

Principal's Report Term 4 - 2023

Dear Bowden Brompton Community School Community,

As we reflect on the 2023 school year, I am delighted to share the following outstanding achievements; SACE completers, Kane H, Jaylen L, Demi R and Sebastian Z.

Congratulations to the following students for representing daily the school's values of respect, responsibility and resilience to be awarded student of the year awards; Beach Campus – Phoenix L, Little Para – Jaidan D, Integrate – Anthony H, Gateways - Olivia L and Torrens Rd – Talisha RB.

Over the last 3 terms we have had a record number of students having success with their literacy, numeracy and personal and social capabilities goals, displaying growth within our school community. Our dedicated teachers and support staff and supportive parents have collectively contributed to a year of high achievement and positive development.

Beyond academics, our school has thrived in fostering a sense of community and inclusivity. Events and extra-curricular activities such as the Senior School Gala, End of Term Assemblies, Harmony Day, Pedal Prix, Ice Factor and camps have brought us together, celebrating diversity and creating an environment where each student feels valued and respected. I would like to thank the organisers and participants of these very important school events.

I would like to express my gratitude to the entire Bowden Brompton community – students, parents, teachers, support staff and leadership team – for your unwavering support. Together, we have created a nurturing educational environment that inspires growth, learning, and a sense of belonging.

Special thanks to Alicia, Lindsey and Anita for their work at BBCS in 2023 and we wish them the very best at their new workplace.

As we bid farewell to 2023, let us carry the lessons learned, friendships made, and accomplishments achieved into the future. I look forward to continued collaboration and success in the coming year.

Wishing you all a restful and joyful holiday season.

John Leondaris



Torrens Road Campus Deputy Principal's Report

2021 was the first year that BBCS had students complete their South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE). We had more completions in 2022 and, in 2023, we are celebrating another four students who have completed their SACE. For the third year in a row our hard-working senior students have enjoyed secondary school success at the highest level. Our SACE completing students have once again set the benchmark for all future BBCS students. Thank you to those staff members, parents and carers who have supported these students to achieve their dream.

I'd like to reflect on one Torrens Road student in particular, Jaylen L, one of our four 2023 SACE completing students. My first encounter with Jaylen wasn't very positive – he took me to task regarding behavioural expectations I had put in place for his two cousins who also attended the campus. Jaylen demanded to be heard and was always passionate about defending his friends and relatives. From this first encounter, I imagined he was going to test my patience and boundaries. I knew I needed to develop a strong relationship with this young man fast.

Over time we talked a lot. We talked about my life journey and how I ended up at BBCS. Early in our relationship Jaylen told me his plan, "Finish year 12, get an apprenticeship and make something positive of my life." Jaylen had realised that BBCS would support and assist him to fulfill his dream, he also recognised that he needed to work hard and be dedicated and persistent to achieve results. From that moment on Jaylen set the tone for the campus. Jaylen was a great role model, exemplifying the values of our school: respect, responsibility and resilience. He never shied away from setting high standards and challenging himself, even when those challenges were way out of his comfort zone. His hard work paid off – he achieved his SACE, has an apprenticeship and is an outstanding role model. I am proud to have played a small part in his success. I wish you all best for the future Jaylen and I know that you will achieve your next goals and dreams.

Having students complete SACE at BBCS has once again reaffirmed that our school has the expertise, knowledge and determination to assist students to achieve at the highest level. I am proud of the BBCS students and staff and the difference we all make to our community. Being part of a team that is reaching for and achieving SACE completers has provided some of the proudest moments in my educational career.

We say goodbye to a number of senior school students and I wish them all the best for their next adventure. Each and every 2023 school leaver has overcome educational and social obstacles during their BBCS journey. I would encourage you all to reflect on the strategies you have used during your time at BBCS to assist you with overcoming any future challenges.

I would like to thank our service providers such as Liz and the Animal Therapy programme, Jemma from Duke of Edinburgh, The Australian Defence Force Youth Awards, Operation Flinders, Metro Young Health, Foodbank, Kick Start for Kids, the City Of Charles Sturt services and health and immunisation programmes and Mobile Dental Care SA which have all actively engaged with our students all year. Thanks to all these organisations for their ongoing support in assisting and improving the educational and social outcomes for our community.

