

# Little Bendigo P.S. Newsletter



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Term 2, Week 1

## **Wow my last day as Principal!!**

Walking in the paddock this morning to feed the horses, I looked up at the stars and thought how lucky am I.

To be here at this point of time after 22 wonderful years, still loving the role of Principal as much as I did when I first started, or even more!!!

From when I began primary school I decided I wanted to be a teacher. I love learning and just wanted to know how to help others to love to learn, to be kind, caring, to know how to work together and enjoy life together. I have been so privileged to have had this opportunity at Little Bendigo to answer these questions and put what I have learnt (and always still learning) into practice.

This has meant sharing and celebrating the journey to and outcomes of many successes – culminating in many, many, many 'BUZZES'. That sense of achievement that makes us so proud and provides us with wonderful memories.

It is impossible to detail them all here or to thank everyone individually; as everyone in our school community, past and present have contributed in a very special way.

Words are not enough to say how proud I am of our students, how privileged I have been to work with a wonderful team and how much I value and treasure your trust, friendship and partnerships that we have as learning community.

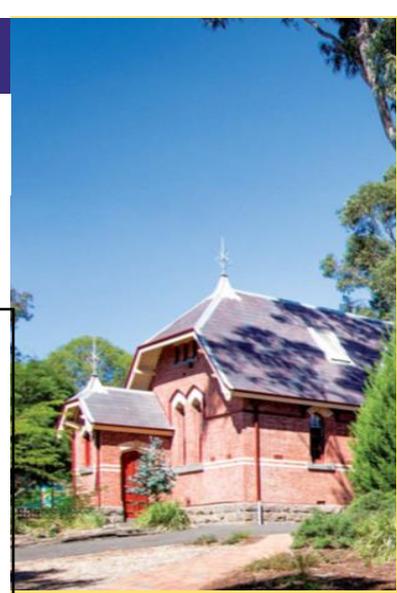
Little Bendigo P. S. will always be deep in my heart, it is a very special place to be.

So I cannot just walk away, I will be back to visit and help where I can.

Thank you!

Your Principal

Karolina Kuzmich



## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

### **2018 Term Dates**

#### **Term 2**

16<sup>th</sup> April – 29<sup>th</sup> June

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> April  
Athletics & Tabloid Sports

Fri 27<sup>th</sup> April  
G3-6 Winter Sports

#### **Mon 30<sup>th</sup> April Parent/Teacher Interviews**

Fri 11<sup>th</sup> May  
G3-6 Winter Sports

Tue 15<sup>th</sup> May  
Foundation Information  
Night, 7pm

18<sup>th</sup> May  
Division Cross Country

Fri 25<sup>th</sup> May  
G3-6 Winter Sports

### **2018 Term Dates**

T3: 16 Jul – 21 Sept

T4: 8 Oct – 21 Dec

### **REMINDERS:**

- Return swimming and athletics forms
- Swimming every Thursday this term

## **SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENTS REPORT**

School Council held its Annual General Meeting on March 26. We welcomed new members Tegan Braun, Adam Govan and Nic Brown. We also farewelled and thanked Mireille Bolay who was on School council for three years and Secretary for two years. Mireille and her family also took on the responsibility of removing our green waste on an ongoing basis which was a huge commitment. A huge thank you to Ellie and Shelly who also retired from School council. Congratulations to Katherine Meadows on her election as Secretary and to Jarrod Collins on his re-election as Vice President.

Next term, as you are aware Karolina Kuzmich will be retiring following her long service leave this term. Karolina has been a strong, passionate and dedicated leader as Principal of Little Bendigo Primary school. I have known Karolina since my children started here in 2001, and have been privileged to serve as President to share the great work Karolina has done during her time here.

There have been great changes, too many to list but they include a vibrant curriculum which has continued to develop to help our students engage and love learning. I have spent many valuable hours listening to Karolina's theories and excitement about education, from the four pillars to now. This enthusiasm and passion is backed up by years of research and experience and has been a great asset to our school. There have also been many changes to our building and grounds, including new buildings and Library, oval and slides.

Karolina has been Principal of Little Bendigo Primary School for 22 years. We have been very fortunate to have grown so much, and have an environment which enables our students to feel safe, happy and to love learning, a skill which is important throughout life. There are not enough words to express our thanks, but congratulations Karolina on a wonderful career and good luck with your next chapter.

Jamie Tobin  
School Council President

### **BLUE GUMS:**

Welcome back to another very exciting term everyone (especially Blue Gums)! We have a very busy schedule to begin this term and I have been very impressed with students (and parents) for returning permission forms so promptly.

Students have been busy preparing for NAPLAN, learning about two-digit addition and working towards their independent goals.

A huge shout out to Skylia and Lily B for their presentations on Koalas and Echidnas respectively. Both students achieved their goals and I was amazed by the level of comfort expressed in their public speaking. Congratulations girls!

### **LEMON SCENTED GUMS**

Welcome back to all those involved in Lemon Scented studio. We have a busy and long term ahead of us. This term grade 5 students will be participating in NAPLAN and they have already started practicing for this. The grade 6 students will continue to build on their ownership as well as their efficiency and effectiveness skills in preparation for year 7.

Homework is now due to be completed each week, and 'Big Write' will be back again this Thursday. Please don't forget to return athletics, swimming, winter sport and transition forms for grade 6 students.

### **MOUNTAIN ASH GUMS**

It has been a wonderful start to term 2 with all motivated to persevere and improve on their individual goals. Homework will start next week. Well done to all who read over the holidays!

