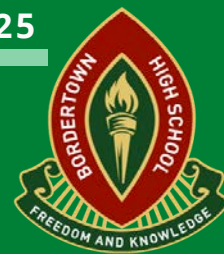


# BORDERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

Respect  
Integrity  
Excellence



As term 3 quickly comes to a close, our students have demonstrated their ability to represent the school with pride in many areas, including sport, agriculture, excursions and conferences.

Of particular note are the efforts of our Ag Show Team who recently competed at this year's Adelaide Show. Congratulations to the students who have achieved some great results, a product of their hard work and commitment over most of this year. A big thank you to our breeders and sponsors who show great support each year to the students and the school. Well done to Mrs Altus and Mrs McCarthy on the teams' efforts, yet again they have done an amazing job preparing our students for their competitions.

This year we have begun a process of reflecting on our school Vision and Values. This is an opportunity to reflect on our school history and ensure that as we move forward, we are aligning our Vision and Values to our future student needs. Why do we need to do this? Our school has a long successful history and to maintain that success, we need to make sure we are reflecting on where we are at present and where we need to be in the future. To do this, we are developing a consultation process with our staff, students, parents and wider community to gather a broad range of perspectives to help guide our future processes.

Below is some information on the Vision and Values Refresh. Please take the time to read this information and attend the 'Food 4 Thought' feedback booth at our upcoming Parent teacher interviews on Tuesday 21st October. Bookings can be made from 4.00pm on the last day of this term.

If you have a chance to get a break with your children in these holidays, enjoy your time away.

Alicia Keatley  
Principal

*Early Dismissal for end of term 3  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 2.25 pm*

## IMPORTANT DATES

### Parent/Teacher night in Term 4

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October  
3.45 pm - 7.00 pm

Bookings open in  
Sentral on Friday  
26/09/25 at 4 pm

Remember to book  
Parent Teacher  
Interviews through  
Sentral or ring the  
front office on  
8752 1455

*Reminder* →

Bucket hats are worn at school during term 4.  
School shorts are required to have a minimum 10 cm  
inner seam.

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.



## **Bordertown High School Vision & Values Refresh**

### **Honouring Our History, Shaping Our Future - Together**

Since 1959, Bordertown High School has been at the heart of our community, educating generations of young people. As our community grows, we are refreshing our vision and values to reflect the aspirations of our students, families, and community.

#### **Why we are doing this:**

- **Set direction:** Refresh long-term goals for students, staff, and families.
- **Inspire unity:** Strengthen school identity and shared purpose.
- **Guide decisions:** Align teaching, learning, and leadership with community expectations.
- **Shape culture:** Foster an environment where everyone feels valued.

#### **What this will achieve:**

- Clear vision and values guiding our direction, decision-making, learning and behaviours.
- Stronger school-community connections.
- Stronger alignment between school practices and community values.

#### **How it will happen:**

- Student, family and staff engagement.
- Community consultation for diverse perspectives.
- Development of a co-designed vision and values.
- Actions to embed these in everyday school life.

#### **A Shared Opportunity**

Together, we can:

- Further strengthen the role of education in our community.
- Celebrate student success and local stories.
- Build stronger pathways to further education, training, and employment.
- Create a thriving, values-led school culture.

#### **Upcoming Event**

##### **Food 4 Thought @ Parent Teacher Night**

*Tuesday 21 October, Week 2 Term 4, 3:30 – 7:30pm*

Parents are invited to meet school leaders and Governing Council members, learn more about the project and share their thoughts over light refreshments.

Remember to book Parent Teacher Interviews through Sentral or ring the front office on 8752 1455.

#### **Stay Connected**

We encourage our school community to:

- Follow our Facebook page for updates and upcoming events.
- Email [dl.0894.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0894.info@schools.sa.edu.au) to join the mailing list.

## Adelaide Show - Cattle

This year included 14 students from years 9-12 for our steer team and 20 students from Year 8-9 for our sheep/goat team.

On Thursday 28th August we departed Bordertown with 6 steers. We arrived at the Show grounds to spend the afternoon setting up our stall in readiness for the steers arrival. Once they arrived we washed, watered and fed before letting them rest for the night. Students enjoyed a night of ten pin bowling, before heading back to Brown Hill Creek Caravan Park, where we choose to stay, due to its close proximity to the show grounds and quiet surroundings.

