

Little Bendigo P.S. Newsletter



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Term 2, Week 4

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Another week has flown by. Students have demonstrated great engagement and motivation as I have moved around the studios. I am really looking forward to seeing some of the student's individual learning goals. Well done Zane for organising a Little Bendigo Primary School Spelling Bee. Really looking forward to this activity in the future.

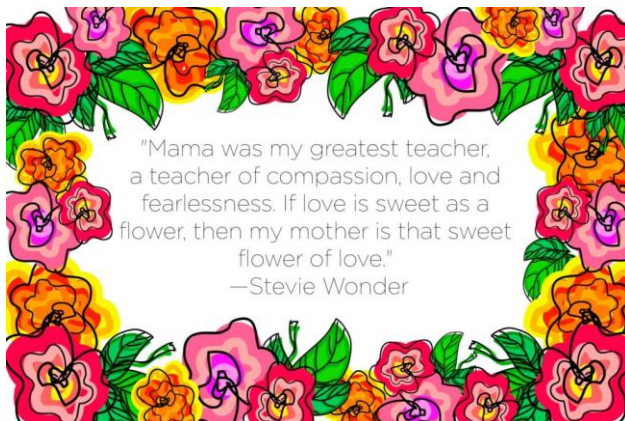
Junior School Council have recently met and are hoping to have a Little Bendigo PS garage sale/market. Students were thinking of offering sites to families for \$10. The school would advertise the sale in the Courier and newsletter. This would be happening on a Saturday morning (date undecided at this stage). If you think you might be interested let me know.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Fundraising meeting. It was a great turn out and I am looking forward to future events. Just a reminder to those who missed the meeting that the minutes are available on the shelves as you enter the office.

A shout out to Michelle in the office who has been extremely busy the last couple of weeks with both a census and finance audit. You are doing an amazing job Michelle!

Just a reminder that second hand uniform is now available in the office for a gold coin donation and lost property is in the cupboard below.

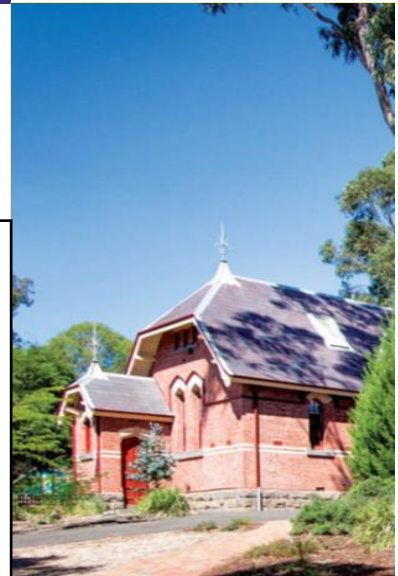
Have a great Mother's Day to all our mums



Fundraising

The mother's day stall was a huge success. Thank you to all parents for your donations and the committee members who set up and ran the stalls. Your time and effort is greatly appreciated.

The fundraising committee will be holding a pie drive – just in time for our winter weather. Orders will be due back at school by Thursday 29th May and delivery will be Thursday 7th June. Order forms attached.



IMPORTANT DATES:

2018 Term Dates

Term 2

16th April – 29th June

Tue 15th May
Foundation Information
Night, 7pm

Thur 17th May
Swimming

18th May
Division Cross Country

Thur 24th May
Swimming

Fri 25th May
G3-6 Winter Sports

REMINDERS:

Swimming every
Thursday this term

MOUNTAIN ASH GUMS

Grade 3-6 Senior Camp

On October 24th, 25th and 26th. Students will be staying at Discovery Melbourne. The cost of this camp will be \$360 per student which includes; 2 coaches to and from camp, 2 nights accommodation (including 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 x 2 course night meal and entry to the following venues/activities; Eureka Skydeck, Vic Market, Melbourne Star Observation Wheel, Imax Theatre, Melbourne Museum, MCG -National Sports Museum, ArtVo and of course our annual Red Faces. Due to the school having to pay accommodation and food invoices by mid July and all other invoices paid 6 weeks prior to camp it is requested that parents please have the following payments made by;

\$200 payment by Monday 16th July

Full payment of \$360 in total by Friday 21st September

Camp is classified as an optional education item, these are items or services that are offered in addition to the standard curriculum. Students access these items on a user pays basis. If you would like to set up a payment plan please see Janet or Michelle.

We have a limited amount of places for any parents that would like to attend. (Please note we will be walking to and from all venues). The cost for all parents will be \$267 each. If you would like to attend please see Tammy as soon as possible. If we have more parents wanting to go than places available the parent names will be drawn out of a hat. Full parent payment needs to be made by Friday 21st September.

If your child will not be attending camp please see Tammy as soon as possible.

A special notice: A student in the Blue Gums classroom went to an information evening for the East Ballarat Football Club a number of weeks ago. The evening was run by a very well-known football coach from St Patrick's College, Mr Howard Clark. Mr Clark asked the group of eager footballers what some of the personal traits the club was looking for in 2018. To Mr Clark's surprise amongst a room full of children ranging in ages, an eight year old boy put his hand up. The boy said 'ownership' as one of the traits that should be displayed by all players. According to reputable sources Mr Clark was shocked that an eight year old boy could not only put his hand up to talk in front of an audience but to mention something so mature as 'ownership'. That boy was Max Middleton in grade 3. As Max's teacher I am so proud that he is/was able to take something learnt from school and share it with the community. It is clear that Max is representing our school very well outside of the playground. Well done Max!

