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THURSDAY, 1ST NOVEMBER, 2018

CALENDAR

Friday, 2nd November

Monday, 5th November

Tuesday, 6th November

Friday, 9th November

Monday, 12th November

Thursday, 15th November

Friday, 16th November

Tuesday, 20th November

Thursday, 22nd November

Friday, 23rd November

Tuesday, 27th November

Friday, 30th November

Monday, 3rd December

Tuesday, 4th December

Thursday 6th December

Friday, 7th December

Tuesday, 11th December

Wednesday, 12th December

Friday, 14th December

Monday, 17th December

Thursday, 20th December

Friday, 21st December

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 for the BBQ 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

Payment of \$7 due for Senior Unit Bricks for Kids Incursion

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

Senior Unit Bricks for Kids Incursion

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

Student Voice fundraiser for Rural Aid – gold coin donation requested for Rural Aid

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)

Orders due by 10:00am for Pizza Day – no late orders can be accepted

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,

SWIMMING

The Junior and First Steps Units have enjoyed making use of the new facilities on offer at the new pool in Kangaroo Flat. The girls and boys have spent 4 sessions developing their swimming skills - important in the face of warm weather and lots of water activities. Whilst swimming at school for these children has been provided, always develop your child's water safety skills at every opportunity when at home. A big thank you to the First Steps and Junior Unit Staff for their hard work and coordination. The Middle Unit will have their program soon, seeing provision of swimming for all year levels complete at Big Hill PS in 2018.

PRODUCTION

Tuesday's "Heroes of Rome/Gladiators" production was a great success! The girls and boys did an outstanding job and were expertly prepared to shine by Phil Seaton and our Middle and Senior Unit Staff. A big thank you to Phil, Staff and families who supported at home by practicing and organising costumes. Great team effort! We are so fortunate to have many terrific community days within our school community. Look forward to seeing you at the next one (see below!)

MELBOURNE CUP FAMILY FUN DAY

Tuesday's Melbourne Cup Family Fun Day is set to occur once again! The morning is busy with "Fashions on the Asphalt" – with costumes and hats the focus of attention. The afternoon is of course full of fun – essentially it is our School Sports afternoon with novelty and competitive races in place. Ensure your child brings a change of clothes to compete and these must be SunSmart – T-shirt, shorts and wide-brimmed hat. We love having parents and visitors in the school so see if you can make it to at least part of the day. Thanks to Renae for organising this wonderful day for our community. The program is being sent home today with the newsletter.

POPPY APPEAL

Badges, pens, wrist bands and key rings are now for sale at the Office with prices from \$1 – \$5

DAY FOR DANIEL/CHILD SAFE

Friday's "Day for Daniel" was a great success. Lots of children, staff and parents wore red to send a message to the community that we all stand for Child Safety and do not tolerate Child Abuse or Neglect. At Big Hill PS we have Child Safe Officers to approach if you ever have any concerns - feel free to speak to Sharyn Burnett or I if the need arises.

CORRINA

A big thank you and farewell to Corrina Hartland, who spent 30 days at Big Hill PS shadowing me as an aspirant Principal. I know Corrina enjoyed her time in our community and has requested we send a message to you all – thanking you for your support. Many families and staff were happy to allow Corrina to sit in on conversations, allowing her valuable opportunities to learn. From Corrina, "I would like to thank students and families for making me feel so welcome in the time I spent at Big Hill Primary School. I greatly appreciate the access I was given to meetings, conversations, classrooms and the everyday activities of a busy school. Big Hill PS is a wonderful school, with an amazing parent group, highly professional, knowledgeable and caring staff and great students. I look forward to visiting and hearing about the wonderful achievements in the future".

WALKTOBER

Congratulations to all classes who have enjoyed active travel to school during October. Tomorrow is our final official day (in the competition) with children and parents meeting staff at Phillis Street at 8:30am to walk, ride or scoot to school. Whilst WALKTOBER will cease, active travel should continue whilst the weather is so fine.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to Scarlett N & Tyler G.

Matt Pearce, Principal

FIRST STEPS NEWS

SWIMMING

We were very lucky the Gurri Wanyarra Wellbeing Centre opened just in time for our swimming program. It has been fantastic to have the opportunity to swim at such a new and modern facility. All students have loved learning swimming skills and water safety.

