

# BORDERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

## Newsletter



Our Governing Council AGM was held on Wednesday 6th March. Our council includes Kirstie Croser (Chair), Rhyl Opie (Treasurer), Jon Mock, Kieran O'Donovan, Michelle Leach, Nick Davis, Andrew Nicholls, Craig Pietsch, Jodie Wegener, Lily-Rose O'Sullivan (SRC President), Fiona Mulder (staff rep) and myself. I would like to thank all parents who have either renominated or volunteered to be a part of our Governing Council. I would also like to acknowledge Natalie Leopold-Brown who has been a member of our Governing Council for many years and been involved in a number of our committees. Nat has also been heavily involved in the Pedal Prix, for many years, which has been a great opportunity for our students who participated in these events. Thank you Nat, for your input into governing council and the work you have done to support students and staff at the school.

On Wednesday 6th March a number of our students participated in our Student Support Sports Day. Students were involved in a number of competitions across the day, developing different skills and providing an opportunity for some competition and fun. Congratulations to the students who participated in the day and a big thank you to our Student Support staff, for developing their idea into a very successful day. It was also wonderful to see parents and SSO's have some fun and join in the day.

Our Athletics Carnival was held a few weeks ago and it was fantastic to see so many parents and grandparents enjoying the day and support their children in their different events. Congratulations to all students who competed on the day, it was great to see so many students being involved and having a go, to gain points for their team. Our SEZ Interschool Athletics has also happened this week, with some great results for students involved. These days do not run without a lot of support from all of our staff, along with morning trainings being organised in the lead up to interschool and state carnivals.

Cyberbullying is again becoming an issue in some year levels. While most of this online activity happens out of hours, the impact this has on a child's ability to want to come to school, or feel safe at school, is what the school works through when this happens. If your child has access to different social media accounts, please take the time to discuss cyber safety with them. There are many things to consider when allowing a child access to social media and for many parents, their children become proficient in its use quickly and many times at a higher level than the parents. There are many things you can do when allowing your child access to this online environment, including:

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### MARCH

Thursday 29th Early Dismissal  
Friday 30th Good Friday

#### APRIL

Monday 1st Easter Monday  
Tuesday 2nd SEZ Golf  
Friday 5th SSSSA Athletics  
Friday 12th Early Dismissal  
Last day of term

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 continued

- ensuring you are friends with your children on any social media account
- teach your children about appropriate use of social media, so they understand the benefits and risks involved
- teach children about what is not acceptable and ensure an open line of communication with you, so they will tell you when things are not right
- talk about cyberbullying and safety with your children.

A great website is <https://www.esafety.gov.au/>, which provides information for parents and children. Along with this, the website offers the opportunity to report online bullying and abuse, or illegal activity. Please take the time to explore this website, which hopefully assists you in how to support your children. If you are concerned about cyberbullying towards your child, please speak to the local police and show them the evidence you have about the activity you are concerned about.

As a school, we will continue to address issues where cyberbullying impacts student wellbeing and learning, but we can't do this on our own.

I had the pleasure of taking a school tour on Sunday 10th March for a group of BHS graduates who were at our school from 1977-1981. It was wonderful to show how much this school has changed since their years here and also catch up with some familiar faces. Thanks to Deanne Butler and the organising group for their kind donation to the school of left over funds, after their weekend.



Alicia Keatley  
Principal

Early dismissal 2:25, Thursday 28/3/24 for the Easter long weekend.

Enjoy your break



## Governing Council

### Introducing our 2024 Governing Council members

Kirstie Croser

Jon Mock

Nick Davis

Jodie Wegener

Rhyl Opie

Keiran O'Donovan

Michelle Leach

Andrew Nichols

Lily-Rose O'Sullivan

Fiona Mulder

Alicia Keatley

Craig Pietsch



The Student Representative Council is a student body elected by peers to represent all students at Bordertown High School.

The SRC of 2024 consists of:

## Year 12

Lily-Rose O'Sullivan - President

Ryan Mukosera - Vice President

Hayley Twigden - Secretary

Myk Biton - Treasurer



## Year 11

Grace Lusher

Ashley Saraosos

Brodie Churchill

Leeroy Matutuva

## Year 10

Georgia Glynn

Kobi Neale

The SRC has had a busy start to the year with a successful fundraising BBQ at Athletics Day. We thank all parents, students and staff who supported us through their purchases or by helping to cook while we were at events.

In week 8 we recognized Harmony Day with a cultural dress/orange-themed casual day and activities to celebrate the cultural diversity of the Bordertown High School community. It was magnificent to see so much support for inclusivity.

