

Newsletter 08 29th August 2024

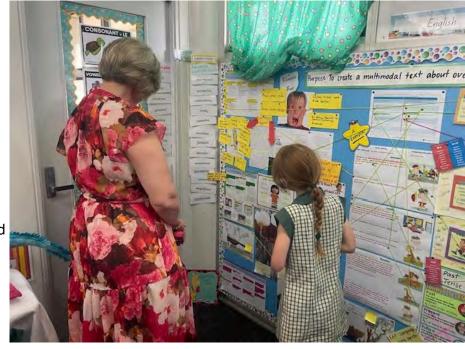
Learning Highlight: 3C

This week, we had some very special visitors to the school. Mrs Sharon McMorrow, School Improvement Coach and Dave Hillhouse, our School Supervisor. As part of our participation in the Instructional Leadership pilot program I wrote about in the newsletter earlier this term (Week 5 on 9/8), they visited with us to do our first learning walk and talk together.

We are participating in this program alongside 39 other schools to support the development of a state-wide Instructional Leadership program. We were identified as a school leading the way in this area of teaching and learning and being selected to participate is a wonderful acknowledgement of the work we do here at Bargara State School. As part of this pilot program, we will conduct visits to other schools to support their work and we also invite our Coach and other schools to our school to share the work we are doing.

This week as part of our learning walk and talk, we visited with 3C and spoke with April and Liam about their

current English unit and work. They spoke beautifully about how they are working on writing their own narrative, multimodal story about overcoming a fear. They showed us their work and talked about the things they are working on to ensure they reach their learning goals. They spoke about the different elements they were working on such as including precise verbs, descriptive language and that they are about to do their conferencing with Mrs Jordan as they edit their drafts ready for their final piece that will be produced on the computer.



Part of the conversation they had with Mrs McMorrow (pictured) was about how they use their fabulous learning wall that they co-constructed with Mrs Jordan and the class to really pull apart and help guide the teaching and learning components of this unit. It was evident that 3C is loving this unit of work and showed a deep understanding of what they are working on and why. Mrs McMorrow will visit with us in the last week of term and we can't wait to see how 3C's final pieces of work come together! Well done 3C!

Book Fair

This week, Mrs Lowe has hosted our fantastic Book Fair event. It has been a wonderful week with lots of excitement about reading. If you haven't been yet, please see opening times and ways to order in the Book Fair flyer later in the



newsletter. It is open again one last time on Monday before and after school. Thanks to Mrs Lowe for putting this all together for us and for supporting students and families with this wonderful opportunity for our community.

Year 4 Camp

This week, our Year 4 students embarked on an unforgettable camp adventure at Splitter's Farm. The camp was filled with exciting activities, fun challenges, and new friendships, making it a highlight of the school year.

Students experienced the joy of outdoor camping as they set up their tents and settled into their home away from home. For many, it was their first time camping and was very exciting. The two days were packed with activities that kept everyone engaged and entertained.

One of the most magical moments of the camp was the movie night under the stars where we got together to watch a family-friendly film, surrounded by the beauty of nature. The starry sky provided the perfect backdrop, making it a truly memorable experience.

The camp also offered a taste of traditional bushcraft with damper making. The students had a great time mixing the ingredients, shaping their dough, and cooking it over an open fire. The warm, freshly made damper was a hit, especially with a dollop of butter and a drizzle of honey!

Exploring the farm was a big highlight for everyone. The farm tours allowed students to get up close and personal with a variety of animals. They learned about the animals' habitats, feeding habits, and the importance of sustainable farming practices. Farm bingo added an element of fun as students eagerly ticked off the animals and objects they spotted as well.

Water activities were a major hit, with canoeing and kayaking providing plenty of thrills and splashes. Under the careful supervision of our staff and guides, the students paddled their way around the lake, honing their teamwork skills and having a lot of fun in the process.

And let's not forget the excitement of go-karting! The students put their driving skills to the test on the camp's go-kart track. The friendly competition and the joy of racing around the track brought out big smiles and lots of laughter.

Our Year 4 camp at Splitter's Farm was more than just a series of activities; it was an opportunity for students to step out of their comfort zones, connect with nature, and create lasting memories with their classmates. A big thank you to Mr Johnson, Mrs Zielke, Mrs Chicas, Mrs Smith and Mrs McKay and Splitter's Farm staff who made this adventure possible. We look forward to many more camps like this in the future!









