



# Calder Chronicle

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## THURSDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2018

### CALENDAR

Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> October

Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> October

Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October

Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> October

Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> October

Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> October

Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> October

Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> October

**WEDNESDAY, 31<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER - BENDIGO CUP DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> November

Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> November

Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November

Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> November

Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> November

Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> November

Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> November

Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November

Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November

Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November

Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> November

Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> November

Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December

Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> December

Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> December

Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> December

Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> December

Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> December

Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> December

Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> December

### CLASS PLACEMENT REQUESTS IN WRITING DUE AT THE OFFICE

Scholastic Book Club orders and money due at the Office by 9:00am

Second Hand Uniform Shop 3:00pm – 3:30pm in the multipurpose room – all items \$2

Applications for the 2019 China Trip due at the Office

**Melbourne Warehouse Shopping Tour leaving at 6:30am SHARP from the school carpark**

Payment of \$47 due for First Steps Swimming program

Year 3/4 T20 Blast – selected students only

Prep – Year 2 Production 'Wackadoo Zoo' matinee & evening performances Baptist Church, Junortoun

**NO CANTEEN available due to production – all year levels**

**Day for Daniel – please wear red and bring a gold coin donation and meet at Phillis Street at 8:30am for the walk/active travel to school**

Second Hand Uniform Shop 3:00pm – 3:30pm in the multipurpose room – all items \$2

**Mango Drive Order forms and money due back at the Office**

Step Up for Down Syndrome Walk-see inside for more information

First Steps Swimming Program commences

Year 3 – 6 Production 'Gladiator' matinee & evening performances Baptist Church, Junortoun

First Steps Swimming Program continues

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Active Travel to School Day – meet at Phillis Street at 8:30am

Second Hand Uniform Shop 3:00pm – 3:30pm in the multipurpose room – all items \$2

First Steps Swimming Program concludes

Year 5/6 T20 Blast – selected students only

Melbourne Cup Family Fun Day P&F running a BBQ – volunteers needed please

Year 5/6 2019 Camp Deposit of \$80 due at the Office

Second Hand Uniform Shop 3:00pm – 3:30pm in the multipurpose room – all items \$2

Payment of \$45 due for the Year 2 Sleepover

Year 2 Sleepover at the Discovery Centre

Second Hand Uniform Shop 3:00pm – 3:30pm in the multipurpose room – all items \$2

First Prep Transition visit 9:30am – 11:00am

Father/Parent Evening for Year 5/6 students 6:00pm – 7:00pm in the multipurpose room

Mother/Parent Evening for Year 5/6 students 6:00pm – 7:00pm in the library

Year 5/6 2019 Camp Second instalment of \$70 due

Second Hand Uniform Shop 3:00pm – 3:30pm in the multipurpose room – all items \$2

Prep Transition Literacy/Numeracy Evening 5:30pm – 6:30pm

Second Hand Uniform Shop 3:00pm – 3:30pm in the multipurpose room – all items \$2

Middle Unit Swimming Program commences – more information to follow

Second Prep Transition visit 10:00am – 12:15pm

Second Hand Uniform Shop 3:00pm – 3:30pm in the multipurpose room – all items \$2

Whole School Transition Day (Preps 10:00am – 12:15pm, with a school/OSHC tour at 10:00am)

PIZZA DAY and last canteen day for 2018

Second Hand Uniform Shop 3:00pm – 3:30pm in the multipurpose room – all items \$2

Year 6 Graduation

Senior Unit Breakup – more information to follow

NO Second Hand Uniform Shop – apologies

**LAST DAY FOR 2018 – early dismissal 1:30pm**

### School Organisation

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It's been great to have some rain this week – just timing at the end of the day made two departures a little more tricky than usual! In the event that the weather is very wet and unpredictable, I suggest to families to try and pick your child up from school – especially if the plan was for them to walk home. With thunder and lightning around also, walking home isn't the best option – on days where this is forecast, it might be best to ensure that you pick your child up from school. Using an umbrella in a thunderstorm isn't a good option either – safest option is to pick up your child, or organise a friend to do so.

### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Well done to Alex who came 3rd, and Jaylen who came 4th recently at the Regional Athletics Day. What a super effort from both students!

### **ENROLMENTS AND DEPARTURES – PLANNING FOR 2019**

Is your Kinder child enrolled for 2019? If not, you need to get in contact with the Office ASAP. Are you moving away from Big Hill PS next year? If so, you need to let the Office know ASAP. If you have friends or family coming next year, please check in with them to ensure they have enrolled.

