

Blackville Public School Newsletter

Term 1, Weeks 9, 10 and 11



Principal's message

Welcome to our last newsletter for Term 1, 2024. Thank you for your participation in and support of our school over the last eleven weeks. It is wonderful to know that we have such a supportive parental base who are always keen to be part of their child's education.

The year has certainly seen us achieve many goals already. We have met new students and new families whilst reacquainting ourselves with past BPS families. Sadly, we have also lost one of our new families who had to move due to work commitments. We have welcomed new staff in the teaching area whilst maintaining most of our team from last year.

Students have worked hard this term, learning from both the new English and Mathematics syllabus as well as all the other Key Learning Areas. Mrs Pengilly has continued to embed culture into our school on both Wednesdays and Thursdays and our newly painted cultural mural located in our bush tucker garden looks absolutely spectacular!

Term 2 will be just as busy, with many upcoming events already planned. Whilst our school excursion is not until Term 3, we do suggest families start paying small amounts off the total when you can as it makes affording it a lot easier.

Wishing all of our students and their families a very happy holiday period! Enjoy this time with your loved ones!

Yours sincerely,

Kylie Burns

Teaching Principal

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Easter Celebrations

It seems like forever ago, but in Week 9, we celebrated Easter. On Monday, families were invited into our school to help students make their annual Easter hats. Mums, dads and friends helped students to create masterpieces based on carrots, fields of green, rabbits and Easter in general. Thank you to all of our families who were able to be part of this afternoon, you can certainly see the excitement in your children's faces when you enter the school gates.



On Thursday 28th March, families were once again invited into our school to share in an afternoon tea, watch our students parade their newly created masterpieces and participate in a family kahoot quiz on Easter. Well done to Andrew and his team for taking out the win!

Thank you also to Georgina who organised this year's Easter egg guessing competition and congratulations to Beth for guessing the closest number.

Students then got into groups and moved their way around the school, chasing clues that eventually lead to a secret stash of chocolate eggs.



Taekwondo makes a big impact in Blackville

Over the last five weeks, Instructor David from Fit-For-It Taekwondo has guided our students on the finer details of taekwondo. During this time, students have learned to balance, kick, punch and spar with their friends. Additional skills included learning how to listen and respecting those in authority. Students and staff have thoroughly enjoyed these sessions, with one of the highlights being on the final day, when students got to wear the protective pads before taking on various opponents. Another highlight was when students got to check their accuracy and strength to see if they were capable in snapping a piece of wood. Thank you Instructor David for your patience, skills and expertise!



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Rugby League comes to Blackville

Thanks to a sporting schools grant, we have been able to employ experienced coaches to teach two different sports this term. The first being taekwondo and the second being rugby league. Thank you to Brock and Nash who spent time with our students teaching the fundamentals of rugby league. Students were treated to a special goody bag and enjoyed passing, kicking and playing the game of rugby league.

A special thank you to Brock for the extra work he has done behind the scenes to ensure our students don't miss out on anything and hasn't allowed distance disadvantage our students and their love of sports.



Axel makes the Quirindi Zone Rugby League side!

On Monday 25th March, Axel joined other Year 5 and 6 students across the Quirindi Zone to trial for the Quirindi PSSA Rugby League team. With a love of all things rugby league, Axel convincingly made the side and will play against other zones early next term.

We wish Axel all the very best and are looking forward to hearing how he goes when he tries for selection in the North West side!



Axel is off to Camp Elim

Thank you to the local Lions Club for fully funding a Year 6 camp applicable to all students from around the area to attend a week long camp at Camp Elim, Forster during the school holidays. The camp will allow students to develop essential life skills and to develop a sense of responsibility as they will be away from their families and school peers.

This is a wonderful opportunity for Axel to develop his leadership skills and to embrace the coastal environment. Thank you to Mrs Bell for suggesting Axel be part of this program and to the Quirindi Lions Club for fully funding it. We certainly don't miss out on these opportunities even though we are a small, isolated school in the bush!

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Merit Awards...

Week 9 - No awards given due to Good Friday

Week 10 No awards given

Week 11 - Miss Burns' award - Jed: excellent work in mathematics

Mrs Bingham's award - Beth: Great improvement in her ball skills

Steve's award - Jed: Demonstrating great social skills when playing

Leadership Award - Jed



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Value of the week...

Week 1: Be positive to others

Week 2: Be resilient. Have self control

Coming up...

Term 2

April

25th: Anzac Day march @ Quirindi

29th: Staff Development Day

30th: Students return for Term 2

May

3rd: Mitch Tambo visit

9th: Cross Country @ Spring Ridge

10th: Trivia night

14th: Grip Leadership (Yrs 5/6)

Week 4 - Book Week and Book Fair

22nd: Simultaneous Storytime

Eye checks

Weekly Events...

Monday

Tuesday

- Canteen

Wednesday

- Library

Thursdays

- Canteen

Friday

- Sport

- Scripture (odd weeks)

- Playgroup (even weeks)

- Assembly

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Calendar...

Term 2 2024	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	29 SDD	30	1	2	3 Mitch Tambo
Week 2	6	7	8	9	10 Trivia Night
Week 3	13	14 Grip Leadership	15	16	17

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Community Messages...

Blackville Playgroup 2024
at Blackville School
Friday 10 am – 12 noon

Playgroup Dates 2024	
Term 1	Feb 9 th , 23 rd Mar 8 th , 22 nd Apr 5 th
Term 2	May 3 rd , 17 th , 31 st Jun 14 th , 28 th
Term 3	Jul 26 th Aug 9 th , 23 rd Sept 6 th , 20 th
Term 4	Oct 18 th Nov 1 st , 15 th , 29 th Dec 13 th

Please come and join us

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PLAYERS NEEDED

Werris Creek Minor League is looking for players to add to the following teams.

- ✔ Under 6's
- ✔ Under 8's
- ✔ Under 12's

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“Don’t forget to brush your teeth, gums & tongue, after breakfast & before bed

More information