Friday morning we were back at the show grounds early for the steers to be fed, watered and weighed. They all weighed in well, with minimal weight loss from the trip. Friday afternoon was the first of our official competition, beginning with the handlers classes. **We entered Lexi Morris in the Novice Class, Ella Wegener into the Intermediate Class and Jacqui Altus in to the Experienced Class. All students did an exceptional job showcasing their animals with Lexi achieving a 4th place in her novice heat. Jacqui won her heat to then be awarded Reserve Champion, Experienced Handler.**



Following the handlers, we entered two teams in the South Australian Young Beef Breeders Junior Judging. Our Year 12 team consisted of Jacqui, Addie, Ryan and Luke and our other team: Emmy, Ella, Sam and Archie. Students had to judge 4 steers and if correct came back for the final, in which they had to justify their placings. **Both teams made the final with our Year 12 team doing an exceptional job coming 2nd out of the 41 teams entered.**

Saturday's main event was the grand parade but also allowed some time for students to relax and enjoy the show. They worked on a roster system to always have someone supervising the animals. With many going home for sporting finals it was skeleton staff for the Grand Parade. All students doing an exceptional job at handling the animals in what is quite difficult conditions with the horses, pigs and huge crowd watching!

Sunday was our main judging day, with a very early start, all students worked well as a team helping each other ready the steers for their classes. Four out of our six steers reached the front line up in their classes with our Limousin steer coming first in his export class to come back in for the championship. In what any farmer recognizes as a tough year, all our steers were finished well, with comments from the judge about perhaps them being a little too fat!

**A special mention to Addie who was asked to return for a handlers class in which she came 2nd in her heat. A fantastic achievement.**

The carcass results saw our animals performing well, with our Murray Grey steer coming 5th in his class and 2nd overall for meat eating quality.

We arrived home around 11pm, all looking for a well earned sleep.



## Adelaide Show - Sheep, Goats and Chooks

Back at it on Monday with our goat students came into school on the closure day to wash and prepare their goats. Tuesday we headed up with 12 goats and 6 lambs. Big thanks to Matt Kennett for joining us. We settled them all in on Tuesday with lambs getting weighed and scanned on arrival and all animals cleared of lice.

Wednesday was the main sheep judging day, with 77 teams across 44 schools. This was our first year breeding our own lambs, from ewes purchased from Gary Lock. They certainly didn't disappoint; however, didn't place in what was an outstanding shed full of wethers. We were happy they all stayed as lambs and their fleece and wool value were right up there. Next year students will select their own lambs from the ewes currently lambing and hopefully get them bigger and better for 2026.

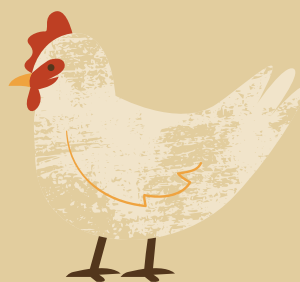
*We picked up a 1st place in our zone for our 2024 fleece we entered into this years show.*

Thursday saw goat judging and our school egg laying chicken judging.

*Well Done to Claire and her goat Red achieving a 4th place and Myah coming 4th out of 265 handlers with her goat Giraffe. An outstanding achievement.*

Each year the goat judging changes its goal posts, making it very hard to select goats. We are grateful to certain breeders for helping supply our students with a great experience.

*Macy and Asha received a 2nd overall for their chicken poster they completed in class that accompanied our team of 3 pullets. They will receive \$75 for their efforts. The poster combined with the live pullet assessment and egg quality meant our team achieved 3rd place overall.* Well done to the year 7 and 8 Ag classes getting these pullets ready.



*Thanks to our breeders, sponsors, families and supporters of the show; we couldn't do it without you all.*

Mrs Altus and Mrs McCarthy

## Active Citizenship Convention

On Monday the 18th of August, seven students from our school: Willow, Elnaz, Masooma, Ella, Lexi, Finn and Hobbes had the amazing opportunity to attend the inaugural Active Citizenship Convention at Adelaide Oval.

