

Little Bendigo P.S. Newsletter



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Term 2 Week 4



The cold weather has certainly settled in!

Despite this our intrepid sports people continued today. Jude, Banjo, Max, Amelia and Poppy competed in the SSV Cross Country event at Ballarat High School today and performed admirably.

Our senior students headed to Warrenheip Primary to compete in the Winter Sports and participated in football, soccer and netball.

Our students have been producing some wonderful writing in class and today Lachlan's writing is featured in our newsletter. Check out his great story!

Our swimming program will take place each day in the last week of term – we have five one hour sessions. This year we have managed to reduce the cost to parents for this program, by using Sporting Schools Grant funding. The cost will be \$20 per student. Details will be posted on Compass a bit closer to the date.

We still have lots of exciting learning activities coming up. On Monday our junior students are heading to Ecolinc in Bacchus Marsh to explore the lifecycle of frogs. On Thursday our School and House Captains will attend the GRIP Student Leadership Conference at the University of Ballarat. Students from a number of schools in Ballarat attend this event. The focus is on students learning about leadership, how to be a great student leader and meeting and learning with students from other schools.

Tomorrow our Stingers soccer teams compete again at Major League. I wish them all the best and we have two of our teams playing each other.

Have a great weekend!

Anthony Tait



Mikkayla being presented with her Hillcrest house captain badge. Congratulations!

Important Dates:

TERM 2:

MAY

Mon 17th

F/1/2 visit to Ecolinc

Thur 20th

GRIP Leadership Conference

Fri 21st

Grade 4-6 Winter Sports

Tue 25th

F/1/2 Werribee Zoo

Grade 4-6 Winter Sports

Fri 28th

Grade 4-6 Winter Sports

JUNE

Mon 14th

Queens Birthday Public Holiday

IT'S NOT OK TO BE AWAY

Please contact the school every day your child is away.

Phone: 5332 6317

Email: see above

On the Compass Portal

From the Classrooms:



I could not be more proud of the Peppermint Gums students. Their enthusiasm and desire to achieve, improve and accept challenges is to be commended. Over the past two weeks students have participated in a variety of games and activities focusing on reading and writing numbers to 99,999 and reading and writing times using an analogue clock. The majority of students have focused on o'clock and ½ past times and a small group have been focusing on reading times to 5 minutes. A special mention to Nate for outstanding reading and writing of analogue times.

I am super impressed with the dedication and positive approach towards increasing fluency and accuracy when reading aloud and summarising the important information from a text. Also well done to the students who continue to read on a daily basis at home and bring their reader log to school every day.

The students' are absolutely loving our class Inquiry and Science topic, The African Savannah. Students have been researching different animal facts, creating outstanding art pieces, learning about animal characteristics and life cycles. If you have a spare minute feel free to visit the Peppermint Gums studio to have a look at their great work on display. The students are getting very excited about our excursion to The Werribee Zoo on Tuesday 25th May so please remember to fill out the excursion form on Compass.



Well done to all of our grade three and five students who have completed NAPLAN this week. The students have been very positive, shown great resilience and did their best throughout the NAPLAN testing.

Congratulations to Fox Keating on achieving student of the week last week. Fox has been doing a fantastic job in the Blue Gums classroom this term! Fox is kind to his classmates, tries his best and demonstrates resilience. Well done Fox!

Stingers Soccer:

Goodluck to the stinger's soccer players this week. Please see the attached document for details.

Athletics:

On Friday May 7th, 17 athletes represented Little Bendigo P.S at the Wathaurung District Athletics at Llanberris. The day was perfect for athletics and we were lucky enough to have some sun for the day! Our school was very well represented with a number of students achieving ribbons across a number of events. I was particularly impressed by the way the students conducted themselves in front of other schools and the general public. A big thank you to all the parents/careers that were able to assist on the day/transport students.

Cross-Country

Good-luck to Banjo, Jude, Poppy, Amelia and Max who will represent L.B.PS and the Wathaurung District at the S.S.V Cross-Country at Ballarat High School on Friday the 14th. These five runners will compete over their allocated cross-country distance against many other schools in the Sovereign Division. Run fast! Have fun! Good luck!



What a fun week of learning we have had!!! We are really building on our comprehension skills during our reading sessions and we are so clever. Students are understanding how to make connections from what they are reading and connecting to: text to self, text to text and text to world. Well done.

We started out VOCAB exercises this week and we are having a big focus on using our adjectives being describing words. We wrote some fantastic sentences about a cheeky black cat who was chasing a pink alien around the house.

Math we set out goals this week and it is a huge buzz listening to students who are excited about working on their goals and sharing their goals with their friends.

