

# Bruny Island District School

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

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EDUCATION  
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7 SEPTEMBER 2022

Current Yearly Attendance: (Present In Class)

K	P	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
84%	83%	85%	78%	83%	84%	85%	84%
Previous Fortnightly Attendance Data:							
83%	83%	84%	77%	83%	83%	86%	83%

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Little Penguins

Wednesday and Friday 9:00– 10:45

### Fire Education

September 5– 8

### Huon FM Radio Interview

September 12

### BIDS Cross Country

September 14

### RFDS Simulator Tour (incursion)

September 16

### Year 6 Transition Day

September 19

### School Association Meeting

October 24

## REMINDERS

### Friday (each week)

2:30 finish for students

## TERM DATES 2022

Term 3 26 July—30 September

Term 4 17 October—21 December

Dear Families,

Welcome to the latest school newsletter.

As you turn the pages of our newsletter this week, you'll notice the many wonderful experiences our students have had in recent weeks and just how rich and varied the learning opportunities are for students at our school. I'm incredibly proud to see our students engaging in and having success in many areas of the Arts, Culture and authentic literacy and numeracy learning. I would like to thank our team of educators for supporting our learners to engage with these experiences and link these to their learning in the classroom.

Recently we invited our families to participate in the annual school satisfaction survey. The [2022 School Satisfaction Survey](#) is your formal opportunity to provide us with feedback about the things that are working well at our school and the areas we can improve on. As Principal, I highly value your feedback and I always look forward to reviewing the results of this survey. I intentionally used the word *formal* opportunity here because of course I highly value your *informal* feedback and the many families that send me an email or give me a call, or even make a time to come and see me to share your feedback and ask your questions. Working in partnership is at the heart of my leadership and at the heart of our school culture. Thank you for taking the time to respond to this survey.

We are now beginning to plan and budget for 2023. To support us with planning accurately, can we please ask families to inform us if you foresee any changes to your child's enrolment in 2023. If you are planning to move off the Island and potentially change schools, we would appreciate an email or phone call so that we can include this in our planning. Can we also please have all Kindergarten enrolment forms completed to help us plan for Pre-Kinder in Term 4.

Take care and kind regards,

Ashley McPherson  
Principal



Kindergarten enrolment forms for 2023 are now due.

Please contact our office to be included in our Pre-Kinder communication for Term 4.

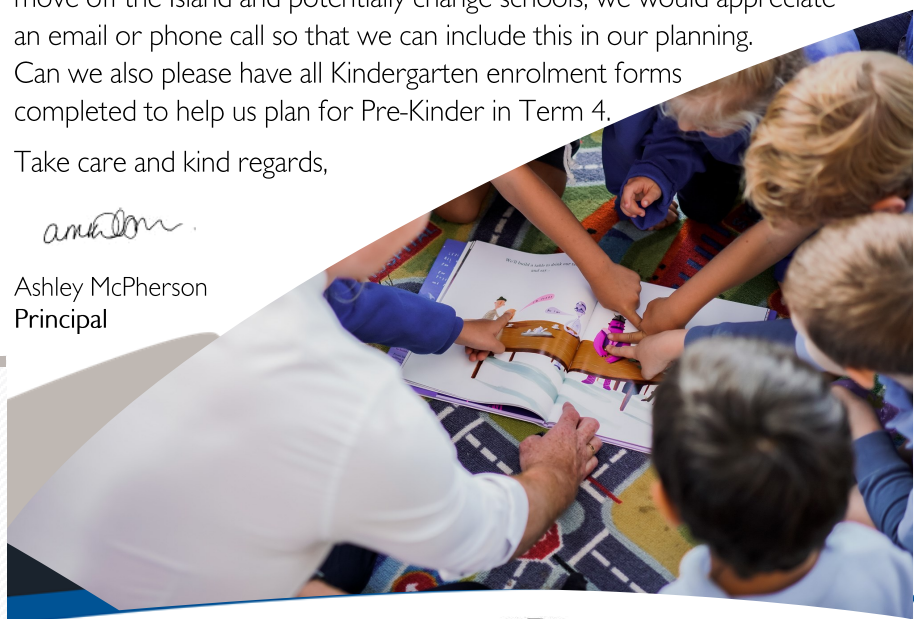
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## YOUNG ARCHIES



Well done to everyone for their effort and achievements with their Young Archie artwork for 2022.



