# **Boggabri Public School Newsletter**



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### **Welcome Back**

As we embark on another exciting school year, I would like to extend a warm welcome back to all our students, families, and staff members. I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable break, filled with new experiences and cherished moments.

A special welcome goes out to our new families joining us this year. We are thrilled to have you as part of our school community! Transitioning to a new school can be both exciting and daunting, but please know that we are here to support you every step of the way. Our staff and returning families are eager to help you feel at home and make connections with others.

At our school, we pride ourselves on fostering a welcoming and inclusive environment. We encourage new families to participate in our up coming Parent Information Session and school activities, as these are great opportunities to meet teachers, staff, and fellow parents. You will find that our community is filled with friendly faces who are excited to share your family's journey.

This year, we are thrilled to continue our journey of academic excellence and personal growth. Our dedicated teaching staff is committed to providing engaging and innovative learning experiences that cater to the diverse needs of our students, including opportunities for students to showcase their gifts and talents as well as develop their high potential skills. Inspired by the story of the girl and the starfish, we believe that every small action can make a significant difference in a student's life. We will be implementing new programs that

emphasise critical thinking, creativity, and collaboration, preparing our students for the challenges of the future.

We will continue to prioritise the wellbeing of all our students, providing various resources and support systems to ensure that every student can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

I encourage all students, both new and returning, to set new goals for themselves this year and take advantage of the many opportunities available. Remember, each day is a chance to learn something new and make a positive impact on those around you.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Let's make 2025 an amazing year filled with growth, learning, and unforgettable experiences!

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# **Behaviour Support Management Plan**

We are committed to fostering a positive and inclusive school environment where every student can thrive. To support this vision, we have developed a comprehensive School Behaviour Support Management Plan, which is now available on our school website.

This plan outlines the expectations for student behaviour, the support systems in place, and the strategies we employ to promote respectful and responsible conduct. It serves as a valuable resource for both parents and students, providing clear guidelines on how we can work together to create a safe and supportive learning environment. We encourage all families to review the plan to better understand our approach to behaviour management and the resources available to support students in their social and emotional development. By aligning our efforts, we can help every student succeed and feel valued within our school community.

Thank you for your continued partnership in supporting our students' growth and well-being.

# **Supporting Our Students with NDIS Services**

At Boggabri Public School, we are committed to ensuring that all our students have access to the necessary support services they need to thrive. We are proud to collaborate with NDIS providers to facilitate access for our students and their families to essential services, tailored to meet individual needs.

To make this process as seamless as possible, our school is equipped to accommodate appointments with NDIS providers either face-to-face or online, providing flexibility for families to choose the option that works best for them.

If you would like to make arrangements for an appointment or require further information about accessing NDIS services, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. We are here to support our students and their families every step of the way. Together, we can ensure that every child reaches their full potential.

For more information, please reach out to Boggabri Public School today.

# Celebrating Excellence: School Merit Awards Program

We would like to remind everyone of our School Merit Awards Program, designed to recognise and celebrate the outstanding academic achievements and positive behaviours of our students! Each week, four merit awards will be presented to students who exemplify individual academic success relevant to their learning and display our school values.

Students can earn merit awards through hard work, dedication, and commitment to their studies and the school community. In addition to the weekly awards, teachers may occasionally award extra merits for students who demonstrate exceptional behaviours throughout the school.

The merit awards are structured in levels, with each level requiring a cumulative total of merits:

· Bronze Award: 3 merits

· Silver Award: 5 merits

· Gold Award: 8 merits

· Diamond Award: 10 merits

· Platinum Award: 13 merits

· Principal's Award: 15 merits

Students who achieve a merit level will be recognised during our whole school assembly, held twice each term. The Principal's Award, which honours the highest level of achievement, will be presented at the end-of-year Presentation Day Assembly.

These merit awards work in conjunction with our Whole School Reward System, where students are continuously recognised for their efforts through the awarding of "tokens." Teachers can give tokens to students at any time and for any reason, fostering a positive and motivating environment. Each class collaborates with their teacher to identify celebration points and milestone achievements, which can include small rewards such as classroom free time, computer games, or movie sessions.

At each Whole School Assembly, tokens from every class will be collected to create a collective pool that will form the basis of a whole school reward. These events are negotiated between the Student Representative Council and Mr. Carter and serve as celebrations at various points throughout the year. Whole school rewards may include fun activities such as movie afternoons, school discos, splash pad excursions, and mufti days.

