FROM THE PRINCIPAL TEAM

Welcome back to Term 2.
Just a reminder that this Friday May 2nd is a Curriculum Day and children are not required at school.

CURRICULUM DAY – FRIDAY MAY 2ND

ANZAC DAY
We hope everyone had an enjoyable ANZAC Day. During the week classes focused on activities to celebrate the great contribution ANZAC’s have made to make Australia the country we have.

HISTORY ROOM MURAL
Our new mural for the History room has finally been completed. It tells the history of our Indigenous Culture and looks magnificent. Art work was completed by our students. Please pop in and have a look.

MOROCCO
Daniel Morris and Jane Lamont have had a wonderful time working at a village school in the desert in Morocco. We can’t wait to hear about their adventures.

MOTHER’S DAY
Our Mother’s Day Stall is on May 9th. This is always an exciting time for the children. We hope you all have a wonderful Mother’s Day.

WORKING BEE – KEEP MAY 24TH FREE!
On May 24th from 9am – 12pm we are having a Working Bee. Please bring the children along for a fun morning working in the back garden of school. We also want to fix up the muddy area around the stage and Science room.

BALI SCHOOL TRIP
On May 8th some teachers from our school will travel to Bali to work at our Sister School. The trip will involve our staff providing Professional learning for the Bali teachers and numeracy activities for the children. Staff will also visit The Green School, a secondary school in Bali and a school for street children. Teachers involved are: Suzanne Siedlecki, Vanessa Buccheri, Tiffany Vines, Ceri-Ann Thompson and Leonie Underwood.

DONATIONS OF BABY CLOTHES AND MOBILE PHONES FOR BALI
We would love to take baby clothes to the village in Bali and also old working mobile phones with chargers. All donations will be greatly appreciated. Please leave donations at the school office.

CHINESE CULTURAL DAY
Today all students are involved in our Chinese Cultural Day.
Activities will include:
Chinese Masks
Chinese Paper Cutting
Chinese Kung Fu
Chinese Traditional Dancing
Chinese Calligraphy
Chinese Painting
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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).

DO YOU HAVE ANY BOTTLE TOPS?
The Science room would appreciate any donations of clean, non-toxic plastic bottle tops that have not been in contact with nuts eg. milk or softdrink bottle tops.

WANTED
Large ice cream containers are needed for storage of Maths blocks. Your help with this would be much appreciated.
Jan Morahan

MOTHER’S DAY STALL – FRIDAY MAY 9TH - $5 PER GIFT
Our Annual Mother’s Day Stall will be held on May 9th. Please send along a plastic bag for the gift to go in.

CROSS COUNTRY EVENTS
The house cross country event for all grade 4-6 children will take place at school on the afternoon of Friday 9th May. This will be a modified shorter course approximately 1.3km. From this event the district cross country team will be selected for participation in the District Cross country event to be held at Bacchus Marsh Grammar on Friday 16th May.

FRIDAY COMMUNITY ART FUN AFTERNOON
Every Friday during this school term a group of interested members of the school community parents, grandparents other interested family members will meet in the art room at 2:10 till the end of the school day to start adding too, creating and fixing up Art in the kitchen garden.
Please see Megan if you would like to be involved in this fun group.
LOST TEDDY
Last term a very special Teddy Bear was lost in the grade 1 & 2 playground. Please contact the office if you know where Teddy might be.

MORNING KILOMETRE CLUB
As part of our initiative to get children and families to move more, we are running a morning run/walk session at 8.30am every Tuesday and Friday during school terms. We will meet at the back gate where staff, students and their families can run or walk around Mason's Lane before the start of the school day.

There is overwhelming evidence that children who move more cope better with their learning. We would like to encourage all families to spend at least half an hour a day engaging in some form of physical activity together. It is a lot of fun and you will be surprised at how well you feel after exercising!

PLAYGROUP 28
Do you have pre-school children, toddlers or babies? Then come along to our relaxed playgroup sessions held at Bacchus Marsh Primary School every Tuesday morning 9am – 10.30am.

Place: Chinese Gallery
Cost: Free

Have a chat, meet some other BMPS community mums, grandmas, dads and carers. Enjoy a tea or coffee. We are registered with Playgroup Victoria and are part of their Victorian network. Leave your details at the office or contact Leanne Fitzsimons with any queries on 5367 2745.