Again, I would like to thank all the teachers and curriculum SSOs this year for your dedication and commitment to ensuring that each and every student is treated with respect and kindness and has the opportunity to engage with a learning programme that can transform their lives. You are a truly amazing team. Lastly, I would like to thank the Torrens Road office SSOs, Michelle, Denele, Jemma, Diona and John W for all your hard work, professionalism and support. I appreciate it very much! I look forward to working with the team again in 2024.

Stay safe over the break. See you in 2024.

Jason Rowe



2023 SACE COMPLETERS













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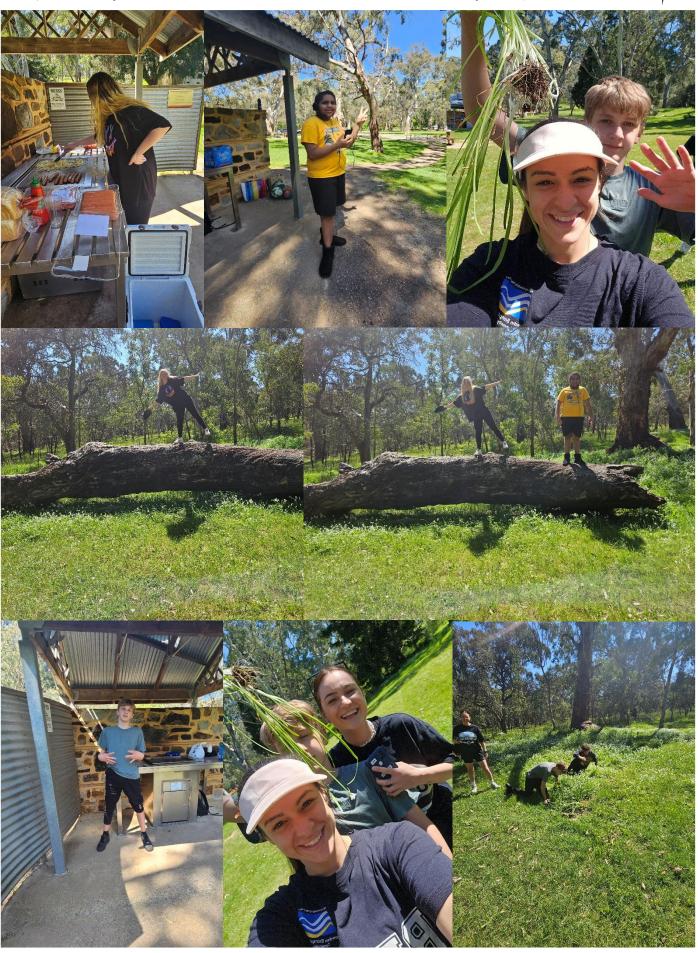




ANMALS



BELAIR NATIONAL PARK





OPERATION FLINDERS FUNDING FEAST



This term we were incredibly proud of the efforts of SACE Food students, Max M and Talisha R-B. After completing the physical and emotional challenge that is the Operation Flinders 8-day trek, Max decided he would give back to the foundation by holding a fundraiser feast. This is gratitude in action...

Max designed the menu, a nod to his Italian heritage and also bush tucker, and created the invitations. Together with the assistance of cool, calm and collected Talisha, they worked throughout the day and night, creating damper and pasta by hand, preparing beautiful plates of food for entrée, main course and dessert, taking orders and waiting tables. This was an amazing effort from both students, showcasing a whole range of skills, and they raised \$400 for Operation Flinders.

Thank you to all who attended, in particular Op Flinders Team leaders and volunteers Steve Goss and Steve Buttignol (who kindly donated delicious produce from `Four Seasons Fresh'); this dinner was for you.

Mary







Beach Campus Assistant Principal's Report

As we approach the end of the year, it is time to look back over the past term (and the year) to reflect on all of the achievements and the hard work of staff and students towards their education. This term at Beach we had a number of events including the Bike Camp in week 2, the visit to the V8 Supercars (organised by James), the Senior School Gala. Unfortunately, our scheduled sports day was cancelled due to extreme heat but we will aim to make some changes to the calendar next year to move this event to another term. As always, the BBCS school staff have worked hard behind the scenes to source and plan high interest activities and excursions to build attendance and engagement.

I would like to thank all of the staff for their hard work throughout the year. After working with us for several years, Lisa and Jo moved on to other schools and we welcomed Luke G and Ash L to our site in Term 4 to support the needs of students. Students continued to be extended academically by staff as they have worked through the teaching and learning programs and supported students to work on their individual learning goals. The school continues to maintain high expectations of student, and over time we have seen the positive impact on student wellbeing as they rediscover their ability to maintain growth in their learning. We encourage all parents

student wellbeing as they rediscover their ability to maintain growth in their learning. We encourage all parents and care givers to maintain regular communication with staff around how they might support students to achieve their individual learning goals at home and reinforce with positive reinforcement and praise for their efforts.

