



# Booligal Bulletin

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(L-R) Lily Plum, Grace McLean, Dim McLean, Lachlan Spence, Ruby Jones, Hope Job, Max Spence

## Principal's Report

It is fitting that we have entered the athletics season because it feels like we have been running since the beginning of the term.

We finished last term on a high with the our coding and robotics course. The students were enthralled with the day and plans are underway for more coding as our year progresses.

All students participated with great enthusiasm in the recent Athletics Carnival held in conjunction with Hay, Carrathool and SOTA. Congratulations to Dimity McLean and Grace McLean who were named 11 year girl and junior champion respectively. Many thanks to everyone at Hay Public for their organising of the carnival. Lachlan Spence, Grace McLean, Hope Job and Dim McLean all participated in the regional athletics carnival held in Deniliquin on 11 August. Booligal School was well represented and our students participated with enthusiasm and commitment. Congratulations to Dim McLean who took out 11 Girl Champion and Jim Houston (Hay

Public School) who took out 11 Boy Champion. Both Dim and Grace McLean have qualified for the zone athletics carnival to be held on 1 September in Albury.

We have had some pleasing results in the UNSW Global exams

### Spelling

Lachlan Spence—distinction, Grace McLean - merit

### Digital Technologies

Lachlan Spence—distinction

### Science

Ruby Jones—High distinction, Max Spence—High Distinction

Congratulations also to Dim McLean on being chosen a finalist in the Threatened Species Children's Art Competition.

Linda Stewart  
Principal



### NSW Threatened Species Children's Art Competition by Dim McLean

At the start of this term, we decided to do another art competition. Mrs Stewart told us about the competition and each student chose a unique animal from the threatened species collection on the website. I chose the Eastern Blue Groper, Lachy chose the Wedge Tailed Eagle, Grace chose the Hooded Plover Chick, Hope chose the Nail Tailed Wallaby, Max chose the powerful owl, Lily chose the Hairy Nose Wombat and Ruby chose the Superb Fruit Dove.



Discovering how robots work



Dim McLean with 'Blue Groper'

We each used our favourite medium to complete the artworks including pencil, texta and gesso paint. We all researched our chosen species and put the information together for our application. I was lucky enough to be chosen as a finalist from over 1600 entries.

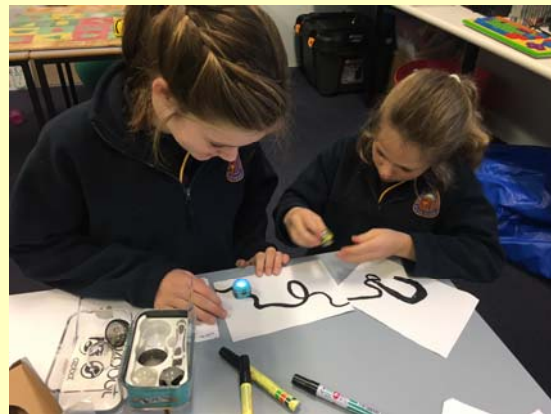
### Robotics and Coding by Lachy Spence

In the last week of last term we were visited by Vicki Kempton to show us how robotics coding work.



Vicki Kempton with an excited BPS

Firstly we looked at all of the robots. Be-Bot was a bee shaped robot that we programmed using the controls on the robot.



Dim McLean and Ruby Jones with Ozbot

Next we used marker pen to mark out a track on paper and we saw Ozbot move along the track all by itself.

We used ipads with apps to program smaller robots to follow the path we chose.



The great race!

### Kitchen Garden continued

Recycled garden beds—  
Max Spence  
Friends of the school donated 2 old fridges and 1 old trailer which we have turned into garden beds. First we lined one of the beds with rocks, next we filled it with our home made compost and then we put in some plain dirt.



Lily Plum creating magic



Max Spence' amazing design

Also in the garden we have been planted beans and tomatoes.

We are going to plant raspberries and mulberries in our next session.



Lachy Spence hard at work

different colours. When we took the material out we found our very own tie dyed designs.



Tie Dye designs hanging on the line

### Coming Events / Birthdays

24 August	Ready Set Kinder
25 August	CWA Public Speaking
25 August	Super Friday
28 August	Book Fair
29 August	Stage 2 Excursion (Hay)
31 August	Ready Set Kinder
1 Sept	Zone Athletics (Albury)
1 Sept	RDO
4 Sept	Jen Monk circus day
4 Sept	Premiers Spelling Bee finals (Grif)
7 Sept	Ready Set Kinder
8 Sept	Super Friday
9/10 Sept	Hay Show
9 Sept	Max Spence B day!!
11 Sept	Footy Colours Day
14/15 Sept	Regional Finals (PSB)
15 Sept	RDO
21 Sept	Ready Set Kinder
22 Sept	Super Friday
22 Sept	Last day of Term
2 Oct	Dim McLean B day !!



**Athletics Continued**

On 11 August, Hope Job, Lachlan Spence, myself and Dim McLean headed to Deniliquin for our regional carnival. I was really excited to be there as it was the first time I have been able to compete at the next level. I was pretty nervous before we started running. Hay Public School won the shield which was awesome.

**Deniliquin PSSA Carnival Results**

Dimity McLean 1st, 800m, 200m, 100m, Long Jump, 3rd High Jump)  
Overall 11 Year Girl Champion

Grace McLean 1st 100m, 3rd Junior Long Jump



Dim McLean & Jim Houston—11 Year Champions

**Ready Set Kinder**

It's official! After a year of waiting to be a BPS student, Dusty Plum has joined us for Ready Set Kinder. Everyone has really enjoyed having Dusty at school and we are looking forward to welcoming him next year full time.



New student Dusty Plum helping out in the garden

**Kitchen Garden by Max Spence & Ruby Jones**

We were all very excited to discover that BPS now owns a pie maker! At our last SAKG kitchen session we



Preparing our pie fillings.

prepared vegetable pies using all of our own vegetables. Dusty was very excited with his pie!



Dusty with his pie!



Hand painted garden signs

**Robotics Continued**

Then we looked at drones—flying a tiny little one in the classroom which we could program to do flips. We built our own robots using lego kits. I focused on making mine as fast as possible, we used engines to make them move and our ipads to control them. We made an automatic vehicle first and then we changed it to a vehicle with gears using the cogs. I made a lot of adjustments to my robot to make it faster. Everyone lined up for a race—but mine kept falling apart! The best part of the day was building and designing your own robot.



Dim and Ruby coding their robot

**Athletics by Grace McLean**

On 27th of July we headed into Hay for our first athletics carnival to be held with Hay, Carrathool and SOTA Public Schools. It was fun to compete in a race with more than one other person! It made me feel proud that everyone from our school had a go at every event.



Max Spence competing in shot put



Marching with all the Hay Small Schools



Lily Plum and Ruby Jones flying home



Grace McLean in the long jump

Results for BPS were :

**800m** - Lachlan Spence (2nd), Grace McLean (2nd), Dim McLean (1st)

**100m** - Max Spence (2nd), Grace McLean (1st), Lachlan Spence (1st), Hope Job (2nd), Dim McLean (1st)

**200m** - Lachlan Spence (2nd), Grace McLean (2nd), Hope Job (3rd) Dimity McLean (1st)

**High Jump** - Lachlan Spence (1st), Grace McLean (1st), Dimity McLean (1st)

**Shot Put** - Hope Job (1st), Dim McLean (1st)

**Long Jump** - Grace McLean (1st), Dimity McLean