## Little Bendigo P.S. Newsletter



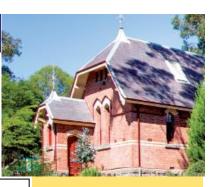
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02/06/2023 Term 2 Week 6









It has been an exciting week with a number of events taking place!

Our final swimming session was on Monday. It has been great to see the progress of our younger students, as they become familiar with water safety and become more comfortable at the pool. Many of our older students have progressed to the longer (and colder) 25 metre pool, as their skills improve. Part of the swimming program includes safe ways to rescue people who may be struggling in the water, which is a vital skill.

Junior students had a fantastic day at Ecolinc on Tuesday, and EarthEd are visiting our school next Wednesday to work with our senior students, as part of our Science program.

A number of our senior students participated in inter-school soccer yesterday. Both teams had a fun and successful day, and enjoyed catching up with friends who attend other schools. Thanks for displaying great teamwork and representing yourselves and our school!

Last term the school received a \$2,000 Foodbank/Good Guys grant to purchase equipment for Breakfast Club. We used this to purchase a freezer, toasters, sandwich makers, rice cookers and juicer. These have already been put to good use and the rice cookers are great for heating up baked beans and spaghetti!

Thanks Michelle, Cassie and Bronwyn for running Breakfast Club. We usually have between 12 and 20 students attend. I had a meeting with Foodbank on Wednesday and received a report showing how much food and how many meals we have distributed since the program commenced here. Some of the food has been distributed to families in need, and also student lunches. In total we have distributed a whopping 2.4 tonne of fruit and food and over 8,000 meals!

The King's Birthday long weekend is coming up, with Monday 12<sup>th</sup> being a student free day. On Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> our Junior School Council have organised a Pyjama Day and a Toastie day! Toastie order forms will be sent home next week.

Have a great weekend!

**Anthony Tait** 



### **Important Dates:**

**TERM 2:** 

**Mon 12<sup>th</sup> June** King's Birthday Student free day



Please contact the school every day your child is away.

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





WOW!!! This term is flying by!!! The junior studio have been working on their assessments that have started this week in preparation for semester one reports (we know right, time flies when you are having fun). The buzz on the students faces from their progress has been a real delight for Miss Burns and I, well done to all of our students.

Tuesday was a super fun day at Ecolinc where we learnt all about Australian Dinosaurs and we became palaeontologist to find dinosaur bones and then identify which one they had discovered.

Reading our focus in both studios has been on retelling/summarising the important information in the text and using our reading strategies to decode new words. When you are reading with you child can you ask your child about the book they have read and practice stretching and blending sounds, so our students are having the extra opportunity to practice these skills.

Writing, we are focusing in on our letter formation and using adjectives to bring our writing to life. Students love writing their creative stories and if you child would like to practice this skill at home, they could write their own narrative, write a letter to a family member or to friend.

Yes, we have officially hit winter and oh dear it got cold super quick!!! Students are encouraged to have jackets/beanies and jumpers all labelled, and sometimes they get wet feet outside, so students are welcome to have some slippers, and a change of socks that can stay in the classroom.

We hope you all have a wonderful weekend and enjoy some sunshine on Sunday. For Miss Burns go Carlton, for Miss D go Bombers (the greatest team of all).

Miss Burns and Miss D 😉















































#### Ahoy there!

Book Fair will underway and will be here until Tuesday 13th June. There is a great range of books and novelties to choose from. All proceeds will go towards new books for the library.

Congratulations to the following students for their excellent story or pirate ship picture in the **pirate themed competition**!

P/1: Alex, Evie, Harrison

1/2: Gemma, Flynn, Josh

3/4: Tyson, Jackson, Peaches

4/5/6: Heidi, Zayde, Fox

Each student receives a \$10 voucher to spend at the fair. Thank you to a couple of families who made a donation for the third prize for each class.



## **Morning Fitness Club**

Dear Families,

Starting next week every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 8:40am Mrs A will be running morning fitness up on the oval. Morning Fitness club is open for all students, parents and families. I look forward to seeing you all Tuesday morning. Mrs A







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