It was very pleasing to see a large number of senior students complete their SACE compulsory tasks and engage in Vocational Education and Training outside of school via various RTO's. Special mention goes out to Falcon for his work with Oz Harvest Nourish (Cert 2 in Kitchen Operations), Joshua J for almost completing his Cert III in Timber Construction, and Kane H for almost completing his Cert II in Automotive. Kane is on track to complete his Stage 2 SACE on the back of his automotive completions and he was nominated for the Long Tan Award for Year 12 this year. Kane has been at BBCS since he was in Year 8 and it has been rewarding to see Kane achieve his learning goals this year, develop more confidence and secure work in a local hotel. We wish Kane the very best for his future, post schooling.

I would like to extend a shout out to the many organisations and groups who have supported the school this year with everything from donations of food and clothes to their support of our students. We would like to thank Oz Harvest for their ongoing donations of food and other goods to support the school nutrition program, Kick Start for Kids who provide the school with pre-made sandwiches, eggs and milk to support our breakfast program, Second Bite and Puddle Jumpers for providing the school with baked goods each Tuesday which finds its way into the pantries of our families, and the Christies Beach Baptist Church – S.A.F.E Centre for donating hampers of goods to the school to be distributed to needy families at Christmas. Kyza has worked hard this year to collect and distribute donated goods to our students, the school and our wider community and I would like to acknowledge and thank her for her efforts in this space.

As we wrap up the year I would like to bid farewell to several staff who will be leaving BBCS at the end of the year. Firstly, thanks to Lindsey for her work with the lower middle school class and in the area of Art this year. Lindsey will be moving to a new school next year and we wish her the best for the future and thank her for her work with BBCS. I am sure that students in BMS1 will miss Lindsey next year.

In closing, I would like to thank the Parents and Care Givers for their ongoing support and engagement with the school in 2023. School staff do work exceptionally hard to work with students to develop their Respect, Responsibility and Resilience. At times, when things are not going well for students at school, the relationships can become strained and tested. We value to ongoing involvement of the key people in our students lives to maintain consistent boundaries and expectations and for your ongoing support of the school to work with your children. The pay-off is when we see our young people transition from school into further education or employment. So continue to work with your child's teacher to support them to make good choices. Have a safe and relaxing holiday break and (as always) I look forward to seeing you back in 2024 to continue the journey.

David Collins



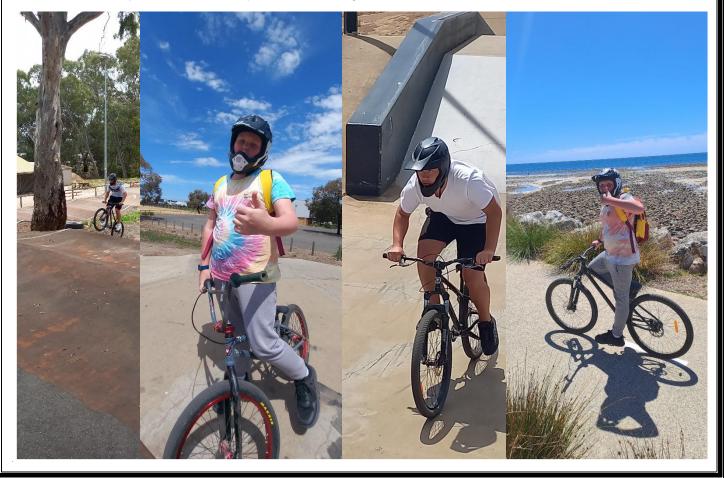
It has been an excellent year of achievement skill building, food and culture exploration at the Beach kitchen. Students have prepared a range of different dishes from different cultural back grounds and things they just loved to eat. Students also catered for large functions at the end of term lunches where students catered for up to 30 people for a main course and dessert. It has been wonderful seeing the confidence and sense of pride the students have in themselves and their tasty achievements.