It was a wonderful experience designed to inspire young people like us to use our voices and get involved in shaping the future of our communities. One of the main focuses of the day was understanding democracy in Australia – how our voting system works, why it matters, and how we, even as young people, can start making a difference now. We also had the chance to speak with some incredible young entrepreneurs and local government representatives. They shared their journeys and ideas on how we can get involved in causes we care about, speak up for what's right, and actively participate in decisions that affect our lives.

Overall, the convention reminded us that active citizenship isn't just for adults – it starts with us. Whether it's through voting when we're old enough, starting community projects, or simply being informed and having conversations, we all have the power to make a positive impact.

Mrs White



## SRC Colour for Cancer - Crazy Hair Day

On Friday 19 September, SRC held a Colour for Cancer Crazy Hair Day to raise funds for the Cancer Council. Students came to school wearing their brightest colours and with some very crazy hairstyles. SRC also coordinated music and competitions at lunchtime on the hockey oval including a wheelbarrow race, 3 legged race, costume race and tug of war.

The tug of war was very popular with year levels competing against each other and year 12s competing against staff. Thank you to all who contributed with donations and participated in the day.

An additional thank you to Mr Orrock for judging the tug of war.

SRC



## Knockout Netball State Finals



The Year 7/8 girls team went off to Adelaide on Wednesday 27th August to compete in the Division 2 State Final.

First game was against Unity College. The girls came out firing and combined well with strong shooting by the goalies. 23-16 win. Next we played St Pauls College, with student numbers over 1100, this was a topsy turvy game but we managed to get a draw. The last minor round game was against the undefeated Banksia Park International High School, again student numbers over 1000 means a lot of girls to choose from for their team. We could not match it with them unfortunately going down which meant we finished third.



Our final playing for third spot was against Unity again. This was a full 4 quarter game and our girls were determined to finish the day with a win with the final score being 28-17.



The defenders worked tirelessly all day, I am sure the girls would have all slept well that night!

The team consisted of: Zelig (captain), Eve, Claire, Macy, Tasha, Sophie, Lillian, Grace, Della, Stella K and Stella H.

Thankyou to parents that helped out with scoring!

Debra Clarke  
Coach



## Mixed Netball

This term, we have been running lunchtime games of mixed netball, with senior year levels playing on Wednesdays and juniors on Thursdays. The matches have been competitive, and it has been wonderful to see a high level of sportsmanship displayed by all players. It has also been pleasing to note that students who are not on the court have been actively contributing by umpiring or supporting their peers.

Congratulations to everyone involved – we look forward to the final games in Week 10!

Miss Grosser



## Home Economics



At the end of last Trimester the Year 7 Students were highly engaged in the kitchen completing their final assessment in Home Economics. The students were creating Nutritious Breakfast Dishes which had to be healthy and include ingredients from 4 of the 5 AGHE Food Groups.

Some of the dishes were Egg & Bacon Burgers, Healthy Apple Pie Pancakes, Smashed Avocado Omelets to name a few. The students should be very proud of themselves and their breakfast creations, they have been working very hard this trimester to build their skills in the kitchen with cooking and presentation skills.



Miss Collins



## Home Economics - Year 12 Tapas



### Patatas Bravas

Who doesn't love fried potatoes? And this dish did not disappoint. Originating in Madrid, Spain, the name bravas comes from spicy or bold. Bite size crispy, twice cooked, seasoned potatoes covered in a rich, spicy tomato sauce. This is one for everyone to enjoy.

### Lamb meatballs with Mint

A hearty, tasty dish that left you wanting more. Also known as Albondigas, the origins can be traced back to the Middle East, which is unsurprising given the powerful flavours. A spicy little twist on the sauce was a lovely modern improvement adding an extra oomph.

### Spanish Skewers

These tasty little morsels, known as Pinchos Morunos, originated in the Moorish period in Spain, which suits this dish down to the ground as they were very moorish. Crispy chorizo, accompanied with potato and capsicum on a skewer, all seasoned to perfection allowed for many mouths to water.

### Croquettes

So full of flavour, they originated in France but quickly were adopted by Spain and are now considered a staple. Fried on the outside and filled with a delicious, white sauce and pancetta, served with a lovely garlic aioli. They were quickly devoured.

### Seared beef with Grilled Pepper and Capers

This dish is great for a tapas evening or a dinner party but in this case, in this case it was a morning which proves it is perfect any time of the day. Served hot or cold, it didn't matter as this steak was seared to perfection.