Dorrie Day

Today Mrs Campbell and Mrs Bentley attended the Dorrie Day with some of our Year 5 & 6 First Nations students.

Some of the amazing experiences offered:

Empowering Insights: The line up of guest speakers—from First Nations community members to seasoned professionals—shared their personal journeys, triumphs, and challenges in navigating the workforce.

Candid conversations that shed light on the realities of employment, along with invaluable advice on seizing opportunities and overcoming obstacles.

Cultural Celebration: The day kicked off with a heartfelt Welcome to Country and a Traditional Smoking Ceremony led by our respected First Nations Elders. Students were captivated by the mesmerising performances of local dance troupes, who wove tales of

2024 DORRIE DAY CARRIVAL OF BUNDABERG tral Queensland University CQU FREE SHUTTLE BUS **AVAILABLE ALL DAY TO & FROM EXPO** FROM PICKUP LOCATIONS Guest Speakers **Current Job Opportunities Current Training & Education** Opportunities Support to Apply for Jobs Interactive Displays Footy Clinic with NRL Stars Win Prizes in Scavenger Hunt FREE BBQ Free BBQ Lunch SCAN CODE TO OÞ.W LEARN WORE ABOUT DORRIE DAY

culture and heritage through their graceful movements. Students were invited to join in the final dance and experience the joy of community spirit.

Interactive Workshops: Students dove into a world of hands-on learning with engaging workshops designed to spark curiosity and creativity. Whether it was honing practical skills, exploring emerging industries, or discovering hidden talents, there was something for every aspiring young mind.

Epic Scavenger Hunt: Who doesn't love a good challenge? Students participated in an exhilarating scavenger hunt where they hunted for treasures and vie for coveted prizes like laptops, IT tech bags, and more. It's was the ultimate test of teamwork, wit, and determination!

For further insight into this event and organisation, please find attached the link to the PCCC YouTube channel and PCCC Website:

- https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzAxdTRgIdmWMnD-x3K4UdQ
- www.pccctrust.com.au

It was wonderful to come together to celebrate the limitless possibilities that lie ahead to inspire, educate, and empower the next generation of leaders, innovators, and change-makers.







Maths Team Challenge

On Tuesday 27th August, three teams of Year 5 and Year 6 students represented Bargara State School in the Maths Team Challenge Competition at Avoca State School. The event brought together schools from across the region to compete in a series of problem-solving and mathematical reasoning challenges. Our teams demonstrated fantastic teamwork, critical thinking and "mathmanship" through the competition with Team One placing 2nd within the 'A' school's division.



Congratulations to all participants for their hard work and dedication and a special thank you to teachers, parents and Chappy Nic for preparing and supporting our teams for this event!

Sporting Precinct Grant Application Outcome

I am sad to announce that we have recently received news that our 2023 application for a Go For Gold grant to support the development of a sporting precinct in Bargara was unsuccessful.





While we scored the highest in 3 out of 4 categories, the one category that we did not score well was in relation to something we cannot control, our ICSEA (a score of a school's Index of Community Socio-educational Advantage as a scale of socio-educational advantage).

The Index of Community Socio-educational Advantage (ICSEA) is a scale of socio educational advantage that is computed for each school and enables comparisons between a selected school and all students with a similar background based on the level of educational advantage or disadvantage that students bring to their academic studies. An ICSEA value is not a rating of the school, its staff or teaching programs, nor its overall student performance in testing programs. The development of ICSEA involves external government departments collecting student family background data and identifying, with a statistical model and is not something we can control in any way.

Bargara State School ICSEA value of 996 is in the 44th percentile which means that Bargara SS is more educationally advantaged than 44% of schools in Australia and more educationally disadvantaged than 56% of schools in Australia.

While we met the ICSEA criteria to apply (it had to be under 1000), this means that other schools with a lower ICSEA have also applied and scored higher in this category, meaning our application was unsuccessful when rated against others.

What does this mean for the sporting precinct? We have amazing plans in place now and I am hoping these can be put to good use for future Council or infrastructure planning and/or funding.

We are incredibly grateful to the Bundaberg Regional Council and many community partners who worked with us to support the months of work we undertook to complete the application and we will keep seeking ways to hopefully make this opportunity to come to fruition one day.

