

# BORDERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

## Newsletter



Welcome back to term 2 and what has been a busy start. Our Pupil Free Day on Monday 1st May saw our teaching and support staff develop a greater understanding of strategies to support greater engagement through task design and differentiation. This is one of our Site Improvement Plan actions and will be a focus for the remainder of the year. Teachers will be given more time throughout the year to work in small groups to strengthen their understanding and put this into practice.

Our year 11's spent week 2 either focusing on career pathways through work experience opportunities, or in Adelaide on Careers Camp, exploring universities and TAFE SA, as well as attending the Careers Expo to explore different careers. A challenge each year is to navigate the public transport system to get across Adelaide for all of their visits. It was fantastic to hear that our students who undertook work experience, did so with enthusiasm and a willingness to learn. Work experience offers an opportunity for students to explore a career they are interested in or uncertain about, or explore work that they have not considered as a career choice. We are extremely grateful that we have such accommodating businesses locally that are willing to take on work experience students and provide the time needed to support a positive experience. At times, work experience leads to the opportunity of employment or school based apprenticeships, which provides even greater opportunities for students.

As part of VET and Career Development, this year the school is working closely with MAS National and GTE to provide opportunities for students in year 10 and 11 to explore career pathways and have in-depth discussions about career interests. Miss Kirk is working with MAS National and GTE to explore opportunities for school based apprenticeships through this process, which could be a positive outcome for students looking to begin their careers early and possibly complete their SACE.

It is extremely disappointing and frustrating that we have had a number of issues of vandalism within the school. Our school is proud of the facilities and grounds we have and visitors always comment about our fantastic facilities. Unfortunately, some students have not shown the level of respect expected towards our school and this has impacted the ability of other students to enjoy their school day. The school takes vandalism seriously and with more recent events, we have had to involve the police in matters that may lead to serious consequences.

Our Mobile Phone policy is under review due to the Department for Education implementing a new policy. Further information will be provided to families prior to the end of term, however changes will be minimal from our current policy.

This week we farewell Mrs Noni Obst, who is taking maternity leave. Mr Shimon De Valencia will be joining us from week 4 for the remainder of the year. We wish Noni and Grady well as they await the arrival of their baby.

This week is the last week of the trimester subjects in years 7-9. Reports will be written shortly and published in Sentral. If you are still struggling to access your child's report, please contact the front office and our staff will be able to help you.

Alicia Keatley  
Principal

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### MAY

- 23 Uni Visit & Parent Info Night
- 29 Year 7 Excursion (Monarto Zoo)
- 30 7/8 Basketball Naracoorte
- 31 SEZ Cross Country Millicent

#### JUNE

- 7 7/8 Boys Soccer
- 8 SSSSA Cross Country Oakbank
- 12 King's Birthday Public Holiday
- 13 Student Free Day
- 14-16 Year 11 Ag Study Tour

**King's Birthday Public Holiday 12th June. Student Free Day 13th June**

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of country, the Potaruwutj people and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respect to elders – past, present and emerging.



# Year 11 Careers Trip

From the 8th to the 12th of May 2023, the year 11's went to Adelaide for a week to tour different Universities and residential colleges to get an idea on what we want to do in our future. We explored many different campuses including 3 Uni SA campuses, the University of Adelaide, Flinders, and Torrens. We also went to the Lincoln and Aquinas colleges as well as TAFE and a session in the Australian Defence Force Building.

Although there was a lot of walking, stairs, and early mornings for some, we got a lot of information on the trip about all the different courses and degrees that the Universities offer.

While at the colleges, we got a delicious warm meal that helped with the cold weather that we were faced with on some of the days. Everyone who was giving us the tours were lovely and kind showing us what the rooms looked like and how you could get a better one the next year. They also showed us the library and study rooms while telling us the programs that they follow for study sessions. Most of the residential areas we visited were very good on how they help their students keep up with their studies and some even had tutors available for help if you don't understand something in your course.

All of the Universities we visited were lovely and picturesque with lots of study space as well as spaces to socialize in. They all offered an exceptional number of courses and degrees with some having top of the line equipment so that when you go into the work force you already know how to use the machines and equipment.

Most of the Universities also had mannequins that had a pulse, could talk and breathe for nursing students so that they can learn what to look for in a real persons breathing and pulse to figure out what was wrong with the patient and therefore how to help them get better.



On Friday, we went to the careers expo where we got to split up and visit many different stalls to see what they did for a living. At the expo we learnt about many new and different careers and jobs that people have. We got to compete in some competitions such as a nailing competition and rolling a ball into a small square from a certain distance away, and we got many free pens, stress balls, yoyos, pins, stickers, caps, etc. for going to the stalls and competing.

