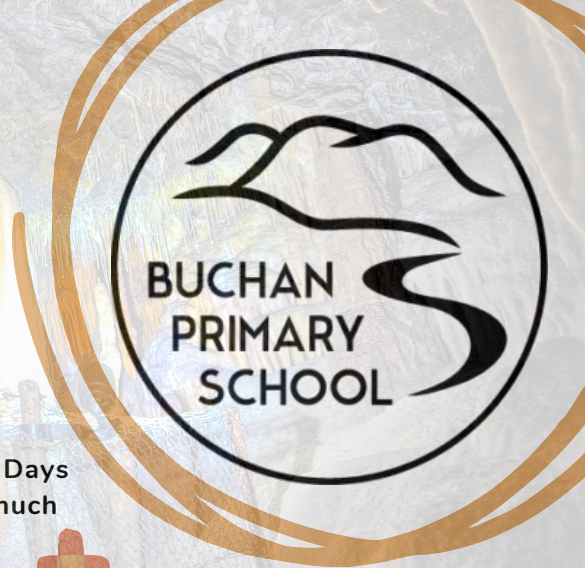


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This means our school will be closed and unstaffed on Code Red Days as well as other days deemed unsafe. Families will be given as much warning as possible. Safety is our first priority.

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

31ST OF MAY, 2023

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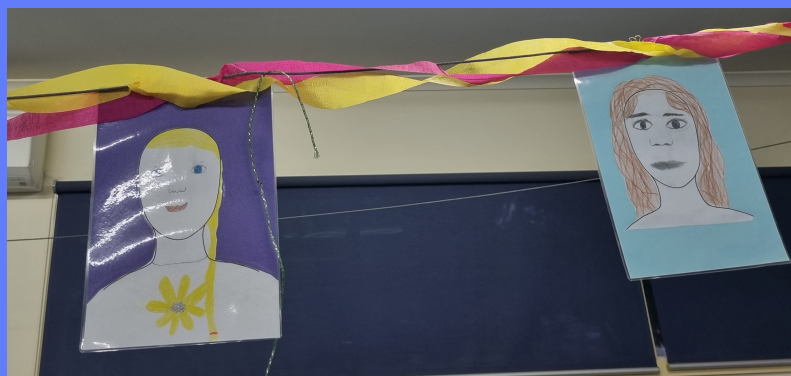
## AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

### Junior Classroom

The junior classroom has continued to fit in a very diverse curriculum and experienced multiple teachers over the past few weeks with Miss Julian taking them for art, Mrs Earle taking them for science, Mr Kenyon taking them for cooking, Mr Vague doing a music lesson with them and myself taking them for P.E.

### Senior Classroom

The last week has seen lots of change in the senior classroom. On Friday the kids said their goodbyes to Mr Kenyon and this week they have been spending lots of time getting to know Miss Julian. On Monday the senior students made self-portraits for art that depicted their self image. These are hanging up in the senior classroom.



# ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We acknowledge the Gunai Kurnai people as the Traditional Owners of the land on which we work, learn and play. We pay our respect to Gunai Kurnai elders past, present and emerging and extend our respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and families of Buchan Primary School.



Firstly, I would like to thank Mr Kenyon for all of his hard work over the past 4 months. Mr Kenyon's last day at Buchan Primary School was on Friday the 26th of May, he will now be at Nicholson Primary School as Acting Principal for the next 4 weeks and we wish him all the best in his new role. Miss Julian has taken over the reins in the senior classroom and all of the senior students are loving learning about their new teacher. Miss Julian has added a small blurb about herself in this weeks newsletter.

As mentioned in the newsletter a month ago - The Department of Education has released a new statewide timeline for enrolling in Foundation (Prep) for the 2024 school year. If you have a child starting primary school in 2024, it's time to enrol. Make sure to submit your enrolment application by Friday 28 July 2023. It is important to follow the statewide timeline to enrol your child in Foundation. Enrolling your child in line with the timelines allows us to plan our classrooms, staffing and transition activities and ensures your child has the best start to school. For more information, please read about when and how to enrol your child in Foundation at [vic.gov.au/enrolling-foundation-prep](https://vic.gov.au/enrolling-foundation-prep). If you are seeking to enrol your child into Foundation next year, please contact Julie on 5155 9241 or via email to request an enrolment form.

The Attitudes to School Survey (ATOSS) was conducted today in the senior classroom. This is an annual student survey offered by the DET (Department of Education) and Grade 4-6 students were asked about their thoughts and feelings in relation to their school, their learning, peer relationships, student-teacher relationships, resilience, bullying, health and wellbeing, physical activity, and life in general.