Recently Ms. Hearn and I had the privilege of attending the 2022 Young Archie Award Ceremony in Hobart. The recipients of the awards were announced by the Minister for the Arts,

the Honourable Elise Archer and out of the 51 schools and almost 600 entries received, our school had two award recipients. **Congratulations** to Ruby in Year 6 and Archer in Year 3 for both receiving a *Highly Commended* award for their category.

You can now visit the 2022 Young Archies Virtual Exhibition:

[2022 Young Archies Awards – Kindergarten to Prep](#)

[2022 Young Archies Awards – Year 1 to Year 2](#)

[2022 Young Archies Awards – Year 3 to Year 4](#)

[2022 Young Archies Awards – Year 5 to Year 6](#)

[2022 Young Archies Awards – Year 7 – Year 12](#)



## TERRAPIN PUPPET THEATRE



Students recently enjoyed a wonderful performance by the Terrapin Puppet Theatre.

The production was called *The Paper Escaper*. The story is about Benny, the plucky puppet protagonist in *The Paper Escaper*, who knows they are destined for greater things than a simple pop-up book. But, in a world that's trying to squash Benny between its pages– from a monstrous chomping sketchpad to a disillusioned illustrator– Benny will need the help of new friends to achieve their dreams.



## TASSO'S 76TH AGM

You're invited to TASSO's 76th Annual General Meeting

September 19th, 2022  
Online starting at 7.30 pm



[Event Page & RSVP](#)

Board Member positions are vacant.  
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## KITCHEN / GARDEN LEARNING



### NEWSFLASH: RECIPES WANTED

It has become clear that Bruny Island District School does healthy food very well! Hot lunches, the 24 Carrot program, breakfast with Mrs Hearn, lots of healthy lunchboxes, Disco Delights plus countless stories of the cooking children do at home all highlight a love of healthy, delicious and often home grown food within our community! Therefore it is time to publish another BIDS Cookbook.



The Kitchen Garden Team of staff and students are hoping to compile a Recipe Book before the end of the year and we want your input! Have you cooked Hot Lunch this year? Do you and your child do any cooking together at home? Do you have a reputation for providing the yummiest plate of dessert at the disco? If you answered yes to any of those questions then we need your help. **SEND ME YOUR RECIPES** to include in a brand new edition of the **BIDS COOKBOOK** which we will publish and then sell as a school fundraiser.



### HOT LUNCH FAVOURITES:

So often my children come home asking "Can you make that Indonesian yellow rice thing Dad?" "I had three servings of that Vegetarian Bolognese today Mum!" "I hate your fried rice, Mum, but when Bob makes it, it's delicious!"

**PLEASE SHARE THESE RECIPES SO WE CAN SPREAD THE LOVE OF HEALTHY NUTRITIOUS KID FRIENDLY FOODS!**

**KIDS FAVOURITE HOME COOKING:** Has your child got a recipe that they love to cook on a rainy afternoon? Share it! The more kids get into the kitchen at home, the better as they are learning so much during the process. Can you also ask your child to draw a picture to accompany this recipe as we would love to showcase some artistic talent with hand drawn illustrations. (A photo of the drawing accompanying your email will do).

**DISCO DELIGHTS:** You know who you are! Those plates of food that disappear the quickest every time we have a disco...please share your secrets!

