BORDERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

Newsletter





IMPORTANT DATES

JULY

- 7 Early Dismissal 2.25 pm
- 24 Term 3 begins
- 25 SATAC Parent Meeting
- 26 7/8 Boys Football Ncte

AUGUST

- 1 9/10 Boys Football T.Bend
- 2 Australian Maths Comp School Social
- 3 Australian Maths Comp Open Basket Ball - Mt G
- 4 Australian Maths Comp Tatiata Skills Expo Yr 9-12
- 9 MASA Quiz Night

Every school this year is required to implement the Department for Education's 'Student Use of Mobile Phones and Personal Devices Policy'. For Bordertown High School students, many aspects of this policy are already in place, through our current Mobile Phone policy. From the start of term 3, the new policy, which was ratified by Governing Council on Wednesday 21st June, 2023, will be implemented.

The main change in the policy that will affect students is the Department policy covers the use of smart watch at school. It is expected that if students have a smart watch that has its own SIM card giving it the ability to take calls, the watch is 'off and away' during the school day. If students have a smart watch that connects to a phone, and can be used to message, the watch also needs to be 'off and away' during the school day, from the time they enter the school grounds in the morning, until they leave in the afternoon.

Another part to the policy requires that phones are not to be used on Camps and Excursions. There may be times where there is an exemption to this, but these will be discussed in the planning processes of each camp or excursion. Please support the school by expecting that students leave phones and other smart devices at home when required. Staff regularly communicate with families through our facebook page, updating parent of return times when on excursion and this will continue.

You will find information about the new policy is being emailed to you, so please read through this and discuss with your children.

Recently we have made changes to our school canteen so that it remains viable. The changes that have been made, are showing signs of improving the viability of the canteen and we will keep monitoring this over the next couple of months. Our Governing Council, management and canteen committee are working collectively with the canteen staff, to improve this.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Leeanne Smedley who has decided to finish up her work in the canteen and I wish her well with future endeavours. Leeanne has been working in the school canteen off and on for a few years, but since last year has regularly worked two days a week.

We are currently advertising for a new canteen staff member. Please check out our facebook post or ring Jo Gabriel on 87521455 for more information. Expressions of interest close on Friday 7th July at the 4.00pm and can be emailed to <u>jo.gabriel976@schools.sa.edu.au</u>, or dropped into the front office.

As we near the holidays, it is a good time to reflect and reset. Student reports will be published at the end of the term. If you have any queries or concerns please contact individual class teachers or year level coordinators when we return to school.

I hope you have an enjoyable break, if you get time off in school holidays, travel safe and stay warm.

Alicia Keatley Principal

Parents are reminded that students are not to be on the school site before 8.30am.



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 12 Chemistry

The Year 12 Chemistry class are currently learning about Organic Chemistry. This is the study of carbon containing compounds and the structure, properties and reactions of the molecules. Most organic compounds are comprised of carbon and hydrogen, but they may also have other elements such as oxygen, nitrogen, sulphur and phosphorus. Some examples of these compounds include hydrocarbons (petrol and other fuels), alcohols (ethanol) and esters (artificial flavouring).









Organic Chemistry has a vast range of applications which includes agriculture, pharmaceuticals, fuels, plastics, and cosmetics just to name a few. Part of the course involves students performing experiments to understand how to identify organic compounds based on their reactions.

In this experiment, the four students Daniel, Aarshi, Caleb and Noah are using Tollen's reagent to oxidise an aldehyde. The successful reaction results in the oxidising agent being reduced to form a silver deposit on the glassware, creating a silver mirror. Thank you to Mr Campbell Hamilton for the photos.

Paul Trieu Senior Chemistry Teacher

Year 9 Science

Year 9's are learning about light. They have dissected a cow's eye to see how light is refracted by the cornea into the lens. They learnt that refraction also occurs in the lens which focuses light onto the retina. There were a few queasy stomachs in 9A but all students had a go!







Year 8 Science



Year 8's have been applying their understanding of cells to build cell analogy models. Each part of the model is an analogy for a cell part.

Matilda Berry



Year 11 Ag Trip

Longrenong College

Each year we endeavour to take the Year 11 Agriculture class on a 'study tour' to broaden their understanding of the types of careers available within the Ag sector. This year, for the first time we were very fortunate to be part of Longerenong College's pilot program to welcome school students for a Live-in experience of college life.







Students were treated to a farm and facilities tour, mini lessons including crop walks, soils, wool, feedlots and technology. They met the lecturers and teachers, stayed in the student accommodation and ate with the college students in the dining room.

It was a true immersion and fantastic experience.













Year 11 Ag Trip

Midfield Meats

We then travelled to Midfield meats in Warrnambool, where we were treated to a BBQ lunch, an overview of their impressive and extensive business and followed on with a tour through their freezer / packing shed, cattle yards and protein solutions plant. There were many highlights including the donkeys leading cattle to pens, the robotic stackers and automated plate freezer and the work they do with fetal blood for pharmaceuticals.

Many of the heads of operations all started on the floor and have worked their way through the company chain (and sometimes sideways). The businesses employment opportunities span from clerical to cattle yards, microbiologists, robotic engineers and pilots.