Importantly, all events, both within the classroom and across the school, are provided at no cost to parents, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to engage and participate. We encourage all students to strive for excellence and demonstrate the values that make our school community thrive. Let's celebrate our students' hard work and achievements together

# Join Us for Whole School Assemblies!

We are pleased to announce our upcoming Whole School Assemblies, where we will come together as a community to recognise and celebrate our students' achievements and efforts! The dates for these assemblies have been published on the HERO calendar, so be sure to mark your calendars. At each assembly, students will receive their relevant award levels based on their hard work and dedication, providing a wonderful opportunity to celebrate their successes. In addition to recognitions, these assemblies will feature presentations from different classes and special interest groups, showcasing the exciting learning experiences and projects that our students have been engaged in.

We warmly welcome all parents, carers, and community members to attend these assemblies and support our students. Your presence adds to the spirit of celebration and encouragement, making these events even more special. Join us as we come together to honour our students' accomplishments and enjoy the creativity and talents of our school community.

# 2025 Classes & Staff

Kindergarten: Miss Ward

1/2: Miss Reynolds
2/3: Miss Waterford
3/4: Mrs Anderson
5/6: Ms McMahon
RFF: Mrs Beckett

**SLSO:** Mrs Rixon, Mrs Neader, Mrs Reynolds

**LAST:** Ms Pauling

Office: Mrs Smith & Mrs McArthur

AP: Mrs Swain (Monday & Tuesday) Curriculum

and Instruction

**AP:** Mrs Anderson (Wed, Thurs, Friday) Behaviour

and Wellbeing

### **Bell Times**

A reminder for families of our bell times, they are as follows:

9:00am - School starts

11:00am - 11:30am - Recess

1:00pm – 1:45pm – Lunch

3:00pm – End of day

# **School Captains**

Congratulations to our new School Leaders, school captains Lachlan Stone and Macie McKenzie school vice-captains Douglas Watson and Tayla Thompson. We are excited to have these four representing our school and leading the student body for 2025.



# **Merit Awards Week 2**

Congratulations to all the students who received Merits awards for Week 2.

Well done to Elizabeth McGarrigle, Esther Laing, Lucy Newton, Emerson Marshall, Harper McKenzie, Landan Stevens, Lucy Peters, Oliver Snape, Aiden Dawson, Adeline Fletcher, Ivy Hausfeld and Kai Ison.



# **Major Excursions**

Students in Years 3 & 4 will have the opportunity to attend an excursion to Dubbo on September 17 to September 19 2025.

Information will follow this week with an expression of interest permission note, costings and deposit request.

Students in Years 5 & 6 will have the opportunity to attend an excursion to Canberra on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

Information will follow this week with an expression of interest permission note, costings and deposit request.

# **Permission Notes**

**General Permission** 

- Background Information Update
- Walking
- PG Movies
- Media

Year 6 Shirt

**Swimming Carnival** 



# **SWAP It Program**

Our school has joined the SWAP it program for 2025 which will give families support in creating and providing healthy lunchbox choices. Each family will receive a hard copy guide next week and weekly Hero/newsletter posts.



# **Top Nutrition = Top Marks**

Welcome to SWAP IT!

SWAP IT supports you to make informed choices about your child's health and wellbeing. Good nutrition leads to greater wellbeing for your child and can even have a positive impact on how well they do in class.

One swap from a sometimes food to an everyday food can make a big difference.

Here are some great ideas you can swap today:

- Cake to scone.
- Chips to popcorn.
- Juice to plain milk.









Chocolate cake Fruit scone

You will receive weekly tips and ideas about healthy swaps you can make!

# swip it

# 4 simple steps to a healthy lunchbox

Packing an everyday lunchbox is as easy as:

Step 1: Pack vegetables for Veg & Fruit Break (e.g. carrot sticks or cherry tomatoes).

**Step 2:** Pack fruit and an everyday snack for recess (e.g. popcorn, reduced fat yoghurt, rice crackers and cheese).

Step 3: Pack a sandwich, wrap, roll or leftovers (e.g. pasta, rice or roast vegetables) for lunch.

Step 4: Finish with water as the perfect thirst quencher.

Don't forget to pack an ice brick to keep food safe!



Carrot sticks





Banana

Reduced fat yoghurt







Vegetable fried rice

Water

# Uniform

We will be wearing summer uniform for the duration of term 1. All uniforms (other than socks and shoes) are available through the school office and we accept cash or eftpos payments.

Please note, the following items are sold by the P&C and are cash payments only. (still available though the office)

School Hats \$25

### Summer

# **Boys**

Red school shirt, navy cargo shorts, school jumper, black school shoes OR short sleeve blue button up shirt, navy cargo shorts, black school shoes.

# Girls

Red school shirt, navy skorts, school jumper, black shoes OR summer dress, white socks and black school shoes.

# **Sports – Unisex**

Red school shirt, navy sports shorts/navy sports skirt, sports jacket and joggers.







