



# Bargo Bush Buzz

## Bargo Public School Newsletter



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Dear Parents/Carers

### Start to the year

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### Calendar

21 Feb	PSSA Primary AFL Trials
22 Feb	PSSA Boys/Girls Basketball Trials
24 Feb	Razorback Zone Swimming Carnival Day 1
25 Feb	Razorback Zone Swimming Carnival Day 2
1 Mar	PSSA Boys/Girls Hockey Trials
7 Mar	PSSA OPENS Rugby League Trials
8 Mar	PSSA Boys Touch Championships
10 Mar	PSSA 11 years Rugby League Trials
14-18 Mar	Swim Scheme
15 Mar	SSW Area Swimming Carnival
23 Mar	School Photos
5 Apr	PSSA Primary Netball Trials
8 Apr	Last Day Term 1

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### **RAT kits and testing**

Thank you for engaging in the rollout and use of RAT kits and the testing requirements. This has enabled our school to only have minimal positive cases and no large outbreaks of COVID. The use of RAT's will continue until otherwise advised by the Department of Education and NSW Health. The requirements have changed and boxes of tests are able to be provided to students/families. Your children may come home with boxes or bags of 5, 7 or more in our next rollout that commences next week.

### **New Outdoor Learning Area, Yarning Circle and hard surface artificial grass.**

This area is near completion with a couple of minor adjustments to be completed before handover. Mrs Shaw has included some photos of the area. We will display more photos after the release of the area for use and will look to plan an official opening. The students are very excited as they can now see the end product and are looking forward to sharing its use.

### **External providers in schools**

We are currently in the process of finalising a document outlining the procedures for engaging external providers (e.g speech, OT) within the school. It is important to note that school priorities centre around curriculum provision. Schools are not obligated to provide for external services. Here at Bargo Public School we will be asking parents to apply for a service to access the school. Applications will be assessed on a case by case basis. Further information will be provided closer to release of the procedures. Parents who have students requiring external service provision are requested to access appointments outside of school hours if possible during Term 1.

## Uniform

The school has been in constant consultation over the past years with the P & C who coordinate the uniform shop. This has been a distinctly unique situation to be involved in. At the P&C meeting held last week, the school confirmed that the consultation process and tender for a new uniform supplier will occur this year. This was supported by the P&C.

Please continue to support the P&C who are still carrying and selling stock at discount prices. All money goes from sales of uniform goes back into the school for students to benefit from.

Further information about uniform will be communicated soon.

## Students arriving early in the morning.

Please be aware the school gates are opened just prior to 8:45am. This is the time that teaching staff begin supervision. Several students are being left outside the school gates prior to this time unsupervised. We have a great before and after school care service run in the school hall by Little Elves, that assist parents who work early and may need students to be cared for. Please use this service rather than leaving children unattended outside the school gate. Please note RMS Crossing staff are not responsible for student supervision at this time.

Regards  
Ben Green  
Principal



# School Leaders 2022



Hi My name is William. I am School Captain for 2022. I help my teachers and students in any way possible. I have one sister and we live with our Mum and Dad in Bargo. I have lots of plans for our team and will help with lots of fundraisers. I like to play AFL. My favourite subjects at school are Stem, math and sport.

Hi my name is Khi. I am one of your school captains for 2022. I like to help teachers and students. I like to participate in school fundraisers. I have 1 dog, 1 rabbit, 1 cat, 2 fish, 1 bird. I want to help students find their true passions. I am always happy to see new faces. Can't wait to see what 2022 has to offer.



My name is Austin and I am one of your vice captains for this year. This year I would like to help as much as I can. I will help you if you're hurt or sad. I would also like to do fundraisers. I have one brother who is in Year 3, and one sister who is in Year 1. I love playing sport and Rugby League is my favourite.

Hello my name is Alara and I am a vice captain this year. I would like to help the school by doing fundraisers and making it a bully safe school. I have one brother and one sister and they both go to Bargo Public School. My favourite subject is maths and I love Reading.



