# Little Bendigo P.S. Newsletter



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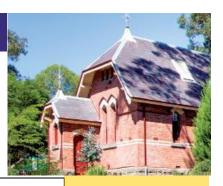
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17/03/2023

Term 1 Week 7



## **Inter-school Cross Country**

It was great to see so many of our students compete at Russell Square today in the Wauthurung Cross Country today. All of our students put in an awesome effort and they should be proud of their participation!

### **Assembly**

Thanks to Miss Burns class for sharing their writing with us today at assembly. I enjoyed their creativity and stories!

## Piano Lessons – Expressions of Interest

Would your child like to learn keyboard/piano?

We will be able to offer keyboard/piano lessons at the school commencing in Term 2, conducted by our music teacher Mrs Schuler.

Lessons would be held after school on Mondays. The individual lessons will run for 30 minutes and cost \$30 per lesson.

Please contact Anthony Tait to express your interest and for further information.

## **New Cubby**

Woodman's Hill Secondary College donated and installed a new cubby this week. The cubby was built by a girls in trades group of students. Now our junior school council, will come up with the paint colours and help paint the cubby. Fox and Amber, our school captains, have written a letter of thanks to Woodman's Hill.

## **Playground Soft-Fall Thank You!**

Thanks to families and students who have helped spread the soft-fall. There is a little bit more to spread, and any help will be greatly appreciated.

Have a great weekend!

**Anthony Tait** 



## **Important Dates:**

#### **TERM 1:**

## Mon 20 Mar

Hot Cross Bun orders due

#### Fri 24 Mar

Bulb order fundraiser finishes

#### Mon 27 Mar

Hot Cross Bun orders delivered to 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 form and return to
  office.
- We encourage our families to support the school by paying the Voluntary Curriculum Contribution. This donation helps fund the cost of stationery and exercise books in the classrooms. If you would like to contribute a small amount please email the school for payment instructions.



#### **Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser**

This year we are, again, doing a Hot Cross Bun drive with Bakers Delight Ballarat City. We will receive \$2 from every packet sold.

Orders are due back to school on Monday 20th March.

#### **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. Selling ends on 24<sup>th</sup> March. Get in early so you don't miss out.

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

Go ON-LINE to place your order at:

www.bulbfundraiser.com.au/LITTLEBPS

Campaign end date:24/3/2023

Products available to order until this date unless sold out prior.



## **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 30<sup>th</sup> January – Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> April

Term 2: Mon 24<sup>th</sup> April – Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> June

Term 3: Mon 10<sup>th</sup> July – Fri 15<sup>th</sup> September

Term 4: Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Wed 20<sup>th</sup> December



How are we already at the end of week 7?! I feel like I blink and then BAM, the week is over! This week in Grade 1/2 we have had an exciting hands-on week. We explored changes, looking into natural and man-made changes as we designed and built our ideal classroom. During this processes the students were able to describe the changes they would make and were able to justify why. Some students designed their classrooms that had fairy gardens, some were multi coloured, some had dance floors, some had animals in them, and some turned their classrooms into playground, nurf gun war rooms and obstacle courses. We were challenged with a card building competitions, looking at who could build the strongest and tallest tower out of a deck of cards. During this challenge, we worked in pairs, with a focus on team work, listening skills, persistence and resilience. We expanded and built on our knowledge of adjectives with Oreos, making a jellyfish whose name was Oreo and describing our Oreo's with our 5 senses, and the best part, we got to eat the Oreos after we finished!

Fantastic work for the students who are reading at home, you can see how much this is helping you grow in your reading! It is great to see more and more families and students reading at home.

Make sure you slip, slop, slap this Saturday as we go through another typical Ballarat heat wave, for it only to drop back down Sunday. We hope you have a terrific weekend and we will see you all Monday.

