Launceston Cup– Public Holiday

A reminder to parents that children **do not** attend school on Launceston Cup Day, Wednesday 23rd February.

Social Skill Focus

Throughout the year we will be focusing on the development of specific social skills. To start with the emphasis will be on 'Greetings'.

Using a greeting is a sign of respect and helps to make people feel welcome. When you greet people:

- look at the person,
- smile,
- and use a loud, clear voice.

Athletic Carnival

Our Prep – Grade 6 Athletic Carnival will be held on Wednesday 1st March. Parent help will be welcomed on the day, so if you will be available, please contact the office. An information letter went home today. BBQ pre order forms went home yesterday and are due back to the school office this Friday 24th February with money.

Kindergarten Students

A warm welcome to our Kindergarten families who have now started school. It has been wonderful to see their excited but nervous faces each day as they enter their new classroom. A picture of our 2023 Kinder class is included in the newsletter.

Launching Into Learning

The first Launching into Learning session for the year is this Friday 24th February commencing at 9:15 a.m. at the Bridport Skate Park. All families with children from birth – 4 years are welcome to join Mrs Waddingham for a walk to the neighbouring beaches.

Parent Help and Volunteering:

It is a Department for Education, Children and Young People requirement that anyone helping with our children must have a Working with Vulnerable People (RWVP) card. We encourage all parents and volunteers to apply for their RWVP card so that you can come along to help in the school. Thankyou also to the parents who have volunteered to help with the new lunch pilot program. If you are interested in helping with this new

initiative, please let the office know.

School Association

Our first School Association meeting for the year will be held on Thursday, 23rd February at the Bridport Bunker Club, at 6:00 p.m.

Kind Regards,

Carol Stingel

Merit Awards

Prep Catlin: Respect - Hazel for listening well during instructions and being helpful to her classmates. **Respect** - Max M for being respectful to his classmates and teachers and listening hard to instructions.

1/2A Nicholson: Courage - Lucas for consistently beginning tasks straight away to practise his best work. **Respect** - Bonnie for demonstrating respect to all her peers through kindness, joy and smiles. **Aspiration** - Rory L for aspiring to produce his best work by working diligently and showing consideration to others.

1/2B Wheldon/Somerville-Hall: Aspiration - Evie B for being a good role model in class. **Respect** - Elsie for always keeping on task. **Courage** - Addison for settling in to her new school nicely. **Aspiration** - Lewie for excellent drawing on his story retell.

3/4A Purdon: Aspiration - Lewis for wonderful book work presentation and focusing on letter formations in handwriting today. **Aspiration** - Isla for outstanding attention to presentation of her work, particularly during handwriting lessons. **Courage** - Vince, welcome to Bridport Primary School, it is wonderful to be working with you. **Courage** - Hamish, welcome back to Bridport Primary School, it is great to have you in our class.

3/4B Cox: Courage - Summer for making a positive start to the year. Welcome to Bridport Primary School! **Aspiration** - Abel for working hard to complete tasks and making good choices. **Courage** - Lexie R for contributing well in class and always being involved in tasks. **Kindness** - Jayden S for being a kind and supportive class member

5/6A Dowde: Courage - Charlotte S for challenging herself from day one to step out of her comfort zone. A great start! **Aspiration** - Ed for starting the year with a fantastic attitude and high expectations of himself.

5/6B Reid/Genge: Aspiration - Ruby H for creating and performing a very good advertising jingle. **Aspiration** - Madison K for creating and performing a very good advertising jingle.

Positive Behaviour Draw

Evie B, Archie L, Oscar L, Lincoln, Eli R, Mason R,

Georgia, Madison D, Miguel, Harriet M

Walking School Bus Start

This Friday 24th, the Walking School Bus program starts. If you would like to walk to school please meet parent volunteers Mrs Glasson and Miss Simmons outside the Bridport Community Hall and Library at 8:30 a.m. Students will get to enjoy a piece of fresh fruit when they arrive at school. Please note there is **no** supervision of students using the community playground before 8:30 a.m. If there is inclement weather at 8:00 a.m. on the morning of the Walking School Bus, it will not proceed for that day.

Lunch Project Schedule Changes

Due to unforeseen delivery issues the Early Childhood students (Kinder – Grade 2) will be enjoying their first hot lunch **next Monday 27th February** instead of the primary students. **Please also note an amended date for students that were scheduled for 13th March which is a Public Holiday; will now be Tuesday 14th March. (Prep -Grade 2)** Please keep an eye on Class Dojo, our newsletter and Facebook page for any changes to this schedule. Students will still require fruit for Fruit Break and something for Recess on their designated Lunch Project day. Students must have returned a signed consent form to participate in the program. **These forms are now overdue.**

Student Swimming Success

Zeke recently competed at 2023 Tasmanian State Sprint Swimming Championships in Launceston, competing in races over the distance of 50m. Even though Zeke prefers longer distances, he managed to win gold in the Freestyle, silver in the Butterfly and bronze in Backstroke in the Boys 11 Years and Under events. Congratulations Zeke!



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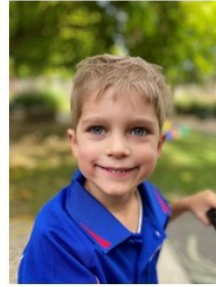
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SCHOOL LUNCH PROJECT





**Welcome Kindergarten
Class of 2023!**





Your voice matters.
Let's improve our health system together.



Free up and coming events for all members of the Dorset community and health services are invited to attend.

Open Evening

Day and Date	Wednesday 1st March	To register please text Scott or Bec on 0477 016 036
Arrival Time	4.45pm	
Finish Time	7.00pm	Please include:
Location	Art Cafe Scottsdale	Name
Food & Drinks	Provided at no charge.	Township

Workshop - Dorset Health and Wellbeing Community Action Planning

Day and Date	Thursday 16th March	To register please text Scott or Bec on 0477 016 036
Arrival Time	9.30am for a 10am start	
Finish Time	2.30pm	Please include:
Location	Scottsdale Football Club	Name
Food & Drinks	Provided at no charge	Township

Community members will be reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses for the workshop.



Building on themes from the 2022 Kitchen Table Conversations.
Open to all community members, service providers and health staff
Your ideas and solutions matter!



The Health and Wellbeing Networks project is funded by the Crown through the Department of Health.

OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT

BRIDPORT FOOD TRUCK PARK

Saturday March 25

7.00 to 9.00pm

Tickets: General Admission \$5
Family \$10

Pre Purchase Tickets:
<https://events.humanitix.com/outdoor-movie-night-bridport-food-truck-park-2023> (use the QR Code)

The food truck park will be open with all the regular vans selling your favourites + we'll have popcorn for sale

BYO Chair, Blanket etc.

Funds raised for Maher, India







A CASUAL, FREE AND FUN PLAYGROUP FOR EVERYONE.
WE PLAY GAMES, DO FUN CRAFTS, READ STORIES
AND MORE!

WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY
10.30AM - 12PM
FOR AGES 0-5
AT THE DORSET COMMUNITY HOUSE

IN-PERSON AND ONLINE!
NO BOOKING NEEDED

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