### MS HEARNS PUMPKIN SCONES AND APPLE CRUMBLE:

Please Ms Hearn, tell us how you do it; after all there seems to be some kind of school record breaking challenge to see who can eat the most pumpkin scones. They are too good!



**LUNCH BOX LEGENDS:** Who is sick of packing lunchboxes every day? Need some inspiration? **I WOULD REALLY LOVE SOME HELP WITH THIS SECTION!** What's something that gets devoured every time, fits in a lunchbox, and ticks all those healthy tummy filling boxes?

**SECRET STAFF ROOM TREATS:** There are quite a few handy bakers amongst the staff who might like to share a favourite recipe or two (Mrs Buczek, Mr McPherson, Miss Shelton...don't hold back here).

**GLUTEN FREE/ VEGAN OPTIONS:** There's more and more people requiring or choosing specialised diets these days so let's share our go-to recipes.

Thanks in advance for your contributions, I am really looking forward to compiling the latest edition of the **BIDS COOKBOOK** (it's going to make a brilliant Christmas Present!)

Email all contributions to me asap:  
[Claire.boost@education.tas.gov.au](mailto:Claire.boost@education.tas.gov.au)

## BLACKMANS BAY MARIMBA PERFORMANCE



Last week we welcomed Blackmans Bay Primary School to Bruny Island and participated in an incredible performance of their favourite marimba songs. Towards the end of the performance, our students (and staff), were invited to collaborate with the students of Blackmans Bay Primary for one of the songs.

We had a rich discussion at the end of the performance about how this group are working together as **collaborators**. Learning as a collaborator is one of our learner assets and it was so clear that this marimba group know how to do this well. We could see them collaborating by the way they:

- supported each other
- encouraged each other
- played together
- shared instruments and parts of the song
- treated each other with kindness and care

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**KINDERGARTEN  
2022 ENROLMENTS  
NOW OPEN**

We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten for 2022.

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## FIRE FIGHTER ALLISON



We have welcomed back Fire Fighter Allison to our school for the annual Fire Education Program. Across multiple sessions this week, Allison will remind our students about the importance of keeping safe in the event of a house fire and what to do if you are at home when a fire starts.



Your child may come home with some questions this week about fire safety as this is encouraged by Fire Fighter Allison.



## ABORIGINAL CULTURE AND HISTORY



This term our learning around Aboriginal culture and history has focused on connection to Country and place, which we've been exploring through First Nations sciences and stories.

Our KPI class has been learning about what Country means to both First Nations people and non-Indigenous Australians, and we've been exploring our own connections to many places from Lunawanna-Alonna Bruny Island to other places in Lutruwita Tasmania, the Australian mainland and across the world. We've learned about our diversity, the places we share and the places our families come from. Discovering our special places further inspires us to connect with and care for nature and Country. This week we're making a class map and book to share our special places and next week we'll be further connecting to Nuenonne Country by collecting and weaving native plants from around our school.

Our I23 class has been delving deep into the science and stories of the galaxy, learning about First Nations astronomy, symbology and storytelling through art, through the stars and through generations. As we've been developing our understanding of the relationship Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people share with Country, we've learned how astronomy and Dreaming stories hold information about ecology and seasonal environmental changes. This week our focus on Tasmanian petroglyphs inspired us to create our own symbols to share stories and information about ourselves and our families.



During Science Week our 456 class learned about First Nations connections to natural glass, focusing on meteor impacts, australites and Darwin glass in Lutruwita Tasmania. We've also been continuing our NAIDOC-inspired focus on heroes, activists and allies of First Nations people by researching Australians who've paved the way for equity and change. We're beginning to explore sustainable resources in a new way, thinking about what we have around us in nature, in abundance and in the bin. This week Hayley showed us a traditional palawa method of basket weaving and taught us how to make our own baskets out of flax leaves, soft plastics and reused fabric. By weaving together the natural and artificial materials, we think about the old and the new – two sciences finding their way together and building something strong.