Alison





This term on downhill bikes we have visited many places such as Happy Valley BMX club, Tangari at Woodcroft, Seaford skate park and Hallett Cove. We set ourselves individual goals at the start of the term based on a skill we want to improve on or just feel more confident attempting. Each week we've had a check list with tasks like helping another student, everyone being responsible for their own equipment and taking turns to tie down the trailer. The group have bonded throughout the term and have encouraged each other every week so that they all reach their goals



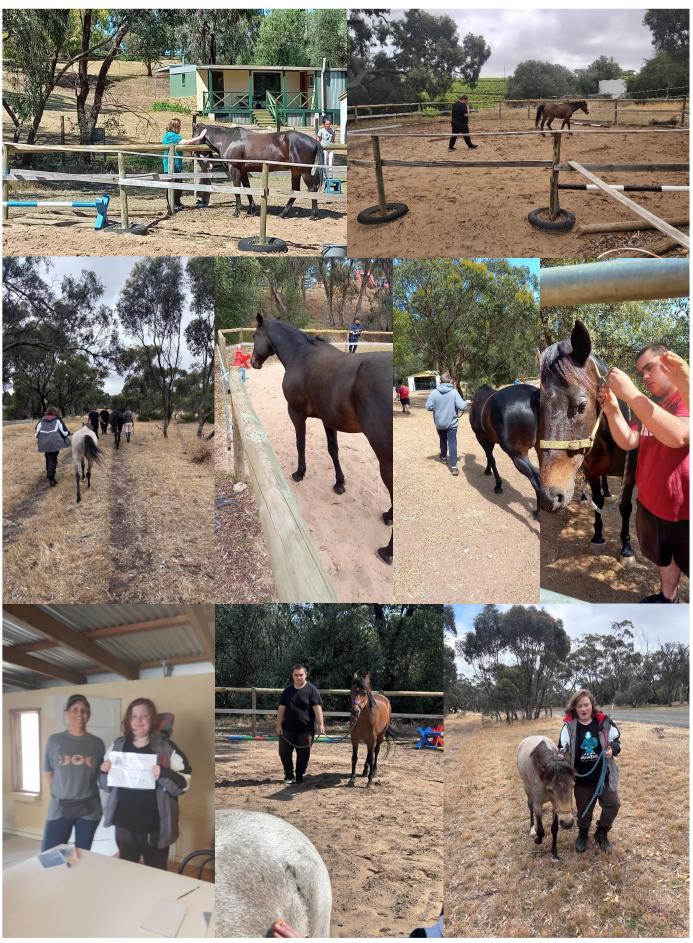


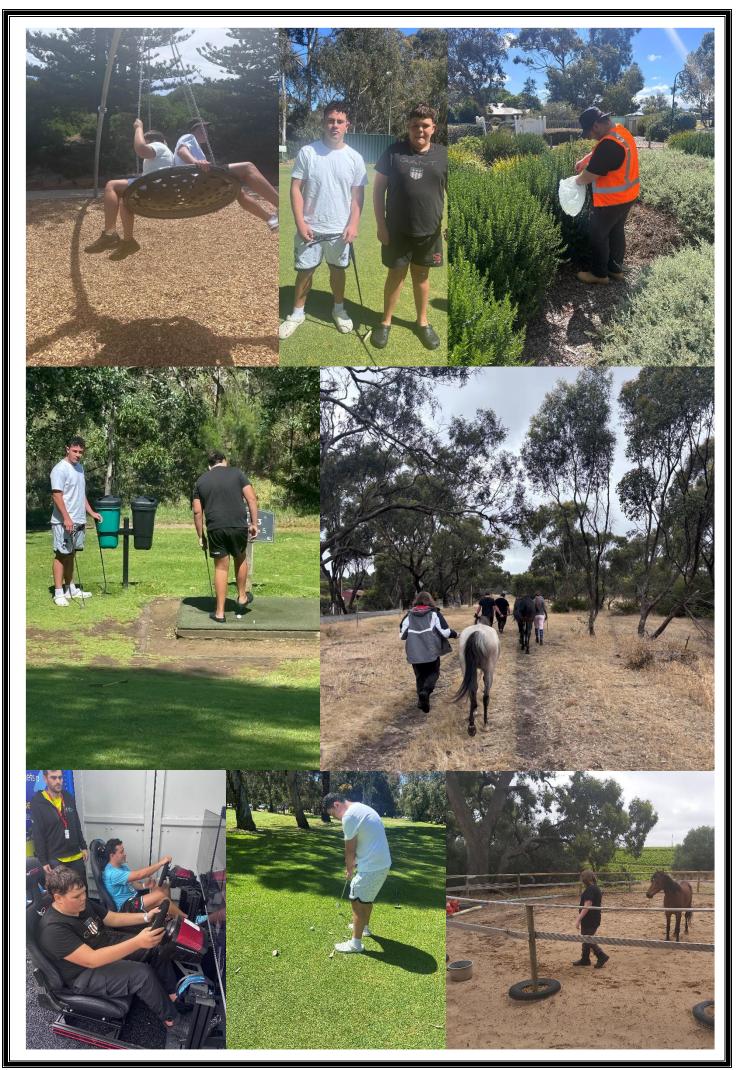
MASTERCHEF & COOKING





WAY OF THE HORSE





Little Para Campus Assistant Principal's Report

It's been a great year out at Little Para. Our overall attendance this year has been the highest it has been in many years, and students have had a lot of success in their goal work because of this. We have had many individual student successes and I have really enjoyed watching students improve. Whether it be their reading in the Macquarie Literacy Program, their friendship and resolution skills, relationships with staff or their ability to ride a bike, as a staff group, we have loved watching students mature and succeed.

Thank you to all the teaching staff and SSO's for their hard work this year, and in particular I would like to thank them for their support for my first year in this role as Head of Campus. Your commitment and flexibility to adapt and offer alternative approaches to education has been amazing and has shown myself, students and families how much you care about your work.

To our students who are not returning, I wish you all the best in your future pathways and hope you stay in touch.