## **CLASS PLACEMENT POLICY - 2019**

The staff and I have begun working on class structures for 2019. Until we have a set decision, we won't place students into groupings. This will begin once the structure is confirmed and families have had the opportunity to influence our decision making. Once we begin to think about the best placement for your child, we take into account your child's ACADEMIC, SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL and PHYSICAL needs when forming classes. Your child will often request who they want to be with, but take this with caution, as children really don't have the full picture of what is best when making a decision about where they want to be. Their choice is predominantly emotionally based and changes sometimes on a daily basis. We do try and look at friendship groupings too, but these also change from day-to-day. In the end, the best course of action is to trust the professionals and let them make the decisions around placement. Each year parents are given the opportunity to try and INFLUENCE the placement of their child, by adhering to our Placement Policy. This is included in this week's newsletter for your information and was also included last week. Read through the policy and if you wish to put in writing your request, please ensure that your request is in line with the policy. If it isn't, we won't be able to consider your request. Letters of request are due to me by TOMORROW, Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> October – either drop a letter off at the Office addressed to me, or email me directly: [pearce.matthew.d@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:pearce.matthew.d@edumail.vic.gov.au). No late letters will be accepted in line with the policy. Can I remind families that requesting does not guarantee that what is outlined will occur, only that it will be considered. Also remember that speaking to a teacher or other staff member will not suffice, you need to put your request in writing... this includes even if you have spoken to me throughout the course of the year around future requests. I'm hoping this is clearer for you all...and that generally, you won't need to write a letter at all...rather, you will trust that we will make the right decision and that all of our teachers are highly skilled and would do a wonderful job with your child/ren.

## **BUSHFIRE – CODE RED DAYS – SCHOOL CLOSURE**

### **School procedures for the bushfire season**

Fire danger ratings and warnings are used in Victoria to provide clear direction on the safest options for preserving life. Schools and children's services listed on the DET Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR) will be closed when a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined in their Bureau of Meteorology district. **Our school has been identified as being one of those at high bushfire risk and is listed on the BARR.** Where possible, we will provide parents with up to four days notice of a potential Code Red day closure by letter, **notices in the newsletter, message on the School and P&F Facebook page, message on our webpage and via Flexibuzz.**



A Code Red day will be determined by the Emergency Management Commissioner no later than 1:00pm the day before the potential closure. Once we are advised of the confirmation of the Code Red day we will provide you with advice before the end of the school day. **Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, regardless of improvements in the weather forecast.** This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child. It is also important to note that: No staff will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Code Red day. **Out-Of-School-Hours Care (OHSC) will also be cancelled on these days.** School camps will be cancelled if a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined for the Bureau of Meteorology district in which the camp is located. **As a bus co-ordinating school all bus routes will be cancelled, ie. Ravenswood. Depending on which Bureau of Meteorology district is impacted bus route cancellations may affect our school.** On these Code Red days families are encouraged to enact their Bushfire Survival Plan – **on such days children should never be left at home or in the care of older children.** For those of us living in a bushfire prone area, the Country Fire Authority (CFA) advises that when Code Red days are forecast, the safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Code Red day. As part of preparing our school for potential hazards such as fire, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan, **reprioritised any maintenance works that may assist in preparing for the threat of fire and cleared our facility's grounds and gutters.**

**What can parents do?** Make sure your family's bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements in the event that our school is closed. Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers. Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters, **by checking our website and Facebook pages and by talking to your child's teacher or any other member of the teaching staff about our emergency management plan.** Most importantly at this time of year, if you're planning a holiday or short stay in the bush or in a coastal area, you should check warnings in advance of travel and remain vigilant during your stay. If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family's bushfire survival plan. You can access more information about children's services closures on the Department of Education and Training website – see <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/pages/closures.aspx> For up-to-date information on this year's fire season see: <https://emergency.vic.gov.au>, Facebook ([facebook.com/cfavic](https://www.facebook.com/cfavic)), Twitter ([twitter.com/CFA\\_Updates](https://twitter.com/CFA_Updates)), ABC local radio, Sky News and other emergency broadcasters and the VicEmergency Hotline (1800 226 226).