## SWIMMING

Well done to the children who are participating in the swimming program yesterday. All children did a fantastic job of listening carefully to their instructor and following instructions.

## AUSKICK

Auskick starts tonight, I look forward to seeing all LBPS students mixing in with the other children. Any parent who can help out or volunteer their time would be greatly appreciated. We currently have just under 30 children enrolled in our Auskick program which is great exposure for our school.

## FUTSAL

Please note there have been several changes to teams due to children having other commitments during the winter months. If your child is interested in playing futsal let Mr Smith know.

Stingers A: 11:55am

Stingers B: 11:20am

Stingers D: 9:00am

| Stingers<br>(Friday night)<br>Coach: | Stingers A<br>Coach: Ange  | Stingers B<br>Coach: Aaron  | Stingers C<br>Coach: | Stingers D<br>Coach: Wayne   |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|----------------------|--|
|                                      | Levi Outen<br>Angus Calder<br>Mac Calder<br>Thomas Outen<br>Alec Humphrey<br>Ethan Outen | Alicia Ellen<br>Rex Hodge<br>Buddy Hodge<br>Max Middleton<br>Bryce Hocking<br>Jameson E |                      | Kaleb Dean<br>Lachy Ellen<br>Issac Lelliott<br>Amber Stubbs<br>Will Calder<br>Louis Slater |

Futsal training is continuing on Thursday after school between 3:30 and 4:15 for anyone who is interested. Recently, we have been simply playing a game of futsal on the oval, promoting inclusion and enjoyment. We kindly ask that parents are in attendance if students are participating.

## WINTER SPORTS

Please ensure forms are returned, this starts next Friday. Children can bring football/soccer boots or a change of clothes to play in if they want eg, football shorts and top.

## ATHLETICS

Athletics this coming Monday at LLanberis, please see the information below (on the next page) regarding your child's movements for the day.

## COLES VOUCHERS

We are finalising our count of Coles Vouchers, if you still have any at home, please bring to school ASAP.



**SPORTS PROGRAM**  
**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2018**  
**Llanberris Reserve, York St Ballarat**

**8.20 1500m race. Three heats. 1<sup>st</sup> heat (9/10yo Boys/Girls) 2<sup>nd</sup> heat (11yo Boys/Girls) and 3<sup>rd</sup> heat (12+yo Boys/Girls)**

**8:45 - 9:00 Students arrive. Go straight to school groups. (Attendance roll marked by school staff)**

**9:00 Welcome**

**9:05 Students called onto main track to assemble in Age Groups.**

**9:10 – 12:50 INDIVIDUAL EVENTS 1 - 8**

| AGE              | Event 1<br>9:10 – 9:40 | Event 2<br>9:40 – 10:10 | Event 3<br>10:10 – 10:40 | Event 4<br>10:40 – 11:10 | Event 5<br>11:10 – 11:40 | Event 6<br>11:40-12:10 | Event 7<br>12:10 –12:40 | Event 8<br>12:40– 1:10 |
|------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>9 Boys</b>    | Triple Jump            | Shot Put                | Discus                   | Javelin                  | 100m                     | Long Jump              | 200m                    | Break                  |
| <b>9 Girls</b>   | Break                  | Triple Jump             | Shot Put                 | Discus                   | Javelin                  | 100m                   | Long Jump               | 200m                   |
| <b>10 Boys</b>   | 200m                   | Break                   | Triple Jump              | Shot Put                 | Discus                   | Javelin                | 100m                    | Long Jump              |
| <b>10 Girls</b>  | Long Jump              | 200m                    | Break                    | Triple Jump              | Shot Put                 | Discus                 | Javelin                 | 100m                   |
| <b>11 Boys</b>   | 100m                   | Long Jump               | 200m                     | Break                    | Triple Jump              | Shot Put               | Discus                  | Javelin                |
| <b>11 Girls</b>  | Javelin                | 100m                    | Long Jump                | 200m                     | Break                    | Triple Jump            | Shot Put                | Discus                 |
| <b>12+ Boys</b>  | Discus                 | Javelin                 | 100m                     | Long Jump                | 200m                     | Break                  | Triple Jump             | Shot Put               |
| <b>12+ Girls</b> | Shot Put               | Discus                  | Javelin                  | 100m                     | Long Jump                | 200m                   | Break                   | Triple Jump            |

**Note 1:** 100m Sprint finals are now to be held at the completion of the 100m heats during morning events. Event coordinator to have the fastest 8 times to run in the final. Event coordinators are to record the names of the 5 fastest runners and times for Wathaurung relay teams. Ribbons will only be awarded for the final, not the heats.

**Note 2:** 30 minutes has been allocated to each event. Events must finish within that 30 minutes.

**1:10pm – 1:40pm Lunch (All children return to school areas for lunch)**

**1.10pm – 1.40pm High Jump (Invitational only for 9+yo) – Please see starting jump requirement for each age/gender group on page 23.**

**1.20pm – 1.25pm 9yo/10yo - 800m run (Boys/Girls) (Invitational only for 9+yo)**

**1.25pm – 1.30pm 11yo – 800m run (Boys/Girls) (Invitational only for 9+yo)**

**1.30pm – 1.35pm 12+yo – 800m run (Boys/Girls) (Invitational only for 9+yo)**

**1:45pm – 2.10pm 5/6 Circular Relay (4 runners X 100m)**

- Open Relay Final (4 fastest boys in the school)
- Open Relay Final (4 fastest girls in the school)
- Mixed Relay 1
- Mixed Relay 2
- Mixed Relay 3

**2.10pm – 2.15pm**

**CLOSE AND THANK YOU**