

Little Bendigo P.S. Newsletter



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Term 1, Week 7



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We only have three weeks to go until the end of term, and there is certainly a lot happening around the school!

On Friday 22nd March, selected students will represent the school at the Wathaurung Cross Country event and I wish them all the best.

Our annual Family Fun night takes place between 5pm and 7pm on Thursday 4th April. This will be a great evening for students and their families, with many fun activities being planned. More information will be in next week's newsletter.

House Athletics Sports

On Friday 29th March we are holding our first ever House Athletics Sports. Please return your child's permission form by 22nd March.

The event will take place at the C.E. Brown Reserve in Wendouree (entry off Norman St). We require parents to drop off their children at 8:45am and to collect them at 2:30pm. For parents unable to collect their child at 2:30pm, please notify myself at the school office, prior to the day. We appreciate your assistance with this.

Parents are encouraged to attend and if you are able to assist with events please let Mr Smith know.

School Council Elections

Nominations have closed for the four parent positions on our school council. We have received five nominations from: Racheal Mercer, Jarrod Collins, Kate Hodge, Kelly-Louise Austin and Carly Wijbenga. An election will be held and parents of our current students are eligible to vote. Candidate statements, ballot papers and voting instructions will be sent home with students on Monday.

Anthony Tait
Principal



INTRODUCING... Mrs. Tammy Attard

Mrs Attard is our Grade P/1 and Music teacher. She is also our Learning Specialist Teacher.

Reminders:

- Return the Enrolment Information Form
- Return Parent/Teacher Interview time requests
- Return form and payment for:
 - Athletics Day
 - Swimming
 - Drumming Excursion (Grade 4-6)

Important Dates:

Fri 22nd March

Wathaurung Inter-School Cross Country (Selected students)

Mon 25th March

Parent-Teacher Interviews:
2 – 6pm

Fri 29th March

House Athletics Day

Wed 3rd April

Grade 4-6 African Dance & Drumming Excursion

Thur 4th April

Family Fun Night: 5 – 7pm

Fri 5th April

Rewards Day
Last Day Term 1
2.30pm finish

Tues 23rd April

First Day Term 2

FROM THE OFFICE

Please return the Enrolment Information Form to ensure that we have correct details of your family. This is important if we need to get in touch with you urgently. Also the newsletter is being sent to your listed email.

Also a reminder that if you have a health care / pension card, you may be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF). This is a one-off annual payment from the Department to support the costs of camps and excursions. The payment is held by the school shown as a credit on the family account. This payment cannot be used for Booklist fees or uniform costs.

Please collect the form from the office and return before the end of term.

At Little Bendigo Primary School the CSEF will be allocated to the Swimming program (\$65) and remainder (\$55) to the appropriate camp later in the year. If your student is not participating in the swimming program, please see Michelle before the end of term to organise the CSEF to be allocated fully to camp.



After Cross Country last Friday it is great to be back in the art room this week! Today our junior students created some amazing paintings and learned about colours - namely what mixing combinations of red, yellow and blue can create.

Our senior students have finished their unit on perspective and are now beginning to focus on the first famous artist of the year, Salvador Dali! He was a Spanish surrealist painter who was known for putting objects and scenes together that would not otherwise exist. Inspired by some of his artworks, our students have had fun creating their own unusual scenes.

Because of Cross Country being last Friday, there were no Art Award winners last week. Watch this space next week.

Ms G :)



We have certainly enjoyed the shortened week up in the Blue Gums studio! Students have continued to work well across the timetable. We have focused on subtraction during maths time, developing numerous strategies to solve our numerical problems. During writing, we have completed two 'rapid writes' (15min) and are working towards building our writing stamina!

Thank-you to those families who have returned their parent teacher interview forms so promptly.

Birthdays: Happy Birthday to Yak, Seth C, Lucas and Lachy who celebrated their birthdays this week.



What a super week we have had in the Peppermint Gums studio. We have had students moving up levels in their readers, getting 100% on individual spelling tests, forming letters correctly, recalling letter names and sounds, writing numbers correctly, collaborating, writing interesting stories and sentences and most of all having fun.

Well done to the following students for receiving academic excellence awards.

Seth A – consistently following instructions

Jye –Pointing to the words whilst reading

Zayde -always approaching tasks with a smile

It was great to see all the students trying their hardest at cross country, displaying great sportsmanship and breaking into a huge grin when they crossed the finish line. Well done!

Just a reminder that homework is due every Thursday. Well done to everyone who has been reading at least 4 nights per week and practising their reading and spelling of the M100 words. Very impressed!

Yesterday forms went home for parent teacher interviews, if you have not returned your slip please do so Monday. If you have any queries please see Tammy.



What a very busy couple of weeks in the junior studio. We had our first cross country last week and a BIG congratulations to all foundation students what a top effort in running a whole KILOMETER. Well done very proud of you all.

After the long weekend and some much needed rest for the children, it is wonderful to see their learning hats straight back on. We have begun our VCOP Big Write and we have been focusing on Vocabulary and descriptive language. It has been a BIG BUZZ to see all children attempt writing independently. This is a great effort from all children. Well done!!

Well done Carys and Billie for their excellent sounding out during our literacy sessions.

We have been investigating numbers, focusing on correctly forming our numbers and building on our knowledge of 2D shapes in our numeracy sessions.

Well done to Matthew and Indi for their excellent number skills during our numeracy sessions.

As a reminder all prep students are required to be at school on Wednesdays now.

A note went home for preferred times for Parent Teacher Interviews to be held on Monday 25th of March. Could all notes please be returned as soon as possible. A note will be sent home on Tuesday with your child's allocated time.

Have a fabulous weekend Stringybark Studio.

Ms D!

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 at Little Bendigo Primary School. Please note that the centre name is the Nerrina Auskick Centre when you search in the Ballarat Region. Packs can take around 8 weeks to arrive so I encourage parents to register ASAP if they would like their pack to arrive before the program starts.



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