## **CHINESE STUDENTS ARRIVAL**

Our Chinese students and teacher will arrive next Tuesday at 5:00pm. The Blake and Alexander families, along with Chinese teacher Chen, will be present to pick up the visitors at Tom Flood Sports Centre. On arrival, they will head home and rest, hopefully commencing school on Wednesday morning. Our Chinese teacher's name is Yuchen and the two girl's names are Jianan and Zihan. We await details of their preferred English names in the coming days. Please talk to your child/ren about our new arrivals to ensure they welcome them and make them feel part of our community in the coming 8 weeks. Student Ambassador Badges will be presented to the children of the Alexander, Blake and Sullivan families at Monday's assembly. Abi, Mia, Charli and Bailey will have special role to play to ensure that our visitors are settled and happy whilst at Big Hill PS.

## **APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2019 CHINA TRIP – DUE TOMORROW!**

I have sent home the documentation to students interested in travelling to China next year when in Year 5 or 6. Please look out for this information, as it outlines how to apply. If you haven't got a copy, please let me know ASAP. Applications are due back at school on Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> October – TOMORROW.

## **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

We had a very productive meeting on Tuesday night, approving a lot of Child Safe documentation and accounts/finances whilst discussing future capital works, staffing, Team China activities, Term 4 events and much more. Our next meeting is set to occur on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November and our School Council breakup on Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> December at the Foundry Hotel – please put these dates on your calendar if they affect you.

## **DEFIBRILLATOR AND CPR**

This week the majority of our staff have undertaken refresher training in Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). In addition to this, several staff have commenced updating their First Aid Level 2 training. This is to ensure that we always have trained staff working with children and adults in the school. With any first aid, we do the best we can within the limits of our training. Last week Megan Haddon (Chaplain) announced that we had also picked up a defibrillator thanks to our community making enough pledges at the Bendigo Bank. A big thank you to those that pledged their accounts and to Megan for making this happen! Having a defib at school is peace of mind for us all – don't forget there is one on site! Fortunately at last night's CPR training, we refreshed using a defib unit.

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – DRILL**

Today we conducted a drill to practise for future emergencies that may arise. The children did a great job and managed to follow instructions with little stress. Perhaps talk to your child about why we do Emergency drills so they understand the need to do so and aren't upset during future enactments. Our Emergency Management Plan is updated each year to ensure we are ready for any event that could possibly occur.

## **CORRINA RETURNS**

You might remember last term Corrina Hartland's placement with me as a BASTOW INTERN, as part of the BASTOW UNLOCKING POTENTIAL/PRINCIPAL PREPARATION PROGRAM. Corrina has returned to spend this week, next week and up until Bendigo Cup Day shadowing my role. Due to this, Corrina works under the same regulations as I do... complete confidentiality, responsive, responsible etc. If you come in to visit, Corrina is happy to step out if you wish but please feel at ease if you don't mind her staying... she learns more by seeing the complete role. By mentioning Corrina's return, you might see us in the yard in the coming weeks and understand why I have constant company.

## **STUDENT LEADERSHIP TRAINING**

Tomorrow Ainsley, Corrina and I will be working with the Year 5 students all day, completing PERSONAL LEADERSHIP training. The training provided is part of the wonderful MICHAEL GROSS – YOUNG LEADERS PROGRAM. Michael is a very well-known parenting expert and is also knowledgeable in the area of all things CHILD-RELATED...you may have seen him on TV programs like Sunrise, Today...or read an article by him in the Herald Sun. At the end of the training, all Year 5's present will receive a certificate to demonstrate their leadership credentials. This will be very handy for their Year 6 year which is fast approaching! Current Year 6's will be trained in the near future in the PUBLIC LEADERSHIP module...just in time for their commencement at Secondary School. They were trained last year, when in Year 5, in the personal leadership module mentioned above.

## **SCHOOL VISION AND VALUES**

*Have you had a think about your School Vision and Values?* With our new Strategic Plan in development, we pause to revisit our Vision and our Values. I am including our Vision and Values this week for you to consider – do they cover what we need as a school for the next four years?

*VISION: At Big Hill Primary School we foster the personal and academic development of all students through a comprehensive and balanced curriculum with a focus on positive and successful relationships.*

*VALUES: Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible.* Our Values were successfully endorsed by the recent Review, with all children and staff showing great understanding of the three core Values. You may feel they are perfect and worth continuing with, however, if you feel an addition or deletion could be made, feel free to email me [pearce.matthew.d@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:pearce.matthew.d@edumail.vic.gov.au) As for the vision...feel free to reword it...including or deleting new material. The vision should succinctly outline what we are trying to achieve in our school setting. Again, email me your drafts for consideration.

