# Newsletter Term 1 2017



## **PRINCIPALS REPORT**

Term 1, 2017 has been a great success for BBCS and students in so many different ways and I truly believe that we have a wonderful team of staff working with our students. Casey, our latest inclusion to the team has already made positive contributions, engaging students with their core learning, participating in a camp and engaging students with physical activities during break times with great basketball games at Torrens Rd.

All our sites are reporting improvement in student behaviour and engagement in learning with the new daily structure. Special thanks go out to all the staff and students who are preparing meals for the rest of the school.

The therapeutic programs being delivered are having a positive effect on how students relate to each other with the most popular program being the Animal Therapy Program being run by Liz at Torrens Rd and Little Para.

Our involvement with the Beacon foundation is improving our student career aspirations and their preparation for the world of work. Our Vocation Teachers are collaborating to ensure students have a wide variety of industry experiences.

Our Pupil Free Day on 17th and 20th March were of a very high calibre, offering staff Positive Education

strategies to help build resilience, kindness and forgiveness while understanding the neuroscience of our brains and factors that influence behaviour. The parent information evening on Saturday 18th March gave parents an indication of the direction the school is undertaking with students to improve student wellbeing through Positive Education strategies. Thanks to John Hendry for leading the conversation.

Our Ice Factor Team worked as a team to win the Division 2 Tournament and a former student announced that she has gained entry into the Adelaide University to become a lawyer.

As you read through the newsletter you will see so much more that makes me be proud to be the Principal of BBCS and for the parent reading, please take the time to recognise the success your child is having at school.



John Leondaris

#### **IMPORTANT DATES—TERM 2 2017**

**Monday 1st May - PUPIL FREE DAY** 

Tuesday 2nd May - Goal setting Learning Agreements
Wednesday 3rd May - Timetabled lessons commence
Tuesday 9th May to Thursday 11th May - NAPLAN testing
Wednesday 31st May - Mid term parent/student meetings (week 5)
Monday 12th June - QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
Friday 7th July - End of term appointments

### **DEPUTY PRINCIPALS REPORT**



A productive term at Torrens Rd to say the least! We have had a great deal of camps, new learning programs, as well as new relationships with great service providers.

We have seen trips to Arapiles for mountain climbing and Victor Harbor bike camp. Torrens Rd has also seen students visited each Tuesday by a select group of animals including black cockatoos, wallabies and baby goats. It has been a huge success, and will be an established program for the year.

Summer brings a great selection of lessons for students, including surfing. As a new participant, it was great to see leadership taken by students, with role modelling and teaching by senior students to the middle school participants. This has been evident from the vast majority of senior students this term. I am immensely proud of students writing for courses and their applications. As much as we celebrate the successes, we also need to recognise their resilience when missing out on occasion. It is recognised that many of seniors are trying hard and working to achieve, well done.

The new timetable has also been a shift in process which has been successful. Each morning we catch up as a school, and the growth students have shown in speaking in front of groups, as well as receiving positives for their work has been recognised by all staff. It has also been great to see

students share concern for their school, and share their views on how people should behave in a positive way.

Term 2 sees the establishment of new, exciting programs. Many hold health and wellbeing as the core to their learning. The middle school classes are going to be working on a topic of health and happiness each week. Several subjects have adopted a healthy nutrition plan for all kids.

I look forward to next term. All in all, a great start here at Torrens Rd. Be safe, and have a great holiday.



Dan Pearce

#### **BOWDEN BROMPTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL END OF TERM 2 ASSEMBLY INFORMATION:**

Torrens Road Campus - Tuesday 4th July Little Para Campus - Wednesday 5th July Beach Campus - Thursday 6th July

Our school assembly gives the students the chance to show their parents and caregivers the amazing work they have achieved during the term.

## **Torrens Road Campus**

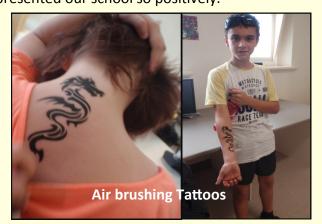
## Harmony Day \* #

To celebrate the theme `Everybody Belongs', we considered a range of cultures for Harmony Day. One of the best ways to understand culture is through flavour. Students and staff enjoyed delicious Mexican food, served via a funky food truck called `TacoCat.'