This term we link science and story as we continue our learning about the environment, what First Nations connection to Country really means and how ecological information is passed through stories in art, the stars, Songlines and Dreaming.

*Hayley McClure*

**Aboriginal Education Worker**

## FACE MASKS



Although not currently a requirement, we are *encouraging* all adults to wear a face mask when on site. Thank you for your support.

## REMINDER: SCHOOL SATISFACTION SURVEY

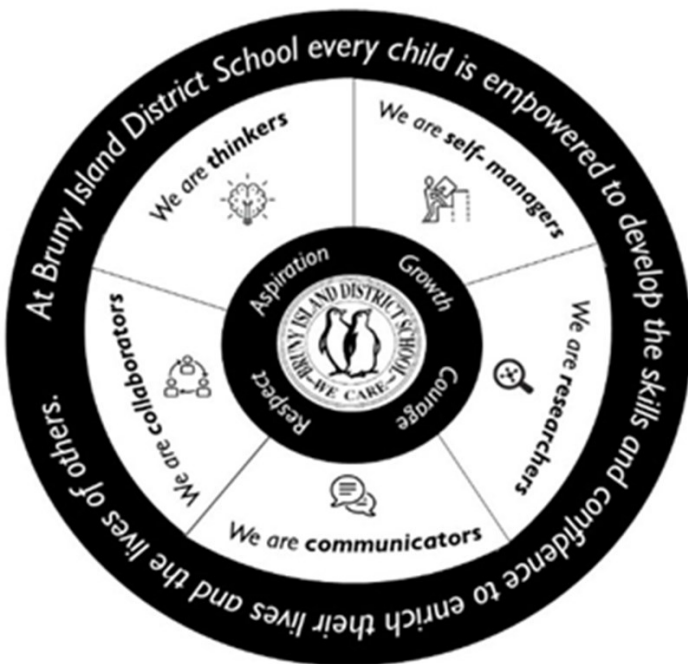
Each year the Department of Education conducts School Satisfaction Surveys in Tasmanian Government schools, to gain feedback on what you think our school does well and where you think we may improve.

We encourage you to complete the survey about Bruny Island District School. Your feedback is very important to help us inform our school planning and decision-making. It is based on your feedback that we have attempted new ways of sharing information and working in partnership, so I thank you for providing us with that feedback.



Survey link: <https://ncv.microsoft.com/5fPIP45NZ7>

You can complete the online survey at any time until Friday 23 September 2022.



## FREE TICKETS: THE CIRCUS

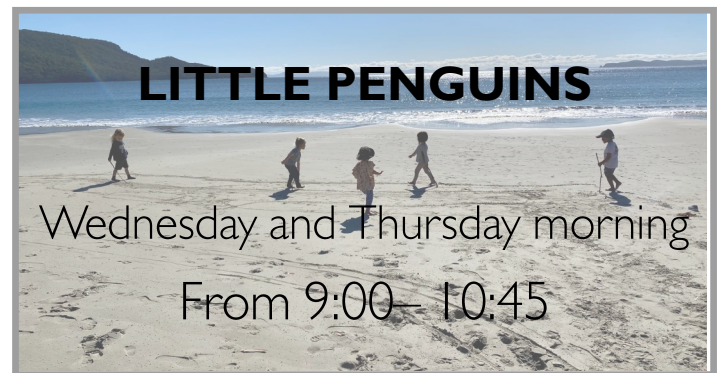


We have been given 5 x 2 tickets to give away to our families to attend *The Circus* from 15th September—2nd October at the Hobart Regatta Grounds.

This two-hour adrenaline pumping spectacular is suitable for the whole family and features hilarious comedians, daring FMX riders, captivating aerialists, the Globe of Death, the human cannon, and so much more.

All complimentary passes must be used by 17th September 2022.

If you would like a set of complimentary passes, please contact our office. We have limited numbers of tickets and they will be given out to those that respond first.



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