Monday is our first excursion for the year to Ecolinc. This is linked to our Science and Inquiry Unit this term where we are looking at living things have a variety of external features and live in different places where their basic needs, including food, water and shelter, are met.

We depart school at 9am and we will be back by 3:30. Please remember to pack your fruit, snack, lunch, drink bottle and any extra food you might like just in case. Please also remember we will be outdoors, so jackets (named) and warm appropriate clothing and foot wear for the day.

Keep toasty warm this weekend Stringybark families. See you Monday morning for our excursion.

Miss D 😊

Well-Being & Engagement

Dance & Eco Clubs

Due to term one only offering our 6 core Dance Club members sessions, we have decided to keep the term one members for the semester and the original core group for term two will now take on semester 2 (terms 3 & 4). We look forward to seeing what **Poppy, Alyssa, Chelsea, Brooke** and **Jaspa** have install for dance club this term. While **Buddy, Isaac, Dolly, Eden, Bailey** and **Demi** start thinking about semester 2.

For the above reasons **Rex, Amelia, Eisha** and **Maddy** will continue on with the environmental club this term. This group had a lot planned for last term, however were unable to follow through on many of their plans. We are looking forward to seeing what they can achieve this term.

Yard Raffle

As part of Little Bendigo Primary School's school wide positive behaviour plan, and staff wanting to promote and recognise positive behaviours and respectful relationships we have introduced a Yard Behaviour Raffle. Teachers on yard duty will be diligently observing student's positive behaviours in the yard and writing out raffle tickets to students who are cooperative, kind, caring & inclusive or care for our environment or carry out great sportsmanship and/or other acts of positive behaviour. A raffle is then drawn each week during assembly and the two lucky students whose name are drawn receive an incentive award.

Congratulations to the following students who have demonstrated positive behaviour:

Heidi for helping to put the bins out and Arthur for including others in play.

From the office:

Lunch Orders every Friday:

A reminder that lunch orders are available every Friday. Orders are through Humffray Street General Store. Please write orders on a brown paper bag (available from office) with correct money inside. Place bag into Canteen order bag in the office on Thursday. Lunches will be distributed at the start of Friday lunch. A price list is at the end of this newsletter.

Uniform:

We are currently taking orders for:

- **Winter Jackets.** It is a waterproof jacket with full polar fleece lining. It will have the school logo on the left front. Cost \$40. To order please send student name and size to little.bendigo.ps@education.vic.gov.au or call Michelle in the Office on 5332 6317. Orders close next Friday 21st May.
- **Polar Fleece Vest.** Back by popular demand. A small quantity will be stocked in the uniform store. Cost \$20



There was a girl in a bath in the middle of the ocean. She was scared she had no water. She had to drink ocean water but she hated ocean water. She saw a dolphin she followed the dolphin. It lead her back home she was happy but she saw someone pulling the boat she jump in the boat, she was scared, she saw the dolphin. The dolphin has been shot with a bow and arrow. She saw the Dad. When she looked she was in the middle of the ocean.

Her Mum woke her up from a dream she realized it was a dream!

The end!

By Lachlen Ellen

Stingers Soccer! This Saturday 15th of May.

Major League: 502
Howitt Street, Soldiers Hill, VIC, 3350.



Game Cost: \$10 **Training Cost:** Free

All players welcome to attend the training session at 9am.

Trevor from Major League, and parent helpers will be there to help organise and coordinate teams.

Below are the proposed teams for this Saturday. The teams may be subject to change over the course of the season.

We have decided to have two teams play at 9:45 am (Stingers B and C). These two teams will be in the same competition and may play each other at some point in the season. As they are in the same competition I have tried to make these teams as fair as possible.

The idea behind a third team is that all students across all teams gain more playing time and less time waiting on the bench. If teams are short then other players can still fill spots if available.

Stingers D – Training players. Can parents please contact me if they feel like their child is ready to play in one of the games.

Please don't hesitate to contact me at the school on 5332 6317 or via email nicholas.brown@education.vic.gov.au

Thank-you and good-luck on Saturday,

Mr Brown.

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Stingers A	Stingers B	Stingers C	Stingers D
1. Lucas 2. Hamish 3. Kaleb 4. Seth O 5. Elijah R	1. Liam 2. Arthur 3. Ashton 4. Cooper 5. Nate 6. Alan	1. Eisha 2. Maddy 3. Jye 4. Tom 5. Pip 6. Will	1. Gemma 2. Alyssa L 3. Fred
<u>Game Time: 10:20am</u>	<u>Game Time: 9:45am</u>	<u>Game Time: 9:45am</u>	<u>Training Time: 9am</u>