## **FIRST STEPS AND JUNIOR UNIT PRODUCTION – “WACKADOO ZOO”**

Next week our First Steps and Junior Unit students get to shine as part of the WACKADOO ZOO Production, set to occur at the Bendigo Baptist Church, Junortoun. This is the same venue as the last two years. The students will perform a matinee at 12:30pm and an evening performance at 6:30pm. Tickets are available via our Qkr payment app, at the Office for \$10, and they will also be available on the day, both at the Office and at the venue.

A big thank you to Phil Seaton has been working extremely hard to get the children on track for this performance. Our staff, including Catherine Kelley, have also been working hard behind the scenes to prepare. Families should know by now costume requirements, however, if you are unsure, please check with your child's classroom teacher. Middle and Senior Unit students will also get to attend the matinee performance to see our younger students in action.

## CAPITAL WORKS

The portable near the Senior Unit and Nature Park could be gone within the next 2 weeks. When this happens, it will be action stations... and our 2 million dollar building project will commence. Exciting times!

## BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to Tyrone D, Chelsea B, Mikayla F, Ben M, Ethan M, Mia M, Mitchell G, Tess H, Tristion D & Elliot P.

As you can see, it's typical Term 4 already with lots happening. Time flies when you're having fun!

Until next time....

*Matt Pearce, Principal*

## **FIRST STEPS NEWS**

### SWIMMING

Soon we will be participating in our Physical Education swimming program at **Gurri Wanyarra Wellbeing Centre** in Browning St, Kangaroo Flat. Your child brought home a permission note last week outlining requirements and cost. Could you please return this permission note and payment to the Office by **Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2018**? Thank you.

### PRODUCTION

The First Steps and Junior Unit production will take place on Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> October at the Bendigo Baptist Church in Junortoun. Tickets can be purchased at the Office or via Qkr for \$10. Thank you to those who have already given their child's t-shirt to their child's teacher for their costume. If you haven't already can you please do so at your earliest convenience? Thank you.

**FSN:** Preps – Lions: Orange or yellow T-shirt  
Year 1's – Monkeys: Brown T-shirt

**FSP:** Pigs – Pink T-shirts

### DRINK BOTTLES

As it is warming up can you please ensure your child brings their drink bottle to school each day.

### STARS OF THE WEEK

*For participating enthusiastically during production practise:*

**FSN** *Thalia M*  
**FSP** *Aleeah M*

*Nicole, Sharyn & Pauline*

## **JUNIOR UNIT NEWS**

### YEAR 2 SLEEPOVER

The countdown has officially begun for our Year 2 Sleepover at the Discovery Centre on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> November. Please keep a look out for the permission form which will be sent home with today's newsletter.

This note outlines the drop off and pickup times, as well as the itinerary for our Sleepover and other important information. I'm sure we will all have an amazing time!

### PRODUCTION

The children and staff of the Junior Unit are very excited about the performance of 'Wackadoo Zoo' next Wednesday at 12:30pm and 6:30pm. If you would like to come along to see the production, please purchase tickets at the Office or using the Qkr App.

### SWIMMING

With less than 2 weeks until our swimming program begins at the new Gurri Wanyarra Wellbeing Centre, we would like to remind parents to return permission notes and payment to the Office at their earliest convenience. Please feel free to come along and watch your child's lessons throughout week 4.

### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

*For displaying the School Value of 'Respect' while practicing for our Junior School Production:*

**JC** *Chelsea H*  
**JJ** *Peyton C*  
**JW** *Taj A*

*Catherine, Jen & Wendy*

## **MIDDLE UNIT NEWS**

### THIS WEEK

**In the Middle Unit** all classes have worked on the CAFÉ strategy of **Fluency** while also learning about **Similes and Metaphors** when reading. We have also been working on writing **Poetry and Narratives**. We have continued our spelling program and are working on week 28 on **Soundwaves** looking at the letter combinations that make the **'yoo' sound as in use**. In **Mathematics** we have been revising the process of Long Division. We have also continued to work on basic number skills and **New Wave Mentals** week 28 as well as utilising Mathematics and MathsSeeds as online extension activities.