Overall it was a great trip and we have had feedback from both businesses that our school is welcome to return at any time, what a testament to our students for their representation of our school.

Helen Altus and Kate McCarthy







Year 7 & 8 students have been getting themselves familiar with the sewing machine over the past few weeks. Year 8's revising what they learnt last year and Year 7's doing similar however some students have never touched a machine before. Both classes have been working towards their sewing license which involves learning the tools of textiles and the parts & functions of the sewing machine.

They then move onto paper sewing where they focus on their accuracy of sewing in straight or curved lines, then lastly move onto sewing with thread, a range of different stitches between straight & zigzag.

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Once students have completed their sewing license, they move onto their first assessment task which for Year 7's is a Pin Cushion and Year 8's is a Fabric Bookmark. When completed that task they will be moving onto their major assessment task for Textiles Year 7's task is a Doorstopper with Applique and Year 8 is a Toiletry Bag.

Rebecca Collins
Home Economics
Teacher

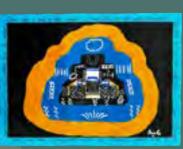
Year 9 Art s Coil clay pots



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SPORT REPORT





OAKBANK CROSS COUNTRY







27 students accepted the challenge of competing at the Statewide Schools Cross Country championships at Oakbank. It was a typical day at Oakbank with heavy rain, cold weather and a muddy track.

The individual highlight for the day was Remi Pilgrim finishing 13th in the 13 year old Girls 3km event



A number of students competed in older age groups and Sienna Lusher completed 2 races for the day to fill teams. This is the type of attitude that the staff really appreciate and is a fantastic example to other students

The students all conducted themselves very well in their events in very tough conditions.

Well done to all the competitors and thank you to Mr Orrock and Ms Day for organising and supervising the team.

SPORT REPORT

OPEN NETBALL

On Tuesday the 20th of June the B.H.S Open Netball team made their way to Mt Gambier's new indoor complex to play in the first round of Open Zone Netball.

They were off to a flying start! With a very strong start up line, and a solid warm up taken by our Captain Andrea Fuentes, we had no doubt we'd get the win over Penola High. Ella Barras met every ball as WD with either an intercept or a touch, winning her position on the court. A great start to the day.

Following this game, we played against Grant High, which bought upon an unexpected struggle in the first half with Eliza Orrock taking one for the team and playing GD. The girls pulled through, with a quick swap seeing Eliza go back to C where she dominated the play. Other than her accurate shooting in GS, Sophie Barras presented as a consistent option to feed to, even when challenged with 2 defenders against her.

We came up against a tough Mt Gambier side, who were well equipped on court. The girls held their own, but unfortunately were unable to get over the line.

In our final we played against the 2nd place in Pool B to fight for 3rd place overall. During this game, Hayley Twigden and Andrea Fuentes became intercept weapons in defense, with assistance from Murron Davis who used her height to her advantage in WD, putting her opponent under pressure. Ashley Saraosos fed well into Lily Kennett as GA, who was always present in the circle, finishing the play with a goal.

Overall, the girls came 3rd in the competition, a really great effort from all. We are very proud of the way the girls played with integrity and effort.

Hettie Day and Renae Feder



SPORT REPORT

KNOCKOUT NETBALL







The Year 7/8 and 9/10 teams participated in the Knockout netball competition on Thursday 22nd June. The girls were very excited to be playing indoors in the new Wulanda Centre on a cold and wintery day.

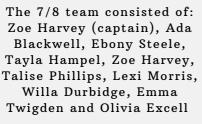
Both teams had games against Penola first up. The 9/10 team had a tougher game, the 7/8 girls won convincingly. Next up was Millicent. The 9/10 girls were down at half time but managed to come away with a 1 goal win. The 7/8 girls were winners by 3. Then we had to play Mount Gambier High, knowing this would be tough games for both teams. The 9/10 was a very defensive game with goals hard to come by. The girls fought hard for a 2 goal win. The 7/8 team had a hard game with Mount getting a good start. We managed to stay with them in the second half but couldn't peg back the lead, going down by 4.

After the minor rounds the 9/10 team progressed through to the 1 versus 2 playoff against Grant High. Grant were a quick, strong, tall side all over the court. They had a 6 goal lead at half time, we managed to stay even in the second half but could not gain on the lead so finished 2nd for the day.

The 7/8 team played off in the 3 versus 4 final.

The girls should be commended on their sportsmanship throughout the day. A big thank you to Laura Excell and Miss Feder for coming down to umpire.





The 9/10 team consisted of:
Kida Schnieder (captain),
Jacqui Altus, Caitlin
Treloar, Ella Jozeps, Mia
Richards, Hadley Davis,
Madeline Mead, Lara Wiese
and Ashley Saraosos

Debra Clarke and Shane Orrock Coaches



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Novels in this week...

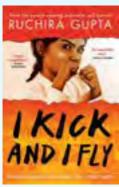


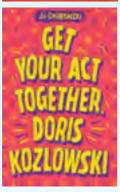








































Stay tuned for something exciting coming to the Library after the holidays!

Community Notices











We hope you all have a safe, happy and enjoyable holiday break from Friday 7th July.