Best regards,  
Aidan Johnston  
Acting Principal



# Hannah Julian Senior Teacher

Hello Buchan Primary School community!

My name is Hannah Julian and I am so excited to be the new senior class teacher here at your lovely school.

I have travelled down to the beautiful East Gippsland from the (much warmer!) Sunshine Coast in Queensland, of which I have called home for the last 3 years. In amongst spending time in the sunshine, my passion lies in the arts- in any and all forms! I have started cleaning up your gorgeous art room and am planning to having that space back up and running for plentiful creating.

I have a strong passion for creating learning environments that nurture and develop the whole student; strengthening not only their academic ability, but their creative selves and emotional resilience also. We're off to a great start and I'm looking forward to the rest of the term. Please say hi if you see me about, I would love to meet you!

Hannah







## Tree Stories

Students in the senior classroom were asked to respond to the prompt 'What do the trees have to say?' in response to bush fire recovery and the environment. They were tasked with creating a 'tree-scape' that reflected the messages trees may wish to convey to humans. This 2-hour workshop involved improvisation games, role play and discussion. The emphasis was that although the future may be unpredictable, students still have freedom of creativity and the choice to work together to make a better future - the voices of the trees - their voices, are important and powerful. Students devised and performed short audio-monologues which will be recorded by the Teaching Artist.



## MARC Van

Mr Robbo had been sick 2 weeks ago, so this was the first time the students had MARC Van in a month. A big contrast from Term 1, where students had weekly MARC Van sessions. As you could imagine, the kids were very eager to immerse themselves in the MARC sessions. Students in the senior classroom used VR to traverse multiple destinations from across the world without ever having to leave the classroom.



# STUDENT OF THE WEEK

## WEEK 5 & 6



### EMILY MCCOLE

For always taking pride on her dictation book and fully contributing during daily review.

### MAKAYLA SOWDEN

Showing leadership qualities in the playground



### TOM HODGE

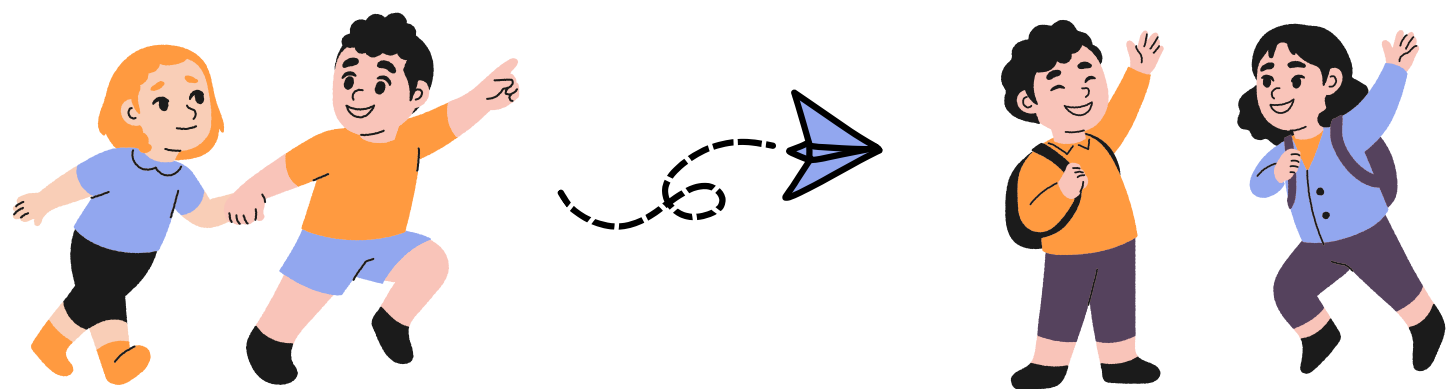
For his commitment to his testing over Mr Kenyon's last couple of weeks.

### SOPHIE DALLEY

For her huge growth in reading and ability to blend words. Everyone has been in awe of your fantastic reading!



Pictured below is a schedule of events that will be held over Term 2. Please continue to monitor School Stream and each fortnightly newsletter, as events are always being added!



## Upcoming Events - Term 2

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| June 1:  | Kinder Visit for Grade 3-6 Students  |
| June 1:  | Optional Roadhouse Hot Lunches   |
| June 2:  | Selected Senior Students Reconciliation Day<br>at Bairnsdale West Primary School |
| June 9:  | Curriculum Day   |
| June 12: | Public Holiday - King's Birthday   |
| June 14: | MARC Van   |
| June 19: | School Council   |
| June 28: | Last Day of School   |

