We hope all the dads have a very Happy Father’s Day this Sunday.

FATHER’S DAY STALL
This Friday we are having our Father’s Day Stall. Gifts are $5. Please send along a plastic bag for the gift to go in.

FATHER’S NIGHT
On September 11th we will hold our Father’s Night. Squirt the Clown will be performing his magic tricks.
Time: Arrive at 6.45pm for a 7pm start.
Finish at 7.45pm.

ART ROOM
Our new Art room is taking shape. It will be finished early next term. We will have a special opening with children’s Art work on display. It is being constructed next to Gallery 28 (the old Principal’s residence). The new Art room will complement the house and garden and it will become a great centre for Art at our school.

BMPS PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT 7PM – 8PM
This Thursday night we are presenting a Parent Information Night to assist parents in helping children at home.

Topic: Supporting our children to be fluent with numbers and words
All welcome - please come along and share in the night
WALKATHON
Thank you for supporting our Walkathon. The Walkathon is this Friday and monies raised will go towards our new playground which will be installed first week back of next term. We need to buy softfall mulch and edging.

PARADE 7TH SEPTEMBER – BACCHUS MARSH REMEMBERS
Children from BMPS are invited to attend the Parade on Sunday to commemorate soldiers from our town heading to WW1. Children can dress in costumes from that era. Our children have also completed Art work about soldiers which will be displayed on the day at the RSL. All children are welcome to be involved. See over for details.

MYKI CARDS
A reminder to all students using Town Service Buses that a valid MYKI card is needed, Public TransportVictoria has asked us to inform families that a fine of $217.00 can be issued if you do not have a valid card with funds available. It is also helpful if student’s names are written on their card. This lets us return lost/found cards promptly.

‘FROZEN’ MOVIE NIGHT
Our Movie Night is September 9th, the movie will start at 6pm.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
School Photos are on Monday 1st and Tuesday September 2nd.

CHOCOLATES FUNDRAISER
Our chocolate fundraiser has closed. Please return all unsold chocolates and money raised.

Ian, Leanne, Melinda and Pam
Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child’s education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.

Why it’s important

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamentals skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

Getting in early

Attendance patterns are established early – a child regularly missing days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years, and receive lower test scores than their classmates. It’s vital that students go to school every day – even in the early years of primary school.

What we can do

The main reasons for absence are:

- Sickness – There are always times when students need to miss school, such as when they’re ill. It’s vital that they’re only away on the days they are genuinely sick, and setting good sleep patterns, eating well and exercising regularly can make a big difference.

- *Day off* – Think twice before letting your child have a “day off” as they could fall behind their classmates – every day counts.

- Truancy – This is when students choose not to go to school without their parent’s permission. There can be many reasons for truancy. The best way to address this is for schools and parents to work together.

If for any reason your child must miss school, there are things you can do with your school to ensure they don’t fall behind:

- Speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.

Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.

Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.

Openly communicating with your child’s school about all absences is a good way to prevent attendance issues being escalated to a School Attendance Officer. A School Attendance Officer is a Department of Education and Early Childhood Development Regional Director who has authority to follow up attendance issues. Attendance issues that are escalated can lead to an infringement Notice.

If you’re having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

For more information and resources to help address attendance issues, visit: [www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/behaviour/Pages/studentattendance.aspx](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/behaviour/Pages/studentattendance.aspx)
CALLING ALL BACCHUS MARSH PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

BACCHUS MARSH REMEMBERS

SUNDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER
Street Parade: Come along dressed in ‘olden day clothing’
Where: Children to meet at ‘Village Green’ next to RSL Hall at 10am
When: Parade 10.30am – 11.30am September 7th (Children to arrive at 10am)

There is also a display of student art work.

BACCHUS MARSH REMEMBERS

A CENTURY AGO OUR SOLDIERS ANSWER THE CALL

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 10AM-2PM, BACCHUS RSL HALL & SURROUNDS
SEE BACCHUS MARSH VOLUNTEERS LEAVE FOR SERVICE
A GREAT WAR CENTENARY COMMITTEE OF BACCHUS MARSH EVENT

GET BAD OUT OF THE HOUSE FOR FATHER’S DAY!
PREP SWIMMING TERM FOUR
The Prep Swimming Program will commence in the third week of Term 4. This year we have decided to run an intensive program for five consecutive days. In the past we have attended weekly sessions. Three prep grades will commence their program on the 20th October and the remaining three on the 27th October. Children will be swimming and travelling to the pool with their grade. The cost of the program will be $70.00. More information will be forwarded to you in Term 3.

IF YOU DO NOT WANT YOUR CHILD TO BE INVOLVED IN THE SWIMMING PROGRAM COULD YOU PLEASE LET THEIR TEACHER KNOW ASAP.

If you have any queries please contact Mrs Muller, Program Coordinator

GRADE FIVE AND SIX GOLF PROGRAM
It is getting close to that time of the year when our Golf Professional Tony Collier comes to our school for our annual Grade Five and Six Golf Program. He has been running this program at our school for over ten years and has recently won the prestigious Victorian Professional Teaching award for his services to Golf.

The program involves two 45 minute golf lessons for Grade Five at school and two 45 minute lessons for Grade Six at school, followed by a Golf Tournament at the West Golf course Bacchus Marsh.

Notices regarding these events will be sent out towards the end of term. To help with your planning, as we know Term Four can be very busy, these are the dates and costs of the program.