I would like to extend that thanks to all the students and carers of Little Para, Integrate and Gateways. Thank you to each of you and I hope you have a safe and enjoyable break.

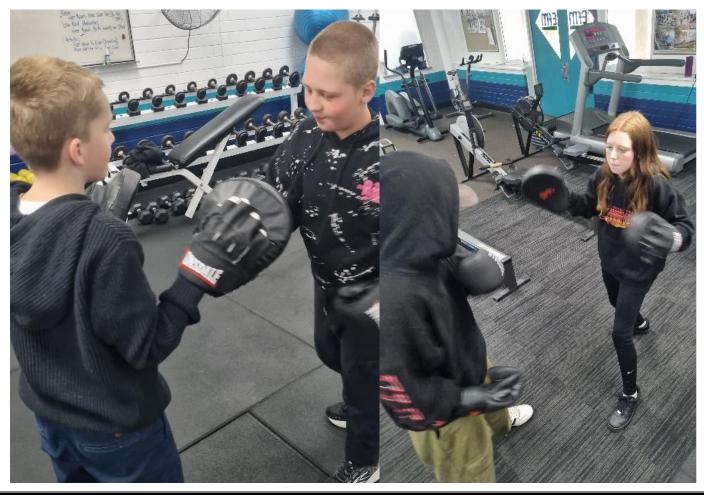
Tammy Scott



FITNESS BOXING



LP2 had the opportunity to participate in a fitness boxing session with RecLink.



Little Para



Destiny



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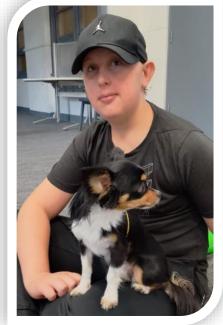




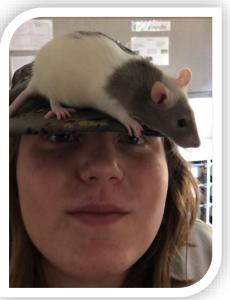
Harper

Logan





Jaylin





Damon



Dannika

Tate

We hope you enjoyed your time at LP and wish you all every success for the future!







Gateways

Thank you for all the good times! well done to everyone in Gateways who has made progress with their SACE by completing 1 subject or more this year, Tom, Marshal, Ethan, Jacqui, Matthew and Olivia.

Best Wishes to all the Year 12 students: Tom, Jordan, Tristan

A very Merry Xmas and Happy New Year to everyone. We look forward to seeing our 2024 Gateways students next year for







Semester 2 this year Integrate students visited the Torrens Road wood workshop on Wednesdays. The students studied tool usage, woodwork joins and workshop safety. The students demonstrated their learning by creating cutting boards, stools and coffee tables. There are lots of future pathways to build work skills offered by Bowden Brompton Community School for our successful woodwork students.

Tom

Carclew Art Workshop



Little Para were lucky enough to have Carclew come out and run a clay workshop. Students enjoyed learning new clay sculpting skills.

SIGNATURES

Wishing you all the best for the future and hope to see you again soon. Jemma ©





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