

Boddington

Boddington DHS Newsletter

DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 5 2025



Strive

Considerate

Responsible

From the Principal

From ice cream for dinner to cow watching, what a year it's been! A huge heartfelt **thank you** to our amazing P&C volunteers! At Boddington DHS, we're so fortunate to have such a dedicated and enthusiastic group of parents who generously give their time, energy, and creativity to support our school. Your efforts in fundraising and organising activities make such a positive difference — adding fun, connection, and lasting value to our school community.

This year, the P&C have proudly supported our students and community through:

- Easter raffle
- Mother's Day stall
- Father's Day stall
- Tree Planting sausage sizzle
- Merchandise for the Athletics Carnivals
- Ice cream dinner
- Democracy sausage sizzle
- Cash for Cans
- Colour run
- Wood raffle
- Cow pat lotto
- Krispy Kreme donuts

Alongside all their fantastic fundraising efforts, our wonderful P&C also coordinate our school's uniform service and have treated our hardworking staff and allied professionals to special morning teas — a thoughtful way to show appreciation for all they do.

This year, the P&C have also contributed funds to support Country Week and our Year 6 Graduation celebrations, helping to make these memorable milestones even more special for our students.

If you'd like to learn more or get involved with the P&C, please don't hesitate to reach out to our President, Shenae Tilbee, who is always happy to help and welcome new faces!

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Our next school board meeting is on Wednesday 19 November at 1:30pm.

This is an open meeting and members of the school community are welcome to attend. Please advise the front office by calling 9884 2900 or email boddington.dhs@education.wa.edu.au if you are attending.

Coming Events

20 November



Assembly -Pre Primary: 8.50am

24 November - 5 December



Swimming Lessons

5 December



Yr 7 2026 Orientation Day 21 November



P&C Colour Run

4 December



Children's University Graduation

11 December



End of Year Awards

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BDHS POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS



StriveDo your best.

ConsiderateBe caring and mindful of others

Responsible

Do what is expected and own your actions.

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OUR SCHOOL - TALKING ABOUT YOUR DAY

As our children get older, they become less likely to spontaneously engage in a conversation about their day at school. Yet the thought processes and skills that are required to recap the events of the day are still just as important as in the junior years. Making the effort to have a quick chat with your child makes a difference as you get an ongoing picture of what they are doing and can help them in guiding them through any difficult issues.

Be specific and listen to what they say. You'll find communication will improve. Here are some ideas:

"What made you laugh today?"

"What happened today that was totally unexpected?"

"Who did you see that made you happy?"

"What did you enjoy doing the most today?"

Each of these questions gets your child to remember something specific, shifts their mind from the routine of saying "Fine" in order to recap an entire day, and gets them to talk about something positive. In saying this, you don't have to steer clear of the negative stuff, but if you listen carefully you can help your child put it in perspective and come up with a plan of action for ways to solve it.

But what do you do if the story is a negative one? Here are some questions from the Restorative Justice Model that may help you to guide your child through solving the issues they face. Talking through an issue with your child using this model will encourage them to consider the feelings of others as well as their own, and to come up with practical steps they can take to put things right. This will go a long way to helping them develop strong interpersonal skills.

When things go wrong:

- What happened?
- What were you thinking at the time?
- What have you thought about since?
- Who has been affected by what you have done? In what way?
- What do you think you need to do to make things right?

When someone has been hurt:

- What did you think when you realised what had happened?
- What impact has this incident had on you and others?
- What has been the hardest thing for you?
- What do you think needs to happen to make things right?



STUDENT LEADERS 2026

Over the past few weeks, we have been delighted to witness the enthusiasm and initiative shown by our Year 5 students as they took part in the election process for our 2026 Year 6 Student Leaders. The journey began with students bravely nominating themselves for leadership positions and delivering thoughtful, well-prepared speeches to their teachers and peers. Following the elections, eight outstanding candidates were shortlisted for the next stage.

In the coming weeks, these students will take part in interviews with Mr Batt and Mrs Sullivan, after which six Student Leaders will be selected to represent their peers in 2026. We would like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to every student who nominated - your confidence, effort, and dedication to serving our school community were truly inspiring.

The nomination and election process for our 2026 Year 8–10 Student Leaders will take place over the next few weeks, while our 2025 Year 7 Student Leaders will be elected early in Term 1 next year. All successful candidates will be acknowledged at our Graduation Assembly in Week 10 and again at our first assembly in Term 1, 2025.

We are incredibly proud of the commitment and leadership potential shown by our students and look forward to celebrating their continued growth and success.

SWIMMING LESSONS

Our PP-Year 2 swimming lessons will begin on **Monday 24 November** and run through to **Friday 5 December**. This is an **8-day program**, with **no lessons held on Tuesdays**.

