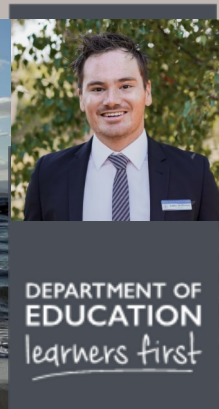


# Bruny Island District School

Where every child is empowered to develop the skills and confidence to enrich their lives and the lives of others.



ASPIRATION GROWTH COURAGE RESPECT

29 JUNE 2022

Current Yearly Attendance: (Present In Class)

K	P	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
87%	83%	86%	78%	84%	86%	89%	75%
Previous Fortnightly Attendance Data:							
85%	82%	88%	78%	80%	85%	86%	69%

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Little Penguins

Wednesday and Friday 9:00– 10:45

### Mid-Year Reports (Parent-Teacher Conversations)

July 4 to July 7

TERM 3

### Student Free Day

July 25

### Students Return to School

July 26

### School Photo Day

August 1

### Book Week

August 22- 26

### Fire Education

September 5– 8

## REMINDERS

### Friday (each week)

2:30 finish for students

## TERM DATES 2022

Term 2 2 May—8 July

Term 3 26 July—30 September

Term 4 17 October—21 December

Dear Families,

Welcome to the latest school newsletter.

It is my pleasure to share with you the wonderful learning opportunities and experiences our students have had in recent weeks. I'm incredibly proud of our students for their engagement and enthusiasm for learning and to our staff that continue to engage with professional learning and planning that enables this rich learning to occur.

Our families have all been invited to attend a parent-teacher conversation next week to discuss your child's mid-year report. Thank you to the many families that have already made a booking. This invitation invites you to book an in-person meeting or a phone call with your child's teacher. If you haven't yet made an appointment, please use the QR code within the newsletter to book your appointment before Friday this week. This conversation will be an opportunity for the teacher to share with you your child's progress in the curriculum areas of English, Mathematics, Science and HASS (Year 1-6) and to have a general discussion about their attendance and wellbeing.

Next week will be the final week of Term 2. We are working towards a wonderful celebration of the NAIDOC Week learning we have had this term and each class will be sharing with you some of the ways they have engaged with this learning. After interviewing the Year 4-5-6's for a small video we are preparing, I think you'll be impressed with the high level of thinking and learning that has happened this term. I look forward to sharing the video with you once complete.

I will also be taking a week of long service leave next week to attend a national literacy conference in Darwin, NT. During this time Naomi Buczek will be acting as Principal and supporting the school to have an extraordinary final week of term.

Take care and kind regards,

Ashley McPherson  
Principal

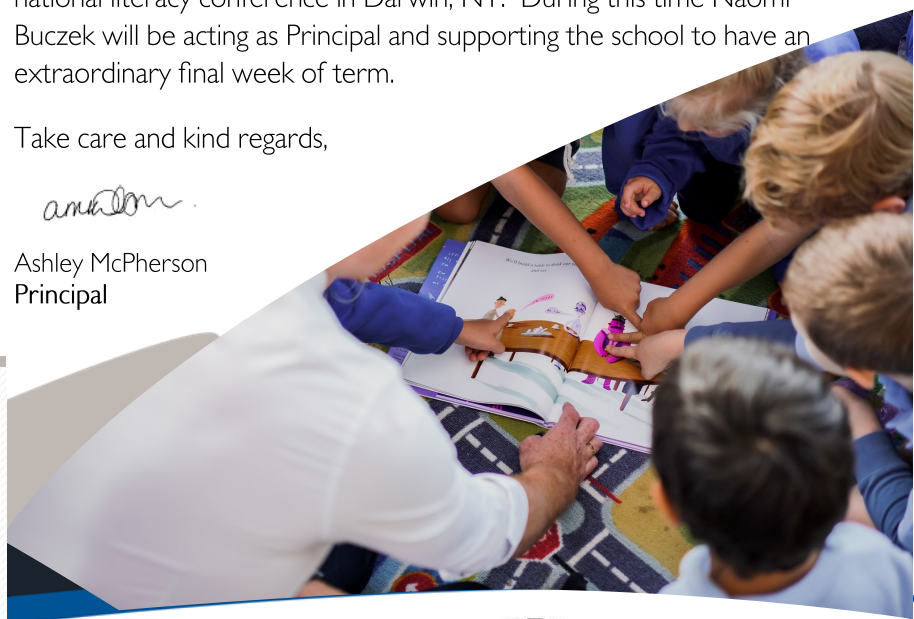
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### DARK MOFO 2022

We would like to thank our families and staff for supporting the 2022 DARK MOFO– Ogoh-Ogoh event.

Bruny Island District School was 1 of only 3 schools that has been invited to participate in the Ogoh-Ogoh procession because of our strong connection to Indonesia. Our students were invited to participate by decorating the Balinese masks that were then used as part of the procession to the Ogoh-Ogoh burning.