All in all, careers week was very interesting and we all got a glimpse into what our future could possibly look like.

Thankyou to Mrs Clarke and Mr Trieu for organising and accompanying us.

Lily-Rose O'Sullivan

# Work Experience

While some students were exploring life in Adelaide, a number of students were embracing the world of work in our community. Two students continued work for the week with their Student Based Apprenticeship employer while others sought out work with other employees. On our visits, it was fantastic to see students in their element, either working in the field of Agriculture, experiencing Trade, Education and Health.

The students embraced the experience by challenging themselves and selling themselves to possible future employees.

I would like to thank all the local businesses who have been willing to nurture these students want for employment. We hope that this opportunity provides our students with pathways into the working world.

**Lauren Kirk**

**Assistant Principal**



**Natalie at Elders**



**Charlie at Bordertown Primary School**



**Mason at Limestone Coast Automotive**

## Year 9/10 Cricket

On Thursday the 4th April, the Bordertown High School 9/10 Boys cricket team played Heathfield High School at Virgo Park in the final of the Schools Sports SA 9/10 Boys Country South T20 Cricket Competition.

In the week leading up to the match, Bordertown had already had Cooper Williamson and Campbell Will withdraw, and then during the warm-up Cody Hutchinson dislocated a finger, which saw a mad scramble to find a last-minute fill-in, with Connor Orrock answering the call.

Once Heathfield arrived, Bordertown won the toss and elected to bowl under overcast skies. Their openers got off to a bit of a flyer and soon further disaster struck with co-captain Ethan Neumann having to leave the field having been struck on the wrist early in his spell. Thanks to Heathfield for loaning us their 12th man Josh to fill in. Archie Dahlitz bowled well with the new ball without luck at the other end, finishing with figures of 0/11 from 4 overs.

Ryan Cornish made the breakthrough with a skied catch off his own bowling, when their opener had a rush of blood to the head and charged him, with the score 1/66. Ryan and Darcy Twigden bowled tidily in the middle overs, drying up the boundaries. Heathfield started to take riskier singles which led to the run out of their other opener by Kurtis Hampel from cover, the score 2/99. Amon Hampel and Toby Excell bowled extremely well at the death, with Amon picking up a wicket with a catch to Archie at mid-off, to see Heathfield finish 3/116 after their allocated overs. Amon finished with figures of 1/16 and Ryan 1/24.

With the injuries that had occurred and some players feeling a bit rusty in practice, there were some adjustments made to the batting order.

Our openers, Darcy and Kurtis, got off to a flyer in reply, thanks to some wayward and short bowling by Heathfield's new ball bowlers. Darcy was particularly brutal, pulling anything short to or over the boundary, before Kurtis nicked off to second slip with the score 1/33. Ryan was promoted to first drop and rotated the strike well with Darcy, before being bowled for 13, with the score 2/71, which lead to another quick wicket.

Brayden Pilgrim, having looked rusty in practice, joined Darcy with the score at 3/72 and survived some quick bowling by Heathfield's first change bowlers, whilst ticking the scoreboard over. Darcy brought up his 50, after getting the benefit of the doubt on an extremely tight lbw call, due to the umpire feeling more than 50 % of the ball had pitched outside leg. As his innings progressed, Brayden found form at the crease and started to find the boundary, reaching 24 not out, before Darcy brought up the winning runs in the 17th over with another pull shot, this one going over the rope. Darcy finished 63 not out. Bordertown winning the Country South championship by 7 wickets. Well done to the boys, not only on their performance, but how they conducted themselves throughout the day and the spirit they played in.

A big thanks to Mr Orrock for scoring and the parents who came along to watch.

Jamie Illman



## Home Economics

Last week the Year 7 and Year 8 Students were highly engaged in the kitchen completing their final assessment in Home Economics for the first Trimester.

The Year 7 students were creating Alfresco Breakfast Dishes which included meals such as French Toast, Smoothie Bowls and a range of Waffles.

The Year 8 Students were creating Healthy Parcels. They had to create a lunch dish that involved pastry. Some of the dishes that were created were Strawberry Tarts, Apple Pie, Meat Pie, and Calzones.

The students should be very proud of themselves and their creations, they have been working very hard this Trimester to build their skills in the kitchen with cooking and presentation skills.

Miss Collins



## Student Achievements

I was accepted with great privilege to be a part of the Limestone Coast Academy. The Limestone Coast Academy is an academy for all different sports for high performance athletes in the Limestone Coast region. As part of the academy, academy reps attend theory lessons online, gym sessions, trainings and games or carnivals.