Swimming is an essential life skill, especially in Australia where water is such a big part of our lifestyle. These lessons help students build water confidence, develop vital safety skills, and learn the foundations of strong swimming technique. Early exposure to water education supports children to stay safe and feel confident in a range of aquatic environments.

We're looking forward to seeing our students learn, grow, and have fun in the water!

ASSEMBLY

The next whole school assembly will be conducted on Thursday 20 November at 8.50am in the undercover area. This assembly will be hosted by the Year PP students.





AWARDS CONCERT

The Awards Concert will be on Thursday 11 December commencing at 10.00am and concluding around 12:00pm. It will be held at the Boddington Rodeo Grounds. The students are working hard on their concert dance item and we encourage all parents and family members to attend.

YEAR 6 & 10 GRADUATION

A reminder to parents that our Year 6 and Year 10 Graduation Ceremony will occur on Wednesday 17 December at 9.30am in the undercover area. This will be a whole school event so all parents and community members are welcome to attend.

PLANNING FOR 2026

Thank you to the families who have already informed us that their child/children will not be attending school next year. This information helps us plan staffing and class structures for 2026.

If your child is not returning in 2026, please contact the office on 9884 2900 or email us at Boddington.DHS@education.wa.edu.au

Regards

Adrian Norton

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Boddington District High School Positive Behaviour Expectations

Responsible

We use break times to be ready for learning



Shaping the future

VacSwim

Give your child the skills they need around water.

Available in your local area.

Spots are limited, enrol now to secure your place. education.wa.edu.au/vacswim



FORTNIGHT FOCUS

Positive Communication

For the next two weeks, our Smiling Mind sessions will explore positive communication. Students will learn about and practice skills for effective listening and respectful speaking to support them building positive relationships.

Ask them to share some communication tips they learned and get involved in the take-home sheet activities to put what they've learned into practice.

UPCOMING EVENTS

19 November - Yr 9 BodyWorlds excursion

24 Nov - 5 Dec - Swimming Lessons

24 Nov, 1, 8 & 15 Dec - Yr 10 Swimming Program

25 November - Kindy Parent Info Session

26 November - Yr 6 End of Year Activities

2 December - Yr 7 2026 Parent Session

3 December - Kindy 2026 Come & Play

4 December - Children's Uni Graduation

5 December - Yr 7 2026 Orientation Day

11 December - End of Year Awards

16 December - Perth Zoo excursion

17 December - Yr 6 & 10 Graduation Ceremony



Boddington District High School is seeking dedicated and enthusiastic relief cleaners to join their friendly team.

You are encouraged to apply via email to Rhonda.cunnington@education.wa.edu.au or drop your resume to the front office. For further enquiries please call 9884 900.

Term 4 Planner			B D H S Student 2025		
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	13 Oct	14 Oct	15 Oct	16 Oct RAC Around the Roads - Incursion	17 Oct RAC Around the Roads - Incursion
2	20 Oct	21 Oct Children's Week Event – Kindy - PP	22 Oct	23 Oct	24 Oct
3	27 Oct	28 Oct Book Fair	29 Oct Book Fair	30 Oct Book Fair Assembly – Secondary 8.50am	31 Oct Book Fair Interschool Athletics Carnival Rodeo Weekend
4	3 Nov Book Fair	4 Nov Book Fair School Open Night 4.30pm – 6pm	5 Nov Book Fair	6 Nov	7 Nov School Development Day
5	10 Nov	11 Nov	12 Nov	13 Nov	14 Nov
6	17 Nov	18 Nov	19 Nov	20 Nov Assembly – Pre Primary 8.50am	21 Nov P&C Colour Run
7	24 Nov Swimming Lessons Yrs PP, 1 & 2 Yr 10 Swimming Program	25 Nov Kindy 2026 Parent Information Ses- sions	26 Nov Swimming Lessons Yrs PP, 1 & 2	27 Nov Swimming Les- sons Yrs PP, 1 & 2	28 Nov Swimming Lessons Yrs PP, 1 & 2
8	1 Dec Swimming Les- sons Yrs PP, 1 & 2 Yr 10 Swimming Program	2 Dec Year 7 2026 Par- ent session	3 Dec Swimming Lessons Yrs PP, 1 & 2 Kindy 2026 Come & Play Sessions	4 Dec Swimming Les- sons Yrs PP, 1 & 2 Children's University Graduation	5 Dec Swimming Lessons Yrs PP, 1 & 2 Year 7 2026 Orien- tation Day
9	8 Dec Yr 10 Swimming Program	9 Dec	10 Dec	11 Dec End of Year Awards – 10am	12 Dec
10	15 Dec Yr 10 Swimming Program	16 Dec	17 Dec Year 6 & 10 Graduation Ceremony	18 Dec Last Day Term 4	19 Dec School Develop- ment Day