From the Principal

I am very pleased to announce that Wayne Batt has won the Secondary Deputy Principal position at Boddington District High School substantively. Wayne brings an enthusiasm for education and students, an approachable style and a commitment to Boddington which will serve the school well.

As we approach the fire season the school has updated its Bushfire Plan. In the event of a bush fire within close proximity of the school the classrooms are a safe location. Teachers would return students to, or remain in classes, turn off evaporative air conditioners, account for all students and reassure them.

If there is a fire within the perimeter of the school that threatens a teaching block, students from that block would be evacuated to the library or to the Hotham teaching block.

During a Catastrophic Fire Rating there is no plan to close the school. If during a catastrophic fire event the Incident Controller orders the evacuation of the school it would be by bus to a safer location in a neighbouring town.

The deputy principals would coordinate the evacuation, early childhood students would be evacuated first by local contractors and the remaining students evacuated by contractors from surrounding towns. It would be important that parents did not come to the school to avoid congestion.

The school’s bush fire plan is on the school’s website.

The quality of our students and of the parent support the school receives was evident on the Year 6 overnight stay and excursion to Perth, during the Interschool Athletics Team’s sojourn in Lake Grace on their way to Ravensthorpe and at our Open Classrooms evening.

The school is particularly proud, to have two students, Juniper and Krosby finish among the ten finalists for the Vi Barham award after competing with year six students from 25 schools in the Great Southern.

Vi Barham Awards

Mr Donald and Year 6 students, Krosby and Juniper at the Year 6 Vi Barham Awards for Excellence held in Narrogin on 10 November. Krosby and Juniper, both as finalists, received prizes of $100 each, with the winning student from Kukerin Primary School receiving $2,500. Congratulations Krosby and Juniper.
Mrs Gillett's Year 1 Perth Zoo Excursion

On Thursday 3 November, Mrs Gillett's Year One class set off on an adventure to the Perth Zoo. After a year of anticipation, the excitement was overflowing as they sang and chattered their way to Perth. After reading over 100 home readers and exploring countries and animals around the world, they were ready to become Zookeepers.

The Year One students astounded the Perth Zoo staff in their knowledge of animal facts and their habitats. A huge thank you goes out to the parents for their support of this year long educational program; your support and enthusiasm have been paramount to an amazing learning journey.

Thank you also to our special staff and parents who volunteered on the day and all of the parents for having the packed lunches and snacks ready in the labelled bags. Thank you to our awesome administration team (Rhonda, Amanda, Kerry and Kate) who collated all of the permission forms and set up the excursion file and first aid kits.

The biggest thanks of all though goes to the BDHS P&C for funding the excursion, please volunteer your time and efforts with the P&C who provide vital funds to support our learning programmes.

Kindest Regards, Chrissy Gillett

Rodeo Weekend

Thank you Sharan Manez for displaying student artwork at the Art Exhibition at the Boddington Town Hall.

Congratulations to Carley Honnor and Tina Griffiths for organising the school float, our float was awarded best float and most inventive.
Helping Hand Award—Helen Mark, Brad Morgan, Amanda Densham
For providing greatly appreciated supervision and support for the Year 6 students’ overnight stay and excursion in Perth.

Helping Hand Award—Sarah Houlihan
For providing greatly appreciated supervision and support for the Interschool Athletics students’ overnight stay at Lake Grace and bus journey to Ravensthorpe.

Dedicated Teacher Award—Mr Dylan Chavez
For his commitment to providing opportunities for interschool competition for students at Boddington District High School.

Dedicated Chaplain Award—Mr Gary Butcher
For greatly appreciated assistance organising the Year 6 overnight stay in Perth and for attending and leading evening activities.

Dedicated Administrator Award—Mr Wayne Batt
For his leadership and support of staff and students at both the Year 6 overnight stay and the Interschool Athletics Carnival.

Dedicated Teacher Award—Mr Jason Hoffman
For sharing his enthusiasm for technology with students to successfully compete in the Electric Vehicle Challenge.

Dedicated Teacher Award—Mrs Sharan Manez
For her greatly appreciated support and supervision of students on the Year 6 overnight stay and excursion to Perth.

Dedicated Teacher Award—Mrs Tina Griffiths
For her greatly appreciated support and supervision of students at the Interschool Athletics Carnival.

Students of the Month
Tristan, Alexander, Abigail, Ebony, Nina, Emily, Hayden, Felix, Ben, Kele, Juniper, Grace, Aimee, Ava, Cody, Tanner, Tabitha (ART), Mackenzie (INDONESIAN), Liam (SCIENCE), Izack (SCIENCE), Sienna (SCIENCE)
Interschool Athletics Carnival

On Thursday, 27 October a small but enthusiastic group of athletes embarked on the first leg of the journey to Ravensthorpe for the Interschool Carnival. Those travelling on the bus reached Lake Grace, our stop over for the night, just in time for tea with the mosquitoes. Our overnight stay was very comfortable and many thanks to the staff of Lake Grace for allowing us to stop over.

At 5.45am we rose, had a quick breakfast and set out for the final three hour journey to Ravensthorpe. Throughout the day our students proudly represented BDHS with their sportsmanship and endeavour in all their races. I would like to thank each and every student for the willingness to participate and their excellent behaviour, the parents who travelled down and supported the students and offered to help during events and a special thanks to Mr Chavez, Mrs Griffiths and Ms Houlihan for their efforts during the two days.

Mr Wayne Batt

Results

Outright:         Handicap:

Ravensthorpe: 330  Ravensthorpe: 720
Wagin: 287        Lake Grace: 506
Kojonup: 222      Gnowangerup: 433
Lake Grace: 210   Kojonup: 295
Boddington: 178   Wagin: 287
Gnowangerup: 149  Boddington: 181

9 Yr Old Boy R/Up Champion: Hemi
9 Yr Old Girl R/Up Champion: Evie
10 Yr Old Boy R/Up Champion: Beau
12 Yr Old Boy R/Up Champion: Korben
14 Yr Old Boy: Champion: Kiattisak
800m Distance Winner: Jarrad

Scholastics Book Fair

A very big thank you to all that participated in this years book fair. Mr/ Mrs Bell and Miss Cashmore for their assistance and awesome decorations.

A total over $4500.00 was spent which has allowed a purchase and credit of $1600.00 in resources for our library.

Mrs Flic

Go Health!

Breakfast ideas – get kids ready for learning

Children that start the day with a nutritious breakfast are ready to learn at school. A good breakfast should include fruit or vegetables, a dairy product and a wholegrain product.

Try some of these breakfast ideas to ensure your kids get off to a good start:

- Wholegrain fruit bread with ricotta cheese
- Porridge with milk and sultanas, berries or banana mixed through
- Smoothies with milk, yoghurt, soft fruit and oats - add spinach for a green smoothie
- Wholegrain English muffin, topped with cheese and tomato
- Yoghurt topped with oats and fruit
- Baked beans with wholegrain toast and a piece of fruit.
- Boiled eggs with toast soldiers.
- Poached or scrambled eggs with toast and a glass of milk.
- Toast with avocado, tomato and a glass of milk.
- Wholegrain toast topped with sliced banana, and a small yoghurt tub.

Try to ensure your child has breakfast – it really is the most important meal of their day. The long lasting energy and nutrients helps them to learn and play at school.

Go to LiveLighter Healthy Breakfast Recipes for more healthy breakfast ideas.