Upcoming projects include Easter celebrations, attendance at the ANZAC Day ceremony and a major event in support of MND. Stay tuned.

Mrs Anderson

## Year 9

Lexi Morris

Kai Williamson

## Year 8

Chloe Graetz

Naufal Risal Affendie

## Year 7

Macy McCarthy

Craig Mukosera





# Student Support Sports Day





CONGRATULATIONS  
CANARA  
WINNERS ATHLETICS DAY 2024





## Ag News

Well we have had an action packed start to the term with the Ag block and a hive of activities daily. We have taken delivery of our newest layers which are always loved by the students. Again we have a small number of meat birds growing which doubles as Lily-Rose's Yr 12 external project, and an investigation for the Year 8 poultry topic. Thanks to Lucy of Lowan Park Produce for her ongoing assistance with all of our meat bird projects, we are very grateful for her support.

Other enterprises that have developed in the Year 10 Enterprise subject are vegetables both on a small and large scale, guinea fowl, thank you to the Dahlitz family for the eggs, we had a very successful hatching in the incubator.

Other enterprises include fruit production & processing and fat lambs. A HUGE thank you to Adam and Melissa Belluzzo for supplying and donating the lambs to the school. We are very, very grateful for your support.

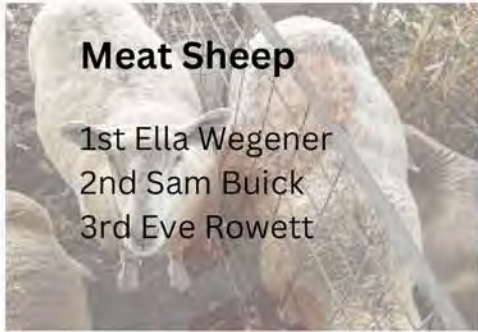
We have also managed to sneak out for a few excursions. First the Year 10 class went to the Hemp Field day at Penola. Students learnt all things hemp ranging from how its grown, agronomy, crop rotations to the harvesting equipment needed and timing of harvest. They learnt the difference between hemp grown for seed and one grown for fibre. Mick & Linda Anderson @Good Country Hemp showed us the end product from oil, seeds, salad dressings, capsules and protein powder. Also discussing the benefits and other uses. We appreciate the time Mick & Linda gave us as well as to Simon & Jack Gartner for allowing us onto their property.





# Ag News

Our second excursion was to Lucindale for the Young Judges competition. 18 students from Years 7 – 11 participated, with some excellent results. The top three for each category were awarded ribbons and prize money but there were many students who were within 10 points of the winners. It is so rewarding for us to see students confidence in their judging skill and their public speaking skills grow so much. Well done to everyone. Thanks to Lisa Rowett for accompanying us on the bus.



## Meat Sheep

- 1st Ella Wegener
- 2nd Sam Buick
- 3rd Eve Rowett



## Fleece

- 1st Paige Pinchbeck ((Lucindale)
- 2nd Kayden Grist (Lucindale)
- 3rd Lacey Grist (Lucindale)



## Grain

- 1st Jack Heinrich
- 2nd Riley Steuart
- 3rd Ben Altus



## Soil

- 1st Jack Heinrich
- 2nd Luke Graetz
- 3rd Will Heinrich



Champion Ribbon of the day which was awarded to the highest total points across all four competitions was won by Eve Rowett and Reserve Champion was won by Sam Buick, what an amazing achievement by them both.

Kate McCarthy and Helen Altus





# Ag News



Young Judges competitions are becoming a part of many of our local country shows, as well as the Royal Adelaide Show in Adelaide. This year Mundulla Show Society offered: beef cattle, grain, soil, merino sheep and fleece. Beef cattle continues to be very popular with 29 entrants this year!

Young Judges competitions builds students knowledge, forces them to think quickly and make justified decisions. Then, if decisions are similar to the overjudge, they are invited to speak and give their reasoning to the crowd on hand.

One of the greatest pleasures we have as teachers is watching each students' maturity, confidence in their own ability and knowledge develop, every time they take part. Well done to everyone for having a go.



	1st	2nd	3rd
<b>Beef Cattle</b>	Emily Hann	Layla Clarke	Emmy Finlayson
Soil	Emmy Finlayson	Georgina Hahn	Mia Kennett
Grain	Emmy Finlayson	Toby Excell	Mia Kennett
Merino Sheep	Emmy Finlayson	Elijah Pietsch	Georgina Hahn
Fleece	Adam Graetz	Emmy Finlayson	Elijah Pietsch



# Year 8 Textiles

The year 8 textiles class have been very busy sewing away. As the textiles unit comes to a close we wanted to show you some of the amazing work students have been doing.