### T20 CRICKET CARNIVAL

Next Tuesday a group of Year 4 students will participate in the T20 cricket carnival at Beischer Park, Strathdale. These students were given the opportunity to express their interest in this event and during tryouts were selected to represent our school. We will have a boys and a girls team participating on the day and these students have been given a note that should be returned by tomorrow, Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> October along with \$7 payment. All students have been working on developing cricket skills during PE rotations. Thanks to Brett for organising this event for us.

## PRODUCTION

Organisation is well underway for the Middle and Senior Unit production. We will keep you updated with costumes and times etc, once all organisation is finalised.

## YEAR 3/4 SWIMMING

Planning is well underway for our Year 3/4 swimming program. This program will run from the 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> December. A note with more information will be sent home once final costs have been determined.

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

*The following students have been selected for demonstrating the School Value of 'Responsibility':*

MR **Marcus B**  
MD **Brodie H**  
MB **Bella J**

*Renaë, Rhys & Dean*

## **SENIOR UNIT NEWS**

### PARENT / DAUGHTER / SON PROGRAM

Students have taken notes home earlier this week in relation to this evening, please read and return the slip to your classroom teacher as soon as possible. This evening will take place on Thursday, 22nd November, 2018 from 6:00pm – 7:00pm. Parent/Son program will take place in the multipurpose room and Parent/Daughter program will take place in the library.

Preparation for Puberty for YEAR 6 STUDENTS only will be on Friday, 30th November.

### COSTUMES FOR PRODUCTION



Dear Parents,  
Phil has been able to source many of the main role costumes from the Bendigo Theatre Company. That leaves us with dressing the rest of the cast in appropriate Roman wear.

I was able to do this quickly in under \$15 from Kmart.

We are asking that parents provide  
3XXXL or 4XXXL Round neck  
mens plain white tee shirt from  
Kmart \$4.25.

A ladies snood scarf, summer cotton. On clearance sale at Kmart for \$2. A ladies straight scarf on clearance at Kmart for \$3. If you have these already in your wardrobe no need to go and buy special ones.

Children will need a plain coloured round neck tshirt to wear underneath, colour of their choice available at Kmart or Big W for a couple of dollars if you don't already have one.

If girls would like a Roman-like head band these are available at Kmart for \$3 up.

Thanks, Kate

### 2019 YEAR 5/6 CAMP

The deposit of \$80 is due on Friday, 9th November, 2018. Please ensure the first payment instalment is made by this date.

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

*For demonstrating Resilience:*

SA **Riley F**  
SB **James W**  
SK **Abi A**  
SL **Sarsha K**

*Ainsley, Brett, Kate, Lauren & Roberta*

## **WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS PRODUCTIONS**

### PREP – YEAR 2 & YEAR 3-6 PRODUCTIONS

The Prep – Year 2 production of 'Wackadoo Zoo' will take place on Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> October and the Year 3–6 production of 'Gladiator' will take place on Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> October.

### TICKETS

Tickets for both productions are on sale NOW – both at the Office and on our Qkr payment app at a cost of \$10 for secondary aged and over (Primary aged and under are free). Please be advised that there is no allocated seating for either the matinee or evening performances. Production tickets are NOW on sale via our Qkr app – apologies for the technical glitch earlier in the week but they are available under the payments heading and the excursion tab. Apologies for any inconvenience.

## **CHAPLAIN'S REQUEST**

Hi everyone, I'm still collecting the Coles Little Shop to make a full collection so if anyone has an eggs, would you please be able to bring it to the Office? I have some others if you need to do a swap. Thank you.

*Megan Haddon, School Chaplain*

## **PE NEWS**

### ACTIVE TRAVEL

Throughout the month of October, students are encouraged to actively travel to school by walking, riding or scooting. Each class will be recording how many times they have actively travelled. We will be holding an active travel day on Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November meeting at Phillis Street at 8:30am.

### REGION ATHLETICS

On Monday, Alex F and Jaylen J competed in the Regional Athletics at the Flora Hill Track. Alex competed in the 80m Hurdles and finished 3<sup>rd</sup>. Jaylen competed in High Jump and finished 4<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations on a fantastic effort!

*Brett Strange, PE Coordinator*

## **SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB**

Brochures for Issue 7 were distributed last week. Please have orders and money back to the Office by 9:00am, TOMORROW, Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> October. Alternatively, you can place an order and pay online using the LOOP system on the Scholastic website: <http://parentpayments.scholastic.com.au/>

## STEP UP FOR DOWN SYNDROME WALK

To celebrate Down Syndrome Awareness Month, there is a Step Up for Down Syndrome Walk that will be happening in Bendigo on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> October.

