

Little Bendigo P.S. Newsletter



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I have had a fantastic first week at Little Bendigo. Our students, staff and parents have been very welcoming.

It has been great to see students in every class, setting and working towards achieving their learning goals. I also had the pleasure of presenting some students with a Principal's Award for their great work and perseverance in achieving their goals.

At the assembly on Monday morning, I set a goal for myself (with encouragement from Mrs Attard!) to learn all of our students names by the end of term. Let's see how I go!

Mr Tait



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In Google Play and App Store search 'Skool Loop' and choose our school once installed.



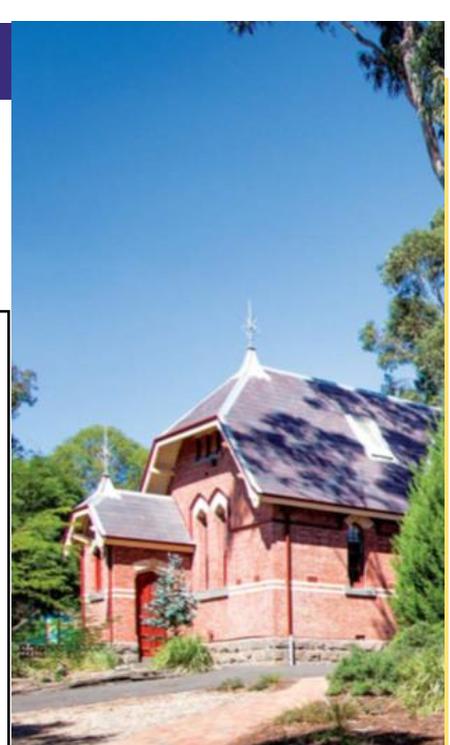
Notification of Student Absence

We ask that parents notify the school by telephone or the Skool Loop App, prior to 10:00am if your child will not be attending school on that day. It is a Department of Education requirement that parents notify the school that their child will be absent and that the school follows up with parents, to help ensure the safety of our students and that they have arrived at school.

2019 Enrolments - To help us with our planning we ask that families who have children starting **Foundation (prep) next year** to please see Michelle for an enrolment form and hand in as soon as possible.



Remember to save the date for our Trivia night next Term, on Friday 19th October. This is a major fundraising event for the school, so any donations of prizes or assistance in preparing for the night would be greatly appreciated.



2018 Term Dates

Term 3

July 16th-Sept 21st

Term 4

Oct 8th-Dec 21st

Wednesdays – Playgroup 9am-11am

Friday 31st August
Fathers' Day Stall

Monday 3rd September
Curriculum Day (No School)

Monday 10th September
School Council Meeting

Wednesday 12th September
School Concert

Friday 21st September
Last Day of Term, Walkathon & Sausage Sizzle

October 19th – Little Bendigo PS
Trivia Night

Concert - This year we will be pre-selling concert tickets. Tickets are now on sale. First round of tickets are available to all families, with each family being offered a maximum of 4 tickets. We will have a limited number of seats available this year and we want to ensure that every family has the opportunity to attend. Later on when everyone has had the opportunity to purchase tickets, we will offer a second round of ticket sales for those families who require more than 4. Tickets will be \$10 per ticket or 4 tickets for \$20. Doors will be open at 6pm for a 6:30pm start. Our fundraising committee are working on catering for this night. More information on catering will be available at a later date.

Parking - Just a reminder to all parents to consider others when parking at the school. We are aware that there are simply not enough car parks and we have contacted Ballarat City Council in regard to this matter, however in the mean time we ask families to consider community members when parking in Draper Street as we have neighbours who have been unable to get in and out of their drive ways.



Little Bendigo Primary School: Silver Coin Challenge



The Parents and Friends (fundraising) Committee here at Little Bendigo are committed to assisting the school in fundraising. This semester we would like to propose making it possible to bring hot school lunches internally, making it more family and budget friendly. In order to do so, we are holding a silver coin challenge where we invite you to donate your spare silver coins. All monies raised will go towards a new chest freezer enabling us to purchase in bulk hot lunch food items.

Each studio will have their own large water container for the coins. The challenge will be for each studio to fill the container as much as they can in the time period set. We will run the challenge until the last few weeks of term 4.

The class that raises the most money by the end of the challenge will win a class reward in the last week of school. We encourage all families to help support their child's studio in this challenge. Good luck studios and may the coins be with you!



To raise further funds for the Cancer Council, Dakota, Abi and Imogene will be conducting a raffle. Tickets will be sold from Monday 3rd September until the end of term. Tickets are 50c each and are available for purchase at the front gate 15 minutes prior to school starting and 15 minutes after the completion of school. Remember all money goes to a great cause! Thanks, Dakota, Abi and Imogene

SPORTING NEWS

TENNIS LESSONS

Tennis lessons will once again be up and running in term 4, an expression of interest form will be sent home shortly with further information.

FUTSAL

Well done to the boys A and B team and girls B team on both their performance and sportsmanship last week in the Futsal competition at Major League.



Concert is near and students continue to busily fine tune their roles and responsibilities. Hopefully most students have started to sort out their costume requirements. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

The kids news addition to reading groups is working well with students being able to select articles of interest to them whilst learning more about the world around us. The writing genre focus at the moment is information reports, students have presented reports on an animal and place of choice over the last couple of weeks. We continue to push out VCOP skills by applying the 4 areas to each writing task when possible.

In maths sessions the students are learning about all things related to time. From reading clocks, timetables, converting 24 hour time and durations of time passed. Essential assessment is becoming a student's best friend in helping master some of these skills relevant to them.