Grade Five: $4.00 for two lessons
Grade Six: $15.00 for two lessons, tournament and lunch.

The program commences in the first week of Term Four. Lessons take place at school on the Tuesday 7th, Friday 10th and Thursday 16th OCTOBER. The Golf Tournament for Grade Six will be on Friday 24th OCTOBER.

Your child's grade will be notified of the day their lesson will be, closer to the end of this term.

Thanks
Mrs Muller/Mrs Hurst

KILOMETRE CLUB
Just a reminder that every Tuesday and Friday from 8.30am we run a kilometre club. Students, teachers and parents are invited to walk or run the short course. We meet on the back oval at the gate to Masons Lane. It is a great way to start the day and clear the head. Hope to see you there.
Dear Parents,

To celebrate book week we would like to create a book igloo for our school for children to use.

We would love everyone to help 😊
Lots and lots of old hard cover books are needed.

Be sure to ask Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, Op Shops etc

We are asking as a homework task if all children could please bring 5 hard cover books from home.

We need old books that are out of date. If you can donate more, we would love them – as many as possible!

Start collecting so we can build our fabulous igloo!!

Thank you
Ian Wren
Principal
THE BEST OF BROADWAY

Come check out Ms. Curtis, Janelle, Jackson and Jemima in Performing Arts Headquarters' community production, The Best of Broadway. Tickets are now on sale for 6, 7, 13 & 14 September at www.trybooking.com/FNZS or call PAHQ at 5367 6864 if you have questions.

CENTREPAY

What is Centrepay?
Centrepay is a free direct bill paying service offered to customers receiving Centrelink payments. Through Centrepay you can choose to have regular money for education expenses e.g. excursions, camps, booklists etc. deducted from your payment.

Why use Centrepay?
Educational expenses can be paid in manageable amounts from your payment, making it easier for you to budget. You won’t have to worry about remembering to pay your expenses.

Will it cost me anything?
No, Centrepay does not charge you to transfer the money from your payment.

Can I cancel or change my Centrepay deduction?
Yes, the service is voluntary and you can stop or vary the deduction at any time by calling Centrelink directly.

How do I apply for Centrepay?
You can call in to see our Office Manager, or call or visit your nearest Centrelink Office and ask for a Centrepay deductions form (SA325. 1102).
## Important Dates

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Make school payments with QkR™ your New Year’s Resolution

Welcome to the new school year from all at QkR by MasterCard: the easy-to-use mobile phone app and preferred payment method for your school.

To our returning QkR families, we welcome you back and thank you for your support last year. Follow our simple tips below to update your child’s class and year details for the new school year.

To any new families, why not try QkR today? QkR saves you time by letting you make all your school payments directly from your smartphone or tablet device (Apple or Android), at a time convenient for you.

New Families: Getting started is easy

Step 1  Download QkR by MasterCard
on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app

Scan QR code provided

Or type text label BACCHUSMARSHPS

If within 4 kms of the school, you can select from “Locations Nearby”

Step 2  Register
Select your Country of Residence as ‘Australia’ and follow the steps to register

Step 3  Find our school

Step 4  Register your children
When first accessing your school menu, you will be prompted to register your child. This allows you to make school orders on their behalf.

Now you’re ready to order and pay for meals and other items...
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ADVERTISING

Bacchus Marsh Primary School is a community school and we are happy to distribute information from community groups. Please be aware that these forms of communication/information are not endorsements from our school.

THE MARSH JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB

REGISTRATION DAY

JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB

Friday 12th September 2014
Maddingley Clubrooms

5.00pm till 6.30pm

New Players Welcome

Registration Costs:
New Players (including shirt and cap) $120
Previous Players (registration only) $85
Families, each subsequent child $65

Merchandise Available
(All Sales Cash on the Night)

All queries to Rohan Lyle
0419 358 984
BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN FOR THE UP AND COMING VACATION CARE PROGRAM. PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR EXCURSIONS DAYS ARE MONDAY/WEDNESDAY/FRIDAY BOTH WEEKS AND THESE DAYS USUALLY ARE THE FIRST TO BE BOOKED OUT, E.G. BOWLING, LASER TAG, LUNA PARK, THE MOVIES AND MUCH, MUCH MORE.

PLEASE BOOK EARLY TO RECEIVE OUR BIG DISCOUNTS ON FEES.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND OR ENQUIRIES PLEASE CONTACT THE MANAGERS AT THE CARE PROGRAM OR PHONE 0405 640 148.

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU,

MANDY, DI, GILL & NIKI
You and Merrimu

Your life, your choice

‘Open Day – Saturday 6 September 2014’

Come along and have a look at the new Merrimu, have a chat to our staff, look around and enjoy some refreshments.

Our Hub at 114 McHannock Street, Melton will be open from 10am to 1.30 pm.

We’d welcome the opportunity to talk to you.

For more information call us on 9360 3000 or email you@meltonhealth.org.au or visit www.merrimu.org.au

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BACCHUS MARSH LITTLE ATHLETICS

Registration Days

Friday 19th September
Ratcliff Primary School Gymnasium
2.30-3.30pm

Friday 19th September
Masons Lane Reserve
5.30-7.00pm

Saturday 20th September
Masons Lane Reserve
10.00am–12noon

Season commences Saturday 4th October, 8.30am

For more information visit our website www.bacchusmarshlittleathletics.org.au
or contact BMALC Registrar, Karen Bresnan on 0432 185 651