

# Barooga Public School Newsletter



Term 3, Week 3

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2023

## PBL Focus: Hands Off!

### Important Dates

Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Kindergarten Information Session One: 1pm -3pm Kindergarten Information Session Two: 6pm -7pm
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> July	Naidoc Cultural Collections Event in Mulwala/Yarrowonga
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> July	BPS Athletics Carnival
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> August	AFL Championships Assembly
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> August	Kinder transition 9.30am -11.30am
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> August	Zone Athletics Carnival at BPS

## Barooga GOLD



Congratulations to Robert, Wes and Jordan who achieved their **BAROOGA GOLD** at this week's K-6 Assembly after receiving 10 LONG AND STRONG AWARDS. The trio are our inaugural recipients of this award which has been instilled in 2023. The boys received their pennant in front of family members. All students who achieve BAROOGA GOLD will be treated to a celebratory breakfast accompanied by a BPS staff member. 🏆  
Our next wave of awards will be presented at our Week 5 K-6 Assembly.



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# Principal's Report

Dear Parents, Carers and Supporters of BPS,

Welcome to a fresh fortnight at BPS. We have hit the ground running this term settling back into familiar routines with fresh optimism for the term ahead. I'd like to begin by thanking all parents/carers who attended a face to face or phone meeting with their child's teacher/s last week. Many staff are continuing to meet with parents this week. I trust the conversations were informative and resulted in co-developed goals for your children. We achieved close to 70% coverage in most classes. This is a promising indicator of the importance which you all place on the education of your child.

## Kindergarten/Preschool Visits

Our scheduled visits with local Kindergarten and Early Education centres continued this week. We had the pleasure of welcoming children from Eileen Taylor Kindergarten, Punt Road Kindergarten and Childcare and Barooga Trikki Kidz. During the visit, children shared a special story book with Mrs Swoffer all about our school, listened to our school song being sung to them by a group of Yr 3/4 students, spent time in the garden and of course a decent slice of playtime on our playground!

I would like to acknowledge Mrs Swoffer for her dedicated approach to coordinating visits and to our Yr 3/4 students for forming a bespoke choir!

I would like to share some amazing feedback received from the staff at Punt Road Kindergarten and Childcare who accompanied the children to our school. I quote:

*"Today we experienced what it's like to be just like 'the kids from Barooga'. Thank you Mrs Swoffer, Mr Collins and the grade 3/4 leaders who showed such passion, knowledge of and dedication to their school. The school grounds are 'just like a farm' - science and nature were everywhere. Veggies taking over the gardens that are used in the BPS kitchen, so beautiful and so interesting. The rainbow serpent made from boomerangs sunning itself against the bricks. There was something to look at and enjoy from every angle! A special thanks to our special people taking time from their learning to be available for a quick hello and hug. Thanks BPS, what a proud and wonderful community you have created. ★"*



# Principal's Report

**Week 3** - We are at the beginning of a MEGA week at BPS. Ironically, NSW Education Week falls next week, however this week we are at the peak of our powers with regard to offering the full suite of opportunities bestowed upon children who attend NSW Public Schools! A snapshot below:

Tuesday - 25.07.23	Wednesday - 26.07.23	Thursday- 27.07.23	Friday- 28.07.23
<p><b>Junior, 11 Years &amp; Senior Boys High Jump</b></p> <p><b>Athletics House Meetings inc Nominations</b></p> 	<p><b>NSWPSSA AFL Knockout R3 BPS vs Comb BerrPS/JPS</b></p>  <p>✅ <b>Permission Note due ASAP</b></p>	<p><b>Many Mobs NAIDOC Cultural Connections Event</b></p>  <p>✅ <b>Permission Note due 26.07.23</b></p>	<p><b>BPS Athletics</b></p>  <p>✅ <b>Permission Note due 27.07.23</b></p> <p>✅ <b>Meal Deal Due 27.07.23 or earlier!</b></p>
	<p><b>Kindergarten 2024 Information Sessions</b>  <b>Session #1- 1:00pm</b>  <b>Session #2 – 6:00pm</b></p> 	<p><b>Donations Required! Home-Baked Goods</b>  <b>School Athletics Carnival Friday 28th July</b>  Please bring goods to the school office by 9am Friday 28th July.  *Remember to attach a list of ingredients</p> 	

## LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY VALUES AWARD - BAROOGA POLICE ★

Senior Constable Amanda Jackson from the Barroga Police Station presented Harley Ranken with a Leadership and Values Award which highlights a student who has consistently displayed leadership and always upholds community values. Harley is a deserving winner of this award who always displays a kind and caring nature towards students and staff. He eagerly attends classes ready to learn and has recently made impressive progress working with Mrs Swoffer during English groups.



