Little Bendigo P.S. Newsletter



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Well done to all the students who represented our school so proudly last Friday. Well done to Tiana and Mackenna who have qualified for the Greater Western Region Swimming Carnival on Friday 23rd March. We wish them all the best.

Next Friday Kaleb and Alyssa will be competing in the junior swimming carnival.

SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL PROGRAM REBEL SPORT

Little Bendigo Primary School invite members of our school to join our Rebel Active Loyalty Program where members will receive benefits of monthly promotions and discounts across the store.



Rebel will reward our school with a rebate on

all member purchases in the form of an in store credit to be spent at Rebel Sport.

Please present your Rebel Active Loyalty card and ask our staff to ensure that you are linked to our school OR ask Rebel's friendly staff for a card when you next visit the store.

Rebel will sign you up as a member and link you to the Little Bendigo Primary School where both members and our school will begin to receive the benefits.

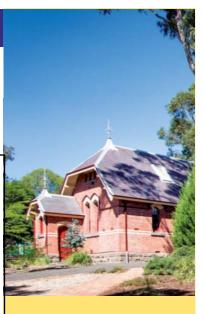
This has been an incredibly rewarding program for our school over the previous 4 years where we have been able to purchase numerous items for the children to use and enjoy.

HOT LUNCHES

Parents/Guardians please note that there will be no hot lunches on Friday 16th March due to cross country.

SCHOOL SWIMMING LESSONS

Please note that a permission form for the school swimming lessons at the aquatic centre will be going home shortly. I have applied for a grant to help reduce the cost of this program. At the moment the program is looking like coming in around the \$100 mark, if the grant is successful we should be able to reduce to costs by \$24 for each child.



IMPORTANT DATES: 2018 Term Dates

Term 1

30th Jan – 29th Mar

Fri 9th March

Council nominations close

Mon 12th March

Labor Day Public Holiday

Tues 13th March

Curriculum Day

Fri 16th March

Cross Country F-2 walk & picnic at Russell Square

Fri 23rd March

Whole School - Melb Zoo

Mon 26th March

School Council AGM

Tue 27th March

Family Fun Night

Thurs 29th March

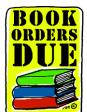
Last Day Term 1

Tue 3rd April

Last chance to buy Coles Vouchers for our school

2018 Term Dates

T2: 16 Apr – 29 Jun T3: 16 Jul – 21 Sept T4: 8 Oct – 21 Dec



BOOKCLUB

Book Club has been issued. All orders due in by Wednesday 14th March. Please hand in to your child's classroom teacher or directly to Mrs Tuaine in the Peppermint Gum Studio. Alternatively, jump online and order through LOOP.

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS PROGRAM

Mr Smith is very amazed at the amount of vouchers that are coming into the school. Currently we are edging up close to the 3800 mark. If we can get over the 7000+ mark we can apply for some awesome sports gear. The promotion will finish on April 3rd.



How it works:

Step 1: For every \$10 spent at Coles, customers will receive one Sports for Schools voucher.

Step 2: Our families can bring vouchers to school, placing them in the collection bin provided at the office. We also have a collection bin located at Coles Victoria Street.

Step 3: Every voucher received by our school will go towards our tally. We will then order the sports equipment our school needs to the value of our vouchers. For further information regarding how to earn vouchers for our school please visit coles.com.au/sfs

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

The Lemon Scented Studio will be conducting a bake sale stall at the Family Fun Night which as always should be incredibly popular.

This stall is not possible without the help and support of our families. We are asking families to once again, donate to this stall. We ask that all baked goods be individually wrapped, bagged or in containers that can be sold with the product and are clearly labelled noting all ingredients.

We ask that the items arrive at school no earlier than Tuesday 27th March.

If you have any items that you would like to denote, please leave at the senior studio or in office, again no earlier than Tuesday 27th March.

There will be lots of other stalls and activities including;



Sausage Café sizzle

LUCKY DIPS

Easter Raffle



PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS REMINDER

At the present moment I have not received any forms for students wishing to participate in private music lessons for either; singing, keyboard or guitar. If there are any students wishing to participate in these lessons please return the permission slip (printed on previous newsletters) by Wednesday 13th March. If there are any queries please see Tammy (Mrs Attard).

LEMON SCENTED STUDIO

The week started off poorly with my new BFF Mr Brown out of action, thankfully he was back the next day and things started to trend upward. I'd like to thank all of the other teachers for their support during that difficult period. Students continue to work hard on achieving all of their set tasks and goals throughout the week.



The response to homework has been great, keep up the great work. In relation to 'Big Write' there was no topic this week due to the publishing week. There will also be no topic next week due to the school week with public holiday, curriculum day, specialist day and cross country.

Hopefully all students have communicated their inquiry project with you. Below is an outline of what needs to be done. Please note we will be holding an 'Australian Inventions' night on Wednesday the 28th from 5pm-6pm where students can display their work.

BLUE MOUNTAIN ASH GUMS

Academic Excellence – Well done to Kale for receiving an academic excellence award for going above and beyond with his homework.

This week students have begun to set daily goals. It is so rewarding, not just for me but also the students, to witness and share in their joy for persevering and trying their hardest to achieve these goals. A special mention to Jasper for persevering to write a whole page during our rapid writing session and Sam for applying himself to write as neatly as possible for the whole day.