Hi my name is Ethan and I'm a prefect for 2022. In my family I have one sister, two lizards, one dog and ten chickens. I am looking forward to working with the rest of the team to help other students. If I see someone upset I'll let them join and play in our game.

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My name is Ashley. I am a prefect this year. I want to help the school by fundraising to fix up the equipment and make our school better for everyone at this school. I have five people in my family. My brother went to Bargo, but is in high school now. My sister is in Year 2. I like cooking and sewing.



Hi my name is Sam. I am one of your prefects for 2022. If anyone is sad or hurt in any way I will do everything I can to help them and make them feel better. My favourite subject is sports, and I consider myself quite competitive.. I also have two chickens and one turtle. I hope that this year I can help as many people as I can, and raise lots of money for the school by hosting fundraisers.

Hi my name is Taylor. I am one of the four prefects for BPS in 2022. As I'm sure the other leaders do, I am very willing to do anything it takes for my peers to feel safe and comforted at this school. A little about me is that my favourite subject is art, as I find it helps me express myself. In my family I have a sister, my Mum and my Dad. I also have a dog, some fish and two birds.



# Some snapshots from the school grounds

We know it is a bit hard at the moment as we cannot have families and friends onsite to share in everyday events with our students. We endeavour to share photos and information on seesaw and our school Facebook page to show all that is happening as we go about our everyday learning. We also use these platforms to to send notifications, important messages and highlight special events!!



# Premier's Reading Challenge

To complete the challenge, students in our Infants classes need to experience 30 books, 25 of these books need to come from the K-2 PRC booklists. 5 books can be their own free choice. K-2 students at BPS read the books with their teacher or in library lessons. (some of them were the books we shared during remote learning.)

For years 3-6 students needed to read 20 books, 15 of these books must be on the PRC booklists and 5 books can be their own free choice. Students were given a further 5 free choice books for the time we were remote learning.

Students who have completed the challenge for 4 years receive a Gold Award - we had 49 students receive a Gold Award. Students who have completed the challenge for 7 years receive a Platinum Award -we had 22 students receive a Platinum Award. These awards were given out in the last week of school.

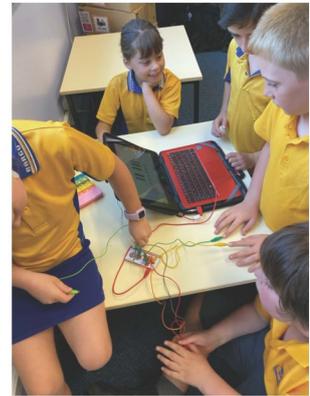
## Stage 2 2021 Gold Award Recipients



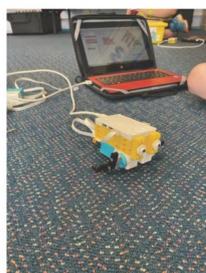
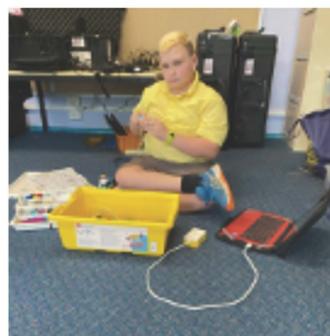


# STEM T4L Kit

We are lucky enough to have some of the Department of Education T4L kits in our school. The MaKey MaKey kit lets you transform everyday objects into computer interfaces. ... It's a little USB device you plug into your computer, and you use it to make your own switches that act like keys on the keyboard: Make + Key = MaKey MaKey! It's plug and play. No need for advanced electronics or programming skills.



We also have the LEGO Spike kits that were donated to our school from the T4L program -



We have lots of amazing things happening in STEM this year - including using the Visual Reality Kit we have on loan!

# Past, Present and Future

Our students and families of Bargo Public School had the opportunity to be immortalised on our plaque wall. As visitors cannot come onsite at the moment, we thought we would share it with you here.

