# BORDERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

# Newsletter





## SEPTEMBER

- 1 3 Adelaide Show Tear (Cattle)
  - 4 School Closure
- 5-7 Adelaide Show Team (Goats/Sheep)
- 12 9/10 B/Ball Millicent
- 21 Immunisations Year 8 & 10
- 29 Last Day of Term Early Dismissal.

Does your child do homework at home? I have many conversations with students and parents about homework, ranging from my child is not getting homework, to why is homework set. Homework is an important part of student learning and provides opportunities for students to reinforce new topics from their current day of lessons; develop time management and organisational skills; improve concentration and self-discipline; as well as an opportunity for parents to see what is being learned at school. Setting routines to complete homework is also really important to develop study habits that support more proactive learning. If you do not feel like your child is getting enough homework, I encourage parents to reach out to teachers and ask if homework is being set and if there is anything that your child can do for homework. Alternatively, if you are concerned about the amount of homework your child is doing, please also reach out to the subject teacher or year level coordinator to discuss this.

Last week our agriculture students had the opportunity to present their animals to families, breeders, sponsors and staff, and say thank you to everyone for their support. On behalf of the school I would like to thank our breeders and sponsors for their support of our agriculture show team.

Our breeders are always impressed with the work of our students both in the management and presentation of our animals and it is a credit to the many hours of work our students and staff put into preparing the animals.





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.

## Principals report cont.

NAPLAN results for years 7 and 9 have been posted out to families. This year the NAPLAN results are reported as proficiency standards, which will mean the report will look different to previous years. Students' results will show how they performed in each of the assessment areas against 4 levels: Exceeding; Strong; Developing and Needs Additional Support. The proficiency levels will allow for clearer understanding for parents and teachers, to know if students are meeting expectations for their current stage of schooling. With the new levels unfortunately, it is not possible to compare your child's results from their previous NAPLAN tests.

As part of Book week last week our Year 7-10 students and some year 12s were involved in reading with our two primary schools and kindergarten. A group of year 7s travelled out to Mundulla Primary School, a group of year 12s, some who were studying child studies, walked to Carol Murray Kindergarten, while the majority of our students walked across to the primary school to join in reading with R-6 students. It was fantastic to see the interactions between the students and the opportunity for students on all sites to interact. Reading is an extremely important skill and modelling this across all ages is valuable to encourage more reading.

This week we have said goodbye to two of our SSO team. Jo Gabriel has been working at the school for many years and has recently decided to take long service leave and resign. I would like to thank Jo for her service particularly as an SSO in classrooms and then as the finance officer and wish her the very best in the future. Katrina Pretlove started last year in a youth worker role, working with a range of students in the school, and some that struggled to attend school and has developed some great connections with students. I would like to thank her for her effort in the short time she has worked at the school.

The school is looking for people who are passionate about supporting young people and helping them to connect with their learning. We are keen to hear from people who might be interested in becoming curriculum support staff in the future, as there will be opportunities where we will be looking for more support staff. A curriculum support staff member generally works in classes with students to support the learning that teachers are providing and develops a close supportive relationship with the students they are working with. If you are interested in finding out more about how to become an SSO, please ring the school to ask questions and follow this link to how to apply to the Employable Ancillary Register.

https://jobs.education.sa.gov.au/page.php? pageID=160&windowUID=0&AdvertID=15896

## Merit Awards

The following students received Merit awards for outstanding achievement in Semester 1, 2023.

### Year 7

Year 8

Year 9

Will Heinrich Loveleen Dhillon Adam Graetz Charlotte Hunt Chi Chi Okoye

Ada Blackwell Khyle Espinoza Zoe Harvey Lexi Morris Talise Phillips Kai Williamson Judd Kennett Alekza Meakins

Year 10

Year 11

Year 12

Jacqui Altus
Hudson Leach
Grace Lusher
Lawrence Melendres
Addie Smedley

Lily-Rose O'Sullivan Hayley Twigden Aarshi Ghimire Shayla Knauerhase Daniel Obst Caleb Patterson



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.



