

# Bonshaw Public School



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Hello to all our Bonshaw families and community members,

As you can see from our newsletter, Bonshaw Public School is a great border small school for delivering comprehensive educational experiences to enhance the academic, cultural, physical and social development of all our students.

We are very fortunate to have dynamic and dedicated staff within our beautiful rural setting, that work hard to provide strong academic fundamentals and instil a culture of high expectations that help enable students to be equipped with the tools to be successful, confident and creative individuals. Every day counts at Bonshaw PS!

You will find some wonderful, creative work captured inside this newsletter, well done to all our students at Bonshaw!

We were very fortunate to receive some high quality decodable reader sets from the department this week from *Little Learners Love Literacy (LLLL)* and *Decodable Readers Australia*. Decodable readers support more effective and explicit teaching of phonics to beginner readers in line with latest evidence-based practices. Many of our students have already been using the LLLL readers, so we look forward to enjoying the new *Decodable Readers Australia* which feature Australian animals.

Mrs Kim Newton,
Relieving Principal







#### Welcome to Zarleah



Bonshaw Public School is delighted to welcome Zarleah to our school. Zarleah has fitted in extremely well and enjoying her new friends.



Thursday, 29 July 2021

#### What's Happening in the Classroom

In amongst all their other activities the Bonshaw Public School Students have been busy with an array of different craft projects. Craft activities foster communication, listening, attention and imagination. They enhance the mental health and wellbeing as well as fostering a range of development skills, including;

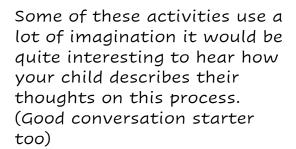
Fine Motor skills; enhancing children's hand eye co-ordination.

Identification of shapes, colours and texture.

Creativity; Craft encourages children to play and experiment in a fun and relaxed environment.

So don't worry about the mess, just get in and have some fun!!





















Not quite finished but don't they look great! Can't wait to see the end result.













#### Boomerang

A boomerang is a thrown tool, a returning boomerang is designed to return to the thrower. It is well known as a weapon used by some Aboriginal Australian peoples for hunting.

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#### Attention Parents;

Can anyone guess what might be happening with these art works in the next couple of weeks??????

Maybe your children can give you an idea...... and maybe a funny story to go with it.

This beautiful art work was produced by Zarleah using a scratch back technique after painting over crayon.



## pid you know....









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#### Some of the latest COVID 19 advice to take note of;

Students must not attend work or school if unwell, even with mild symptoms of COVID-19. Any person with any COVID-19 symptoms must be sent home and not return to school unless:

- they have isolated for 10 school days, when no medical certificate is available
- they have a negative COVID-19 test result and are symptom free.

Anyone who is unwell with COVID-19 symptoms is strongly encouraged to get tested and self-isolate until a negative result is received.

Parents and carers must follow their school's advice regarding changes to drop off and pick up including staying in the car when dropping off and picking up children if safe to do so.

### Dates to remember;

#### NSW School Dates 2021

#### Bonshaw comes under Western Division

#### 2021 NSW term and vacation dates\*

- Term 3 Monday 12 July to Friday 17 September
- Spring vacation Monday 20 September to Friday 1 October
- Term 4 Tuesday 5 October to Friday 17 December
- Summer vacation (Eastern division) Monday 20 December to Thursday 27 January 2022
- Summer vacation (Western division) Monday 20 December to Thursday 3 February 2022
- Gala Sports Day—Inverell—27 August
- Lake Keepit Excursion (Covid permitting)
   1—3 September
- Term 3 RDO'S, August 6, August 20, September 3, September 17
- Last day of Term 3 Thursday September 16.



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### Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:



Learn





**Build skills** through fun



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

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

day per week

day per week

⊗ ⊗ ⊚ ⊕ ∈ = 8 weeks = cover 2.5 years missed

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