BORDERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

Newsletter





AUGUST

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16 Science & Engineering Challenge

18 Year 12 Ag Excursion

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SEPTEMBER

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- 4 School Closure
- 5-7 Adel Show Team Goats/Sheep
- 12 9/10 B/Ball Millicent
- 21 Immunisations Year 8 & 10
- 29 Last Day of Term Early

Government of South Australia
Department for Education

This term we welcome two new staff to our team. Mitch Anderson has been appointed as a School Mental Health Practitioner. Mitch will be working with our Wellbeing team to support some of our students who need more specific support. Our Wellbeing team consists of Debra Clarke as the Wellbeing Coordinator and Counsellor, Cathy Hinge and Terese Duell, sharing the Pastoral Care Worker role and Katrina Pretlove who has a Youth Worker role. All of these roles provide different types of support to students in a variety of different ways. The addition of Mitch to our Wellbeing team will provide another level to our support to students, and we appreciate the initiative of the Department for Education in providing this role to our young people.

Trina Mock is another welcome face to our team, joining Canteen Manager Sarah Barras in running our canteen and providing food options for our students and staff. Trina comes to this role with a wealth of experience and I am sure will settle into her new role quickly.

In the last week of last term we celebrated the graduation of 21 year 10 students from the Youth Opportunities program. This is the third year that we have facilitated this program for year 10 students are we are always impressed at the skills that students learn through this program. We are very grateful to local organisations, especially the Tatiara District Council for their support of our young people by sponsoring the program. We look forward to seeing this year's graduates put their learning into practice over the remainder of the year.

I would like to acknowledge the Bordertown Tree of Hope members for their ongoing support of our school. Recently the school was presented with a cash donation, we will be making decisions about how this money will be spent shortly, with the intention of this money being used to benefit the student body.

Monday 21st August - Pupil Free Day

Monday 4th September - School closure day

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.

Principal's report cont.

I would also like to thank the Bordertown High School Equipment fund for their ongoing support of our school. Earlier this year the school received funds to purchase a new couch for the student support area and new tables for a classroom which allow students to use the tables as another writing surface. Students are able to work in small groups and brainstorm by writing on the tables before finalizing their ideas and then further develop their work individually. It is exciting that the English/HASS faculty are now able to also use these strategies to work collaboratively because of this donation. Please see details further into the newsletter that allow you to donate to the Equipment fund.

Our school has been saddened by the tragic loss of another young person in our community. Archie Harrowfield was a lovely young man who had a passion for Agriculture studies while at school and amazing metal work skills. Archie had a curious mind and was wise beyond his years, always showing a caring nature towards his teachers and friends. We will all remember his witty nature with a smile on our face. Archie will be missed throughout the Bordertown community. We send our greatest condolences to Archie's family.

Alicia Keatley Principal

Year 7 Hass



Year 7's successfully completing their Mummification of an Orange.



Youth Opportunities



On the last Wednesday night of Term 2, the Youth Opportunities program was completed with a Graduation at the Tatiara District Council.

21 Year 10 students were involved in this Personal leadership program whereby they participated in a one day per week program held at the Community Centre. Students reflected on their journey and it was amazing to hear from each student about what benefits they got from being involved in the program. Just having some students stand and deliver a speech in front of parents and guests was an achievement in itself.

As a school we are hopeful that we can continue the program next year. Looking forward to seeing the continued development in this group of students!

A massive thank you to the Tatiara District Council for helping fund the program and providing a venue and to Sam and Deb, the trainers, for putting in so much effort with this group of students, they certainly appreciated the support.

Debra Clarke
Student Counsellor



NAIDOC Week Activities

As part of NAIDOC week Katrina Pretlove and Julie Matthews took the opportunity to take five students to attend a smoking ceremony and Welcome to Country at Charla Lodge.

The smoking ceremony was conducted by Boandik Elder, Uncle Ken Jones. Prior to the ceremony Uncle Ken sat with students and spoke to them about culture and country. He engaged with each student individually, giving them the opportunity to tell him about their family connection and their country.

Opportunities to connect are valuable and important to all of us. Thank you to the Bordertown Memorial Hospital for the invitation to attend.

Katrina Pretlove.

We recently went to a smoking ceremony and Acknowledgement of Country at Charla Lodge. Uncle Ken let up put some of the sticks in the fire and be a part of the ceremony and learn more about our culture.

