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Term 2 Week 11, 3rd July 2025 Newsletter

Dear parents and carers,

As we conclude Term 2, we would like to take the opportunity to thank our wonderful families for your ongoing support—it truly makes a difference in our students' growth.

A big thanks to our dedicated staff for their hard work and commitment in making our school special.

And to our amazing students, thank you for your enthusiasm and effort. Keep shining, and we look forward to an exciting term ahead!

Have a safe and restful term break.

Calendar of Events Term 2 2025

Tuesday 22nd April – Friday 4th July

Term 2
4th July - Term 2 finishes at 2:30pm (Out of uniform)

Term 3 Starts 21st July – 19th September
24th July- Grade 2 Excursion (Melbourne Aquarium)
29th July- Girls Division Football
30th July- Boys/Mixed Division Football
30th July – Fathering Project
5th August- Getting Ready for School Night 6pm (2026 Preps)
6th August- Division Netball
9th August- EBT Race – Sandown
18th – 20th August – Gr 4 Camp Campaspe Downs
22nd August – Book Week Dress Up Parade

End of Term Dismissal: Friday, 4th July 2.30pm

Students will be dismissed at **2:30 PM** on Friday, July 4th. The school day will run as usual, with recess taking place from **2:00 to 2:30 PM**.

In line with Department of Education regulations, students cannot be dismissed before 2:30 PM. However, parents who wish to collect their children earlier may do so by signing them out at the school office. Please note: **There will be no assembly tomorrow.**

Out of Uniform Day on the Last Day of Term

As is tradition here at WHPS, we're ending the term with a bit of fun! On the last day of term, students are invited to come out of uniform in exchange for a gold coin donation.

This term, all funds raised will go to the Smith Family charity chosen by our amazing Student Leadership Team, giving students a chance to give back while celebrating the end of a great term.

We ask that you ensure that clothing is suitable for the cold weather conditions.

The Smith Family
Learn today, change tomorrow.

The Smith Family *is an Australian independent children's charity dedicated to helping young people experiencing disadvantage by supporting their education. Their mission is to create opportunities for disadvantaged Australian children and their families to participate more fully in society, using education as a key tool.*

Parent Teacher Conferences

We've been pleased to receive such positive feedback on our recent Parent-Teacher Conferences from both staff and families.

The opportunity to engage in meaningful conversations focused on students' academic, social and emotional development was highly valued by our teachers. These discussions played a key role in shaping clear learning goals for the upcoming semester.

Specialist Showcase - Parent Teacher Conferences

This year, as part of our Parent-Teacher Conferences, our specialist teachers hosted a vibrant showcase highlighting student work and providing families with insights into the specialist programs we offer at White Hills.

The event was a great success, with over 90 families attending. The atmosphere was warm and welcoming, and our specialist team did an outstanding job of sharing the rich learning experiences that take place beyond the classroom.

A heartfelt thank you to all the families who took the time to visit, engage with our staff and interact with the showcase.

The Fathering Project Returns

We are excited to relaunch our Fathering Project at White Hills PS. Mr Dickins will be organising a relaunching event next term on the 30th of July from 5.30pm-6.30pm. This will be a pizza night with a tower building challenge. Pizza will be provided for dinner (gold coin donation). Invitations will be sent out at the end of this week. This has been a hugely popular event, and we look forward to its return.

The Fathering Project *honours every father and positive male role model who dedicates himself to raising his children with love and care.*

This commitment, dedication, support and protection make all the difference in helping children thrive and reach their full potential

Electric wonderland colouring in competition

Thank you to all students who participated in the competition.

The winners are:

- ***Aurora Ingram*** *– Grade 1*
- ***Alina Chen*** *– Grade 3*
- ***Claudia Theres Jojen*** *– Grade 5*

Parent Matters Survey

🗣️ Parent Matters Survey – We Want to Hear From YOU! 🎤

The Parent Matters project is all about understanding what support parents and carers need to talk to their children about careers and pathways. If you are the parent or carer of a child in years 5-8, we want your thoughts!

How much do you know about careers and pathways and post-compulsory education? Would you like to be better equipped to talk to your child about careers and pathways. More importantly, what support do you need?

Your feedback will help us improve support for parents and carers.