Events Reminders for Next Week

- Next week on Monday, we have our School Performance STEM Circus Spectacular show for all students. Please ensure payment is received by Monday.
- Monday we also have some Year 5 students attending a Taste of ACE day at Kepnock State High School
- On Monday, we are excited to see our concert band perform on parade as well
- Tuesday is our P&C Hotdog day for those students who ordered by Wednesday this week via QKR
- Tuesday Kepnock SHS host their 3rd enrolment evening from 5-6.30pm at Kepnock
- Wednesday and Friday Prep swimming continues
- Wednesday we also have a vintage car visit for P-2
- Play group is on Friday 9-11 and all community members with children under 5 are welcome to attend

Health Alert

We continue to have cases Influenza A being confirmed. We also have another confirmed case of whooping cough and one case of confirmed chicken pox.

Please continue to monitor your child's health, keep them home if unwell and follow QLD Health guidelines for treatment and exclusion periods that apply to these medical conditions.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone!

Kind regards,

Bec Rayner Principal REMINDER
THIS FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST
IS A STUDENT FREE DAY































DORRIE DAY

























STUDENT OF THE WEEK					
Prep A	Robbi				
Prep B	Imogen				
1A	Lilah-Rose				
1B	Leo F				
1/2C	Oscar				
2A	Kayden				
2B	Chloe				
3A	Kimberley				
3B	Ella				
3C	Kate				
4A	Tate				
4B	Rebel				
5A	Isla				
5B	Sam				
5/6C	Theo & Ruby				
6A	Blaiden				
6B	Mila				

HOME READING LOGS					
Prep A	Cayde				
Prep B	Millie Adam Eden				
1A	Amelia (
2A	Benji				
2B	Aerius				
3C	Cohen				
4A	Tate				

School assembly is on Monday afternoons in the hall at 2:10pm. Parents are welcome to attend.

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE P&C MEETING

Our P&C meetings are a great way to:

- Meet other parents and community minded people
- Stay informed on what's happening within the school
- Learn new skills and share a laugh
- Be a part of the school's decision making process
- Support fundraising events and investment in our school

Meetings are held once a month in the school admin building.

Come along to our next meeting Wednesday 11th September at 6pm.

DRI AWARDS							
PBL AWARDS BRONZE							
Prep A	Alex Benji Mila Lillian Evie Mia						
	Curtis						
Prep B	Skylar						
2B	Aerius Ryker						
3A	Ben						
3B	Alex Jaken Jaxon Ella Ava Indi Nate						
3C	Elijah Noah Hunter Millie						
	SILVER						
Prep A	Arlo Robbi Lottie						
Prep B	Fynn Madison Adam						
1/2C	Malakai Mia Dominic						
2B	Lexi Sunny						
3A	Kimberley Delilah Oliver						
3C	April Joshua Kate Lila						
5B	Daniel Evie Poppy Sabella						
Prep A	GOLD Ocean						
Prep B	Harriet						
	Lincoln H						
1A	Shae						
1/2 C	Maggie Edie Indi Ruby Freya Sadie Kahlani Stella						
2A	Benji August						