SACE Food and Hospitality students had the opportunity to see how a food truck operates, and assisted by giving out taco order tickets. They will later interview the manager of TacoCat to learn how to successfully run a food truck business.



Staff noted that students were very respectful towards the TacoCat chefs; well done to those students who represented our school so positively.





Students also got to participate in a range of activities such as: henna and air brushing tattoos, loom bands, volleyball and bike program just to name a few. The Little Para primary school students and Christies Beach senior school students felt welcomed and united as one school as we all came together for Harmony Day.







"Happiness is when what you think, what you say & what you do are in harmony."



## Bike Program thenanigant

The bike program has entered a new phase in 2017 and it has been an exciting new time for teachers and students. The new phase involves students from all campuses working together consistently to make camps and projects come to life.

This term saw students across the school riding the Torrens Road pump track. The pump track is now eight years old and it continues to evolve each week. There was lots of maintenance required after the 3 big rain events that we had between late last year and early this year. We also worked on making the second big jump into a big banked roller.

Term 1 saw the inaugural BBCS Victor Harbor Bike Camp. Nine students from Torrens Road and Beach campus set off with Ryan, Casey, Ben and Kyza for two days of bike filled fun staying in tents overnight at the Victor Harbor Beachfront Holiday Park.

It was really windy and Ben forgot the tent pegs so no-one slept well because the tent went "Flap, flap, fla



Big things are on the horizon for the bike program including rumours of a shipping container start ramp for the TR pump track and whispers of an end of year interstate bike camp with students and staff from across all three sites, EPIC!



## NUTRITION Program

This term BBCS has launched a Nutrition Program which aims to build stamina and well-being through offering a nourishing morning tea and lunch for every student, every day.

Our Staff are all involved, through cooking, serving and eating with students, building good relationships and enhancing our sense of family.

Students who regularly cook meals for our school community have an opportunity to be accredited through SACE Integrated Learning. They are providing a community service and gaining valuable life/employment skills. Some meals students have prepared this term include; Beef Stir Fry, Chicken Curry and spiced potatoes, curried prawn noodles, Spicy Chicken Wraps, Granola with yoghurt and berries, burgers and Spanish tortilla.

### We created San Choy Bau from the cookbook, served in a crunchy lettuce leaf.



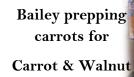




Cooked fast and fresh in the wok, this recipe was a real crowd pleaser.



As Castlemaine delivered two serves of pork to each student, we were also able to make pork schnitzels with parmesan crumbs, served with a garden salad.



muffins



Bowden Brompton is lucky to have the support of a number of sponsors. Oz Harvest deliver quality food parcels each week. Australian Pork Limited, together with Castlemaine have developed a free cookbook and pork supplies for Australian schools.

Well done and thank you to all participating students for the delicious meals we've shared this term.



Will measuring

oil and following the recipe.



## Ice Factor - Ice Hockey Tournament

The team won the Division 2 Tournament 05/04/2017



#### **PURPLE REIGN TEAM MEMBERS:**

Steve M, William C, Ryleigh W, Liam T, Rory J, Kyle EH, Blake Z

Jason Stumer & Casey Taylor helped out on the ice too.

Goal scorers were Steve (6), Ryleigh (6), Kyle (3), Blake (2) Jason (1)

Thank you to Jordy JW for helping out on the day and for the family and friends that came to support us. It was nice to see the Education minister, Susan Close at the opening ceremony.

Well done to all involved.





## Mount Arapiles

Mount Arapiles is a rock formation that rises about 140 metres AHD above the Wimmera plains in western Victoria, Australia. Wikipedia

Elevation: 370 m

First ascent: 23 July 1836

Prominence: 140 m

Location: Wimmera region, Victoria,

Australia

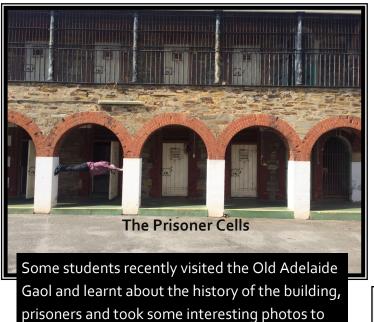
"BBCS Climbing towards Excellence" camp went on a journey in Victoria to Mount Arapiles. Mount Arapiles is a 140m high climbing Mecca, having over 2000 different climbs and hosting people from all over the world.