Students began by sewing a pin cushion and attaching a button to refresh their memories of threading a machine, straight stitch, tacking and hand sewing.

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## TEXTILES

## Important Dates



### Student Free Days for 2024

#### TERM 2

Monday 29th April (Day 1, Term 2)

Tuesday 11th June (Day following the King's Birthday long weekend).

#### TERM 3

Friday 9th August

Monday 2nd September (School closure - Adelaide Show)

#### TERM 4

Monday 4th November







**AUSTRALIAN DRIVING INSTITUTE**  
**AUSTDRIVE**  
 Youth Driver Awareness Program  
 BORDERTOWN, KEITH

The Austdrive Youth Driver Awareness Program is designed for 16-28 year olds across SA, who currently hold a probationary or learner license. Going beyond the scope of any learner training previously done, the Austdrive program training meets each young driver at their level and is designed to give young drivers a realistic view of their actual abilities (as opposed to what they think they can do). The course focuses on practical driver awareness, resulting in a true perspective; not the one their peers have given them. Prevention is better than cure when lives are at risk.



BOOK HERE

APRIL 5TH OR APRIL 6TH	APRIL 7TH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8.30am - 5.00pm</li> <li>Open to young drivers 16-28 yrs old</li> <li>Fully Licensed driver must accompany L-Plate Drivers</li> <li>One vehicle required per participant</li> <li>\$30 pp (valued at \$150 pp)</li> </ul>
<b>BORDERTOWN</b>	<b>KEITH</b>	
Contact Emily Lusher 08 8752 1455 Reilly Sanders 0439 004 859	Contact Chantelle Lucas 08 8755 1177	

# Lego animation workshop

Suitable for children aged 7-12 years

Learn how to create your own 'brick film' using the app 'Stop Motion Studio'

**TUESDAY APRIL 16 2024**  
 1pm-4pm @ Bordertown Public Library  
 8752 1473

**WEDNESDAY APRIL 17 2024**  
 10am-1pm @ Keith Institute  
 8755 3236

**FREE workshops. Bookings essential**

# 2024 Hockey Season

**SEASON STARTS 27TH APRIL THROUGH TILL AUGUST**

ROOKIES 5-8 YEAR OLDS  
 JUNIORS U16 YEAR OLDS  
 ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME | SPORTS VOUCHER COMPATIBLE

NON CONTACT | FAMILY FRIENDLY | MINIMAL TRAVEL

**WILLALOOKA | BORDERTOWN | KEITH  
 MUNDULLA | WESTERN FLAT**

For more Junior info call Bruce Loller on  
 0429307514

# TOM CURTAIN

**WHY WE LIVE OUT HERE TOUR**  
 KATHERINE OUTBACK EXPERIENCE,  
 CHRIS MATTHEWS, MELISSA FRASER & LAURA FRANK

Family friendly event:

- 1hr National award-winning Outback Horse & Dog Show
- 1.5hr Live music

**WILLALOOKA**  
 EASTER SATURDAY  
 30 MARCH 2024

**XMAS ROCKS TRAINING & EVENTS**  
 3029 RIDDOCH HIGHWAY, WILLALOOKA, SA  
 GATES OPEN 5:00PM | SHOW 5:30PM-8:30PM

ONLINE TICKETS (+BF): ADULT: \$40 | SENIOR: \$35 | STUDENTS (6-17YR): \$25 | KIDS (5YR&U): FREE | FAMILY: \$117  
 COMPANION CARD ACCEPTED | \*SMALL ONLINE BOOKING FEE | DOOR TICKETS \$10 MORE | DOOR FAMILY: \$135  
 FOOD AND DRINKS AVAIL | BYO CHAIRS | OUTDOOR EVENT

**TICKETS: WWW.TOMCURTAIN.COM.AU**



# APPLYING FOR A SCHOOL CARD



All types of School Card applications  
**are now online.**

You can access the online forms from any device that gets internet, including mobile devices, such as tablets and smart phones, as well as laptops and computers.

Applying online is easy! Simply follow the steps below.

- STEP 1** Visit [sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard](https://sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard)
- STEP 2** Select the type of School Card you would like to apply for (for example 'Type A') and follow the prompts.
- STEP 3** Complete all mandatory fields.  
*Please note: you cannot submit your application unless all mandatory fields are complete.*
- STEP 4** Once you have completed a page click on the 'NEXT' button.
- STEP 5** Once you have filled out all pages click the 'SUBMIT' button.  
*Please note: if you exit the form without clicking 'SUBMIT' your details will be lost.*

You can save the form, and return to complete it at another time, by clicking on the 'SAVE' button.