The walk is always a fun family event with a sausage sizzle, jumping castle and all-inclusive dance group from Bendigo Beam performing.

Registration starts at 9:30am at Lake Weeroona, and the walk starts at 10:30am. People can register on the day or pre-register on the link below. It also has additional information.

You can register individually or register under "Team Jarrod". Jarrod is in Year 1 at Big Hill PS.

[http://www.downsyndromevictoria.org.au/DSV/SupportUs/Events/Event\\_pages/StepUP.aspx](http://www.downsyndromevictoria.org.au/DSV/SupportUs/Events/Event_pages/StepUP.aspx)

## PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

### MELBOURNE SHOPPING TOUR THIS SATURDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

Our Shopping Tour is happening this Saturday. If you have booked a seat on the tour, you will need to be at the school's carpark by 6:20am (yes I know it's REALLY early but it'll be worth it!) for the bus to leave at 6:30am sharp. Please make sure you bring along your lunch and a large bag to store your purchases in. The bus is scheduled to be back at Big Hill PS by 7:00pm. We're looking forward to a great day of shopping!

### MANGO DRIVE FUNDRAISER

Remember to order your tray/s of mangoes and have your form and payment in at the Office by next Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> October. Trays are \$25 each.

The Mango Fundraiser use Bowen Special Mangoes which are more formally known as Kensington Pride Mangoes. They are packed in a single layer tray, with approximately 7kg of Mangoes per tray. The number of Mangoes per tray depends on the size of the fruit, and may vary from 12 large Mangoes up to 23 small Mangoes.

As well as having a great taste, Mangoes are packed with nutritional goodness – Vitamin C (one Mango contains your recommended daily allowance), Vitamin E, Beta-Carotene, antioxidants, Potassium & B Vitamins. They are low in fat & Cholesterol free.

When you buy Mangoes from the Mango Fundraiser you know the fruit is coming directly from the farm to you. Your mangoes aren't being held for long periods in storage or ripening rooms.

Ask your family and friends and take the form into work with you to collect orders as well.

### MELBOURNE CUP FAMILY FUN DAY BBQ

Parents and Friends will again be operating a BBQ at the Melbourne Cup Family Fun Day on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November. To ensure the running of the BBQ we are looking for helpers to do a shift either cooking or serving. If you can help please either email us at [bhpspf@gmail.com](mailto:bhpspf@gmail.com), message us on our Facebook page or add your name to the roster which is now at the Office. Any and all help is appreciated.

## CASH REWARDS COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING PROGRAM

Please consider joining up for this great program to earn yourself and the school some cash back from your online shopping. Simply sign up through our unique landing page:

<https://www.cashrewards.com.au/community/schools/big-hill-primary-school>

This is a fantastic opportunity to **earn great cash rewards for yourself** while you do your usual shopping online and at the same time, raise funds for the school. For a limited time Cash Rewards are giving **each new member a \$10 welcome bonus** once you spend \$25 through the program.

This is an ongoing program with over 1,200 brands to shop with including Ebay, Woolworths, Apple, Myer, Chemist Warehouse, Adairs, Dan Murphy, Spotlight - the list goes on and on.

Tell your family and friends to join through our landing page as well – the more members we have the more money we raise for the school!

### P&F FACEBOOK PAGE

Keep up to date with P&F activities by joining our Facebook community

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/bhpspf/>

Our page provides reminders and updates on P&F activities as well as connecting you with other families at our school.

*Your support of P&F activities is appreciated*

## CANTEEN NEWS

### HELP NEEDED

The canteen is in need of new volunteers. As parents return to work or their children move onto secondary school, we lose our precious volunteers.

Without volunteers, we cannot run a successful canteen.

Volunteers are only asked to give up an hour once or twice a term. There is no pressure and you can choose between a morning or an afternoon.

Once started, our volunteers enjoy the time spent helping out, meeting other parents and interacting with the students.

Please consider helping our canteen.

## CANTEEN VOLUNTEER FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PH NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

TIME AVAILABLE  9:00am to 10:00am

12:30pm to 2:00pm

## ITEMS NO LONGER AVAILABLE

Due to our suppliers, we are no longer able to have lasagne or mac & cheese on our menu. Apologies for any inconvenience.

New menus were sent home last term with a few changes. If you need another one, it is on the website and hard copies are available from the Office.