DATE CLAIMERS

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	TERM 3	TERM 4						
WEEK 1 08/07/24 to 12/07/24	Mon: Term 3 Commences	WEEK 1 30/0924 to 04/10/24	Mon: Term 4 Commences Fri: Playgroup 0-5 Years 9:00am -10:45am					
WEEK 2 15/07/24 to 19/07/24	Mon-Fri: NAIDOC Week Mon-Sat: Bundaberg Eisteddfod Solo Wed: -Free Dress Day for State of Origin (no gold coin donation) Fri: Interschool Sports	WEEK 2 07/10/24 to 11/10/24	Mon: King's Birthday Public Holiday Fri: World Mental Health Day -Playgroup 0-5 Years 9:00am -10:45am -Remembrance Day					
WEEK 3 22/07/24 to 26/07/24	Mon-Fri: Life Education (Healthy Harold) Mon-Fri: Bundaberg Eisteddfod Ensembles Thur: BookClub Orders Due Fri: Interschool Sports	WEEK 3 14/10/24 to 18/10/24	Wed: P&C Meeting 6pm in Admin Building Fri: Year 3-6 Swimming					
WEEK 4 29/07/24 to 02/08/24	Mon-Tue: Life Education (Healthy Harold) Wed: -Art Show -P&C Meeting 6pm in Admin Building Fri: -Principal's Day -Interschool Sports	WEEK 4 21/10/24 to 25/10/24	Fri: -World Teacher's Day -Day for Daniel -Year 3-6 Swimming					
WEEK 5 05/08/24 to 09/08/24	Tue: Year 5 Taste of Kepnock (Depart Bargara SS 8:15am & Return 1:45pm) Thur-Fri: Bundaberg Jumps/Sprints Day NO INTERSCHOOL SPORTS THIS WEEK	<u>WEEK 5</u> 28/10/24 to 01/11/24	Fri: Year 3-6 Swimming					
<u>WEEK 6</u> 12/08/24 to 16/08/24	Wed & Fri: Prep Swimming Fri: -Bullying No Way Day -Playgroup 0-5 Years 9:00am -10:45am -Interschool Sports -School Opinion Survey Closes	<u>WEEK 6</u> 04/11/24 to 08/11/24	Thur: Outdoor Education Day Fri: Year 3-6 Swimming					
WEEK 7 19/08/24 to 23/08/24	**BOOK WEEK** NO REGULAR SCHOOL ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK Mon: Book Week costume parade 2pm in the hall - parents welcome Wed & Fri: Prep Swimming Wed: P&C Meeting 6pm in Admin Building Fri: -Premiers Reading Challenge Concludes -Playgroup 0-5 Years 9:00am -10:45am -Father's Day Stall -Interschool Sports	WEEK 7 11/11/24 to 15/11/24	Mon: Remembrance Day Wed: -World Kindness Day - P&C Meeting 6pm in Admin Building Fri: Prep 2025 Orientation Session 1 9am- 10:45am -Year 3-6 Swimming					
WEEK 8 26/08/24 to 30/08/24	Mon-Fri: Teacher Aide Appreciation Week Tue: -Maths Team Challenge 9.30-1.00pm Avoca SS -Gruffalo Show Moncrief Theatre 10am- Prep, Yr 1 including Yr 1/2C Wed & Thur: Year 4 Camp to Splitters Farm Wed: -Prep Swimming Thur: Prep Father's Day Event (last session) - Dorrie Day First Nations Event (select students only) Fri: Student Free Day	WEEK 8 18/11/24 to 22/11/24	Tue: International Men's Day Thur: Prep Parent Information Session 3:15pm - 4:15pm					
WEEK 9 02/09/24 to 06/09/24	Mon: -School Performance Tours: STEM Circus Spectacular -Year 5 Kepnock SHS Taste of Ace (select students only) Tues: P&C Hot Dog & Soft Drink Day (1st Break) Wed & Fri: Prep Swimming Fri: -Playgroup 0-5 Years 9:00am -10:45am	WEEK 9 25/11/24 to 29/12/24	Mon: Instrumental Music Band Instruments Returned Wed: Prep 2025 Orientation Session 2 9am- 10:45am Thur: Award Ceremony Fri: Swimming Carnival					
WEEK 10 09/09/24 to 13/09/24	Wed: -P&C Meeting 6pm in Admin Building -Cup Cakes for Chappy- R U OK Theme Thur: R U OK Day Fri: -Playgroup 0-5 Years 9:00am -10:45am -PBL Rewards 11:30am -1:00pm	WEEK 10 02/12/24 to 06/12/24	Tue: International Day of Persons with a Disability Thurs: PBL Rewards Day -Year 3 Camp					
		WEEK 11 09/12/24 to 13/12/24	Thurs: Class Parties Fri: Year 6 Celebration Day -Year 6 Ringing of the Bell					







CONGRATULATIONS 5A FOR BEING OUR ATTENDANCE CLASS OF THE WEEK!



CONGRATULATIONS PREP A FOR BEING OUR TIDIEST CLASS FOR THE WEEK!





CONGRATULATIONS ON REACHING YOUR READING GOALS!





