

Boulder Primary School Newsletter

Term 2 Week 6 2026

As we move into Week 8, it is hard to believe how quickly the term is flying by. It has been a busy and rewarding term, and I would like to thank our students, staff, and families for their ongoing support and commitment to making Boulder Primary School such a positive place to learn and grow.

We are looking forward to our whole-school Learning Journey on Thursday, 18th June. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to visit classrooms and see a snapshot of the learning that has taken place throughout the semester. Every classroom will be open from 3pm to 4pm, giving parents and carers the opportunity to explore their child's learning. We also encourage families to take the time to visit their child's Literacy classroom and our specialist learning areas, where students will be proud to share their achievements, progress, and growth throughout the year.

Learning Journeys place students at the centre of the experience, allowing them to proudly share their work, celebrate achievements, and reflect on their learning. Strong partnerships between home and school play an important role in student success, and events such as this help strengthen those connections. While the Learning Journey is designed to celebrate learning, families who would like to arrange a separate meeting with their child's teacher at another time can request to do so on the sign in sheet.

I would like to acknowledge the important work of our School Board and P&C. The School Board provides valuable community input into the strategic direction of our school, while our P&C supports students and families through the operation of the canteen and uniform shop, fundraising, and assistance with school events.

The impact of the P&C's work can be seen across our school. Most recently, their fundraising efforts contributed to the purchase of our filtered water fountains, which are enjoyed by students every day. Their generosity continues to enhance opportunities for our students and improve our school environment.

If you are interested in becoming involved with the Boulder Primary School P&C, please speak with P&C President Sarah Nichols, or Medina and Courtney in the canteen. Whether you can help regularly or assist at occasional events, your support is always valued and appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support. Together, we are building a strong school community where every child can thrive.

Mrs Jennie McMeeken
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

15/6/26	P&C Meeting 3pm Staffroom
17/6/26	BPS Cross Country
18/6/26	Learning Journey
19/6/26	Assembly Room 6
26/6/26	Winter Lightning Carnival

Proud History,

From the Deputy Principals

Attendance

At Boulder Primary School we have set a school target of 88% attendance. This is equivalent to the state average which is usually around 88%.

At Boulder Primary School attendance is also included in our good standing policy. For example, to attend or participate in extra school activities, students might be required to have an attendance rate above 85%.

We know that every day at school is essential for academic success and overall wellbeing.

Regular attendance at school has so many benefits. While there are many academic advantages, many life skills are nurtured through regular attendance, such as discipline, punctuality, and accountability. Attendance instils commitment, responsibility and resilience- all the skills required for life.

If you have any questions about attendance, please speak with Mr Letcher or Mr Radice



Did You Know?



1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem like much but...				
If your child misses..	That is an attendance rate of...	That equals...	Which is...	And by the end of Year 12 that's...
1 day every 2 weeks	90%	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 1/2 years
1 day per week	80%	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 1/2 years of school
2 days per week	60%	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	40%	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

How about 10 minutes late a day? Surely that won't affect my child?			
If your child misses..	That equals...	Which is...	And by the end of Year 12 that's...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1 1/2 weeks per year	Nearly 1/2 a year
20 minutes per day	1 hour and 40 minutes per week	Over 2 1/2 weeks per year	Nearly 1 year
30 minutes per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 1/2 years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Over 2 1/2 years