# Principal's Report

## Breakfast Club - Delayed Launch

Our launch of our Breakfast Club will be deferred until Week 5. We are still in the process of finalising sponsors as well as our routine. Stay tuned 😊

## NAPLAN 2023 Results

Students in Year 3 and Year 5 completed NAPLAN assessments in March this year. Individual student reports will be sent home today along with a letter providing a background of the assessments. Although this information relates to only a portion of parents/carers at this point in time, I believe it is in the interest of all families to take note to the following:

- NAPLAN results should be considered together with school-based assessments and reports. Your child's teacher will have the best insight into your child's educational progress.

I strongly believe that our recent Semester 1 meeting processes are your best source of information on how your child is progressing academically combined with our reformed semester report. It is poignant to note that NAPLAN was completed four months ago. As the time has passed, our intervention programs have catered for a number of students with developing skills and knowledge.

Mrs Jones and myself are available to discuss the NAPLAN reporting process and answer any questions you may have.

## Kindergarten 2024 Transition Program

We have had an encouraging response from families in our catchment area looking to enrol their child in our transition program. Our 16 week program aims to increase school familiarity and readiness for children beginning Kindergarten in 2024. We are providing fully subsidised transport for children to attend each session as well as transition uniform- check out our shirt! Any families who have a child who they intend to school next year can seek further information by contacting the school or scanning the QR code on the advert or going to <https://forms.gle/feE7E1Fnc1YFkkif8>

We have upcoming incursions planned with Barooga Trikki Kidz, Punt Road Kindergarten and Eileen Taylor Kindergarten.

Please be sure to encourage any families in your social network who are yet to decide on a school to attend our **upcoming Information Sessions on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July**. Both sessions will be held on school site beginning at **1:00pm & 6:00pm**.

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*For Your child.*  
SMALL SCHOOL, BIG CHANGES, STRONG VISION

**Barooga PS Kindergarten Transition 2024**

**16 week Transition Program beginning 10.08.23**  
**PROGRAM FEATURES**  
Our School Readiness Program is delivered by dedicated teaching staff, with 100% subsidised bus transport to and from BPS, and a BPS transition shirt for your child!

**Information Sessions**  
Wed 26<sup>th</sup> July  
Session 1 - 1:00pm  
Session 2 - 6:00pm

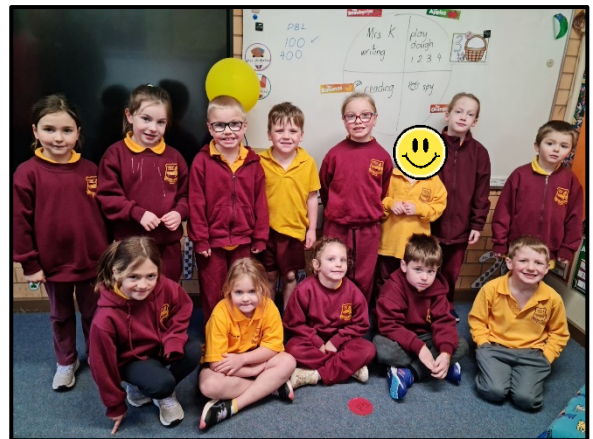
Scan me for more information

## Premiers Reading Challenge

Our students have been busily reading books both at home and at school in order to meet the requirements for the Premier's Reading Challenge.

We started the term with three early finishers! Congratulations to Kate (Year 1) and Zowie & Claire (Year 2). Excitingly, this week all students from Kindergarten and Year 1/2 have met the requirements of reading 30 books! This is a fabulous achievement by all.

We look forward to celebrating all recipients in Term 4 when their certificates arrive at the school. I wonder who will be our next completers of the Challenge? It remains open until Friday 18th August, so keep logging those books!