MELBOURNE CUP FAMILY FUN DAY

Our annual Melbourne Cup Family Fun Day is next Tuesday, 6th November. This is always a fun day that our school community looks forward to. The day is packed with events. Students will participate in fashions on the field showing their outfits and hats / fascinators. Students will then take part in a range of races on the tiger turf. Students arrive to school in their fashion wear and can then change back into their school uniform for the races on the tiger turf.

STARS OF THE WEEK

For showing all the School Values during our swimming program:

FSN Layla F
FSP Oscar G

Nicole, Sharyn & Pauline

JUNIOR UNIT NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS

A big congratulations to the staff and students of the Middle and Senior Units for their 'Gladiator/Heroes of Rome' production on Tuesday. It was wonderful for the students to have the opportunity to challenge themselves with learning lines, music, songs, and dances. Well done everyone on your efforts.

SWIMMING

This week we have undertaken an intensive swimming and water safety program at the new, impressive Gurri Wanyarra Wellbeing Centre in Kangaroo Flat. Thank you to all the parents who have come along to watch our students' progress. We have one session remaining tomorrow if you would like to attend.

MELBOURNE CUP FAMILY FUN DAY

Next Tuesday we will be running our annual Melbourne Cup Family Fun Day. I'm sure that students are already working hard on their marvellous hat creations. Don't forget that there are multiple hat categories, including tallest, widest, flower and even best hairstyle. We encourage all of our families to come along and enjoy this special day with their children and friends.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

For displaying the School Value of 'Safety' and being an enthusiastic participant during our swimming program:

JC Olivia K
JJ Oliver S
JW Cordy M

Catherine, Jen & Wendy

MIDDLE UNIT NEWS

THIS WEEK

This week all classes have had an unusual week. Monday and Tuesday were spent preparing and participating in our wonderful Production. Wednesday was a well earned day off and Thursday / Friday will be spent getting back on track with our learning. We are not following our usual routine for this week due to all of the extra curricula events and therefore have not completed SoundWaves spelling or New Wave Mentals. Students have been asked to practice their Oxford Wordlists for homework and to select 10 words from these lists to complete homework book tasks. Home reading and diaries always forms an important part of our weekly homework expectations.

PRODUCTION

Congratulations to all involved in the Production. All of our Year 3-4 students were dressed in their costumes and performed very well indeed. It was also great to see some of our Senior Unit students shine in their roles. It was a fabulous performance and all involved should be proud of their efforts. A special mention to Phil our music teacher and Leigh for his work with the band.

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

YEAR 3/4 SWIMMING

Most students have brought back their notes indicating their swimming levels. Thank you to those students for being well organised. The next step will be organising students into groups and getting the rest of the permission notes returned along with full payment. We are all looking forward to utilising the brand new **Gurri Wanyarra** swimming facility for our lessons.

PARENT HELP TO 'CONTACT' BOOKS

If any parent/s have some time to help with contacting books, please see Renae. Thank you.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

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

MR **Zac N**
MD **Connor S**
MB **Mackenzie N**

Renae, Rhys & Dean

SENIOR UNIT NEWS

PRODUCTION

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the production "Gladiator / Heroes of Rome". It was a fantastic performance and it was terrific to see students challenging themselves and some stepping out of their comfort zone.

PREP PHOTO

We are requesting that ALL Year 6 students bring to school their Prep photo to give to their classroom teacher in preparation for our Year 6 graduation celebrations.

PARENT / CHILD EVENING

Held on Thursday, 22nd November. If your child will be attending, please return the permission slip as soon as possible.

Year 6 Human Relations Session will be taking place Friday, 30th November, and the expectation is that all Year 6 students attend and return their permission slip as soon as possible. If you do not want your child to participate, then you will need to write a letter explaining this to their classroom teacher.

2019 CAMP DEPOSIT

The Year 5/6 2019 Camp Deposit is due next Friday, 9th November 2018. Please ensure this payment instalment by made on this date. The second instalment is due on Friday, 23rd November.