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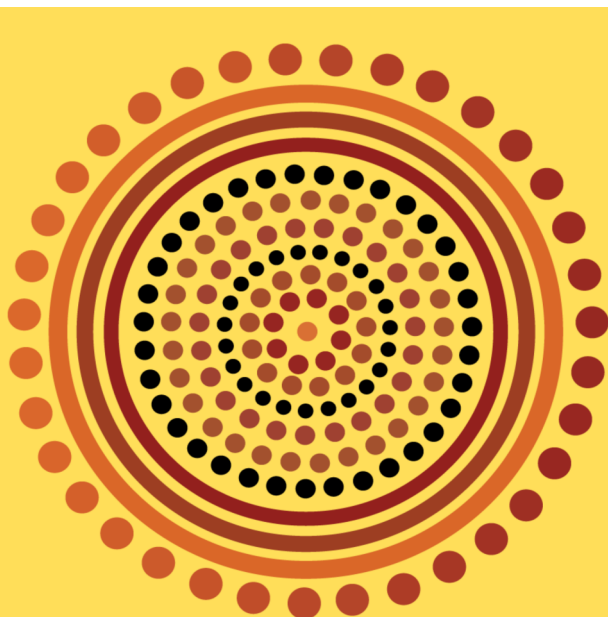
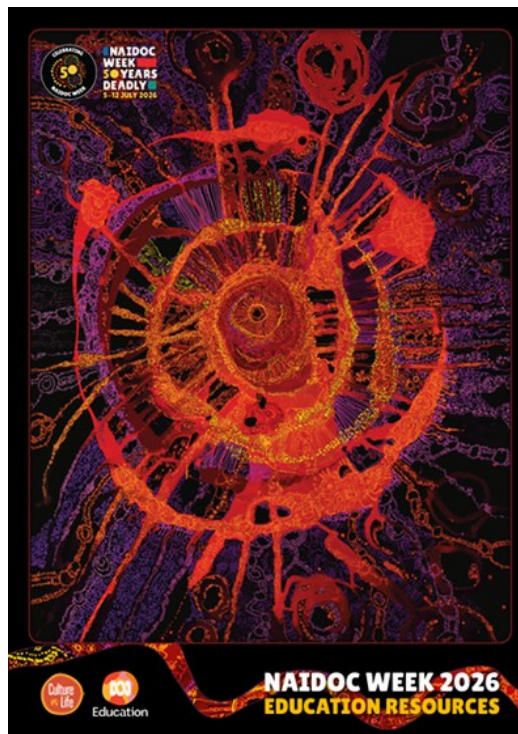
...Great Future.

NAIDOC DAY

Term Two has already proven to be a busy term with students participating in many sporting activities such as Swimming, Eagles Cup and Winter Lightning Carnival, with Cross Country scheduled for week 9. Save the date we have planned for this year's Learning Journey to be held on Thursday the 18th of June. Parents and Carers are invited to look through the classrooms and join us for a sausage sizzle. Planning is underway for this year's NAIDOC celebration. We finish the term with NAIDOC celebrations on Thursday the 2nd of July. The theme for 2026 is "50 Years of Deadly". Below is this year's NAIDOC poster. This event has always been a very well attended and enjoyable event.



NAIDOC WEEK
50 YEARS DEADLY
5-12 JULY 2026



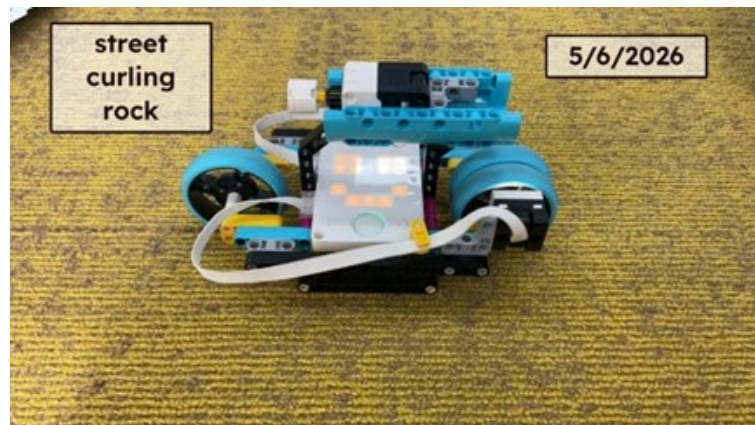
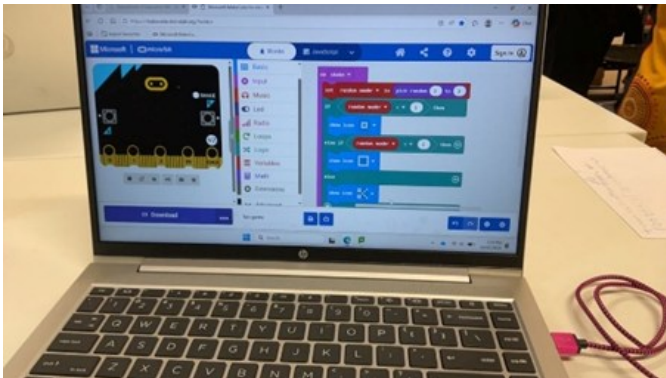
Our motif represents coming together at our meeting place, school. Our students are in the centre, with staff, parents and community members surrounding them in support.