## Pastoral Care at Bordertown High School

Pastoral Care Work is a very important role in our schools and we feel privileged to meet students face to face to hear their frustrations and help support them. *We also understand how the costs of living can impact families greatly and we are able to offer varied support with this.*

Please know we are here for the *whole family*, if you have any needs please reach out to us. We will find a way to help.

**Dan Perger**  
Pastoral Care Worker  
Tuesday and Wednesday.



**Cathy Hinge**  
Pastoral Care Worker  
Thursday



## Wetlands Excursion

As part of the science topic of “habitats and interactions”, 7D students went on a two-hour excursion with Mr Carter and Mrs White to Bordertown Wetlands. After the recent rains, the wetlands were looking their best and teeming with life. Students were greeted by the sounds of many birds and frogs and the weather was mostly kind. In small groups, students were able to identify key biotic and abiotic factors of the habitat. They considered animal and plant adaptations. They identified various symbiotic relationships as well as food chains and food webs.

All enjoyed the outdoor learning environment and came away with much improved understanding of wetland habitats.”

Mr Carter and Mrs White



# Community Notices

**TATIARA DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**HORTICULTURE TRAINEESHIP**  
(Certificate III in Horticulture)

Kickstart your horticulture career with a 3-year paid traineeship at the Tatiara District Council. Earn while you learn and gain a Certificate III in Horticulture!

As a Horticulture Trainee, you'll embark on an exciting journey where you'll learn to identify, grow, propagate, maintain, and nurture a wide variety of plant species. But that's not all! You'll also play a key role in maintaining and revitalizing our district's parks, gardens, and streetscapes.

This is a 3-year traineeship. On completion, you will obtain a Certificate III in Horticulture.

This is a traineeship and is ideal for school leavers, those new to the industry or seeking a career change.

**Why Choose Us?**

- Hands-On Experience:** Get ready to immerse yourself in the world of plants with practical, hands-on training from day one.
- Expert Mentorship:** Learn from the best in the industry. Our experienced horticulturists are here to guide you every step of the way.
- Career Growth:** This traineeship is just the beginning. We provide opportunities for growth and continuous learning throughout your employment.
- Supportive Team:** Join a friendly and supportive team that values your growth and success.

*Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to learn, grow, and become a skilled horticulturist. Apply today and cultivate your future with us!*

**SPEAK WITH OUR PARKS & GARDENS SUPERVISOR, TY DEVITT**  
ON 0448 076 719 OR EMAIL [office@tatiara.sa.gov.au](mailto:office@tatiara.sa.gov.au) FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

**BORDERTOWN SCHOOL HOLIDAY IDEAS - HIGH SCHOOL -**  
Theme for 2025

**SPRING FESTIVAL & SHOW**  
Grow It. Make It. Bake It. Show It.

*With school holidays coming up don't forget to start planning your entries for the Show on*  
**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2025.**

**Art:** Colouring Competition (adult)  
Novice (drawings, watercolour, mixed media, mosaics)  
**Junior Craft:** Cards, Knitted/Crochet, decorated  
Boot/Shoe/Thong, clay, sewn, metalwork, woodwork  
**Lego and Other Construction**

**NEW Cubicles:** includes only 3 items. 1x Grow something, 1x Make something, 1x bake something

**Photography**  
**Senior Cookery:** start practicing

**Horticulture:** Flowers, Vegetables, Plants - start planting in this Spring weather

**Scarecrows**  
**Grains and Fodder**  
**Weed Competition:** Tallest Weed

**Show Book coming out in October.**  
**Keep up to date on socials or visit [bordertownshow.org.au](http://bordertownshow.org.au)**

**TATIARA COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS**  
*Building Stronger Families Together!*  
Tatiara District Council and Smiles All Round are excited to announce a series of **FREE** practical workshops designed to strengthen family relationships, boost mental health, and resilience.

These workshops are a fantastic opportunity to learn strategies and tools for supporting your family's wellbeing. Join us in creating a stronger, healthier community!  
**REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!!**

**WED 7 MAY 2025**  
**Teaching Kids Emotions:** Understanding and managing emotions. Learning how connection, communication, playing, a safe home and community can foster strong mental health.

**WED 11 JUNE 2025**  
**Growing Resilient Kids & Families:** Understanding the brain science behind emotions and how and why strategies work.