I'm a part of the basketball program which is combined with SAC Basketball and Pioneers Basketball which is based in the Mount, the program consists of strength and conditioning programs, injury prevention, sports nutrition and mental wellbeing sessions.

We have played in 1 carnival which was at Easter, it was fun to play with a different group of girls in the Basketball Team, we had great coaches and the team was really competitive for our division. I look forward to being able to play more games with the team.

Also, I have been selected into the U16 SAC team to play basketball at the Nationals in Perth in July. I am super excited and can't wait to represent SA & hopefully win a few games.

Mia Richards



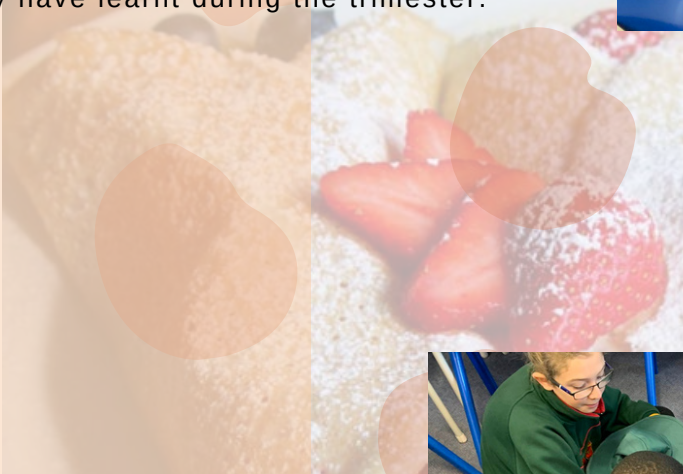
Stephanie competed in the Australian National Championships of Dragon Boating racing in Albury Wodonga from the 22nd to the 24th April 2023. The first day consisted of 500 metre races. She competed in 7 races on the first day and 6 on the second day.

On day 3, the races were 200 metres and she competed in 3 of them. Stephanie came away with two bronze medals for the Junior Women's 500 metres and the Junior Women's 200 metres events.

# French

This week we celebrated the conclusion of the first trimester of French for our year 7 and 8 students. To mark the event, students made the long journey across the oval to share our newly learnt language skills with the primary school students. The last weeks of the trimester were spent writing, illustrating, and perfecting a small children's book to read to Madame Johnson's year 1/2 and 5/6 classes.

Our students were fine representatives of the French program, reading with confidence and discussing the different things they have learnt during the trimester.



By the time you read this, we will have said 'au revoir', our tummies will be full of delicious crêpes and this inspiring group of students will be looking forward to their next elective classes.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank my first participants of the language program for your enthusiasm and engagement throughout the past 14 weeks.

Mrs Anderson



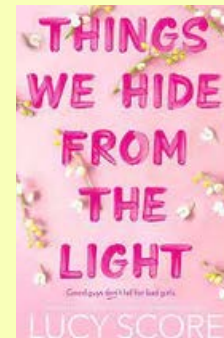
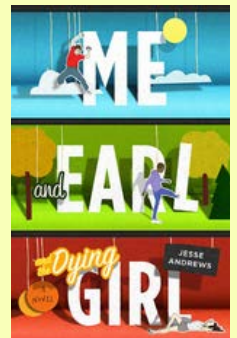
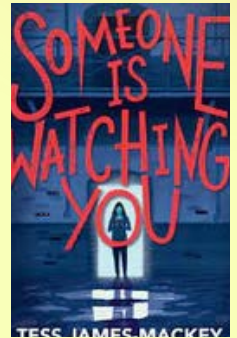
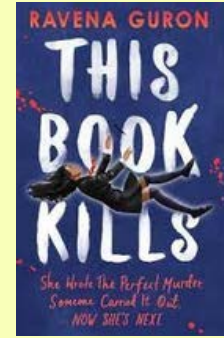
# Library News