To keep up to date on all of the latest news and info for Bordertown High School, please like our Facebook Page

## Year 9 Civics and Citizenship Adelaide Excursion

On Tuesday of week 4, 43 Year 9 students and 3 staff travelled to Adelaide to engage in an immersive experience in democracy, citizenship and multiculturalism. After an interesting early morning start where our charter bus had a few complications, we finally got on our way. Our first stop in Adelaide was Parliament House, where we were treated to an amazing FREE lunch, followed by a meet and greet with our local State representative, Nick McBride. We learnt about his role in State Parliament and some of the changing dynamics within that role now that he has become an Independent. We were lucky enough to be given an extensive tour of Parliament House, and engage in some role play surrounding the movement of a Bill through Parliament.

After Parliament House, we walked down North Terrace and explored the War Memorial statue and Kintore Avenue Memorial walk. With the beautiful weather, this was both educational and relaxing after a busy day. We then travelled back to our accommodation at West Beach Caravan Park, where we all enjoyed the amazing facilities and proximity to the beach, taking in a classic Western Suburbs beach sunset.

On Wednesday, we said goodbye to our amazing accommodation and were collected bright and early to head back into the CBD. There we split into two groups; one went on a tour of Government House, and the other to the Migration Museum. While at Government House we learnt about the role of the Governor of South Australia and heard some very interesting, and somewhat cheeky, stories about the behaviour of past Governors' families while living at Government House. While at the Migration Museum we explored the variety of exhibitions displayed and learnt about the changing role of migration throughout the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries.

After coming back together as a big group, we made our way through the CBD to the Central Markets, where students were tasked with the job of exploring and identifying what different cultures they could find within the store holders, and how that was indicative of the multicultural nature of both South Australia and Australia as a whole. We all found a delicious lunch, most of us trying something new and different.

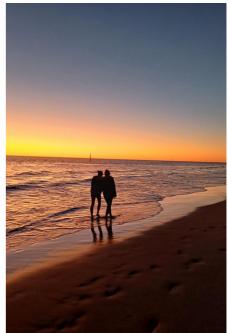
Finally, after two very busy days, we were ready to head home to Bordertown, full of amazing food, and a new appreciation for democracy and multiculturalism.

This trip was achieved at a very low cost to students through the application for, and award of, the Civics in the City Grant, without which it may not have been possible. We are very grateful to Parliament House for supporting this and enabling this extension of our learning.

Terese Duell Civics and Citizenship teacher

# Year 9 Civics and Citizenship Adelaide Excursion cont.















## MASA Quiz Night

On Wednesday 9th August, Bordertown High School was once again the host school for the annual MASA Quiz Night, an interschool competition where our students work in groups to compete against each other, as well as teams from Keith Area School and Naracoorte High School to see who can finish as the most knowledgeable mathematicians in their respective age groups. The divisions are Junior for Years 7 and 8, Intermediate for Years 9 and 10, and Senior for Years 11 and 12. The students have four rounds of both Mathematics and General Knowledge questions and there are winners for best Mathematics team, best General Knowledge team and best Overall team.

Once again, Bordertown High School finished with some pleasing results, winning categories in each division. The senior team of Noah, Daniel, Caleb and Adrian took home the prize for best Mathematics team. In the Intermediate division, the Year 9 team of Judd, Madeline, Alekza, Will and Darcy won the prize for best General Knowledge team, while the Year 10 team of Hudson, Summer, Jess and Jacob took home best Mathematics. The most successful division were our two junior teams. The Year 7 team, who are completely new to the event and consisting of only three students, Oisin, Chloe and Chiagoziem won best in Mathematics, while the Year 8 team of Ada, Zoe, Lexi, Talise and Kai were the best Overall team.