Please remember to continue to discuss the 'Big Write' topic with your children and well done to those students who are regularly completing homework. I have no doubt it will come to fruition with their testing results.



Students have been fine-tuning their performance for the upcoming school concert this week and we are starting to look like a 'well-oiled machine' up on stage. Students completed their post-assessment on essential assessment for our focus on 'time'. The results were very pleasing and reflected the work ethic of the grade three students.

Re-testing will begin in a couple of weeks to gauge student progress across the curriculum. A reminder that testing students on the highlighted M100W and M200W will benefit their results greatly.

Congratulations to Brooke and Max for completing their 'Buzz-o-Meters' this week. A shout-out to Brooke, Lily G, Max, Skyla, Maddy, Demi and Alicia for such amazing growth throughout our unit of 'time' in numeracy.

Keep up the great work Blue Gums!



We have had a great week in the junior studio. We are so impressed with the level of enthusiasm and dedication students have displayed in preparing for the school concert performance. A huge amount of work has also gone into producing props for the night. Fantastic effort everyone!



The Blue Mountain Ash Gums have had another week full of buzzes and outstanding achievements! There has been lots of massive smiles and fist pumping as the students have realised all their hard work has paid off, resulting in them achieving their individual goals. Well done to the following students for achieving their individual goals;

Riley- 2 x tables, Mia -9 x tables, Kale - 3 and 4 x tables, Chris -10 x tables, Logan – Prime numbers, Sam- cursive, Tom – 4 x tables (1 minute club) Sophia – 6 x tables, Ruby – cursive, Danielle – 4 x tables, Levi – 6 x tables, Courtney – cursive and Harry – reading concert script louder.

This week we have also continued to practice our school concert play "The Lorax". I am so impressed with all the students persevering and accepting the challenge of learning their words off by heart and reading in a loud, clear voice and excellent expression. Yesterday, much to the pleasure and excitement of the class, we had a trial "full dress rehearsal." And I have to say the costumes are amazing!! If your child has not bought in their costume can they please do so next week

HELPING YOUR CHILD AT HOME WITH READING

A massive thankyou to all the parents who braved the cold weather on Wednesday and Thursday night and Friday afternoon to attend the "Helping your child/ren at home with reading" information sessions. Just a reminder there is one more session, grade 3-6, next Friday from 2:30-3:15.



Rainbow walkathon/fun run sponsorship forms have been sent home.

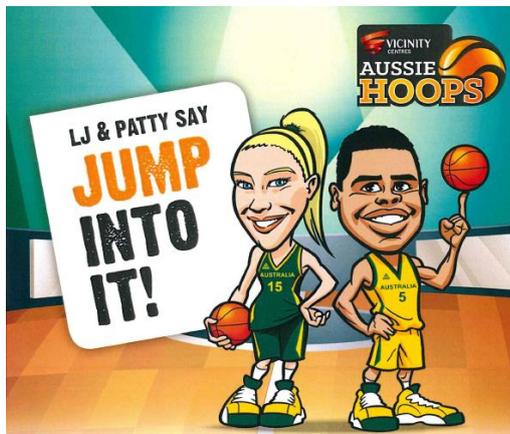
Book Club orders are due back by 6th September!!



Family Relationship Centre

- Mediation for separated parents or carers.
- Assistance managing separation.
- Support to minimise children's exposure to conflict.
- Property mediation for former couples.
- Information and referrals for support.

To book a FREE initial consultation, phone 1300303988, or drop in to Centacare's Family Relationship Centre @ 34 Peel St Nth, Ballarat



REGISTER NOW AT AUSSIEHOOPS.COM.AU

\$95 for new participant

\$70 for returning participants

Ballarat High-Monday 4.15pm-5pm

Minerdome-Wednesday 4.15pm-5pm

TERM 4 2018 STARTS OCTOBER 15





Brown Hill Cricket Club



Season 2018 / 2019



Dear Parents,

The Brown Hill Cricket Club is looking to recruit boys and girls to play cricket this coming season. Starting with Woolworths Junior Blasters (Formally Milo In2 Cricket) through to U13 Friday Night Cricket.

Woolworths Junior Blasters

Commences on Tuesday 23rd October 4.30pm at Brown Hill Reserve. A Maximum of 10 sessions will be conducted, approximately 8 before Xmas (subject to weather) with the remainder starting back in February 2019. Cost to register is \$85 and will need to be done through Cricket Victoria Website including the ordering of your child's apparel & equipment. Late registration can be done at the club at any of the sessions.

U12 Midweek Cricket

The U12 midweek Ballarat Cricket Association/School Competition is due to commence on Wednesday 24th October. Games start at 4.15pm with a maximum of 11 players participating. The BHCC will make available all necessary equipment along with playing shirt & cap. Players would be required to wear either white cricket pants or shorts of their choice. The club will run practice sessions each Tuesday night prior to games, starting on Tuesday 16th October from 4.30pm at Brown Hill Reserve. There is no cost to families for the duration of the season.

U13 Friday night Cricket

The U13 Friday Night competition is due to commence on Friday 12th of October at 4.30pm with a maximum of 9 players participating. The BHCC will make available all the necessary equipment along with playing shirt & cap. Players would be required to wear white cricket pants. The club will run practice sessions each Tuesday night prior to games, starting on Tuesday 9th October from 4.30pm at Brown Hill Reserve. Each player would be required to pay a \$30 club membership and \$5 each Friday night. This will assist club to pay BCA team affiliation, Umpires and the cost of a new ball for each week. Please give me a call if you require any further information.

Looking forward to possibly having your child participate.

Thank you

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