A Message From China

The word back from our students and staff currently visiting China is that all are having a wonderful time seeing the sights, including The Great Wall, and staying at our sister school in Nanjing. The students have proudly represented our school when they spoke in Chinese at the school assembly in front of approximately 2000 students and staff!! We look forward to their return when we will hear more about their exciting experiences.

Camp

Next week our grade two students head off to their camp at Sunnystones. We hope the weather is kind to them and they enjoy the many activities that have been planned.
3 Way Interview / End of Year Celebration

The final 3 Way Interview – Celebration of Learning will be held on Thursday 12th December. Online bookings will be available from 11th November. A reminder of the booking process will be emailed to you and a paper copy will be available from the office. A reminder – if you are unable to access the online system an interview time can be organized through the office.

Numeracy Information Session

Parents are invited to attend the numeracy information session after assembly on Monday 11th November in the Chinese room. The session will be conducted by one of our Maths coaches and will focus on how students learn mathematics in the classroom as well as providing parents with strategies on how they can support their child’s understanding of numeracy at home.

NEW BMPS WEBSITE

BMPS is proud to launch it’s new school website! If you’ve visited our website recently you’ll notice there have been some major changes. New pages, information and photos can all be seen at the same website address: www.bacchusmarshps.vic.edu.au

The new school website is smart phone friendly – which means it will look slightly different from your computer but is much easier to use and see. You can also create a shortcut for the new website on your smart phone – meaning a simple click on your phone will take you straight there. Details for how to do this are available on the website. All school newsletters are available for viewing or download, and an events calendar will keep you up to date with what is happening in the school community.

Keep your eye out for regular updates!

QKR

QKR is available to order lunches from the canteen or to pay for excursions, camps and soon booklists.

CHRISTMAS TREE CHALLENGE

Jackson Molenkamp has come up with a great idea. He has suggested a Christmas Tree Challenge. So we are asking children to make their own Christmas Tree. We would love any type of materials to be used. Be as creative as you can! All trees will need to be delivered to school by December 1st to be displayed.

DAD’S NIGHT

Our final Dad’s Night for the year will be held on November 28th at the Maddingley Park from 6.30pm. BYO Picnic!

YARN BOMBING

We would still like any donations of knitted or crocheted 30cm squares in any colour, design or pattern (the brighter the better). We would like them by December 12th, so please get your fingers busy. Also, if you have any unwanted wool or old woollen jumpers to use for further pieces around the school we would love to use them for this project. Any donations can be left at the office.
Bravehearts Education Program
Ditto’s Keep Safe Adventure for Grade Prep, 1 and 2

A reminder that on Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th November, Bravehearts will visit our school. Our Prep to Grade 2 students will be part of a live program that aims to empower them with the tools to keep safe and develop strategies to become more resilient, while building confidence and awareness.

This program will add further value to our classroom based PATHs lessons.

Thank you for responding to the notice and sending in $4.00 to ensure your child does not miss this fun opportunity to develop important personal safety skills.

Bravehearts welcome parents to come along to the sessions that their child will be attending.

- **Tuesday 19th November at 10am**
  - Prep C, Prep B, 1O’Day, 1R and 2S

- **Tuesday 19th November at 11:30am**
  - Prep R, Prep HP, 1S, 1H and 2E

- **Wednesday 20th November at 2pm**
  - Prep N, Prep K, 1L, 1C and 2NG

An information session for ALL PARENTS will take place at 2:45 on Wednesday 20th November.

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**PADDY’S MARKET**

**Friday November 15th 1pm – 3pm**

The first recorded Paddy’s’ market took place on May 28th, 1943 when “the children of Bacchus Marsh State School invited mothers and friends to a patriotic Paddy’s Market at the school. Although preparation had been limited to a few days the efforts exceeded all expectations and a profit of £45-0-0 was realised”. A second Paddy’s Market was held in October that same year.

**Week of the Arts- 9-13 December**

Students can start scheduling auditions with Ms. Curtis for Week of the Arts. They need to prepare a song, dance or other performance that they’d like to share with their peers. Different grade levels will be performing during recess or lunch times during Week of the Arts depending on student interest. Auditions will begin on Wednesday 6 November and end on Friday 22 November.

**Day of the Arts- 12 December**

We’re still looking for artists to volunteer their time to work with our students on 12 December. Please contact the school if you are available or know someone who’d be interested. So far we have people doing watercolour, aboriginal painting, cartooning, print making, pencil drawing, ceramics and card making. If you can do any of these arts or others (such as textiles) and are free to help, please contact the school.

**AVENUE OF HONOUR BOOK**

Our published book, full of our student’s work is available at the office for $10.
BOOK FAIR 2013

Parents & Students,

Our Book Fair this year will take place in the Residence Kitchen on Monday 25\textsuperscript{th} – Wednesday 27\textsuperscript{th} November. Students will have the opportunity to look at the books on display and, if you wish, you can purchase these books. They make great Christmas presents and encourage a healthy reading habit.

Paddy's Market Second Hand Book Stall!

