Braeside Primary School

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Embrace diversity, realise potential, aim for excellence.

From the Principal

Hi everyone,
Welcome back to Term 4 which is shaping up to being extremely busy in the lead up to the end of the year.

Introducing Principal's Morning Tea

At Braeside Primary School, we believe it is important to recognise and celebrate the little things that make a big difference. This term, we are introducing Principal's Morning Tea, a special end-of-term event where selected students will be invited to join the admin team for a relaxed morning tea in the staffroom. Held on the Thursday of the final week of each term, this will be an opportunity to celebrate students who consistently demonstrate our school values through their everyday actions. These students may not always be the ones in the spotlight, but they are the ones who show kindness, respect, responsibility and a positive attitude day after day. They try their best, follow expectations, support their classmates and quietly help make Braeside a wonderful place to learn and belong. Class teachers and Education Assistants will work together to select three students from each class who deserve this special recognition. Over a morning tea of sandwiches, cakes, fruit and a juice box, we will celebrate these students and acknowledge the positive choices they make every day. At Braeside, we know that being a great student is about more than academic achievements or being in the spotlight. It is also about who you are, how you treat others and the everyday choices you make. We look forward to celebrating these wonderful qualities through Principal's Morning Tea! If your child is invited, they will receive an invitation and parents will be notified. Parents are welcome to attend.

Good Standing

The following Directive of the Director General that was issued under section 232 of the School Education Act 1999, all schools must implement a good standing policy. Good standing is directly linked to the Connect and Respect Initiative: Standing Together Against Violence document provided by the department. Attached is the Connect and Respect poster, that you will see around the school. Braeside's Good Standing Policy, which is in draft form, will be sent out via Compass along with our Positive Behaviour Management (which has been the same all year) for parents to review the Good Standing Policy before it is taken to School Board for endorsement. This good standing policy aims to reinforce our school values and Student Behaviour Expectations. It is the Braeside Primary School PBS team's vision to establish a positive behaviour support culture that promotes a common and consistent approach to behaviour that is supported by students, staff and the school community.

Gardener

As many of you will have noticed, we have been without a gardener since February. Despite extensive efforts to recruit someone for the position, we were unable to secure a suitable applicant. In the interim, Zuria kindly took on additional hours, and Wayne, Tegan's partner, generously volunteered his time to assist with mowing and maintaining our grounds. We are very grateful for their support during this period. We are pleased to welcome Shem Bamess back to town, who has recently commenced working with us on a casual basis while we continue to advertise the position. Shem brings a wealth of gardening knowledge and experience, and we are already seeing a positive difference in the presentation and maintenance of our school grounds. We look forward to having Shem continue to contribute to the Braeside team and thank everyone who has helped keep our grounds looking their best during this challenging period.

Ms Donna Shepherdson
Principal



October	
Kindy Transition sessions	Tuesdays: 20th and 27th
Whole School Assembly	9am Friday 23rd
Interschool Jumps and Throws	Wednesday 28th
Interschool Athletics	Friday 30th
November	
Kindy Transition sessions	Tuesdays: 3rd 10th 17th
Whole School Assembly	9am Friday 6th
Remembrance Day	11th
Whole School Assembly	9am Friday 20th
December	
Swimming Lessons P-6	Mon 23rd - Fri 4th Dec
Parent Teacher Interviews No students at school today	Tuesday 8th
End of Year Concert	Friday 10th
Year 6 Graduation	Tuesday 15th
Last day for students	Thursday 17th

SCHOOL BANKING DETAILS

Braeside Primary School
Commonwealth Bank
BSB: 066 040
Account: 19907881

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We respectfully acknowledge the Goreng Noongar people, the Traditional Owners of the land on which our school stands. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present, and emerging, and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in our community.

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Shaping the future

Connect and Respect

Everystudent, staff member,parentor carerhas therighttofeel safe andbesafeinour schools.

Weallshare a responsibilityfor providingasafe,supportive and productive environment, free from bullying, harassment, discrimination and violence.