## CANTEEN CLOSURE DAY

The canteen will be closed on Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> October due the Prep – Year 2 production. Apologies for any inconvenience.

## WEDNESDAY WINNERS

This week's winners are:

- ✚ Kobe B
- ✚ Seth E

Congratulations! Keep those Wednesday orders coming in for your chance to win!

Tammy Fear, Canteen Manager

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**KANGAROO FLAT BOWLS CLUB**

# BEGINNER'S BAREFOOT BOWLS!

EVERY WEDNESDAY IN NOVEMBER  
7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

★ **MUSIC**

Open to both sexes all ages including novice bowlers & beginners

**\$5 BOWLS PROVIDED**  
Flat Soled Shoes or Barefoot  
Per Player

**GREAT PRIZES**

**SAUSAGE SIZZLE**  
From 6pm.  
Bowls from 6.30pm with Novelty Events

**INTERESTED?**  
Contact Club on 5447 7300  
Ian Martin: 0417 127 335  
email: kfbc@optusnet.com.au

# FUNLOONG FUN DAY!

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

Saturday October 20, 11am to 2pm  
Hargreaves Mall & Williamson Street



# Coder Dojo will be back

**WHEN**  
Saturdays  
Beginning  
20<sup>th</sup> October  
11am-1pm

*No need to reregister if you are already on the list just let us know or come along to the first session!*

**WHERE**  
Discovery Centre  
Bendigo

Learn about · Robotics · Coding · Scratch · Arduino · Raspberry Pi · Programming and much more!

Contact  
Twitter: @coderbendigo  
Email: coderdojobendigo@gmail.com

Register online now!

Here's the link

<https://goo.gl/forms/DWQzzAwnhAQ5tUA43>



## GURRI WANYARRA GRAND OPENING WEEKEND!



Win a 30 minute swim lesson with Olympic Medalist Brooke Hanson on Sat 27th Oct!

**Discounted entry when you register online\***

**SATURDAY 27 OCTOBER & SUNDAY 28 OCTOBER 10AM-4PM**

- Splash park
- Jumping castle
- Inflatable pool fun
- Exciting games, prizes & more!

\*RMP policy via our website [gurriwanyarra.com.au](http://gurriwanyarra.com.au)  
Plus your chance to win a Gurri Wanyarra Family Membership worth over \$2800!

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Brierling St, Kangaroo Flat Vic 3555  
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\*T&Cs apply



Big Hill Primary School would like to thank the Catch Group as a supporter of Big Hill Primary School events: [www.catch.com.au](http://www.catch.com.au).

# Big Hill PS Walk to School and Active Travel

The logo for School Fun Run, with 'SCHOOL' in green and 'FUN RUN' in blue and orange.

1800 FUN RUN (386 786) ☎  
INFO@SCHOOLFUNRAISING.COM.AU ✉  
1300 733 799 📞  
SCHOOLFUNRAISING.COM.AU 🌐  
The Fundraising Group Pty Ltd  
ABN 44 090 736 888

Dear Parent/Guardian,

In conjunction with School Fun Run we will be holding the first ever *Day for Daniel Walk to School and Active Travel* as a fundraising event this year on Friday 26 October 2018. We're doing it in support of the Daniel Morcombe Foundation, with funds helping them achieve their mission of keeping kids safe in Australia!

## How Does My Child Fundraise?

All fundraising is completed online, so please create your profile at [dayfordanielfunrun.com.au](http://dayfordanielfunrun.com.au). Share your link through social media, email and even text. As a bonus, all donations are tax deductible!

For raising just \$10, students will receive a reward for their effort. The more they raise, the better the reward!

Remember, the money raised will help the Daniel Morcombe Foundation raise awareness, so please share your fundraising link far, wide and often! It will guarantee the best results.

## About the Day for Daniel Walk to School and Active Travel

The *Day for Daniel Walk to School and Active Travel* promotes awareness for child safety while raising funds for the Daniel Morcombe Foundation. The Foundation works tirelessly to educate communities on child safety strategies and support victims of crime involving children. We're supporting by holding a *Day for Daniel Walk to School and Active Travel* on Friday 26 October. We are proud to be among the first schools ever to participate in the initiative and hope to raise funds.

It's all about participation and Family support is key to our fundraising success and we encourage everyone to get involved.

## Getting Involved

Not only can you support the school and students with your sponsorship – but you can join in on the fun! We would love to welcome parents and family members to attend the *Day for Daniel Walk to School and Active Travel*. We can't wait to see you at our event!