Miss Burns, Berhne, Erin and Jo 😊











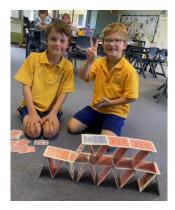




















We have had another great fortnight in the Blue Gums Studio. Students have thoroughly enjoyed working on their automatic addition and times tables recall. (Well done kids, keep up the great work!)

During our Inquiry sessions students have been putting themselves in the shoes of a convict and are in the process of writing a journal entry from a convict's perspective. The journal entries are sounding fantastic with some students writing why they were sentenced and transported to Australia and what life was like on "The Charlotte" (one of the ships from the First Fleet).

The grade 3's participated in NAPLAN this week and I would like to commend them on their positive approach towards doing their best and having a go. Well done Grade 3's!

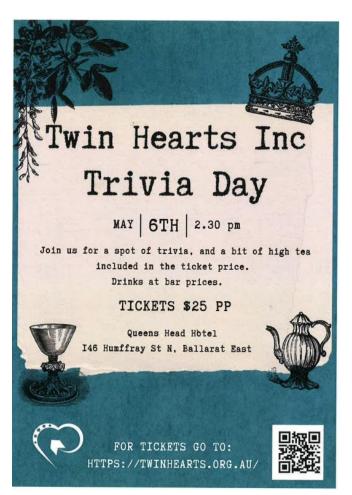


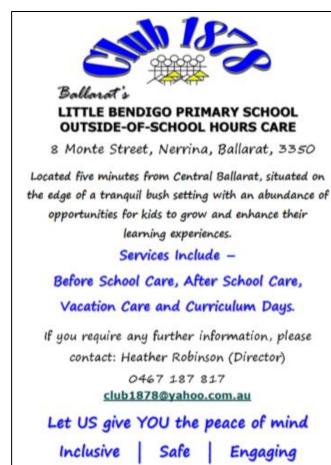


In the senior studio we have begun to provide optional homework. The sheet provided weekly, will have literacy and numeracy sections on it. Students may choose to complete some or all of the sheet, and can hand homework in on any day.

Should students like to complete homework that is something different to the sheet, they are welcome to as well.

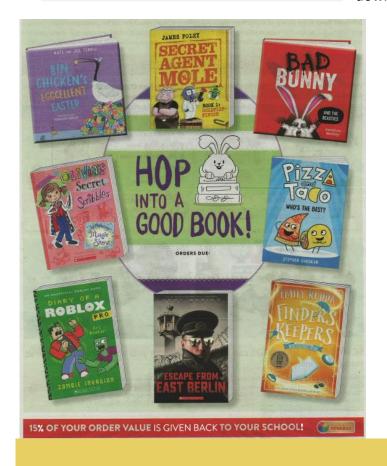
Reader diaries are still an expectation to be completed weekly, four nights minimum, and handed in on a **Wednesday for Mrs A's class (Blue Gums)**, and **Thursday for Miss Finch's class (Lemon Scented Gums)**. Well done to the students bringing their diary in each week!





Book Club

Book Club orders are due back at school on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March. Order by form and cash to school or by credit card on LOOP – visit scholastic.com.au/LOOP or download the LOOP app.





YNGFITkids- where we believe in making sports a fun and engaging experience for young children.

Our program is designed to develop a life- long passion in sport. To teach children the fundamental sports skills so they can participate in any sport they choose to play throughout their life.

Made for children aged 1.5 - 5 years old, the program focuses on developing their motor skills, coordination, and social skills through a variety of age-appropriate games and activities.

We understand the importance of providing a safe and supportive environment for your little ones. Our experienced coaches are trained to work with toddlers and provide a positive and encouraging atmosphere where children can feel confident to try new things and develop their skills.

We are now offering **free** 45 minute holiday program sessions in Ballarat Central. Sessions will be capped – so get in quick!

Contact Shelley on 0412173153 for more details. In the meantime - check us out on <a href="https://www.theundergroundballarat.com.au/yngfit-kids/">https://www.theundergroundballarat.com.au/yngfit-kids/</a>

Kind regards,