# **Eye Clinic Glasses**

Students who were notified about receiving glasses through the Brian Holden foundation. They are due to arrive this Thursday.





# Our First Day of KINDERGARTEN



Our Kindergarten students took their first steps into school life. It was a day filled with wonder, excitement and some nerves.

We were all thumbs up at the end of the day.

We are looking forward to the year ahead!











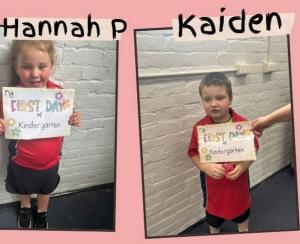
























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## **P&C News**

# Come and join the P&C!

The P&C AGM will be held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025, 6:00pm at the Boggabri RSL Club. All positions will be declared vacant, new members are welcome to attend. Yearly memberships are due.

#### INFORMATION FOR POTENTIAL MEMBERS

The Boggabri Public School P&C Association is a not-for-profit Organisation which is established to promote the interests of the school by bringing parents, citizens, students and teaching staff into close cooperation and to assist in providing facilities and equipment for the school and in promoting the recreation and welfare of the students at the school.

Membership of the Boggabri Public School P&C Association is open to all parents and guardians of pupils attending the school and to all citizens whose primary residence is in the enrolment area of the school. Boggabri Public School P&C Association is always keen to welcome new members and particularly members who use or have an interest in the services provided by the P&C Association, such as our canteen and uniform shop. P&C Association general meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 6pm at Boggabri RSL Club. Annual membership is \$2.00 and entitles you to be involved in the decision-Boggabri Public making of School P&C Association.

When you become a financial member, you agree to follow the Constitution, by-laws, Code of Conduct and rules, policies and procedures as adopted by the Boggabri Public School P&C Association. Copies of these materials are available from the Boggabri Public School P&C Association Secretary at each meeting of the P&C Association. You are recognised as a financial member of the Boggabri Public School P&C Association after the meeting closes at which you submit your payment. The Treasurer shall issue you a receipt for this payment, you should retain the receipt for the

current P&C Association year as proof of your membership.

If you are interested in becoming a member, please complete the membership Application form and bring it with you to the next meeting of the Boggabri Public School P&C Association. If you are unable to attend the next meeting but wish to become a member, please submit this form and payment to the Treasurer via the school front Office.

Boggabri Public School P&C Association thanks you for your interest.

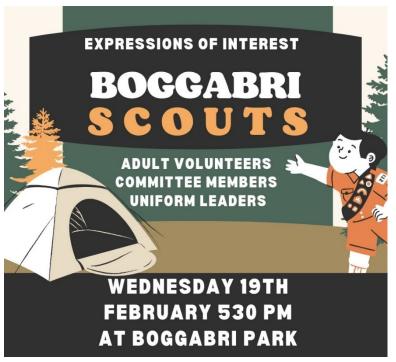
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# **Uniform Survey**

Please find the Hero post regarding our uniform going forward and we'd value your opinion.

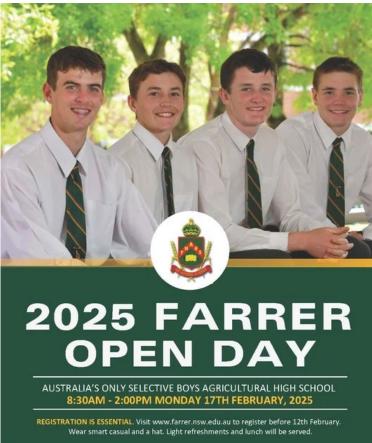
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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 Feb	10	11	12 Chinese New Year activities	13 SRC Voting	14 School Swimming Carnival
4 Feb	17	18 Parent Information Sessions	19	20 Gunnedah Zone Swimming Carnival	21
5 Feb/March	24	25	26	27	28 School Leaders Induction Assembly
6 March	3	4	5	6	7
7 March	10 NW Swimming Carnival	11	12 NAPLAN test window 12th - 24th	13	14
8 March	17	18	19	20	21 Harmony Day
9 March	24	25 Halogen Young Leaders Excursion	26	27	28
10 April	31	1	2	3 School Photos	4
11 April	7	8	9	10	11 ANZAC assembly Easter Hat Parade

# Community News









Are you considering Farrer for your son? Our Farrer Open Day is a great opportunity to explore our exceptional facilities rarely seen in a public high school for both boarding and day boys in Years 7 – 12 and their families. Come and learn more about Farrer's broad curriculum, academic and employment pathways, exceptional, sporting and learning facilities.

We're proud of our reputation for developing responsible, respectful young men who thrive at school and in their careers beyond. Visit our website to register for our 2025 Open Day. Numbers are strictly limited!

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