Uncle Ken told us that once some Aboriginal people had to hide in a cave from something and it was very hard for the Aboriginal people who were in the cave. Uncle Ken also taught us us how to do the smoking ceremony. - Curtis





Yr 10 Design & Technology

At the end of last term
Year 10 students were
busy finishing off their
small table projects. They
should be proud of the
projects they have created
and be able to use their
projects for many years to
come.

Mr Crane
Design and Technology
Teacher





On Wednesday 2nd of August, the SRC held a 90s themed social for students to enjoy. The SRC committee members worked hard in the lead up to the event to ensure that those who attended the social would have a great time. The committee created a 90's timeline wall, a photo booth with props, games, a playlist, and decorated the entrance and room as well as advertised for the event. It was excellent to see over 100 students come dressed up and enjoying the night. Thank you to those who helped make the event happen, your time was greatly appreciated.

The money raised from the social is being donated to the Childhood Cancer Foundation, as the committee identified that there are people out there who aren't able to attend socials because they're battling with health conditions.





Bordertown High School Equipment Fund

The BHS Equipment Fund was initiated in 1988 during a period where government funding fell short of providing regional schools with up to date equipment to meet the curriculum requirements of students, the School Finance Committee in a move to address this moved to establish the fund to provide a permanent source of funds to assist the purchase of otherwise unobtainable equipment.

The Fund was established with donations from families of past, present and future students, local business' and service clubs, and is managed by a community based Board of Trustees. The Fund comprises a capital base of sound investments from which approximately 90% of its annual income is made available to the school, the balance is, along with all new donations, reinvested into the capital pool.

Over the past decade government funding has been reasonably good, allowing us to grow the fund, however with the COVID deficit now needing to be accounted for this funding is again falling short. Therefore the School will again be turning to the fund to help purchase the equipment to take our students into their future.

Your donations to the Fund will ensure its continued relevance as we strive to grow the capital base ahead of inflation.

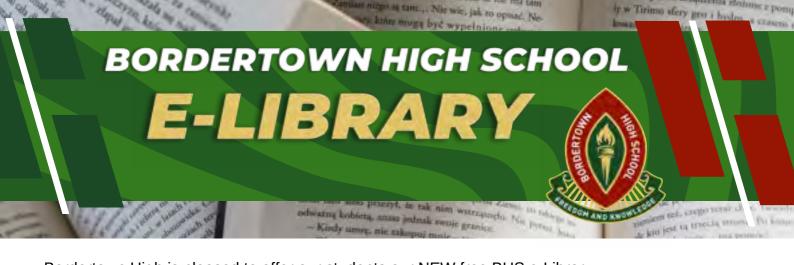
Thank you.

Donations can be made by direct debit to:
Bordertown High School Equipment Fund
BSB: 105 066 Acc.No: 3303 9040
For further information contact:
Chairman Trevor Butler ph. 0429 832 272
Treasurer Nick Davis ph. 0408 844 462

Thanks to the generous support from our community and the Bordertown High School Equipment Fund we were able to purchase a new couch for the student support room and some writeable desks for our English students to use.







Bordertown High is pleased to offer our students our NEW free BHS e-Library.

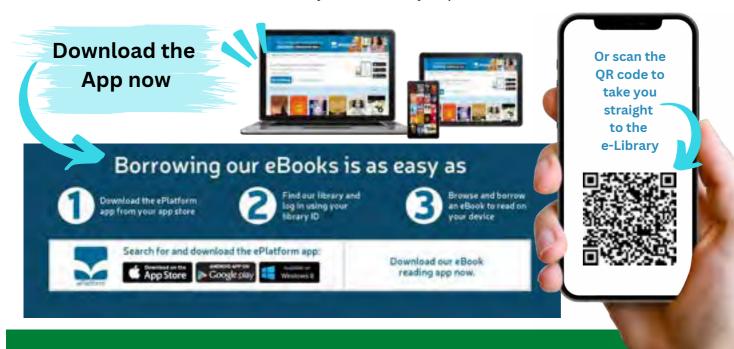
The e-Library can be accessed from students laptops, iPads, iPhones, Android phones and tablets.

It will compliment our current library by adding several advantages for students.

- New books added monthly of leading titles and authors, including Australian and International best sellers.
- Allowing students access to books 24/7 including school holidays.
- Customised reading settings such as text size, spacing, brightness, font, background colour.
- Dyslexia friendly settings.
- · Ability to annotate books (beneficial for senior years).
- Dual language reading, including visual and text translation from 150 languages.
- Immersive reader (text to speech), for students that love listening to books.
- · Year level restricted.
- · Books are automatically bookmarked, ready for when you are ready to resume reading.
- · Ability to read titles when the physical book in our library is already loaned out.