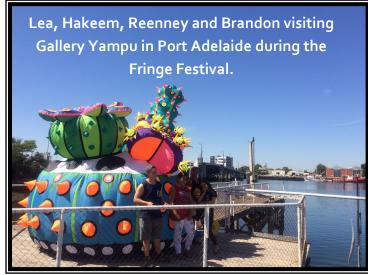
Student Dom, Anthony, Jeremy and Scott participated in the amazing climbing and exploring available. All students did an amazing job and each student pushed their own personal limits to the extreme.

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## STUDENTS FROM MIDDLE AND SENIOR SCHOOL AT TORRENS ROAD ON OUTS FOR CORE LESSON!

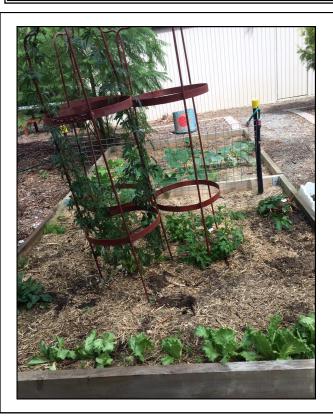








**SENIOR LEARNING TEAM.** 





## ITS HARVEST TIME!

The Gardening class is starting to harvest produce for the school lunches.

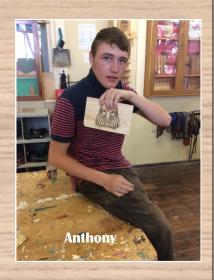
We have planted lettuce, tomatoes, basil, cucumber, zucchini, carrots, capsicum and snow peas

## John's tech lesson

Technology Studies can be relaxing and therapeutic.

As well as skill development and achieving a sense of satisfaction, safety is one of our priorities.





## Fishing

Fishing this term has been fantastic and the students have really had some fun.

Everyone has caught fish and our standout fisherman was Dominic.

His knowledge of fishing techniques, knots and rigs is huge and it even earned him a hat from Ray and Ann's Fishing Tackle.

Great teamwork and everyone looked after one other and shared the knowledge.









## Building Links

The Building Links course runs on Tuesdays. This gives our students the opportunity to achieve a Certificate 1 in Building & Construction. This program has been very popular and we have 7 very keen participants.

One of our students ,Shane is working to achieve his Cert.2. We have been given access to a house in Kilburn that is in need of a complete makeover inside and out and throughout the year we hope to completely refurbish the building with students gaining a wide range of building and construction skills in the process.

## **Little Para Campus**

#### **HEAD OF CAMPUS REPORT**

A happy welcome to the new year, for all the families in the Little Para community, particularly those who are new to us. We hope term one has been a valuable learning experience for your child, academically, socially and emotionally.

This term our Animal care group worked with Liz from Centacare to learn about the endangered Red Tail Black Cockatoo. Liz brought "Fred" to school, a red-tailed black Cockatoo who has been raised in captivity. I think a number of the students were very surprised to find a creature that was significantly louder than them.

The group learnt about Fred's physiology, habitat and the dangers these birds face from humans and introduced feral animals. The students demonstrated fantastic communication skills when they visited the Salisbury North Primary School with Fred to teach one of the junior primary classes about this unique Bird.

A great effort by all, but particularly Jakaian Read-Sayers who took the lead teaching the Salisbury North Group. Well done.



Lee Van Der Hoek

## ART at Little Para

This term, the artists at Little Para have explored different artistic mediums such as modrock, pencils, chalk pastels, oil pastels and acrylic paint.

Our art studio focus has been to take risks and to build resilience when making artworks. We have learnt that our journey through making art is just as important as the finished product. With this outlook, the students have produced artworks that challenge our ideas about what contemporary artwork is.



### **SEE LEFT:**

'John Coltrane's Koln Concert' Artwork by Damon C Acrylic on Canvas.

Damon found inspiration in John Coltrane's music as he painted what he heard.

