



# BORDERTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLINK

Be honest - Practise bravery - Show kindness

**ISSUE 10 | 31 October  
2025**

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Year 6 High School visit**  
Tues 4<sup>th</sup> + Tues 18<sup>th</sup> November

**Sapsasa Tennis Carnival**  
Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Nov - Wed 5<sup>th</sup> November

**Remembrance Day**  
Tues 11<sup>th</sup> November

**Sports Day**  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November

**Student Free Day**  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November

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### A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The Colour Run-a-thon was a fantastic way to conclude a term filled with engaging events and valuable learning experiences. I would like to extend a special thank you to Kerri Foulds for her outstanding effort in coordinating and organising the day, ensuring it was enjoyable for everyone involved. It was truly wonderful to see so many parents and family members participating and leaving with a vibrant rainbow of colours on their shirts. Thank you to everyone who helped make the day such a memorable success.

Our Year 6 Transition to High School program is well underway. This week, students had the valuable opportunity to meet with some of the current Year 7 students, allowing them to ask questions. This initiative provided an excellent platform for our Year 6 students to express their concerns and gain insights about moving to high school in a safe and supportive environment.



**25km/h past a stationary school bus - this  
applies to all traffic in both directions**

### FROM PAGE ONE...

Our Kindy Transition Parent Meeting on Monday evening was very well attended. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to our current Reception teachers for facilitating the evening and providing valuable information to families. The evening also included a tour of our Reception classrooms, giving parents an opportunity to see our learning environments first-hand.

I had the pleasure of attending the Choir performance in Mount Gambier last Thursday evening. Our students once again performed beautifully and represented our school with pride. Congratulations to Liam, who delivered his solo performance with confidence. I would also like to express my sincere gratitude to Jodie Devitt and Karen Prenzler for their dedication and commitment in rehearsing with the students and preparing them for this wonderful event.

Mrs Kylie Staude

Congratulations to the winners from  
the School Values Drawing  
Competition:

*Dahlia Roshiman  
Madison Clark  
Matilda Green*

Their drawings will be featured in  
the 2025 School Magazine. Thank  
you to everyone who entered.



**A reminder to all parents and caregivers that there is NO supervision on school grounds before 8:30am. For the safety of our students, please ensure they are arriving after this time.**



Our Kids' Voice has donated  
\$287.85 from our school disco  
to the Hospital Ladies Auxiliary

## Sickness at School

We have had some  
sickness at school  
including gastro, colds and  
the flu. A reminder to  
please keep your child  
home if they are unwell.

The exclusion period for  
vomiting and diarrhoea is  
24 hours from the last  
episode of sickness.



**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November**



# Colour Run



The school was transformed into a huge dust of colour on Thursday week 10 last term as we all got hit with a rainbow of colour while participating in the annual runathon.

Congratulations to all participants and thank you to those who have supported this fundraiser. Special mention to the Bordertown Bakery for supplying the bread for our sausage sizzle.

Patrick, Archie and Jason were the fastest runners in their year level groups.





# YEAR 5/6 NOORLA YO LONG EXCURSIONS





# South East Primary School Music Festival

On Thursday October 23rd we performed in front of a packed audience at the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre in Mount Gambier for our final choir performance for this year. Congratulations to Liam Alovera who performed as a soloist and to the choir for such an amazing job all year.



‘I liked Adelaide and Mount Gambier and looking at people smile’

*Georgina*

‘I liked the opportunities of being able to sing in Adelaide and Mount Gambier. I also enjoyed being able to perform with my friends. I loved playing the kazoo’s

*Grace*

## Sapsasa Girls Football State Carnival



We started off the Sapsasa Football Carnival with 3 losses on the first day but on the second day we managed to get a win.

On the third and final day we finished the carnival with 3 losses. Although the results didn’t go our way it was a great experience meeting new friends and having fun!

*Ivy*

# SPORTS DAY

FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER  
THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

## MENU

### School BBQ

Sausages \$2.50

Chicken burgers - halal \$3.50

Order these options for the whole family on Qkr! by Tuesday 11th Nov 5pm

Thai food van - various options available on the day

Fruit boxes \$2.00

Bottles of water \$2.00

Slushies \$1.00

Cake stall from \$1.00  
(available in the canteen shed)



## DONUTS



Order your team colour donut via Qkr! by Tuesday 5.00pm to enjoy at recess on Sports Day only

**\$4.50**

## PARENT BEHAVIOUR AT SPORTS DAY

We love having our families join us to celebrate our students' efforts and achievements. To help create a positive and supportive environment for all, please remember to encourage all students, model good sportsmanship, and cheer respectfully. Our staff are here to support and supervise students, so please allow them to lead activities and follow any instructions given on the day. Thank you for helping make Sports Day fun and safe for everyone!