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TEACHER AIDE OF THE WEEK

Mrs Bacon

Mrs Bentley

Mrs Dyba

Mrs Kidd

Mr Leeds

Mrs Lowe

Mrs Shannon

Mrs Smith

And all of our relief Teacher Aides



Bargara State School Book Fair starts this Monday 26th August

Students will have the opportunity to view the items on display in the school with their classes where they will create a 'wish list'. The students take this home so parents can then scan the QR code for *easy* Pre-Payments. If ordering online , students <u>MUST</u> return their wish list with the receipt number written on it before they can receive their purchase.

Before school and after school opportunities to purchase items are shown below. Payments can be made in cash (correct change preferred), EFTPOS will be available however a 1% surcharge will apply on all Visa, Mastercard & iPhone Tap & Go payments. All students who purchase a book will go into draw to win a \$15 voucher to spend at the book fair. There are 4x \$15 vouchers to be won!



Book Fair Opening Times for Families	Mon 26th Aug	Tues 27th Aug	Thurs 29th Aug	Mon 2nd Sept
8.00-8.45 AM	NOT AVAILABLE	Library	Library	Library
3.00-3.45 PM	Library	Library	Library	Library

SCHOLASTIC Book Fairs



SCAN the Code for easy Pre-Payments

Use your smart phone camera

Open the camera App focus on the QR code

Tap the yellow scholastic.com.au link – this takes you to the Scholastic Book Fair Parent Pre-Payment page

Scroll down

Tap the purple PROCEED button

- 1. Select your state using the dropdown arrow
- 2. Enter the name of your School (just the first part should be enough)
- 3. Select School
- 4. Enter Name and Amount
- 5. Make Payment using Credit Card Details
- 6. Record the Receipt Number (on the Wish List or Invitation and give it to your Book Fair Organiser)
- 7. Choose your Books from the Book Fair- up to the value you selected!



GOLF DAY SPONSORS REQUIRED

WE ARE SEEKING YOUR HELP WITH OUR FUNDRAISING EFFORTS!

PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT GOLF DAY AND THE SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS!



- **Sponsor a hole for \$50.** Business signage can be displayed prominently on the tee or behind the green of the hole;
- **Donate a prize**, which would be acknowledged during the presentation. Prizes are required for the raffle, winning teams, nearest the pin and longest drive.

We would greatly appreciate any assistance you could provide in support of our efforts to foster community connection and fundraise for our great school.

If you have any questions, please contact us by email at pandcebargarass.eq.edu.au





We are seeking your help with our fundraising efforts!

Please spread the word about Ladies Night and the sponsorship options!

Your business can help by:
Sponsoring a Money Board for \$50.;
Donating a prize for our Raffle.

We will acknowledge your support on the night, in our newsletter and on our Facebook Page

We would greatly appreciate any assistance you could provide in support of our efforts to foster community connection and fundraise for our school! If you have any questions, please contact us by email at pandc@bargarass.eq.edu.au



Inviting community members with children 0-5 years to join us for our Term 3 and 4 Playgroup program.

Venue: Bargara State School Prep Area, Potters Road

Time: 9.00am - 10.45am Dates: Friday Mornings

16th and 23rd August, 6th and 13th September 4th and 11th October

Come along and enjoy mornings of sunshine together connecting with community and learning through play. Everyone welcome!

Parents or carers must stay to supervise children throughout the mornings.

Please bring a water bottle, fruit snack and hat.

Contact: Bargara State School (07) 4150 5333 or admin@bargarass.eq.edu.au for further information





2025 PREP ENROLMENTS AND INTERVIEWS

Accepting enrolments now! Vacancies open for in and out of catchment students for Prep 2025. Please collect enrolment packs from the school office and book an appointment for an Enrolment Interview.

2025 PREP ORIENTATION MORNINGS

Children and families enrolled for Prep in 2025 at Bargara State School are invited to attend two fun filled mornings exploring the Prep classrooms and meeting school staff.

Dates: Friday 15th November 2024

Wednesday 27th November 2024

Time: 9.00am - 10.45am

Venue: Bargara State School Prep Classrooms, Potters Road

* Parents or carers must stay to supervise children throughout the morning.

Please bring a water bottle, hat and fruit snack.

2025 PREP PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

Dates: Thursday 21st November 2024

Time: 3.15pm - 4.15pm

Venue: Bargara State School Library

BARGARA STATE SCHOOL CONTACT DETAILS

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- ORIENTATION AND PERSONALISED INTERVIEWS
- CONNECTING WITH THE CHILD AND FAMILY

WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU SOON