The Ogoh-Ogoh procession was a public event in Hobart that we were invited to be a part of and we thank our families for supporting their children to have this experience.



## REMINDER: NAIDOC WEEK 2022

NAIDOC Week 2022 – *Get Up! Stand Up! Show Up!*



# GET UP! STAND UP! SHOW UP!

**3-10 JULY 2022**

This year we have an exciting NAIDOC Week community event organised by SETAC with participation from many schools across the Channel. Everyone is invited, and together we'll share a Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony, an Awards Ceremony, live music, dancing, food, art and creative contributions from students and community members.



This term we've been exploring the value of Sea Country with a focus on Aboriginal cultural heritage, natural resources and sustainability. We'll be sharing our learning as a poster campaign, displayed at this NAIDOC Week event as part of our mission to *Get Up! Stand Up! Show Up!* for a sustainable future. We aim to create change by encouraging community awareness, responsibility and action for environmental conservation and respect for Aboriginal cultural practices, history and connection to Country.

This event will be a fantastic opportunity for people from all walks of life to come together and celebrate Aboriginal culture, history and the strong voices which empower our whole community.

When: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July, 4pm to 7pm

Where: Kingborough Community Hub, 7 Goshawk Wy, Kingston TAS 7050

## PARENT- TEACHER CONVERSATIONS

Recently we invited all families to make an appointment using an online booking system.

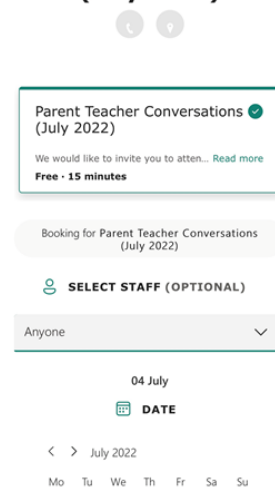
The purpose of our meetings is to share with you an update on your child's learning. We will discuss both their strengths and areas for support. We would really like the opportunity to talk to you about the Mid-Year Report and how we can continue to work together to support your child.

To find a time that works best for you, can you please scan the QR code below and select your preferred time. Once a time has been scheduled, it will no longer be shown within the booking platform.



Although the platform shows (*Optional*) next to the staff member selection box, **please select the teacher you would like to meet.**

### Parent Teacher Conversations (July 2022)



You will also need to navigate to the July 2022 calendar to select which day you would like to have your meeting.

Please note: if you have a child in different classes, you will need to start again and follow this process for each child.

The booking platform will remain open until Friday 1 July. If you have any problems booking your appointment, please contact our office and we will support you.

You will also have the option of an *in-person meeting or a phone call.*

Please note: Prep students will not have a mid-year report until the end of the year, but we would still like to meet with you to discuss your child's progress.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
LADAWA FINE!

**KINDERGARTEN  
2023 ENROLMENTS  
NOW OPEN**

We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten for 2023.

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SPEAK UP! STAY CHATTY

# SHORTS DAY

*Brave the Cold, Brave the Conversation* is the motto for the annual Speak Up! Stay Chatty Shorts Day event. For the second year in a row, we invited staff and students to come to school dressed in brightly coloured shorts (and socks) and brave the cold to encourage awareness of mental health.

As a school, we came together to discuss what it means to be brave, demonstrate our value of Courage and have conversations with a trusted adult if you are worried. We also talked about the importance of being a good friend and checking in with your mates.

We read the book *The Problem with Problems* and discussed the theme of this book— that a problem's biggest weakness is being shared with someone else.



**School Health Nurse –  
Woodbridge, Dover and  
Bruny Island District Schools,  
Huonville High School  
School Health Nurse Program  
Department of Education,  
Tasmania**

June 20 - 26<sup>th</sup> is World Continence Awareness Week

Children usually develop the ability to be toilet trained at about 3 years of age. If children aged 4 years and over are unable to be toilet trained, or experience regular incontinence, advice from a health professional is recommended.

The bladder is the organ that stores urine (wee). In Australia, 1 in 5 children have a bladder control problem.

**Signs of a healthy bladder:**

Empties 4-6 times a day; can hold up to 400-600ml of urine; may wake you up once at night to pass urine, tells you when it is full but gives you enough time to find a toilet; empties completely each time you pass urine; does not leak urine.

**Types of incontinence in children:**

Daytime Wetting - the loss of bladder control during the day, usually caused because the bladder is not working properly. It is NOT caused by attention-seeking, naughtiness, or laziness.

Bedwetting - this happens when the bladder involuntarily empties during the night. Most children will be dry at night by school age. Some children may experience accidents until 7 or 8 years.

It is important to seek professional help for bedwetting if:

- your child starts wetting at night after being dry
- the wetting is frequent after school age
- the wetting bothers the child or makes them upset
- the child wants to become dry.

Soiling - is when the bowels are emptied in places other than the toilet. It usually happens because the large bowel is not emptying properly, and the child is constipated.