All participants from Bordertown should be proud of their efforts on the night, as we were able to win five out of nine prizes. But I was most pleased to see so many young people there, across all three schools, who were willing to give up a weeknight to do some extra maths after school. Well done! We hope to see you all continue to take part in the quiz night for many years to come.

Paul Trieu
Mathematics Coordinator



# MASA Quiz night cont.



Year 12 Team: Best Senior Maths



Year 10 Team: Best Intermediate Maths



Year 9 Team: Best Intermediate General Knowledge



Year 8 Team: Best Junior Overall



Year 7 Team: Best Junior Maths

## Year 10 Home Economics Bakery Visit

On Wednesday the 9th of August, the Year 10 Home Economics class walked down the street to visit the Bordertown Bakery and

the Morning Loaf Bakery. As a part of their food business unit, students will be creating their own bakery businesses. The Bordertown Bakery organised a Q & A session, before taking us on a tour around the bakery. We would like to thank Kaitlin and Matt who gave up their time to provide us with information about their business.

## Year 7 HASS Guest Speaker

This term in Year 7 HASS students are learning about 'Water in the World'. On Monday the 28th of August, Tatiara District Council CEO, Anne Champness visited our school to speak to the Year 7 HASS classes about Bordertown's current and future water supply and demand, focusing on plans for the pipeline to continue from Keith to alleviate the potential water shortage. Anne prepared informative handouts for the students with key information and statistics on Bordertown's water supply. Once going over these, a Q & A session was facilitated where students gained more valuable knowledge. On behalf of Bordertown High School, we would like to thank Anne for giving up her time and sharing her knowledge with students, to gain a greater grasp on our community's water situation.



## **Thankyou - Richard Quality Butchers**

Thank you to Richard's Quality Butchers who have kindly donated hearts and kidneys for the Year 8 and Year 11 dissections this term.







## Open Knockout Basketball

On Thursday 17th August the Open Knockout basketball team played in the finals at the Lightsview sporting complex in Adelaide.

The girls finished 2nd in the south east competition to progress to the finals. 8 schools were split in to 2 pools. Our first game was against Kadina, The girls had a bit of a slow start but managed to get back in the game, going down by 3 in the end. Next up we played Unity who proved to be too good for us with the final score being 18-30. The girls were keen to get one win for the day so really pulled it together to defeat Marryatville in the final round of our pool games. This meant we finished 3rd from 4 teams. We then had to play Millicent in a consolation final to fight it out for 5th spot. In this game the girls started really well with Millicent only having 2 points at half time. Definitely a turn around from when we played them in our zone game earlier in the term. The score in the end was a good win, 22-14.

The team consisted of:

Sophie

Mia

Eliza

Andrea

Melanie

Grace

Thankyou very much to Emily Lusher who helped transport the girls and scored all our games.

Mrs Clarke Coach





## Year 7/8 French

This week marks the end of another trimester of French for our year 7 and 8 students. After completing our 'All About Me' posters and planning a trip to a French speaking country, students turned to the final project of the trimester.

Students have been working hard at writing and illustrating storybooks to read to our friends at Bordertown Primary School. Topics ranged from trucks to sports to friendship and the standard was quite high.

They took their books and enthusiasm to the primary school this week with year 7s reading to two younger level classes and year 8s inspiring a year 5/6 class with what is to come in high school French.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the primary school for hosting us, the connection we have is greatly appreciated, and the current French students for another wonderful trimester and I wish you all the best in your next electives.















## Year 7 HASS/Science Wetlands Excursion

On Wednesday of week 6 the year 7 students travelled out to the Bordertown Wetlands to support their learning in HASS and Science.

In HASS this term students are learning about 'Water in the World'. They have been looking at different sources of water and developed an understanding of the value of water for other countries and even in our own community.

This has connected with the mixtures topic in science where students have been learning about water scarcity and alternate water sources that could be available for drinking in the future. After extensive experimentation, it can confirmed that the water from the Recreation Lake is not a suitable source drinking water. Armed with that knowledge, students ventured out to the Bordertown Wetlands where the smell alone convinced them that the 'poo ponds' would also not be a suitable source of drinking water.

