



## Community Update

# Boddington

DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

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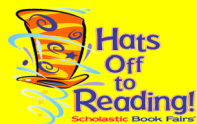
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## What's Happening

31 October 2023



**Book Fair Commences**

2 November 2023



**Assembly - B1  
9am**

2 November 2023



**Open Night**

3 November 2023



**School Development Day**

Correct at time of printing

## BDHS POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS



**Strive**

Do your best.

**Considerate**

Be caring and mindful of others.

**Responsible**

Do what is expected and own your actions.

### ► From the Principal

On Wednesday, 25 October 2023 the Year 6-10 students participated in Vaping Education Workshops presented by Blurred Minds, Griffith University. The school received a grant from Healthway which was used to cover the cost of these workshops for our students.

The workshops focused on addressing the latest evidence on vaping and health, the marketing and laws surrounding vaping, and the growing impact of vaping on the environment.



#### Vaping and Health

**Aim:** For students to walk away with an improved understanding of the adverse health effects of vapes and an increased capability to refuse vape related offers.

**Topics included;**

- Exploring reasons for vaping and its popularity
- Summarising latest evidence on the known health risks of vaping on the human body and brain
- Dispelling myths around the health benefits and harm reduction of vapes
- Discussing reasons for use and alternative coping strategies



#### Vaping and Deception

**Aim:** For students to walk away with more critical thoughts about how vapes are promoted and a better understanding of current vaping laws.

**Topics included;**

- The origin and evolution of the vape industry
- How influencer marketing is used by vaping brands
- Showcasing laws for vapes and vape related behaviours

#### Vaping and the Environment

- Explores different types of vapes, how they work and what they are made of
- Discusses usage in Australia and the amount of vape waste that is being produced
- Discusses recycling and disposing of vapes
- Introduces effects of vape waste on our biodiversity and human health

Students will walk away with more critical thoughts about the environmental repercussions of vaping and an understanding of how difficult it is to recycle these devices.



## INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Last Friday selected students participated in the Interschool Athletics Carnival against Kojonup DHS and Wagin DHS, which was hosted in Boddington. A big thank you to Mr George, Ms Lock, Ms Leighton and Mr Batt for coordinating and organising the carnival. Thanks also to the Boddington DHS staff and parent helpers who assisted on the day and ensured the smooth running of the carnival. We came **SECOND** on the day and were really impressed by the excellent sportsmanship displayed. Students were very supportive of each other and should feel proud of their individual achievements and those of their team. Congratulations to all involved.

A further congratulations to the following students for winning either champion or runner up champion:

Corey	Runner Up Champion Year 5
Boyd	Champion Year 6
Charlotte	Champion Year 7
Jacob	Champion Year 8
Layla	Runner Up Champion Year 9
Cooper	Champion Year 9



### *In Memory of Ashley Mottershead*

During the school holidays, it was with sadness, we farewelled Mrs Ashley Mottershead, a community member and former staff member of Boddington District High School, who passed away on 29 September 2023. Ashley worked at Boddington District High School as the Level 4 Deputy Principal from 2006 to 2009, before leaving to work as a Principal at Darkan Primary School, Lake Grace District High School, Ocean Road Primary School and Woodland Grove Primary School, in which she was the foundation principal. Ashley was highly regarded by staff and students for her passion and commitment to education and her unrelenting focus of providing a caring and respectful school environment that supported every student's wellbeing, engagement and achievement. This was evident in the number of former students and staff who attended her memorial service on Friday, 6 October 2023 in Perth. Ashley was a teacher, colleague, mentor and friend to many people within the Boddington School Community and she will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and condolences are with Ashley's family, who have experienced a significant loss of a much-loved wife, mother, daughter, aunt and grandmother.



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