What we can all expect:



mutual respect



model positive behaviour



open communication



respect for each other's time

We will not tolerate:



offensive, insulting or aggressive language



malicious or judgemental gossip



using social media disrespectfully



any form of violence or threats

Appropriate action will be taken to ensure all staff are safe if the need arises.

BPS Clubs

Our First Clubs Afternoon!

Our very first Clubs afternoon was a huge success! Students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 enjoyed getting involved in their chosen clubs, trying new activities, developing skills and spending time with students from different year levels.

From getting active and building with LEGO to weaving, gardening, reading and creating treasures from recycled materials, there was plenty of excitement and engagement across the school! It was wonderful to see students sharing their interests, working together and having fun.

We can't wait to see what our clubs get up to over the coming weeks!




















BRAESIDE PRIMARY GREEN THUMBS





A lot has been happening in the Braeside Green Thumbs space over the school holidays!

Our garden beds have been set up, with WaterUps wicking systems installed in each bed to help conserve water and keep our plants thriving.

This project would not have been possible without the generous support of our sponsors. A huge thank you to Open Gardens WA for the $2,500 grant, Kent and Claire Stone for their kind donation of the IBC containers, the Diggers Club for their generous donation of seeds, and Bunnings Albany for donating gardening gloves and tools. We would also like to say a big thanks to Aaron for his work in preparing and transporting the IBC containers and soil for our garden beds.

We are so excited to watch our garden grow and see our students continue to develop their gardening skills, care for the environment and enjoy learning outdoors.



We were excited to kick off our first gardening club session on Friday of Week 1, which was a great success. With thanks to Miss Dufall and the Green Thumbs team. It was wonderful to see our students getting involved and enjoying hands-on gardening activities.













ECE Excitement

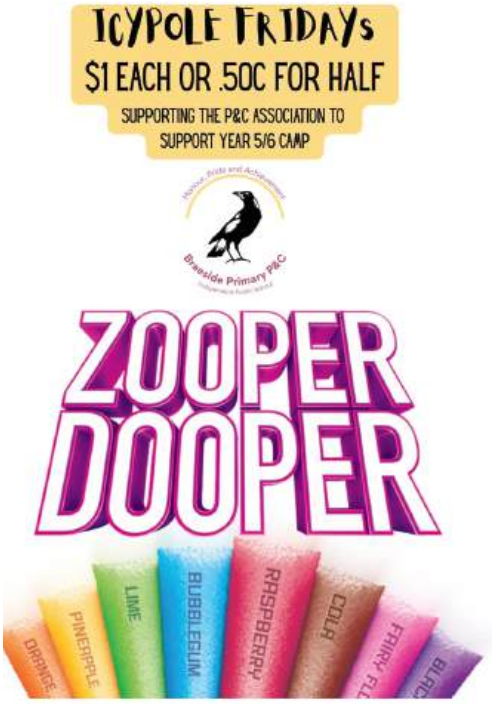




There has been lots of excitement in our ECE playground! A huge thank you to our wonderful P&C for donating some new trucks for the children to enjoy. They have been a big hit, with plenty of imaginative play and outdoor fun happening already!



Our icy pole day was also a huge success! The children loved their special treat, and it was a lovely way to enjoy some fun together. Thank you to everyone who helped make it happen!



Nurse's Notes



Sun safety

With the hot weather approaching, it is important to talk to your children about sun safety and teach them good sun protection habits.

- **Slip** on some sun-protective clothing that covers as much skin as possible.
- **Slop** on broad spectrum, water resistant SPF30+ sunscreen. Put it on 20 minutes before you go outdoors and every two hours afterwards. Sunscreen should never be used to extend the time you spend in the sun.
- **Slap** on a hat that protects your face, head, neck and ears.
- **Seek** shade.
- **Slide** on some sunglasses – make sure they meet Australian Standards.



Extra care should be taken between 10am and 3pm when UV levels reach their peak.

For more information see the Cancer Council website: www.cancer.org.au.

Book Club







LAST DAY TO ORDER BOOK CLUB:
Tuesday 27 October

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Book Club LOOP for Parents

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To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:
www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

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Reminder: Swimming Lessons

Mon 23 Nov - Fri 4 Dec



All students from Pre Primary to Year 6