Some classes have commenced the next science topic of habitats and interactions. Part of the work completed during the excursion was to identify living and non-living things at the wetlands and deep consideration of the purpose of the construction of the wetlands.

Our students thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to take their learning outside the classroom and offer a huge thank you to Miss Day, Miss Berry, Mr Povey and Mrs Anderson for making this excursion happen and to Mr Orrock and Mrs Altus for driving us out to the wetlands.











# Pre Show BBQ and Thankyou!

Each year we have a pre-show Barbeque to thank our breeders, parents and sponsors for their support of our Show Team. It is also an opportunity for students to practice in front of a crowd and celebrate all their hard work over many lunchtimes preparing the animals for Adelaide.

This year we were supported by a bumper crowd for which we are very thankful. Students showed off their new jackets and looked very professional. We have a new sponsor this year, Bendigo Bank, who have sponsored Jackets for the show team as well as a new Advantage feeder. We again have continued sponsorship from Limestone Coast Seeds who have supplied all the caps for the students and D & M Rural also continue to support the show team with feed and supplies. The costs of travelling to Adelaide with students, animals, food, accommodation, uniforms and all the associated equipment stack up quickly and our loyal sponsors make it affordable for all students.

If you are interested in visiting us we will be there Thursday – Sunday (main judging day) this week with 17 students and 5 steers, and then Tuesday – Thursday next week with 6 sheep, 12 goats and 22 students. Special mention to Matt Heinrich for volunteering to come with us! If you can't make it, keep an eye on the school Facebook page for our regular updates.

Big shout out to our breeders for quality animals and also their ongoing advice and support. Geoff Buick also goes above and beyond for us throughout the year and is again transporting the steers to the show.



# Pre Show BBQ cont.

#### **Cattle Breeders**

G & K Buick –

Murray Grey
(Adelaide + Mount Gambier)

N & Y Hagger – South Devon

C Pike & L Secomb - Charolais

A & S Withers -Shorthorn

K Modra – Limousin
 (Mount Gambier)

I & J Pfitzner -Crossbred

J Foote – Limo x (Mount Gambier)

#### cattle breeders

G & A Lock – Hogget team

**Sheep Breeders** 

R & S Kluska – Lamb team

### **Goat Breeders**

GCL Livestock - Boer

Nick Van den Berg – Kalahari x

We also would like to thank Francis Andrews and John Fuller who have popped in and out of school to speak to students about the sheep and goats also thankyou to Gary Lock for the lend of his trailer for transport of sheep and goats.

I think that's about it for now, wish us luck and well behaved animals!

Kate & Helen















# **Agriculture Showteam Sponsors**

Thank

The showteam wouldn't be able to go ahead without the support of our amazing community. For the donations of animals or feed, helping with cartage and advice. We would like to say a HUGE thanks to the following:



NICK VANDERBERG - Goats

**JOHNO & JO GRAETZ - Hay** 

**GEORDIE & CRYSTAL ELLIOT - Goats** 



GEOFF & KATE BUICK - Freight

**BRENTON REINKE - Hay** 





IAN & JULIA PFITZNER

YACCAMOO CHAROLAIS

WATINGA SOUTH DEVONS



GARY & ANGELA LOCK - Merinos



**EXMOOR SHORTHORNS** 

RYAN & SARAH KLUSKA - Merinos

## Bookweek

Last Friday, the 25th August students in Years 7-10 visited the local primary schools, as well as the kindergarten to participate in Book Week activities. Our students gathered in groups with the younger children and read stories aloud, sometimes even listening to the primary students read. Feedback from both the students and staff was positive and we hope this is something we can continue in future years.

















CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK\* 19 to 25 AUGUST #CBCA2023





# School and Community Notices



Our harvest jobs are ideal for those looking for summ work outside of studies, people looking to explore regional southern Australia or gain work experience.