## TOILETS

Toilets for adults and toddlers will be located at the gym and in the specialists foyer. Please refer to the map in the booklet. All students will use the toilets in their foyers.



## COFFEE VAN

A coffee van will be available throughout the day

A Sports Day Program will be sent home On Thursday of week 5

## Sports Day morning tea donations

We are seeking single serve, precut pieces of morning tea (cake/cupcakes, biscuits, slices) to be delivered to the Breakfast Club Kitchen on the morning of Sports Day between 8:30-9am. We are also looking for volunteers from 8-9am, 9-10am & 10-11am

Please contact the front office if you are able to help with a donation or help to prepare and serve.



## FROM OUR PASTORAL CARE WORKER

Congratulations to this amazing bunch of Mums who have recently completed Circle of Security Parenting! These mums invested in 8 weeks of acknowledging the important role they play as an 'Attachment figure' in their children's lives, and the beautifully rich and important role this has in creating and forming our wonderful little people.

Through participating in Circle of Security, not only have these mums gained invaluable knowledge on how to connect with and respond to their children's social and emotional needs, they can recognise areas within themselves that may trigger their own responses to our children's behaviours.

Circle of Security is based on Attachment Theory, a well known theory within Developmental Psychology that describes the needs of children from birth right through to adulthood and the importance relationships and connection have in building resilience, kindness, executive functioning and mental strength.

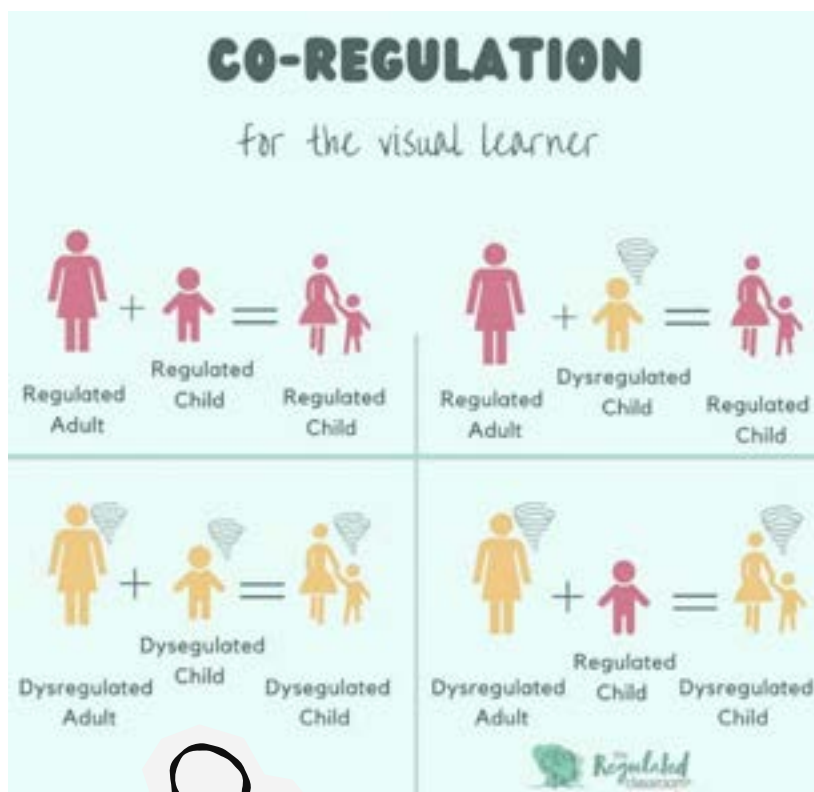
Circle of Security takes the brain science of co-regulation (in Circle language, we call this 'Organise My Feelings'), and understanding children's needs as they go about their days of exploring, learning, and coming back to you as their safe haven, and the vital role of being 'in relationship' with our children.

If you'd like to know more about Circle of Security, please contact me.  
Registrations for 2026 Circle programs will open soon!

Chelsea March



"Circle of Security has empowered me as a caregiver and given me tools to understand my child's needs and how to respond to those needs. By understanding my triggers and my child's cues throughout this course, has helped me build a stronger connection with my child. I highly recommend Circle of Security" 2025 Participant.



# Parent Workshop

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November  
6:15-7pm

Bordertown Primary School Library  
RSVP via the front office 8752 1888



## SUPPORTING PARENTS

Dolly's Dream workshop on Parenting in the Digital Age supports parents and carers understand how bullying and online usage can affect their children and young people. Exploring practical ways to provide support, focusing on open communication and building resilience at home.

### Why?

As internet usage is at an all-time high, we need to know how to protect our children and young people from the various online risks. By understanding the effects of bullying, we can create a safe environment that encourages empathy and respect, helping our kids feel supported and valued.