Week 4 has come and gone, students remain busy with their weekly tasks, goals and projects. The grade 5 students have completed each of the NAPLAN tests this week under NAPLAN conditions to ensure they are prepared for NAPLAN next week. It is very important that all grade 5 students be at school on the testing days.



There was no 'Big Write' topic for this week as it was their rest week. It will return next week. A reminder to ensure children continue to complete their homework. I am still awaiting a few grade 6 transition forms also.



Blue Gums has been gearing up for the NAPLAN taking place next week. The students have been focusing on 'statements' in literacy and 'subtraction' in numeracy. Students have been working well during B.I.G write time with some students writing north of 400-500 words in 45 minutes. I have impressed with the students ability to edit and improve their own work. Our class focus is organisation at the moment, ensuring that readers and spelling words are going home each night.

Mr Brown



We've had an awesome week in the Peppermint Studio, updates next week.

Wow, term 2 is certainly flying along! The junior students have had a weekly focus on developing their listening and teamwork skills, I am so impressed with their progress in these areas! The past fortnight we have had Fed Uni pre-service teachers, Bradan and Jenna assisting in our class, we wish them all the best for their future placements and study!



The students have also been practicing reading the time on analogue clocks and have even made their own, please encourage your child read time to the o'clock and half-past at home. They have enjoyed creating Mother's Day cards and gifts this week and are all looking forward to treating their mums and the special women in their lives this Sunday!

Have a fantastic and hopefully dry weekend!

Mrs Stacey ☺

WINTER SPORTS

Please note that as winter sports was cancelled today a replacement session will be held next Friday the 18th March.

CROSS COUNTRY

We wish the following students all the best next Friday at Vic Park for the Sovereign District Cross Country Championships. Good luck Levi, Hamish, Max, Amelia, Maddy, Chris, Blake, Zane and Mackenna. We know these students will represent our school proudly and with great sportsmanship.

REBEL SPORT

Thanks to all the families who are aligned with LBPS through rebel sport. I was recently able to spend another \$280 on sports equipment for the children. This money enabled the purchase of 5 bocce sets, 6 hoola hoops and 6 grip ball sets. It is a really rewarding program that enables us to get class sets of equipment and give the students a broad range of experiences.

AUSKICK

We had 6 students on Saturday that got to participate in the AFL AUSKICK halftime games on Saturday at Mars stadium. The game was played between the Western Bulldogs & Gold Coast with just over 7,000 people in attendance. A great experience for the children involved. Buddy, Issac and Jimmy played in the grid games whilst Pip, Lily and Gus played in the main game. Well done kids!

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 D: 9.00am, 9.35am

Stingers A: 10.10am

Stingers B: 10.45am

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

Pinarc Parent Workshops & Information Sessions



Legal Matters

for families of children with disabilities

As children with disabilities reach adulthood, legal issues around wills, power of attorney, financial and medical management can become more complex.

This FREE session is open to people with disabilities of all ages, their families, and carers.

Presented by



Central Highlands
**Community
Legal Centre**

Thursday 17th May
6.30pm – 8.00pm
Pinarc Disability Support
120 English Street,
Golden Point

Register via Pinarc Reception: Ph: 5329 1300
or email: admin@pinarc.org.au

HEAD LICE AWARENESS

All parents should note there has been a case of headlice around the school. Please regularly check you students hair and treat at the first signs.



Located five minutes from Central Ballarat, situated on the edge of a tranquil bush setting with an abundance of opportunities for kids to grow and enhance their learning experiences.

Services Include –

Before School Care, After School Care,
Vacation Care and Curriculum Days.

If you require any further information, please
contact: Heather Robinson (Director)

0467 187 817

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Let US give YOU the peace of mind
Inclusive | Safe | Engaging

Do you want to play basketball?



Wildcats basketball club are
looking for new players to
join our junior teams.

Come and join in the all the fun at our Wildcubs
trainings where you will start
to learn how to

Dribble (bounce) the ball,

Pass the ball,

And shoot the ball too.

All for the cost of just \$2



Wildcubs trainings will start on
Friday the 11th of May at 4:15 pm
All trainings are at our home court
at the Eastwood Leisure Complex
20 Dana st central Ballarat.

Who knows you might be the next
Ben Simmons

We need caring families interested in other cultures
Is that you? Then experience another culture without leaving home
HOST A JAPANESE STUDENT!

TWO OPTIONS AVAILABLE:

21 July to 10 August, 2018 based at Ballarat Neighbourhood Centre in Sebastopol

Contact: Ruth on 0418 519 448 / Email: ruthsprague0@gmail.com

Or Helen on 0408 543 885 / Email: helhunter@bigpond.com

23 July to 3 August, 2018 based at St Patrick's College

Contact: Peter on 0438 696 730 / Email: peterjshine@hotmail.com



Enquire now!
No obligation!

We need families to include them in Aussie life, provide a bed and 3 normal meals a day.

They will attend the study centre each day for English Lessons & Excursions.

There are no airport pick ups, they can share a room and you certainly don't need to speak Japanese.

We pay \$30 per night to assist with hosting costs.

Lynn Smith – Regional Manager AIIU Western Victoria.
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