The school library will still offer a unique experience, including a quiet reading and study environment with physical browsing to all the latest titles for teens. Books will now be more accessible to students so they can read anywhere, anytime, physical or digital.

For further information contact the Library - email - carly.ralph221@schools.sa.edu.au



7/8 Boys Football

On Wednesday of week 1 this term our Yr 7/8 Boys football team participated in round 1 of the Statewide football competition at Naracoorte, against Kingston Community School and Naracoorte High School.

Our team was predominatly made up of Yr 7's and we were small in stature compared to our opposition. Both Naracoorte and Kingston dominated the play against us and we struggled to score in both games. However the boys conducted themselves well and did not stop trying.

Naracoorte were able to win the day, progressing through to the next round. Thank you to Mr Exton and Mr Orrock for coaching and umpiring.

9/10 Boys Football

Tuesday week 2 our Yr 9/10 Boys football team travelled to Tailem Bend to take on Blackwood High School in Round 3 of their statewide competition.

It was a high quality game of football with good skills on display by both teams. Scores were pretty even until half time and the game was set up for a good finish. Unfortunately we had a poor third quarter where Blackwood kicked 6 goals to 0 and the boys played some undisciplined football.

To our credit we fought back in the last quarter to get within a point late in the game but were denied the win when Blackwood steadied and goaled meaning the final score had us losing by 7 points.

This means that we do not progress through to the final.

Thank you to Mr Exton and Mr Orrock for coaching and umpiring and Jodie Hampel for travelling with the team as a sports trainer.



11/12 Girls Basketball

Thursday of week 2 our Yr 11/12 Girls Basketball team travelled to Mt Gambier to participate in the South East Zone div 2 carnival.

Our first game was against Naracoorte High school and we were comfortable winners 21 - 12. In the second game we played Mt Gambier High and were down 22 - 4 at half time. After making some adjustments to our style of play we came out on fire in the second half winning 33-29.

Our last game was against Millicent High who were also undefeated for the day. The game was even throughout and we ended up losing 19-15. Meaning that Millicent progress to the finals in Adelaide.

Fortunately for us one of the other teams in the finals has withdrawn and we have been offered a position in the finals on Thursday week 4.



School and Community Notices



In order to keep our students details up to date, we ask parents to contact the school if any of your details have changed recently. The school can be contacted via:
email: dl.0894.info@schools.sa.edu.au
phone: 08 8752 1455
or through the Sentral Portal.

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Term 3, 2023 Term Planner								
Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	WEEKEND		
1	24	25	26 7/8 Boys	27	28	29/30 July		
July			Football Note					
2	31	9/10 Boys Football Tailem Bend	2 Australian Maths Competition	3 Australian Maths Competition	4 Australian Maths Competition	5/8 Aug		
July/Aug			School Social	Open BBall Mt Gambier	Tatiara Skills Expo Xx 10-12			
3	7	8 Junior Judging Lucindale	9 MASA Quiz Night	10	11	12/13 Aug		
Aug		SATAC Parent Meeting 6pm						
4	14	15 Year 9 C&C Excursion	16 Year 9 C&C Excursion	17	18 Year 12 Ag Excursion	19/20 Aug		
Aug			Science and Engineering Challenge					
5 Aug	21 Student Free Day	22	23	24	25	26/27 Aug		
6 Aug/Sep	28	29	30	31 Adelaide show cattle	1 Adelaide show cattle	2/3 Sept Adelaide show cattle		
7 Sept	4 School Closure	5 Adelaide show Sheep/goat	6 Adelaide show sheep/ goat	7 Adelaide show sheep/goat	8	9/10 Sept		
8 Sept	11	12 9/10 BBall Millicent	13	14	15	16/17 Sept		
9 Sept	18	19	20	21 Immunisations Year 8 & 10	22	23/24 Sept		
10 Sept	25	26	27 9-A-Side Girls Football Penola TFI tour – 5/8	28	29 Early Dismissal 2:25pm	30/1 Sept/Oct		
Holiday	2 Labour Day	3	Yr 11 students 4	5	6	7/8 Oct		
Holiday	9	10	11	12	13	14/15 Oct		

Off-site sporting event Off-site camp/excursion