

### **Community Update**

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### **Boddington**

DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL



#### 22 - 25 September



Country Week
26 September



Last Day of Term 3

13 October



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

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# A MESSAGE ABOUT RESPECT ENGAGEMET & SCHOOL PROCEDURES

It's always a joy to see parents, carers, and grandparents dropping off and picking up their children each day. Your presence and involvement in your child's education play an important role in their academic success and emotional wellbeing. As educators, we truly value the open and positive relationships we share with our school community - your partnership helps us support our students in the best possible way.

#### DUTY OF CARE

As part of our commitment to the safety and wellbeing of everyone on site - including students, staff, volunteers, and visitors - we kindly remind all parents and carers of the following procedures:

- If you need to collect or drop off items for your child outside of regular dropoff or pick-up times, please ensure you enter the school through the front office and sign in.
- This process helps us maintain a safe and secure environment for all, in line with our duty of care obligations.

At Boddington DHS, we are proud of the respectful and supportive culture we foster. Just as we are committed to being respectful and considerate in our interactions, we ask that this same courtesy is extended to our staff at all times. Thank you for your continued support in helping us create a safe, welcoming, and respectful learning environment for all.

## AN AFTERNOON WITH DAD

Last Friday, our Kindergarten and Pre-Primary students were excited to welcome their dads for a very special "Afternoon with Dad" celebration. The afternoon was filled with smiles, laughter, and plenty of fun as students and their dads enjoyed a variety of games, activities, and a tasty sausage sizzle together.

The event created a wonderful opportunity for fathers to spend one-on-one time with their children, strengthening those important connections and building lasting memories. It was heartwarming to see the joy on the children's faces as they proudly shared the afternoon with their dads.

A big thank you to all the dads who joined us and to those who stepped in as special father figures. We also extend our appreciation to the staff who helped make the day run so smoothly. Events like these are a great reminder of the value of family involvement in school life, and we look forward to hosting more celebrations in the future.









#### R U OK? DAY - A DAY TO CHECK IN & SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER

R U OK? Day is a national day of action in Australia dedicated to reminding all of us to check in with the people around us — friends, family, classmates, and colleagues — and ask a simple but powerful question: "R U OK?"

This year, R U OK? Day will be held on Thursday, 11 September 2025.

The day encourages everyone to:

- Start meaningful conversations,
- Look out for signs that someone might be struggling,
- Listen without judgement, and
- Encourage others to seek help if they need it.

You don't need to be an expert to reach out — just a good friend and a great listener.

Here are **four simple steps** you can follow to support someone:

- 1. **Ask R U OK?**
- 2. Listen
- 3. Encourage action
- 4. Check in

At Boddington DHS, we use this day as an opportunity to talk with students about the importance of kindness, compassion, and connection. It's also a time to highlight that it's OK to speak up when things feel difficult and that support is always available — from teachers, friends, family, or trusted adults.

We encourage our school community to embrace the message of R U OK? Day every A fantastic event, organised by Mrs Hughes, brought together a range of community organisations to highlight the importance of checking in with one another. We were grateful to have the support of South32, Youth Focus, Dodgy Bro, Party on the Green, and Circus WA, all contributing to a meaningful and memorable day.

What made the event even more special was the outstanding level of **student engagement** — a true reflection of the power of connection and community.

R U OK? Day, not just once a year. A simple conversation really can make a big difference