## Positive Behaviour for Learning - Relaunch of School Rules

This term we will recommence PBL lessons beginning with a focus on being in the *Right place at the right time*. Our rules, which are intrinsically linked to our values, are used both proactively and reactively. The consistent scripts which staff use are effective in ensuring all students receive the same message and are able to connect to the explicit lessons we have covered in class.

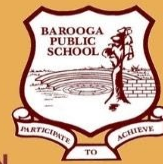
Respectful	Responsible	Safe
First time every time ✓	Own our choices ✓	Hands off!
Be kind and caring ✓	Right place Right time	Use it well or lose it

I look forward to forming a partnership with you to advance the outcomes and provide the environment for each and every student to be the best they can be. Please feel you can contact me if you have questions/concerns or need support.

Mr Matt Collins, Principal

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**Barooga PS Kindergarten Transition 2024**

## INFORMATION SESSIONS

**Wednesday 26th July**

**Session 1 - 1:00pm**

**Session 2 - 6:00pm**

**Both sessions to be held in the BPS Library**



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more information

**TRANSITION  
BEGINS**

**AUGUST  
10**

**SCHOLASTIC**

## Book Club

**Issue 5 orders**

**Due: 9am**

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August**



## Beanies for Winter!

**Now available for \$20  
through the P&C by  
internet banking:**

**BSB: 633 000  
Acc No: 164 508 095**

**Please use your child's  
name as the reference.  
Your child can then  
collect their order from  
the office.**

## Term 3 Highlights - Let's get excited!!

### Athletics Season

All students aged 8yo  
and above - all  
events! BPS to host  
Finley Zone Athletics

### Kindergarten 2024 Transition

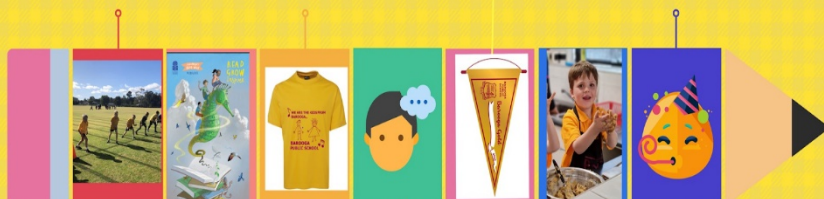
We welcome our  
newest crop of BPS  
students!

### Barooga Gold Awards

Our first deserving  
recipients will receive  
their award and prize

### Major PBL Reward

We are heading off  
site this term for a  
HUGE celebration!



### CBCA Book Week

We will explore  
shortlisted books and  
host a book character  
parade!

### ICAS Assessments

Registered students  
get ready to  
challenge themselves

### Kitchen/Garden

All students K-6  
treated to time in the  
kitchen and garden



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## NSWPSSA AFL Knockout

### Final scores

Round **1** BPS 2.1.13 defeated TPS 1.3.9 Goals- Kyle Dunn and Ollie Ryan

Round **2** BPS 3.2.20 defeated FPS 0.0.0 Goals- Kyle Dunn, Wyatt Twite, Ollie Ryan and Mack Holt

Our BPS AFL team achieved two memorable wins in their debut matches of the NSWPSSA AFL Knockout advancing to Round 3!

Our team comprised of players from Years 3-6. We resisted the chance to combine with other schools to make sure all students who expressed an interest in playing for our school got their chance. The players have been training for many weeks with Zac Hanrahan (SLSO). Today was their big opportunity to test themselves.

The team recorded two excellent wins against Tocumwal PS and Finley PS. Both schools have a larger enrolment so you can safely say we boxed above our weight

Our Round 3 match will be played tomorrow against a combined Berrigan/Jerilderie team at the Barooga Recreation Reserve.

Parents/carers and supporters of our school are welcome to attend and support our team. First bounce is at 11:00am!