#### What we offer

- And has the potential to provide/assist with:

   opportunities to travel with the harvest and work acro southern Australia

   ongoing positions after harvest

- gaining second year Working Holiday visa (subclass

1500 harvest jobs



#### **Dental Assistant Traineeships**

SA Dental is offering up to 30 Dental Assisting Traineeship positions at clinics across the State. The 12-month Traineeship contract includes on the job training and attendance at TAFE where you will gain a Certificate 3 in Dental Assisting while earning \$19,040 - \$39,646 a year.

If you are 17 - 24 years of age (or up to 30 years if Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander) and have finished year 11, you may qualify for a Traineeship.

Applications open 28/07/2023 - 20/08/2023 for the January 2024 intake.

For more information on the Dental Assistant Traineeship please visit: <a href="www.dental.sa.gov.au/about/careers">www.dental.sa.gov.au/about/careers</a>



Thank you to all of our 2022 sponsors and members that contributed to our successful 144th annual show and proudly being awarded Tatiara District Councils Community Event of the Year. 2023 Membership

Membership entitles member to 1 entry ticket/paid member to the Bordertown Spring Festival and Show on Saturday November 11th 2023. (Sunday entry is free)

If you would like to have a Show Book posted to you, please include \$3 extra for postage and handling.

Our Show depends on Sponsorship and Donations to continue. If you would like to contribute to the ongoing running of the show, we would very much appreciate your donation. Please just signify the amount on your membership form and add it to your membership fee.

Our 2023 theme is "The Sky's the limit" Check out our Facebook page for more of our event details

bordertownshow.org.au Enquiries: 0438 895 653







### SATURDAY NOVEMBER 11TH 2023 SUNDAY NOVEMBER 12TH (HORSES ONLY)

MEMBERSHIP TYPE	PRICE EACH	TOTAL
STUDENT/CONCESSION	\$6	
SINGLE	\$10	S
FAMILY 2 Adults & their 2 children under 14	\$30	2
ADDITIONAL - PLEASE LIST		
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EFT PAYMENT PREFERRED	Bordertown Spring Festival and Show BSB: 105-066 Account: 03660 4840 Please use your name as reference and email forms to treasurer@bordertownshow.org.au		
IF RETURNING BY MAIL	Cheques payable to: Bordertown Spring Festive and Show P.O Box 257, Bordertown SA 5268		

bordertownshow.org.au Enquiries: 0438 895 653

Term 3, 2023 Term Planner									
Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	WEEKEND			
<b>1</b> July	24	25	26 7/8 Boys Football Note	27	28	29/30 July			
2 July/Aug	31	1 9/10 Boys Football Tailem Bend	2 Australian Maths Competition School Social	3 Australian Maths Competition Open BBall	4 Australian Maths Competition Tatiara Skills	5/6 Aug			
3 Aug	7	8 Junior Judging Lucindale  SATAC Parent Meeting 6pm	9 MASA Quiz Night	Mt Gambier 10	11 Expo Yr 10-12	12/13 Aug			
<b>4</b> Aug	14	15 Year 9 C&C Excursion	16 Year 9 C&C Excursion	17 Open BBall Adelaide	18 Year 12 Ag Excursion	19/20 Aug			
5 Aug	21 Student Free Day	22	23	24	25	26/27 Aug			
6 Aug/Sep	28	29 Defence Force Recruitment – Year 10-12	30	31 <mark>Adelaide show</mark> <mark>cattle</mark>	1 Adelaide show cattle	2/3 Sept Adelaide show cattle			
<b>7</b> 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 – 5/6 Yr 11 students	28	29 Early Dismissal 2:25pm	30/1 Sept/Oct			
Holiday	2 Labour Day	3	4	5	.6	7/8 Oct			
Holiday	9	10	11	12	13	14/15 Oct			

Off-site sporting event Off-site camp/excursion