

Independent Public School



Dear Community members

With the end of Week 4 rapidly approaching, I feel that I am starting to be better placed to start making some strategic planning decisions with the view to making what is already a great school, even better.

### **Behaviour Expectations**

One of the recurring views from parents, students and staff is that there is a perceived inconsistency in our behaviour expectations across the school. In response to this feedback, I have commenced a review of our current Behaviour Management Policy with all staff. Whilst this process has not been completed, we have had a great deal of discussion regarding what our minimum behaviour expectations are and the consequences of not meeting the minimum expectations. All staff hold the view that every student in the school is capable of meeting our minimum standard and as a good school, we will continue to demonstrate care and understanding when managing the diverse needs of our students through quality differentiated curriculum delivery and behaviour management approaches. The diverse nature of our community means that there will be flexibility in **HOW** we manage our students but not **WHAT** we expect of **ALL** students.

Any students that are violent towards staff or other students, use offensive language directed towards another person or refusal to follow instructions will be considered to be in breach of our minimum standards and serious consequences will result, this may include formal suspension. The absolute majority of Bindoon students are a credit to their families, themselves and their school and it is the role of the school to ensure that we provide the safest, optimum learning environment to enable our students to achieve their full potential. We are in a fortunate position that we can insist on high standards across all aspects of the school and all students will benefit from clarity in our expectations.

### **School Communication**

The school will also be seeking ways to improve its communication with the parent group. I am currently investigating how any 'bugs' that maybe occurring in 'Connect' can be ironed out so that communication through this platform is more reliable. My experience of 'Connect' is that it is usually very reliable so if there is anything going wrong I'm confident that it can be easily resolved. I am also discussing with staff how to use the student diaries to greater effect and the most effective way to inform parents and carers of relatively minor behavioural issues.

The school sends out a great deal of correspondence via email and through the newsletter. It is essential that parents and carers check their email and read the school newsletter to ensure they are aware of upcoming events,

activities and areas of focus.

### **Excursion Notes**

Mrs Toms and I are reviewing the collection of incursion/ excursion notes from classes. It is important that the school develops our students to be independent and reliable and currently there are a number of students who do not return notes by due dates with the assumption that the school will make the necessary phone calls to follow up if required. This hinders independence and such, teachers will be giving frequent reminders to their students if notes are due back as well as encouraging diary use. If students do not return notes by the due dates, the school will no longer follow them up and the students' concerned may not be able to participate as a result.

### **Parent Information Sessions**

I would like to sincerely thank the parents and carers that attended the Parent Information Sessions held over the week. Teaching staff spent considerable time preparing for these sessions and ensured that the information was relevant and outlined each classes procedures and expectations for the coming year.

### **Car Parking**

I would like to remind all parents that for the safety of our students, no vehicles can park in areas that are not designated parking areas. There have been increasing incidents where cars are parking in the area where the buses park which causes frustration for the drivers and places students at risk. It is also very important that drivers do not exceed the 20km per hour speed limit around the school. Thank you for adhering to these important safety rules.

Andrew Schmidt

Principal

### **What's On:**

- **Faction Swimming Carnival  
Thurs 5th Mar Y3-6**
- **Splash and Happy Thurs 5th Mar  
K-Y2**
- **Assembly Fri 6th Mar @ 9:00**
- **Inter Swimming Carnival Fri 13th Mar**
- **Mango Festival Sat 14th Mar**
- **Bullying No Way Day Fri 20th Mar**
- **P&C AGM Mon 23rd Mar @ 6PM**



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- Mango Festival -**



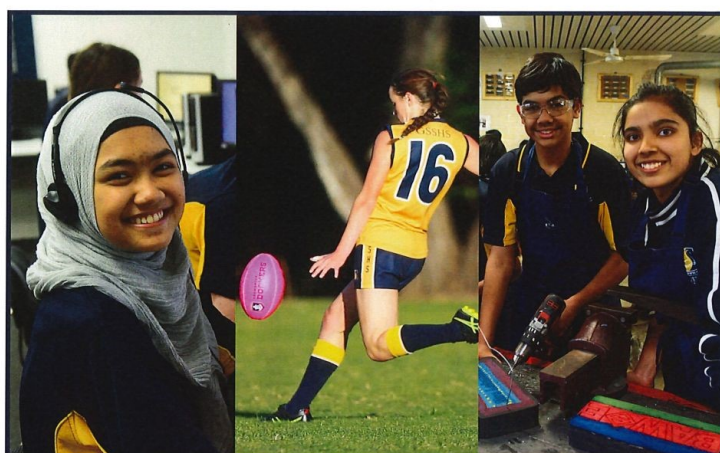
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## Voluntary Contributions and Charges

Statements went out last week for student's voluntary contributions and charges. Prompt payment of these amounts would be appreciated and can be made via EFT (BSB 633000 Account 133437343) or by cash/cheque to the school office.

Thank you to the parents who have already paid.



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In partnership with The University of Western Australia and industry, this program equips children with in-depth knowledge and skills to pursue careers in engineering.

#### Australian Rules Football

This program is for both male and females with a talent and interest in Australian Rules Football.

Families also living outside our local intake area can apply for these programs.

Applications close on Thursday 9 April 20 For application forms or more information visit [www.govo.wa.edu.au](http://www.govo.wa.edu.au) or come to our **ASP Information Night on 1 March 20 6pm-7pm** at Governor Stirling SHS. Bookings essential, [www.trybooking.com/BIJJM](http://www.trybooking.com/BIJJM) or phone 6274 0300 today.



**PRIMARY SCHOOL P & C  
AGM**

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 6pm**

All positions will be declared vacant, come along and be part of an amazing group of people! All welcome

## THE ANNUAL BINDOON PRIMARY SCHOOL FETE & - Mango Festival -



**2020**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Saturday  
14<sup>th</sup> March**

BOUNCY CASTLES  
SHOWBAGS  
GIANT BUBBLES  
COMPETITIONS  
MEGA RAFFLE  
Mango menu  
CAKE STALL  
FACE PAINTING  
WATER FUN  
DUNK TANK



**8.30am-2.30pm**  
**Bindoon Primary School**  
**Learners Way, Bindoon**