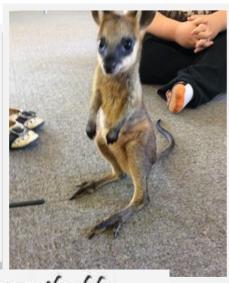
## ANIMAL THERAPY

THIS TERM STUDENTS AT LITTLE PARA PARTICIPATED IN AN ANIMAL CARE PROGRAM.

THEY WORKED WITH AND LEARNT A LOT ABOUT A RANGE OF DIFFERENT ANIMALS. WE MET 'FRED' THE RED TAILED BLACK COCKATOO, WE HAD BABY DUCKLINGS, BABY CHICKS, A WALLABY THAT WAS RESCUED AND NURSED BACK TO HEALTH, AND WE EVEN HAD BABY GOATS NAMED 'SUGAR' AND 'CHLOE'.





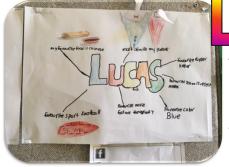




"Saving the life of one animal won't change the world, but the world will certainly change for that one animal."



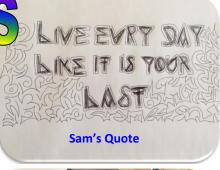
WE THEN WENT OVER TO VISIT SALISBURY NORTH PRIMARY WHERE OUR STUDENTS WERE ABLE TO SHARE THEIR KNOWLEDGE WITH THE YOUNGER CHILDREN.





This term students in LP 1 looked at the concept of Identity in their Literacy and Personal and Social Capability. Recognising their early warning signs, basic needs, strengths, hopes for their future, a personalised poster, identifying connecting and disconnecting habits in relationships and creating an autobiography poem were some of the activities students participated in.

In numeracy students concentrated on estimating and using whole numbers.





This included partitioning numbers, identifying odd/even numbers, using rainbow facts, addition and subtraction strategies and solving everyday numeracy problems.

Students immersed themselves in playing a variety of mathematical games where they were able to strategize answers and work out correct partitioning of numbers and number facts.

They also enjoyed partaking in the new Mathletics computer program the school has commenced this year.

We wish all our students a wonderful, safe and enjoyable Easter break and look forward to seeing them all bright eyed and bushy tailed in term 2 for more learning and fun.

## Poems written by LP1 students

### **JACKSON ROSS**

Generous, Loving, Kind, Caring
Son of Sue and George and
brother of Chris, Jamie, Allanah,
Krystal, Rhiannon and Alex
Lover of video games, scooters
and dogs
Who feels mad

Who finds happiness in playing
Fall Out with my brother and
Black Ops

Who needs food, water and clothes

Who gives love, happiness and jokes

Who fears nothing

Who would like to see the movies Moana, Nemo and Trolls
Who enjoys playing with his mate Jakaian, school and scooters
Who likes to wear jocks whilst playing video games, t-shirts and gangster clothes

"Fight me! I'm a magician.

## **JACE BUCKMASTER**

Kind, funny, fun, nice, happy Son of Felicity and Matthew and brother of Ella

Lover of scooters, gaming and burnouts

Who feels happy, music, nature

Who finds happiness in scooters family and dogs and reptiles

Who needs a dog a scooter and a baby brother

Who gives love, happiness and fun jokes

Who fears nothing

Who would like to see, New York, Washington and Canberra

Who enjoys scooting, doing burnouts with dad and play

games Who likes to wear tank tops, hats

> and bandanas Boom shaka laka!!!

#### **SAM LAWRIE**

Loud, Creative, Sporty and Artistic Grandson of Janice and Lolly, brother of Tyrese

Lover of action sports, soccer & scooters

Who feels adrenalin, fun & a natural high

Who finds happiness in scooters, soccer and buying new scooter parts

Who needs family, scooters and thrills

Who gives laughter, fun and shares scooter parts

Who fears getting killed/attacked, falling off a scooter and getting hit by a car again

Who would like to see New Zealand, Sydney and Queensland

Who enjoys scooters, "stirring the pot" and soccer

Who likes to wear jeans, shorts and jocks

Live Everyday Like it's Your Last!



LP3 has had a great start to the year and have made our newcomer Tristan very welcome.

This term LP3 have been investigating the effects of sugar on the body and how much sugar is in the food we eat. We have been reading nutrition labels and comparing the quantities of sugar in different foods and drinks.