This week the Blue Mountain Ash Gums have begun sharing and presenting their individual projects. Well done to Levi (motorbike power point), Finn and Thomas (coding) and Mia (writing and reading a story). It was great to hear the above students presenting with excellent confidence, and taking on board their peers' constructive criticism so positively.

Last Thursday and Friday the Grade 5 students participated in a two day costumed school experience at Sovereign Hill. The students got to experience, through role play, what life and school was like during the 1850's.









GRADE 5'S AT SOVEREIGN HILL

















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BLUE GUMS

Another week down in the Blue Gums classroom and we are flying! Congratulations to Tasha on the attainment of her very own Victorian Pen License, a well-deserved accolade I must say! The number of students that are constantly working on their handwriting has shocked me. A number of students have even been practising during their own time, at recess and at lunch. Well done!



A special thank you to Kate Hodge and Kim Britt; two parent helpers who are always going above and beyond for our students at LBPS. Kate has not only donated her time in the classroom but also fruit and snacks for Thursday night soccer training. Kim has been doing an amazing job during our reading time and even donated a book; "I'm Australian Too". A great multicultural lesson for the kids! Thank you! Mr Brown

PEPPERMINT GUMS NEWS



Thank you to families who have donated plants to our studio. We are seeking more if possible.

Shout out to Charlie for amazing handwriting and mastering the formation of such very tricky letters, to Amber for excellent touch typing of her Big Write story and Seth C for identifying what he needs to work on with his writing. Shout also to Buddy and Ruthie for amazing spelling.

Just a reminder about our walk and picnic to Russell Square. All students have been issued with permission notes and food requirement sheet. All forms and \$2 are due back to school by Wednesday 14th March. Ingredients for the sandwiches will need to be purchased, therefore no late orders will be accepted. Children will need to bring their own lunch if they do not return their food requirement sheet and money by Wednesday 14th March. Permission notes for the walk to Russell Square are required for all children.

TENNIS

TENNIS TIMETABLE TERM 1

Thanks to all the children/families who are supporting the tennis lessons. I have tried my best to accommodate the timeslots requested but obviously this is not possible for all families. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to come in and see Mr Smith.

3:30pm – 4:00pm	4:00pm- 4:30pm	4:30pm- 5:00pm	5:00pm-5:30pm
Seth A	Bryce	Kale	
Louis	Farris		
Amelia	Max		

Thanks to the families who have already paid for their child's tennis lessons, if payment has not been made can you please ensure you organise your payment as promptly as possible to Mr Smith. As this program is run by an external business it is important that parents are on hand to supervise their child or have made appropriate arrangements. If you have any concerns or questions please do not hesitate to come in and see me. Thanks Mr Smith.

THE FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

The fundraising committee has not yet formally met, as we are waiting until after School Council's Annual General Meeting to be held as that is when committees are formally established. While I have no doubt fundraising will continue, it may have another person running the meetings. However, as Easter is fast approaching, I would like to highlight some annual fundraising events.

Easter Raffle – we will be seeking donations for our annual Easter Raffle. Please leave all donations with classroom teachers or at office. Thank you in advance.

Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser – we are looking into this as a fundraiser. Please keep an eye out for further information. Again, thank you for your support in advance.

If you are interested in joining our fundraising committee or even taking on the co-ordinator position of fundraising please see Mrs Tuaine in the Peppermint Gums Studio or email at simmons.janet.e@edumail.vic.gov.au

AUSKICK



Please note that Auskick registrations are again open. Please go to the Auskick web page to register your child. The program will be run at school once again on a Friday night in term 2 for 10 weeks from 3:45pm—5:00pm. Please note that the centre name is the Nerrina Auskick Centre when you search in the Ballarat Region.

FUTSAL

Please note that futsal training will be after school on Thursdays from around 3:45 to 4:15pm. Please also note the changes I have had to make to the futsal teams. I have combined Stingers C and D due to decreasing numbers. A huge thank you to everyone, who put in so much for our children in this program!!!

Stinger A:12:30pm Stingers B:11:20am Stingers D: 9:35am

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Stingers A	Stingers B	Stingers D
Coach: Ange	Coach: Aaron	Coach: Wayne
Kaitlin Nash	Alicia Ellen	Kaleb Dean
Levi Outen	Rex Hodge	Lachy Ellen
Angus Calder	Buddy Hodge	Pip Meadows
Mac Calder	Max Middleton	Issac Lelliott
Thomas Outen	Bryce Hocking	Amber Stubbs
Sam Lund	Levi Duffy	Will Calder
Alec Humphrey	Jameson E	Ruthie Meadows
		Louis Slater

CROSS COUNTRY

Please see the below timetable for when your child will be competing.

Age Group and distances								
Time	Gender	Age	Distance	Laps	Effort Time			
10:30am	Boys/Girls	9yo	2km	2 laps	16 minutes			
11.00am	Boys/Girls	10yo	2km	2 laps	16 minutes			
11.30am	Boys/Girls	11yo	3km	3 laps	20 minutes			
12.00pm	Boys/Girls	12yo +	3km	3 laps	20 minutes			
12:30pm	Presentations							
** Events may start earlier if the course is ready and officials are prepared.								

Russell Square (East Ballarat) Running Track

Note 1: The picture to the right is a photo of the current running track at Russel Square (outlined in yellow). The pink arrows indicate the direction of the track. The track is 1km in distance. 9 & 10yo will complete 2 laps while 11 & 12+yo will complete 3 laps of the track. The race will begin and finish from the clubrooms of the Ballarat North Soccer Club.