### Term 3 Kitchen Garden Program

We are excited to include both Kindergarten and Year 1/2 into our highly engaging Kitchen/Garden program this term! Our younger students had a taste of the kitchen last term. Both classes will visit the kitchen twice this year to work with Marce and her team to plan, prepare and most importantly taste

<b>3-6 Garden Weeks</b> 🥕	W3, W5 & W8
<b>3-6 Kitchen Week</b> 🍳	W2, W6 & W9
<b>K-2 Kitchen/Garden</b>	W4 (Kitchen), W7 (Garden) & W10 (Kitchen)



## P & C July Meeting SNAPSHOT

Please find below a summary of key information covered at our July meeting. Thank you to all returning members who attended the meeting:

### Snapshot

#### 1) Mr. Collins Principal's July Report –

- shout out of thanks to staff, students and the community
- new NSW government DRAFT plan for public education
- revising BPS WHS & emergency management planning
- positive response to 2024 transition program
- parent teacher meetings this week
- Breakfast Club commencing in week 4
- athletics carnival Wk 3 and Finley zone carnival Wk 5
- Zac H now working full time
- professional learning centered around curriculum reform delivery
- evidence base reading
- initial discussion about a school bus, gate art ideas

#### 2) Brrr, it's cold in here...Beanies are back in stock!

- Beanies are available for purchase for \$20 at the Office.

#### 3) Our annual Lefty Baker pie and donut drive is back commencing in Week 3

- Get in early to secure some scrumptious pie and donut goodness from the Lefty Baker! See upcoming newsletter for further details.

#### 4) BPS Athletics carnival P&C Meal Deal next Friday 28th July

- The P&C are calling for parent helpers and baked goods donations for next week's athletics carnival. See newsletter for more info.

#### 5) Stay tuned for more details...BPS to host Zone Athletics carnival at Finley Friday 11th August

- The P&C will once again be running the canteen at the Zone Athletics in Finley. We will be calling for helpers and donations in the coming weeks. We'd love to hear from you if you are able to lend a hand at either carnival, please feel free to email the P&C or alternatively, contact the school.

## Communication with School


There are many ways you can contact the staff at our school:

**Phone:** Call the office during office hours 8.30am – 3.40pm on 5873 4242 for changes of routine, general enquiries or to book an appointment with a teacher or Mr Collins

**Email:** Send an email to our school address [barooga-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:barooga-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) clearly stating who you wish to bring attention to.

**Facebook:** Inbox the school Facebook page.

# Encouraging Positive School Attendance

Regular attendance at school is essential to assist students to maximise their potential. Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. In the coming weeks, I will be sharing our school based plan to support and encourage positive school attendance. As a general rule, we strive for **90% of our students attending school 90% of the time**. This key statistic is able to be monitored easily using data platforms available to the school. Here is how we are tracking so far in 2023 

**Current portion of BPS students attending school at 90%**

**71.9%**

Students Attending > = 90% of the time

67.7%  
DoE State

66.2%  
Network

73.6%  
SSSG

**Number of days in 2023 with >=90% (all classes)**

**36 (+1)**



## EVERY DAY COUNTS....

**A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...**

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

*Give your child every chance to succeed...*

**Every day counts!**



## Remember to Stay Home if Unwell

As the weather continues to cool down, the best way to protect others from flu and other viruses is to stay home when you're sick. If you have symptoms such as fever and chills, a cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, or you just generally don't feel well, you should stay home and avoid contact with others until your symptoms are gone. If you have a child who's sick, it's best to keep them at home away from school and other activities too. If you do need to leave home when you're sick, wear a mask, physically distance and avoid contact with people at higher risk of severe illness.

Help stop the spread of flu and other viruses this winter by taking simple steps to keep everyone healthy.

More info: [www.health.nsw.gov.au/flu](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/flu)

## Got cold or flu symptoms?



Remember to stay home if unwell.

If you have to go out, wear a mask to protect others.

[www.health.nsw.gov.au/flu](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/flu)

# Offsite Canteen

Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday

Our school partners with the Lefty Baker to provide an offsite canteen service.

All orders are to be placed online using the Lefty Baker's website by 9.30am.

NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED

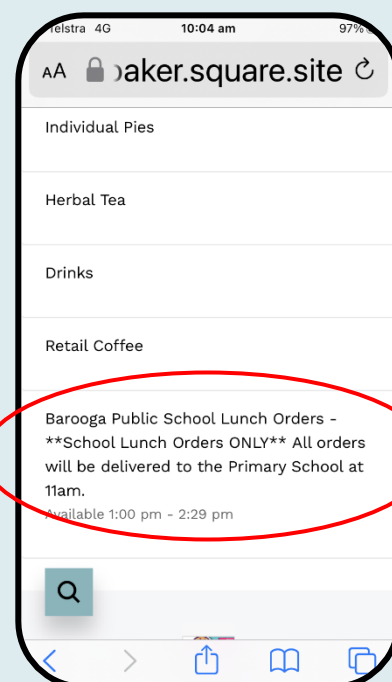
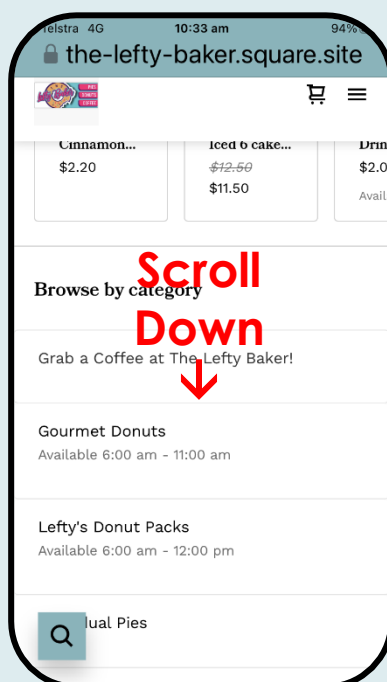
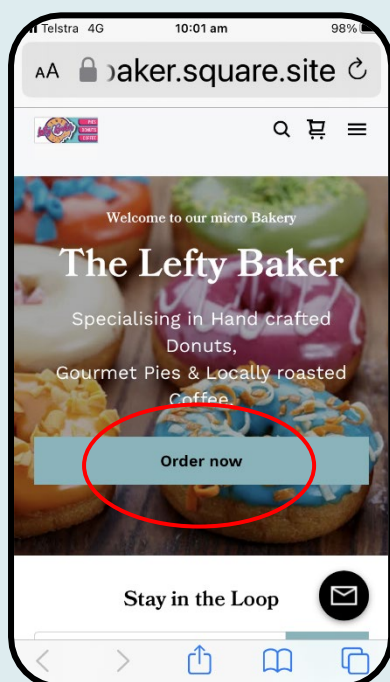
Hot food orders must be eaten at Lunch 1 and cannot be reheated.

To order go to <https://the-lefty-baker.square.site/>

Click or tap Order Now

Scroll down to find and select Barooga Public school Lunch Orders - **\*\*School Lunch Orders ONLY\*\*** All orders will be delivered to the Primary School at 11am.

Place order and use your credit card to pay.



## PLEASE DON'T BRING NUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS TO SCHOOL

A number of students at our school have severe nut allergies which may trigger anaphylactic shock.

We ask all families not to send nuts or nut products, including Nutella or peanut butter sandwiches, to school.

If nuts are consumed with breakfast, students are encouraged to wash hands thoroughly before coming to school. Thank you for your cooperation.



## UPCOMING NSWPSA KNOCKOUT FIXTURES



### NSWPSA Small Knockout Division 3 (Soccer)

In exciting news, we will field a team in the Small Schools Knockout competing against schools in the same enrolment division as our school (60-90 students). The draw has been released with plans currently being made to organise our first round against Wyalong PS.

Nominations for our team to be called soon. Can be boys and girls of any age!

## Donations Required! Home-Baked Goods

### School Athletics Carnival Friday 28th July

Please bring goods to  
the school office by 9am  
Friday 28th July.

**\*Remember to attach a  
list of ingredients**



## Barooga P&C Pie and Donut Drive

The Barooga Public School P & C have once again teamed up with The Lefty Baker to run a delicious Pie and Donut Drive.

We can warm our bellies, indulge our sweet tooth and fill our freezers all while raising funds for the benefit of our School Community!

Tell your friends, your family, neighbours and work colleagues....

Order forms are due back by 9am

Monday 7th of August 2023.

Orders to be collected from The Lefty Baker between 2-4pm on Monday 16th of August.

Thank you for  
supporting our  
P & C and school  
community.



# BAROOGA PLAYGROUP



DAY: EVERY FRIDAY OF THE SCHOOL TERM

TIME: 10 - 11AM

FRUIT PLATTER AND TEA & COFFEE FACILITIES  
PROVIDED.

WHO IS WELCOME? NEWBORNS - PRESCHOOLERS  
AND THEIR PARENTS OR CAREGIVER.

COST: FREE

LOCATION: BAROOGA PUBLIC SCHOOL LIBRARY,  
HUGHES STREET BAROOGA.

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