Students of LP3 have been doing measuring activities where we measure the amount of sugar in a variety of soft drink. We have the sugar measured out and kept on display to remind the Little Para group how much sugar is in what we drink, not just eat.

We have done a science experiment with Coke-Cola where we boiled coke down to syrup to see how much sugar is in one drink.





## also in LP3:

We have been working on our foundational facts such as ten facts; skip counting, number lines, triangle facts and hundred facts.

We have continued with our daily metric mental program Quick-smart and students graph their improvement. LP3 continued to develop student understanding of the four number operations  $(+, -, X, \div)$ .

Our Civics and Citizenship lessons have also been going fantastically. LP3 has donated food and time to Hutt Street Centre, Food Bank and the Animal Welfare League.

Keep up the good work LP3.

LP3 team: Brent (teacher), Megan (teacher),

Tristan, Lucas, Damon, Alex H, Alex J, Jayden, Brock & Alby.



# G@NE ISH\NG

During fishing this term we have tried our luck mainly at St Kilda and West Lakes. We have had lots of fun and our catch was mainly small Trumpeters, Whiting, Bream and Tommy Ruff.

The students have really improved with their rigging, baiting and casting skills.

Fishing has become a fun favourite amongst our students at Little Para.



Brent & Tammy

Sam, Alex J, Alex H, Noah, Lucas, Jace, Jayden

















# Let's Do Lunch @ LP

This term at Little Para the Lets do Lunch team have been challenging themselves and improving their confidence in the kitchen through preparing weekly meals for the school to share.

The cooking team have enhanced their culinary skills and made meals such as Spaghetti and Meatballs, Lasagne, Sweet and Sour Chicken, Chicken Soup and Homemade Hamburgers.

Head chiefs Jackson, Jakaian and Lucas have shown their dedication with exceptional attendance and greatly improved in their cooking ability.



## **Beach Campus**

#### **HEAD OF CAMPUS REPORT**

Farewell to Term 1 - 2017 will be over before we know it! The Beach campus welcomes back Rob T. Robwas previously a teacher at the Beach campus but took some short-term leadership roles in other schools before returning to us this year with some new skills, knowledge and initiatives. Nice to have you back Rob.

This year has seen the implementation of a new timetable. Staff members are keen to assist students to be "ready" for learning and we hope that the new activities in the morning and the shared breakfasts assist students to have positive mindsets and be ready for their academic and social learning.

Sharing the two daily meals has also been integral to building a sense of community between staff and students. I would like to see the community meal time grow and over the next term I will be looking at how we can encourage parents, carers and other key partners to joins us.

This year the timetable includes a triple lesson with a focus on English, Maths and Project Based Learning (PBL). This term I have seen a number of classes developing key PBL skills by investigating science projects such as, growing mould on sandwiches in the staff room and developing investigative and reporting skills by visiting and completing reports on historical sites around Adelaide. The Seniors have also been developing a community and environmental PBL focus. I am very interested to see where this project goes.

Several Beach students have been part of two BBCS camps this term. Ben B's bike camp to Victor Harbour was a big success for our students who are both planning to go to Rampfest! Duncan's rock climbing camp helped support Scott to continue with one of his passions and to complete his Assistant Climbers certificate.

We are now half way through Semester 1 and here at the Beach Campus the senior students have been busy engaging with their educational and vocational passions to develop post-school pathways. It's great to see senior students working closely with Jason S to explore vocational pathways and start to develop clear expectations about where they want their futures to be. Many of the Seniors have worked hard to complete the tasks for the PLP. Term two will see the start of the PLP interviews for many senior students. I wish them the best of luck.

Finally I would like to say thank you to all the Beach staff for your ongoing support, patience and hard work. Have a safe holidays and I will see everyone again next term in the 'cold winter' of term 2.

## South Australian History

Students in SS2 at Beach have been looking at South Australian History this term which has seen them visit sites of historical importance around Adelaide. Some of the places visited included Colonel Light Lookout in North Adelaide where students learnt about how Adelaide was laid out and the reasons behind the square mile.

Students also visited the memorial at West Lakes, formally known as Port Misery, representing where the initial migrants would come ashore from England in the 1800's.





Another visit was made to Glenelg and the Old Gum Tree where the Proclamation of South Australia was held in 1836

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