## New Fiction Novels...

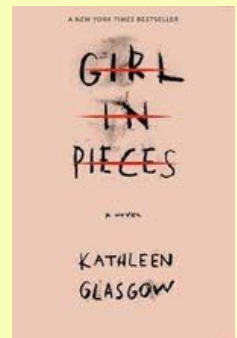
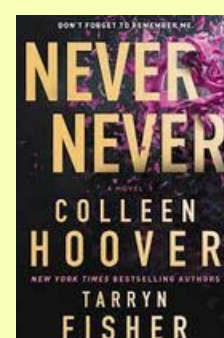
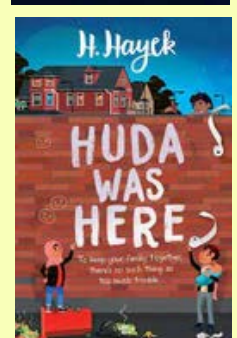
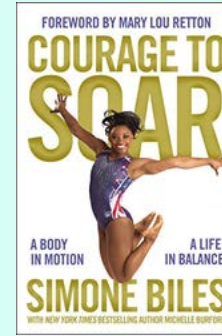
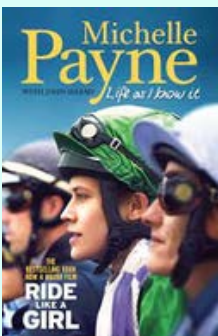
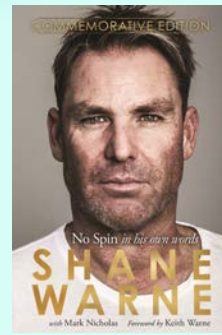
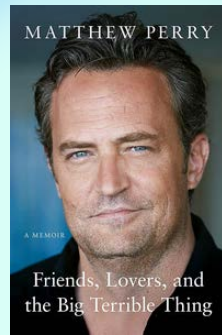
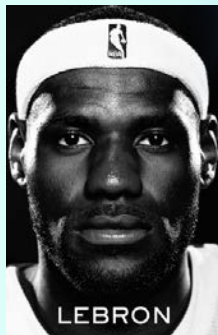
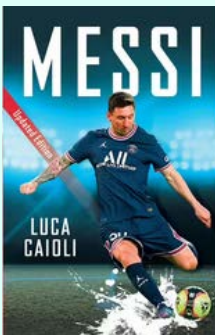
### 'My Dream Time' Ash Barty



The #1 bestselling memoir from global tennis superstar Ash Barty. The book is about finding the path to being the best I could be, not just as an athlete but as a person, and to consider the way those identities overlap and compete. We all have a professional and a personal self. How do you conquer nerves and anxiety? How do you deal with defeat, or pain? What drives you to succeed – and what happens when you do? My story is about the power and joy of doing that thing you love and seeing where it can take you, about the importance of purpose – and perspective – in our lives.



## New Biographies...





# Bordertown Lutheran Youth

Term 2 Program

## FRIDAY MAY 5TH

*Minute to Win It.*  
Contestants are given 60 seconds to complete very random challenges. Be prepared for an evening of laughter.  
Organizers: Jack & Archie

## SUNDAY MAY 21ST

*Bonfire Family Day*  
(weather permitting)  
Meet at David Obsts farm after church. BYO chair, and drinks. Lunch supplied. Families Welcome! Youth will need to be accompanied by a supervising adult.

## FRIDAY JUNE 2ND

*MasterChef Night*  
Lets cook up a storm and test your skills in the kitchen! Who will be crowned Ultimate MasterChef?  
Organizers: Lexi and Ella

## FRIDAY JUNE 16TH

*Night Basketball*  
Meet at the Basketball stadium at 7pm for an inter-youth scratch match.  
Organizer: Jordan

## FRIDAY JUNE 30TH

*Newspaper Hockey*  
Just as it sounds. It's as much as you can poke a newspaper stick at!  
Organiser: Tim and Lisa

## CLW

*Christian Life Week Camp*  
A five-day camp for young people Years 7-12. 17th-21st July. Tarooki Campsite Robe  
<https://www.blueprintministries.org.au/camps/lmse-clw/>

All high school aged students welcome!

Events will be held at Bordertown Lutheran church unless stated otherwise - corner of Smith St and Patterson St.

Friday night events drop-off at 7pm & pick up at 9pm unless stated otherwise.

Please bring supper to share to your rostered event and \$2 to each event to help cover costs.

## CONTACT US

Tim Graetz: 0428 733 065

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PRIME drinks should not be brought to school by any students. These are not recommended for children under 15 years of age.

Mundulla Hall Anniversary

# DEBUTANTE BALL

FRIDAY 19TH MAY 2023

DEBS AND PARTNERS PRESENTED

AT 8.15PM

TO MS ANNE CHAMPNESS

GOOD DANCE MUSIC

SUPPER

DOORS OPEN 7:45PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR

ADULTS \$15 H/S STUDENTS \$10 PS/STUDENTS \$2

COME ALONG AND ENJOY A GREAT FAMILY EVENING

## What does this mean for you?

All students must keep their mobile phones off and away while at school.

Each school principal can approve exemptions in exceptional circumstances (such as for monitoring a health condition).

Your school has processes available if you need to get in touch with your child during school hours or if the school needs to contact you directly.

The State Government is banning mobile phones in all public high schools to improve the educational performance and wellbeing of our next generation.

[phonesoff.sa.gov.au](http://phonesoff.sa.gov.au)



The future's in our students' hands.

That's why phones shouldn't be.

Phones off while school's on.