Do you have any books you would like to donate to the Grade 1C and 1L Paddy's Market book stall? We are collecting kids books, novels, cookbooks, travel books (etc...) to sell at our stall. Your generous book donations can be brought to the Grade 1C/1L room.

Thank-you very much!!!

From Miss Lamont and Miss Cooper

QKR NO. 28 KINDNESS AWARDS

We are delighted to announce a new recognition program for students, in partnership with QkR by MasterCard.

By now, most parents have probably heard about QkR: the easy-to-use phone app and preferred payment method for Bacchus Marsh Primary School. QkR simplifies school administration & canteen management by enabling parents to order & pay for school items for their children directly from their smartphone. And now children can benefit from QkR too ...

In addition to our existing school award programs, we will be introducing a new weekly student award for the duration of Term 4: the No. 28 Kindness Award. The new award expands the use of QkR into our recognition program for students. Each week throughout term four, one child per year level will:

- Be awarded a certificate in recognition of their kind behavior
- Receive a QkR Reward Voucher for free canteen lunch up to the value of $5.00

Parents of winning students can claim their QkR canteen lunch voucher by scanning the code which appears on their child’s award certificate with their smartphone or mobile device. Please note that each code can only be scanned once.

So if you have not already joined the QkR revolution, now is the time to try. Getting started is easy:

1. Step 1: Download QkR by MasterCard for FREE from the Apple App or Google Play store;
2. Step 2: Register: Select your Country of Residence as ‘Australia’ and follow the steps to register;
3. Step 3: Find our School: Type Bacchus Marsh Primary School or if you are within 4kms of the school, you can select from “Locations Nearby”;
4. Step 4: Register your children: When first accessing your school menu, you will be prompted to register your child. This allows you to make purchases on their behalf.

If you have any more questions about QkR, please drop by the school office for assistance. You can also pick up the QkR ‘How To’ guide from the office. Simply download QkR for FREE from the Apple App or Google Play store. You can pick up a ‘How To’ Guide for QkR from the school office.

If you have recently upgraded your iPhone to iOS7 and you are having problems using our program please try the following steps.
Issue:
When starting QKR the first time; It Pops-up and asks the User to allow it to capture its location. If the User choose to say NO it will Pop-up again and ask the same question, however if the User choose to say NO again it then goes in an infinite loop (So responding twice with NO for the location Pop-up is causing the QKR app to hang). Likewise, if the user selects OK, it still may hang when opening the QkR app the second time.

Workaround:
The workaround is to go to Privacy|Location Services under the Settings on your iPhone and change it to ON for the QKR app. Note, even though it may say ON at the top screen, you will need to scroll down and ensure it says ON next to QkR. After this the user can go back and start QkR again and it should work and allow them to see the login page. In rare cases turning the phone on and off may be required before restarting the QkR app, but by changing these setting we have managed to eliminate the infinite spinning wheel on the opening screen that some users were seeing.

HAVE FUN WITH BUDDIE AND LEARN ABOUT CYBERSAFETY

A pair of black reading glasses, have been found in our school ground.
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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.

MYGOLF NATIONAL SKILLS CHALLENGE PROGRAM

Bacchus Marsh West Golf Club

4.30pm

Friday 25 October, Friday 1st November, Friday 8th November, Friday 15th November & Friday 22nd November

Cost: $44

Contact Tony Collier 0408 519 628 for more information
The Family Voice - Forum for Families on the Impact of Sector Reform
6.30pm, Thurs 14th Nov, 2013

An opportunity to hear and discuss how the current recommissioning and reform of alcohol and drug treatment services in Victoria will affect families affected by alcohol and other drug use, in particular peer support for families.

The Self Help Addiction Resource Centre (SHARC) is committed to ensuring the voice of families is heard in this significant reform process. SHARC invites family members (especially those who have been part of the SHARC continuum of care for families through Family Drug Helpline, ARC training, Community Family Peer Support groups, Sibling Support programs) to join us for this important forum.

The evening will consist of presentations by special guest supporters of FEHI at SHARC, including an overview of the new service framework and funding approach, discussion and questions. The outcomes of this Forum will help SHARC in developing its response to these critical sector changes.

Details: 6.30pm - 8.00pm, Thursday 14th November 2013
Venue: Glenhuntly Park Function Room
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October

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Craig & Community Hall
132 Melton Rd
Show at 11:45am
Tickets available September 29th

November

Anthony Verity’s Variety Show
November 12
Back Up Venue
Stable 22
Craig & Community Hall
132 Melton Rd
Show at 11:45am

November 26
Riviera
Mechanics Hall Supper Room
109 Rose St
Show at 7:45pm

November 27
Back Up Venue
Stable 22
Craig & Community Hall
132 Melton Rd
Show at 11:45am

Tickets available October 23

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St Bernard’s Parish Fete
Saturday 16th November 2013
10am to 2pm
St Bernard’s Primary School Grounds
Gisborne Road, Bacchus Marsh

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Cakes, Craft, Trash & Treasure, Pre-Loved Clothes, Plants,
Mystery Jam, Showbags, Toys & Books

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Hot Roast Rolls, Baked Potatoes, Tandoori Chicken,
Fatty Floss, Snow Cones

& join the Trail to our new Strawberry Stall!