By participating parents/carers will have a deeper understanding of:

- the emotional and mental effects of both online and offline bullying.
- the proper channels for reporting harmful content on social media.
- insights into current trends and safety strategies in young people's online interactions.
- effective communication skills to support open discussions with their children.
- strategies that can be used at home that nurture respect, empathy, and resilience



[www.dollysdream.org](http://www.dollysdream.org)



## AUSTRALIAN MATHS TRUST

We had 30 students from years 3-6 engage in the 2026 Maths Challenge at the end of Term 2. This involved spending 4 lessons working on several mathematics problems either individually or in a small group. Congratulations to all our mathematicians, especially Tiarnan, Cadence, Skye and Ivy who received a distinction for their efforts.

| Participation | Proficient                                                                            |                                                                      | Credit                                                                        | Distinction                       |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Hannah        | Mason<br>Isla<br>Joshua<br>Archie<br>Charlie<br>Arthur<br>Isaiah<br>Justin<br>Jasmine | Liam<br>Max<br>Elise<br>Jaya<br>Tahlia<br>Charlotte<br>Isaac<br>Jeff | Anna<br>Rovan<br>Luke<br>Kenzie<br>Nidhi<br>Libbi<br>Oscar<br>Callie<br>Gemma | Tiarnan<br>Cadence<br>Skye<br>Ivy |

## Free workshop

### 1 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Mount Gambier, SA



Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to register



This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.



Wednesday  
19 November, 2025  
9-11am to 3:00pm



Southgate Motel  
175 Commercial Street East  
MOUNT GAMBIER SA 5290

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided



Interpreters available upon request

#### During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Working together with your child's school.

Learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

For more information or to register visit:  
or [www.positivepartnerships.com.au/PC](http://www.positivepartnerships.com.au/PC)  
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## BORDERTOWN

### SPRING FESTIVAL & SHOW

#### PRIMARY SCHOOL ENTRIES

Decorated Cupcakes, Honey Crackles, Decorated Lolly Necklaces,  
Pizza (homemade base), Decorated Biscuits Any Shape and/or  
Nutritious School Lunch in a Box (excluding packaged items).  
Unbaked Slice or Brownie.  
Vase Arrangement, Floating Arrangement, Novelty Arrangement  
(including wet sand, recycled/waste, novelty container)  
Herbs, Vegetables (any variety)  
Egg Head (decorated eggshells with cross hair)  
Hen Eggs, Bantam Eggs and Any Other Eggs



Grow It. Make It. Bake It. Show It.

## BORDERTOWN

### SPRING FESTIVAL & SHOW

#### SATURDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2025 PRIMARY SCHOOL ENTRIES

Painting (your choice)  
Drawing (your choice of pencil, pen, texta, charcoal etc)  
Colouring in Competition  
Piece of Jewellery (using jolly pens, pasta etc.)  
Painted Rock  
Handmade Greeting or Birthday Card  
Decorated Book or Shoe or Thing  
Decorated Hat  
Box Construction (max size 60cm x 60cm)  
Any Article Depicting Theme of Show - Grow It, Make It, Bake It, Show It.  
Any Other Craft Not Listed  
Any Item Using Lego, Duplo (in a kit or own design)  
Any other Construction Meccano, K'Nex, Connectix etc.



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SEASON 2025-26

## WE ARE PASSIONATE

### 5 REASONS why you should register for Little Athletics!

Meet new people and spend time with your family and friends.

Improve your physical fitness and mental wellbeing.

Achieve your personal best and continue to improve your skills.

Participate in a variety of different events at your weekly meets.

Have the opportunity to participate in local club meets and competitions.

REGISTER TODAY at

[salaa.org.au](http://salaa.org.au)

Bordertown Little Athletics - Bordertown High School Oval - Friday 7th November  
Tiny Tots 3-5years old & School Age Students 4- 5:30PM  
\*WE ACCEPT SPORTS VOUCHERS\*

## BORDERTOWN

### SPRING FESTIVAL & SHOW

#### PRIMARY SCHOOL ENTRIES

Any Item Using Lego - Kit Form  
Any Item Using Lego - Own Design  
Any Other Construction Meccano, K'Nex, Connectix etc.  
Cubicles  
Students to be displayed on a low table and to have only 2 items. The criteria is to make something, bake something and show something.  
Photography of Any Creature (Big or Small Pets), An Action Shot, Clouds, Farm Life Cropping, Scene, Shearing etc, Nature, Sunset/Sunrise and/or Own Choice

Check out our show book or keep up to date on socials or visit [bordertownshow.org.au](http://bordertownshow.org.au) for more info