- Day for Daniel Walk to School and Active Travel Friday 26 October 8:30am Phillis St Corner (bikes and scooters will leave first).
- Wear something red to school.
- If you do not want to participate in the online sponsorship, donations can be made at the school's office. Maybe just a gold coin for wearing red.
- Everyone can enjoy a free Quelch frozen treat at 1<sup>st</sup> break.

## Ordering Prizes – ALL PRIZES MUST BE ORDERED ONLINE

Prizes MUST be ordered between the **2 November** and **9 November**. Simply login to your profile page at [dayfordanielfunrun.com.au](http://dayfordanielfunrun.com.au) click on the 'CLAIM YOUR PRIZE' button on your online student profile and follow the prompts. If you have any questions, please contact the *School Fun-Run* team on 1800 FUN RUN (386 786) and they will gladly assist!

Thank you, good luck and happy fundraising!

**SO FAR OUR SCHOOL HAS RAISED OVER \$900 FOR THE WALK TO SCHOOL!  
KEEP UP THE GREAT EFFORT AND REGISTER ONLINE**



## CLASS PLACEMENT POLICY

### Purpose

To create the best possible learning environment, which is equitable, to all students and their families.

### Guidelines

- 1. That the underlying principles are educational and in the best interests of all children.*
- 2. That involvement in the process is within the framework of specified criteria.*
- 3. That the final responsibility for class placement and/or pupil movement remains primarily with the Principal/delegate*

### Implementation

- The specified criteria for movement of a child from one class to another are as follows:
  - Special needs of children (i.e. emotional, psychological, behavioural, disabilities)
  - Equitable distribution of children (i.e. learning, gender, behaviour considerations)
  - Within unit requests (i.e. for children to be placed or not placed within a class for family groupings).
  - Flexibility in grouping will be encouraged in movement between units or year levels.
  - Children should have at least one friend accompany him or her to the next class.
  - Parents of a pre-school child are provided with the opportunity to indicate a friend with whom they would like their child placed as part of the enrolment process.
- People who may be involved in the class selection process are as follows:
  - The child's class teacher.
  - The school's transition teachers.
  - Parent(s) of a special needs child.
  - Parent(s) who have views regarding family grouping.
  - Other staff involved in the child's education, such as specialists who have specific special needs information.
  - Pre-school staff.
  - First Steps, Junior Unit, Middle Unit and Senior Unit staff.
  - The Principal.
- Parents are to write to the Principal stating any educational considerations by Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> October.
  - Records of decisions which have been made regarding placement of children for various reasons, especially behaviour, will be kept.
  - The Principal/delegate will be responsible for keeping this information.
  - All requests will receive either a verbal or written reply so parents understand staff reasons for student placement.
- If there has been an on-going concern during the year and there has been contact between the parent, teacher and Principal, a child could be moved to another class in the following year. This action should take place only after discussions with the Principal/delegate and the involved parties.
- In the event of new students altering the class structure or dynamics some children may need to be moved to another class early in the school year.

Student enrolment numbers will be a major factor in determining class structures.



# Big Hill Melbourne Cup Family Fun Day. Tuesday 6th November.



We invite families to come along and enjoy our annual Melbourne Cup Family Fun Day.

Bring along a **Picnic Lunch** or purchase lunch at the Parents and Friends Committee's **Barbeque**.

A **Coffee Van** will be onsite and the **Canteen** will also open over lunch to sell icy poles and other snack items.



Events on the day will include;

**Best Hat Competitions**, **Fashion Parades** and **Fashions on the Asphalt**, **Morning Tea** for parents and friends, **Picnic Races** and the **Championship Long Distance Race**.



## Hat Categories

Tallest Hat

Best Aussie Hat.

Best Fascinator / Hairstyle

Best Decorated Big Hill Hat

Best Toddler Hat

Hat with the Widest Brim

Best Melbourne Cup Hat

Best Flower Hat.



## Fashions Events

Best Foundation -2 GIRLS Outfit.

Best Foundation -2 BOYS Outfit.

Best Pre-School/toddler GIRLS Outfit

Best Pre-School/toddler BOYS Outfit

Best year 3/4 GIRLS Outfit

Best year 3/4 BOYS Outfit

Best year 5/6 GIRLS Outfit

Best year 5/6 BOYS Outfit

