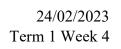
Little Bendigo P.S. Newsletter



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Thank You!

I would like to thank our staff, students and parents for arranging our relocation to Woodman's Hill Secondary College. Thanks also to Stephan Fields and his staff for welcoming and accommodating us for the day. We had a great day there! The VCAL Cooking students whipped up a super batch of cupcakes for our students and staff on the day. It also gave us a chance to have a look at the location for our school concert to be held later in the year in their performing arts centre.

Cross-Country – Tuesday 28th Feb

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our Cross-Country Event at Russell Square next Tuesday. Last year Monte was the winner of this friendly competition, so we will see if Lofven or Hillcrest have what it takes this year! All of our students have been in training.

Family Picnic -Tuesday 28th Feb

Please join us from 5:00pm to 6:00pm on the oval for a picnic. This is a great opportunity to meet new families. Bring along your food, drinks and rugs. Our senior students will run some games.

School Assembly

Today, students who are comfortable sharing from Miss Finch's class will present at assembly. This makes up for the assembly we had to cancel last week. Next Friday, Mrs Attard's class will present.

Labour Day Public Holiday – Monday 13th March

Monday 13th March is a student free day due to the public holiday.

NAPLAN – Years 3 and 5

NAPLAN will be held earlier this year with the testing days being Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March. Students complete online assessments in reading, language conventions, numeracy and writing (Grade 3 complete writing on paper). NAPLAN gives a snapshot of what students can do on the day of the test, and teachers use this as one assessment method for academic achievement. The school conducts similar assessments throughout the year for all students. NAPLAN results are released to schools and parents later in the year.

Have a great weekend!

Anthony Tait

Important Dates:

TERM 1:

Fri 24 Feb Assembly – Miss Finch's Class

Tue 28 Feb Cross Country and Family Picnic

Fri 3 Mar Assembly – Mrs Attard's Class

Mon 6 Mar School Council

Mon 13 Mar Labour Day Public Holiday – no school



Please contact the school every day your child is away.

On the Compass Portal Phone: 5332 6317 Email: see above

From Michelle in the Office:

A couple of reminders:

- Camp, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) applications are open for 2023. If you hold a healthcare, pension card, your student may be eligible. Please complete attached form and return to office.
- We encourage our families to support the school by paying the Voluntary Curriculum Contribution. You can choose the amount and what you would like to contribute to. Letter was with last week's news.
- If your child is away, parents must enter an attendance note on Compass to explain why they are away. There is a notification above "My News" on the righthand side of the main login page.

Bulb Fundraiser on now:

This year we are doing a bulb drive fundraiser. Order forms have gone home, but if you missed it, grab another from the office. Sell to your family, friends and neighbours.

We continue to raise funds for our grounds and outdoor play spaces.

Coming Soon:

Start collecting your bread bags for this year.





You can recycle any type of bread bag as part of the Wonder Recycling Rewards program! To clarify what we classify as a bread bag, read below:

The rule of thumb is that if it has contained bread of some sort and is a soft plastic, then it's a bread bag. If it hasn't contained bread, then it's not a bread bag.

Do our bread bags need to be clean?

Bread bags should be as free from crumbs as they can be to keep the recycling process free from contamination (there is no need to wash them).



2023 Term Dates:

Term 1: Mon 30th January – Thurs 6th April

Term 2: Mon 24th April – Fri 23rd June

Term 3: Mon 10th July – Fri 15th September

Term 4: Mon 2nd October – Wed 20th December



Blue Gums Studio

What another great two weeks we have had in the Blue Gums studio. The students have challenged themselves to be able to read numbers into the tens of thousands and with some reading into the hundreds of thousands. Well done Kids!!! We have also begun learning how to set out and complete addition algorithms.

During our writing sessions we have continued to focus on using different sentence openers, full stops, capital letters and talking marks. A special shout out to Sienna for writing a fantastic story about "Drackle the Dragon." This week we have begun looking at how to write a persuasive text. Look out parents on hearing why your child should stay up later, eat more junk food, have more technology time or get more homework!

Parents can you please remind your child that it is an expectation that they read for 10 minutes at least 4 times a week. Starting next week, I will collect all green reading logs on a Wednesday.

All parents of Mrs A's grade 3/4 class -if you read this newsletter item please ask your child to say "Wishing you a great day" to Mrs A on Monday morning. If your child does this, they will receive a prize from Mrs A's mystery box.

Thanks,

Mrs A



On Wednesday the grade 5s and grade 6s went to Ecolinc to begin their year long project on Aboriginal plants and bush tucker. This will result in the students producing a bush tucker garden within our school grounds, and learning about how to take care of and use the plants as they grow.

This week the students began by starting the propagation process via cuttings and seeds, and learnt about a variety of native plants and their uses. Ecolinc staff will visit our school later this year, to begin the planting process with the students!







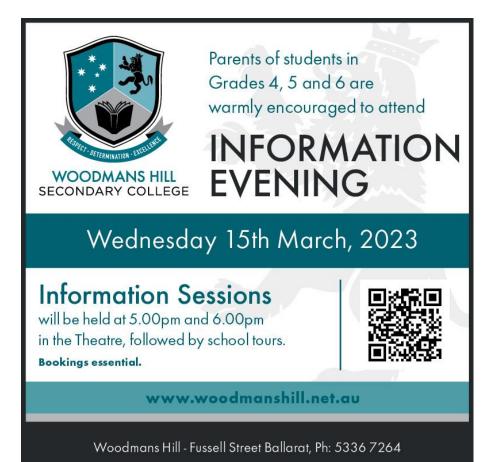












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