**WED 30 JULY 2025**  
**Communication is the Key:** Ways to foster positive connections and healthy relationships with our children in everyday life, routines and activities.

**WED 27 AUG 2025**  
**Be Curious, Be Reflective:** We delve into what is behind our behaviours, emotions and reactions. We explore what drives our children's behaviour and tuning into their needs and our own!

**WED 22 OCT 2025**  
**Planning ahead for hectic times and school transitions:** Practical ways to plan ahead for hectic times of the day, transition and new situations, to help things run smoother.

**SINGLE TICKET REGISTRATION -** SCAN QR CODE OR GO TO [HTTPS://WWW.STICKYTICKETS.COM.AU/](https://www.stickytickets.com.au/) & ENTER THE WORKSHOP NAME IN 'FIND TICKETS'  
Registration essential for catering purposes. Practical resources and supper provided.

**6.45PM - 8.30PM**

**CONFERENCE ROOM, BORDERTOWN CIVIC CENTRE**

**SMILES ALL ROUND**  
[admin@smilesallround.com.au](mailto:admin@smilesallround.com.au); p.0430 022 705

**TO REGISTER FOR ALL 5 WORKSHOPS SCAN HERE**

This series of workshops is proudly funded by the Department of Human Services

**WESTERN FLAT COMMUNITY SPORTS & RECREATION INC**

**FIREWORKS**

**WESTERN FLAT OVAL**  
**SUNDAY 5TH OCTOBER 2025**

**GATES OPEN FROM 5:30 PM**  
**\$30 PER FAMILY**

**DJ, KIDS ACTIVITIES, RAFFLE, BBQ, HOT CHIPS, COFFEE VAN, HOT DONUTS, FREE SPARKLERS, GLOWSTICKS, BAR FACILITIES, OVAL PARKING**

**CASH ONLY**  
**NO BYO ALCOHOL OR BBQS**

**THIS EVENT IS SPONSORED AND SUPPORTED BY:**

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**BORDERTOWN FRUIT MARKET, MOORE'S HARDWARE, AMALI GIFTS & ACCESSORIES, SIR LOIN BUTCHERS, DOLLING PRODUCE**

**ENQUIRIES TO ANNE 0419 907 601 OR MONIQUE 0418 898 003**

# TERM CALENDAR

Term 4, 2025						
Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	WEEKEND
<b>1</b> Oct	13	14	15	16	17	18/19 Oct
<b>2</b> Oct	20	21 Parent Teacher Meetings	22 RAP Yr10-12 Mt Gambier Show	23 Mt Gambier Show	24	25/26 Oct
<b>3</b> Oct	27 RST Workshop	28 RST Workshop	29	30	31	1/2 Nov
<b>4</b> Nov	3	4	5	6	7	8/9 Nov
<b>5</b> Nov	10	11 Yr 8 Noora Yr Long Camp	12 Yr 8 Noora Yr Long Camp	13 Yr 8 Noora Yr Long Camp	14	15/16 Nov
<b>6</b> Nov	17 <b>STUDENT FREE DAY</b>	18 Year 10 Work Experience	19 Year 10 Work Experience	20 Year 10 Work Experience	21 Year 10 Work Experience	22/23 Nov
<b>7</b> Nov	24	25	26 Yr 9/10 Aquatics Camp	27 Yr 9/10 Aquatics Camp	28 Yr 9/10 Aquatics Camp	29/30 Nov
<b>8</b> Dec	1	2	3	4 Yr 10 Round Tables	5 Yr 10 Round Tables	6/7 Dec
<b>9</b> Dec	8	9 Presentation Night	10	11	12 Early Dismissal 2:25	13/14 Dec
<b>Hols Dec</b>	15	16	17	18	19	20/21 Dec
<b>Hols Dec</b>	22	23	24 CHRISTMAS EVE	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26 BOXING DAY	27/28 Jan
<b>Hols Jan</b>	29	30	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE	1 NEW YEAR'S DAY	2	3/4 Jan
<b>Hols Jan</b>	5	6	7	8	9	10/11 Jan
<b>Hols Jan</b>	12	13	14	15	16	17/18 Jan
<b>Hols Jan</b>	19	20	21	22	23	24/25 Jan