🔗 Take the Survey Now: Scan the QR code below or go to: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/W8W5BT2

📅 Survey closes on Friday 4 July 2025

For more information, contact Chris Mackenzie, BEP Project Manager, Department of Education:

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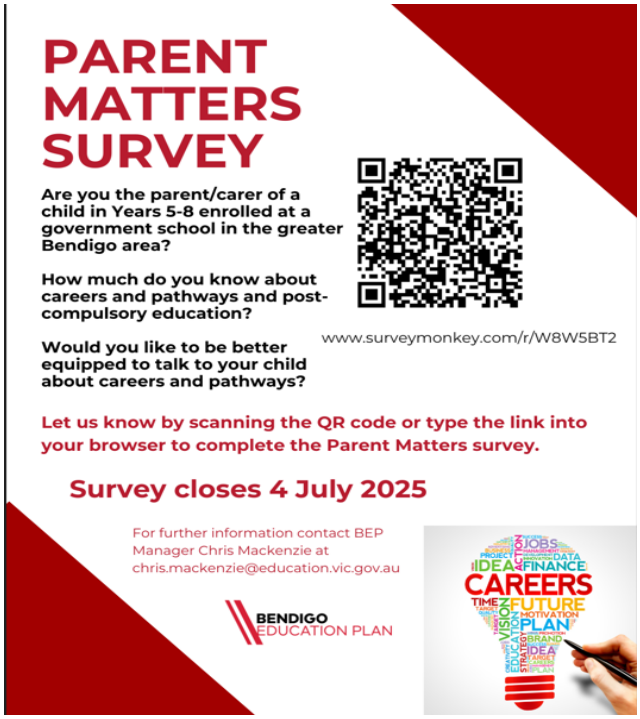
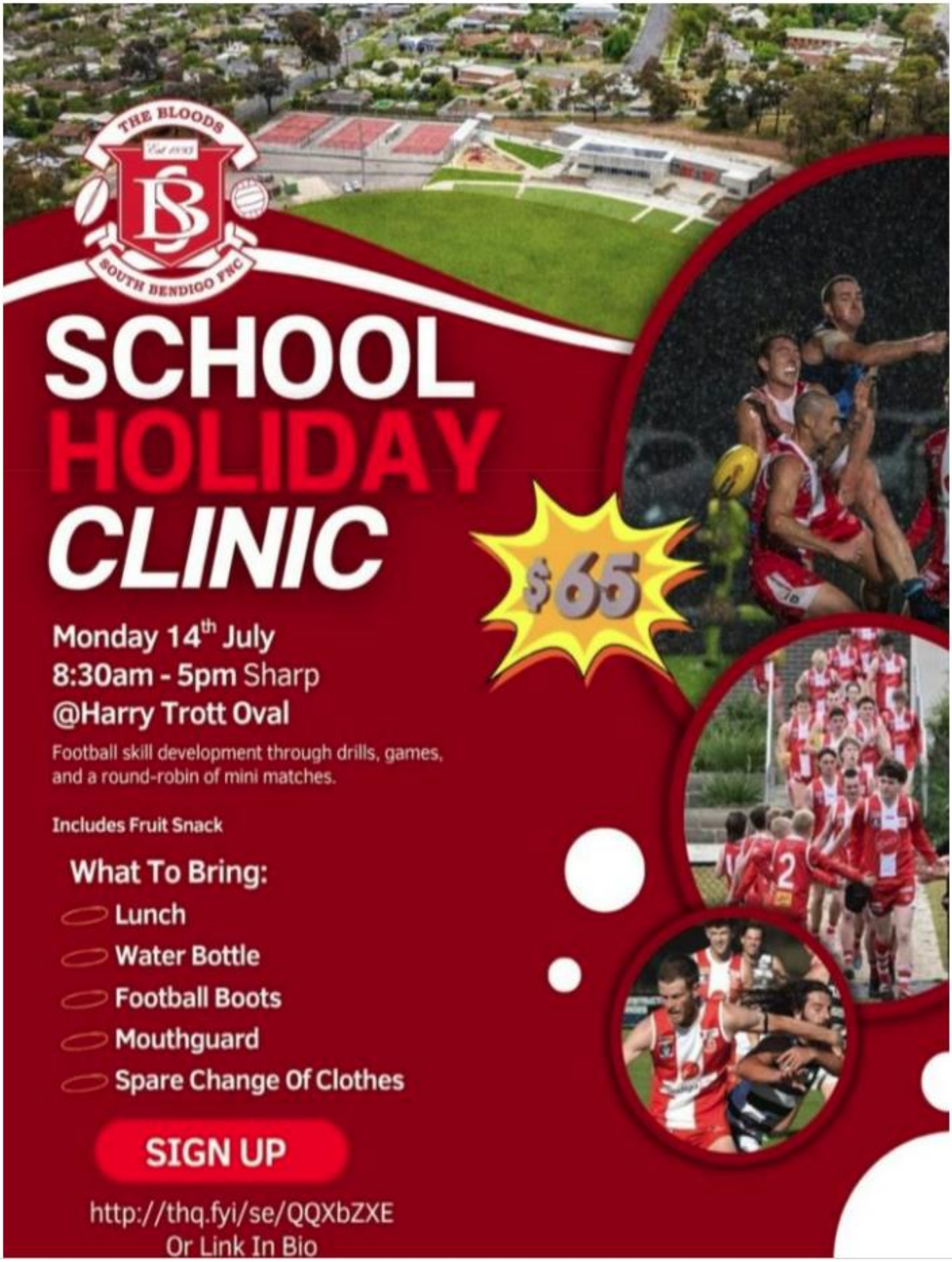


STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Due to there being no school assembly this Friday 4th July, we will resume our 'class' student of the week celebrations next term.

Well Done to all our students from last week!

Principal Award!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SCHOOL
HOLIDAY
CLINIC
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Monday 14th July
8:30am - 5pm Sharp
@Harry Trott Oval
Football skill development through drills, games, and a round-robin of mini matches.
Includes Fruit Snack
What To Bring:
Lunch
Water Bottle
Football Boots
Mouthguard
Spare Change Of Clothes
SIGN UP
http://thq.fyi/se/QQXbZXE
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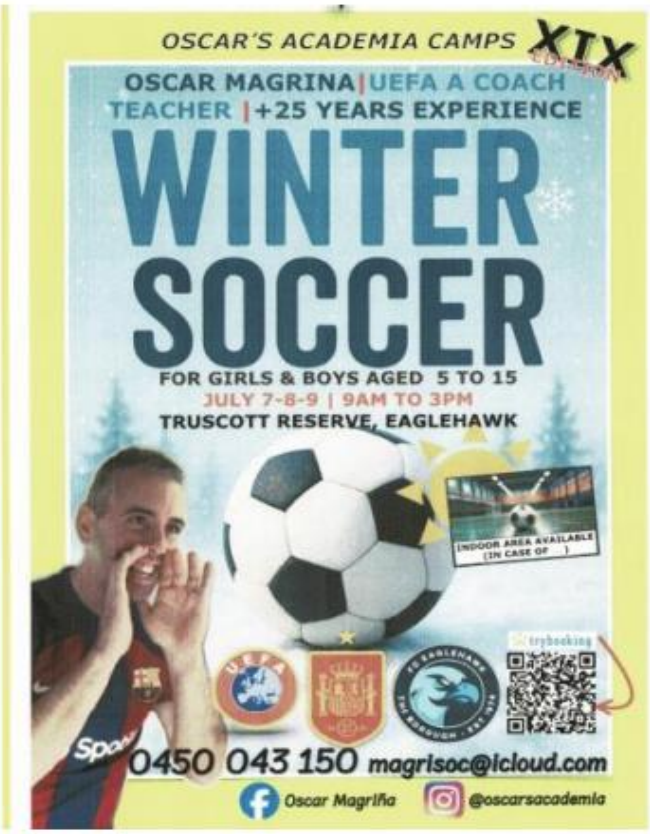

The Immune Deficiencies Foundation presents International Entertainment Australia's...

Circus Quirkus provides relaxed theatre performances for children and young adults...

- with diverse abilities and backgrounds (wheelchair accessible and accessible seating at all shows).

- who might require a more flexible and inclusive environment when going to the theatre (sensory friendly).

- who are facing hardship.

- without access or opportunity to live theatre.

Enjoy the "live performance" experience with a casual attitude to audience noise and movement in an accessible and inclusive environment, where you are welcomed and free to be yourself without restriction or judgement.

Scan the QR Code to visit the shows website and watch highlights from previous shows...

*Featuring a brand new show host and performers, along with some old favourites. *moving, flashing lights, upbeat and sometimes dramatic music. One hour show, no interval. Suitable for all ages.*

***ALL TICKETS ARE COMPLIMENTARY**, including parent, sibling and carer tickets. Thanks to sponsorship from local businesses.*

**Bookings from schools, organisations, carers and families are all welcome.*

RED ENERGY ARENA BENDIGO (STADIUM)	
SHOW DATE	SHOWTIME
TUESDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 2025	6.00 PM

To book tickets, please email your name and the number of tickets you require to...

meredithnewman@showintent.com.au

or call / text 0404-367-782