STEM Update

At Boulder Primary School we have been excitingly expanding our STEM resources and programs to better help our students develop for the future.

This term, all years have been using new technology. The year 5/6's have been learning about circuits and electricity during science using Micro:Bits, through Western Power's Circuit Breakers. As well as learning about the science of sport through building LEGO models. The Year 3/4's have been learning how to code using the Micro:Bits using Blockly programming to create algorithms using a range of coding techniques. The Year 1/2's have been using the Sphero Indi robots, learning to make sequences for the robot to follow.



HATS

At BPS we have a no hat/no play policy and students must be wearing a bucket hat to play outside during recess and lunch.

Some students are borrowing a hat from the Office on a daily basis, so please ensure you provide your child with their own suitable hat.

Hats are available from the canteen for \$20, and the uniform shop is open Friday mornings for purchases.



Meet Our Board Members

Name? *Michelle Thomas*

What do you love about Boulder? *Having the privilege to work in different classes over the years.*

What is your hidden talent? *I learnt karate in my late 20's and became a 3rd KYU (Brown Belt) before I moved to Kalgoorlie.*

What is the most exciting/adventurous thing you have done? *Going on the sling shot in the Gold Coast which is a reverse bungee jump and repeating it two days later.*

What is something weird you like to eat? *Low sugar roasted chocolate chickpeas.*

What is one phobia you have? *Balloons popping near me.*

If you were on a deserted island, who would you take? *My husband, he's pretty good at building things and I'm sure he wouldn't give up trying to get us off the island.*

Meet Our Student Leaders

Name: *Bianca Truran*

What is your role at Boulder Primary School? *Student Councillor.*

What do you love about Boulder Primary School? *All the events held, like sausage sizzles and faction carnival, not to mention the once in a life-time opportunities.*

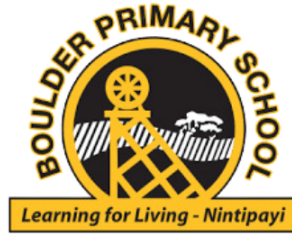
What do you hope to be in the future? *Doctor—just any medical professional, preferably a surgeon.*

Who is your hero? *My mum, otherwise Cathy Freeman for being a big idol in the running world.*

What is one word to describe you? *Unique*

If you were on a deserted island, who would you take?
God, so he can spawn me a ship, sailor, chef and whoever else I want.





2026 Learning Journey

We invite you into our classrooms to look at the amazing work our students have been up to in 2026.



Thursday 18th June 2026



Year 6 Camp Fundraising Sausage sizzle from
2.45pm



Classrooms open between 3pm-4pm.

We look forward to seeing our wonderful families celebrating our students outstanding work!

#LearningforLiving



NEED HELP?

Claim the support **you're entitled to.**

♥ Need help claiming the \$100 Fuel Credit or the WA Student Assistance Payment?



My team is here to help! 🙌



Pop into the office or give us a call if you need assistance with your application.



\$100 FUEL CREDIT Starts 1st July

To complete your application, please bring:

- ✓ Driver's Licence
- ✓ Bank details including BSB and Account Number



WA STUDENT ASSISTANCE PAYMENT Starts 20th July

To complete your application, please bring:

- ✓ Child's school ID number
- ✓ Driver's Licence
- ✓ Bank details including BSB and Account Number



♥ Please note these details are required each time you apply — even if you've received previous payments. ♥



Please note: we do not keep any personal or banking details on file and applications cannot be processed without them.



OFFICE HOURS
Monday to Friday, 9am – 4pm



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