BRICKS 4 KIDS INCURSION

Students will be participating in a very exciting hands-on incursion, they will have an opportunity to work within small groups and explore motorised educational concepts. Please make payment and return the permission slip as soon as possible.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

For participation in the Senior Production:

SA **Alex F**
SB **Elliot P**
SK **Chanelle K**
SL **Marley T**

Ainsley, Brett, Kate, Lauren & Roberta

MELBOURNE CUP FAMILY FUN DAY BBQ – WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Our thanks goes to Woolworths Golden Square including Assistant Manager, David Elliott, who has generously provided us with a \$300 donation towards our Melbourne Cup Family Fun Day BBQ. The donation helps us raise valuable funds for our school and we thank them sincerely for their support.



Along with the BBQ, we will also have a raffle running with some exciting prizes on offer as well as a little Guess the Lollies competition.

Please note that we are still in need of lots more volunteers to help cook and serve at the BBQ next week with only a couple of names added to the roster at the Office currently. We would really appreciate your help to take the pressure off our volunteers and make the BBQ a success. If you are not able to get into the Office to add your name to the roster please feel free to email us at bhpspf@gmail.com or message us on our Facebook page. Any and all help is very much appreciated.

MANGO DRIVE FUNDRAISER

Thank you to everyone who placed an order in our mango drive fundraiser, we received enough orders for it to go ahead-thank YOU! We are expecting delivery of our order mid December, and will confirm the date with you all once we have been informed by the supplier.

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

MELBOURNE CUP FAMILY FUN DAY

Please note that the canteen will be open for ice creams and snack items during lunch time (second break).

Tammy Fear, Canteen Manager

PE NEWS

ACTIVE TRAVEL

Throughout the month of October, students actively travelled to school by walking, riding or scooting. Each class recorded how many times they have actively travelled. We will be holding an active travel day **TOMORROW**, Friday, 2nd November meeting at Phillis Street at 8:30am. Hope to see you there!

Brett Strange, PE Coordinator

OSHC NEWS

ACCOUNTS

Just a friendly reminder to stay on top of your accounts as the end of the year is fast approaching and all accounts will need to be finalised before the last school day for 2018 – Friday, 21st December. Thank you.

Big Hill Primary School
would like to thank the Catch Group
as a supporter of
Big Hill Primary School events:
www.catch.com.au

COMMUNITY NEWS

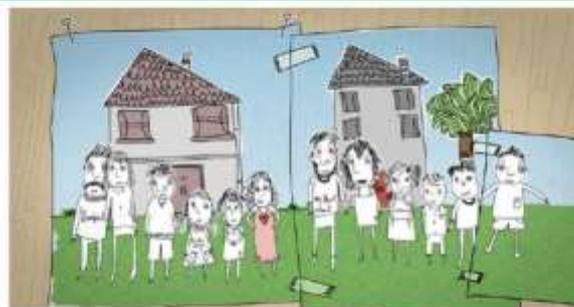


START SAVING NOW!

Phone 5434 3908.

Since January this year **\$25,000** has been matched to Saver Plus participants in Bendigo. Families have used their matched savings to purchase laptops, new school uniforms and shoes, and paid for camps and excursions, swimming lessons and sporting club fees.

Saver Plus is looking to help support more Bendigo families with the cost of their child's education, so why not call us today?



This two session program is aimed at parents who are newly re-partnered, as well as those already living as a stepfamily; It aims to equip parents and stepparents to support children, while also building their own relationship.

Term 4, 2018

When: Tuesdays 4th December - 11th December 2018 (2 sessions)
Time: Arrival and registration 5.45pm
Session 6.00pm - 8.30pm
Where: CCS Family and Relationship Services, 176-178 McCrae Street Bendigo
Cost: \$20 per person or \$10 concession per person
Child Care: Sorry, child care is not provided
Facilitators: CCS Family and Relationship Services
Parking: On-site parking available - enter via 116 Hargreaves Street.
Refreshments provided

For bookings and enquiries phone Reception on 5438 1300

Groups are subject to maximum and minimum numbers determined seven working days prior to the commencement date. Early registration is encouraged





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



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP RUN THE P&F BBQ –
PLEASE ADD YOUR NAME TO THE ROSTER AT THE OFFICE, OR EMAIL bhpspf@gmail.com.
Thank you.