Please contact me through the office or your child's teacher if you would like to discuss supports available. You can also contact your GP or visit <https://www.continence.org.au> for further information.

## EVERY DAY COUNTS

Getting kids to school isn't always easy. But being at school is the best place for our kids.

If your child is unwell, they need to stay home. But if your child is well enough to attend school, they *should* be at school. Every day, Monday to Friday.

### Reality of missing school

Data shows us that regular school attendance is one of the best things a child can do to set them up for success. But if they don't attend, things get harder for them.

Let's do the maths:

- If your child misses even just one day a fortnight, that adds up to 20 days of the school year. That's the same as missing four whole weeks of school!
- If they miss one day a week, that doubles to eight weeks of school they'll never get back.

Over the course of their childhood, that equals two and a half years of vital education they'll never receive... We mean it, every school day counts. It all adds up.

### Bright futures begin at school

The data also tells us something else: the better a child's attendance rate, the better off they'll be. Their future will be filled with more opportunities.

School is where they learn and grow alongside their friends, and where they benefit the most. Going to school not only promotes academic success, but also helps build important social skills, relationships and confidence.

Good attendance habits in primary school lead to good attendance habits in high school. This will help expand your child's options even further as they grow older.

[Watch this video](#) to see the benefits of going to school.

### It's ok if you need help

If you're struggling to get your child to school, help is available. Please talk to us at school about your situation. We'll support you, in whatever way we can.

*If you need support translating or interpreting this information, contact the [Translating and Interpreting Service](#) on 131 450.*

## THANK YOU

We would like to say **thank you** to The Bowls Club and to the Adventure Bay Store for collecting money for our school. Together, they have raised nearly \$200.



## B KINDER DAY



Recently we celebrated b kinder day which is a day that inspires us to consider what we can do to treat someone else, as well as ourselves, just that little bit more kinder.

We would like to thank Danny Mayson-Kinder who is the CEO of Fly High Billie for her generous support to our school. The Fly High Billie organisation donated all of the b kinder day cards that our staff and students prepared for each other and an individual workbook for every child in our school.

We are so thankful for this generous donation which will support us to continue this incredible work.

We invited our students to prepare a rainbow to be displayed at our school as a symbol of b kinder day. This symbol will remind us to continue making an effort to ensure everyone feels included, safe and part of our team.



## REMINDER: NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM

Families can now use their Uniform Subsidy Voucher to purchase our new school uniform items and be given a discount of \$65.00 off the purchase when used in one transaction and if used before the end of Term 2.



We have a full range of sizes in stock ready for purchase.

### PRICES:

- Polo top: \$24.50 each
- Soft shell jacket: \$48.50 each
- Full zip fleece jumper: \$32.00 each

Our current hats, beanies, shorts, dresses and trousers will not be changing.

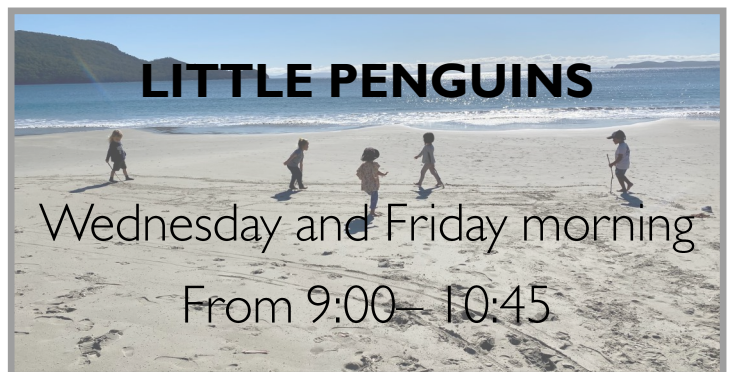
Thank you to our P&F for your generous support and to our families for supporting this exciting change to our uniform.

## YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAY TO WOODBRIDGE

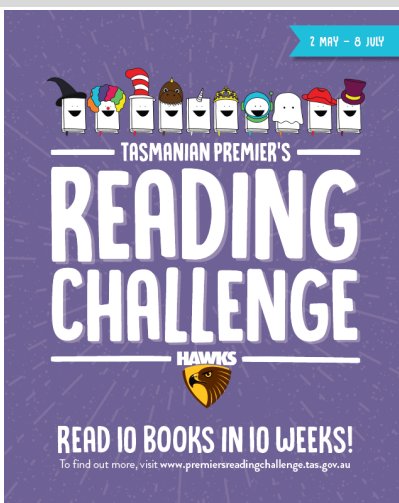


This week our Year 6's spent some time at Woodbridge School as part of our transition planning for Year 7.

We had a tour of the school, looked at a school map and timetable and we spent some time with the Year 6's from Woodbridge School.



## PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE



Can you read 10 books in 10 Weeks?

Simply complete your Read Together booklet as normal when you read at home, but each week you can also ask someone at home to sign your Premier's Reading Challenge bookmark. In 10 weeks time, we will be asking for you to return your bookmark so that we can organise your certificate of participation.



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