KITCHEN HELPERS
Dear Parents,

Our Kitchen program is a great part of our curriculum at BMPS and to be a success for our students we need helpers! We are looking for volunteers who don’t need to be great cooks. You only need to be able to read a simple recipe and give up some of your time on a regular basis. You also need to hold a current Working With Children Check and we are happy to help you in this process. We would love any Mums, Dads, Grandmas, Grandads, Aunts, Uncles or anyone else that can help. Please contact Mrs Robyn Zanon in the Kitchen or call 5367 2745.

KITCHEN REMINDER
A reminder for all students to bring an apron to Kitchen lessons.
WEEK OF THE ARTS: 2-6 June

Calling all student performers!

Has your child been studying music privately? Do they have a hidden talent that they’d like to share with their friends? Encourage them to put an act together to perform during our Week of the Arts, 2-6 June. Singing, dancing, juggling, magic, instruments, etc. – ANY performance act will be considered, you just need to practice at home and audition your act for Ms. Curtis. Spaces are limited so only those acts that are polished and ready for a live audience will be accepted.

Please have students see Ms. Curtis to schedule an audition time. Auditions will begin on Monday 12 May and end on Friday 22 May.

Day of the Arts- Artists still needed

We’re still looking for artists to volunteer their time to work with our students on 4 June. Please contact the school if you are available or know someone who’d be interested. So far we have people doing painting, cartooning, theatre sports, 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.

Community Art Show

Calling all artists interested in being part of a whole school community art show. We are looking for parents, grandparents, aunties anyone in our BMPS community that creates art. The work would be exhibited in a week long display in our school foyer. If you draw, construct, mosaic, sew, paint, craft or anything else that would suit please share your work with us to celebrate creativity and for our students to see. Work will need to be delivered to school by the 28th of May. Contact Miss Fromholtz for details.

Home Art Project

Students are invited to create art in the style of Vincent van Gough as a home art project to be brought in for an exhibition as part of the day of the arts. 3D sun flowers, paintings of Starry starry night, drawings of fields whatever you look up and want to create please do to be part of the exhibition. Work will need to be delivered to school by the 28th of May. Contact Miss Fromholtz for details.
LAST CALL FOR MOTHER’S DAY LUNCH
Wednesday 7th May

Inviting all our Mums, Grandmothers, Aunties and Friends
Bacchus Marsh Golf Club
Links Road

Wednesday 7th May 2014
At 11.30am

Ticket: $40.00 Each, Non Refundable: (Includes)
2 Course Meal & Drink Voucher (Beer/Wine or Soft Drink)

Menu:
Main

❖ Chicken Breast Florentine – Breast Fillet filled with Bacon, Spinach & Cheese, Oven Baked & served with a creamy white wine sauce.

OR

❖ Slow Braised Lamb Shank – Slow Cooked Lamb Shank with Mash & a rich Red Wine & Rosemary

Dessert:

❖ Sticky Date Pudding with Butterscotch Sauce & Cream

OR

❖ Individual Wild berry & French Cream Cheesecake with Red Currant Coulis

Please Note:
ALL MEALS SERVED ON A 50/50 BASIS

PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE TODAY TO BOOK YOUR SEAT

If you have any Dietary Requirements or have any questions please contact Sharlene on: 0425713696
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If within 4 kms of the school, you can select from “Locations Nearby”

**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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ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
The St Vincent de Paul Society is a worldwide charity that continues to develop new ways of reaching out to those seeking our support. The Society here in Bacchus Marsh wishes to revitalize its conference and to reintroduce the home visitation program. Members and volunteers go out in pairs to visit and support families and individuals who call on us for help. We are seeking your help in this exciting program.
Come and See – Tuesday 20th May at 7.30pm
St Bernard’s Parish Hall, Lerderderg Street, Bacchus Marsh
NAIDOC WEEK 2014

NAIDOC week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Colouring in Competition

Entry is open to all students in years K - 2

* Please add your own creativity to the black space!!

Sponsors

Harvey Norman

Prizes

MP3 Players

DVD Players

Name:

Age:

School:

Year:

All Competitions Entries must be received by close of business on Friday 27th June 2014 at the co-ordinator centre: GPO Box 454, Sydney NSW 2001
Judging will take place on Wednesday 2nd July 2014 - Winners will be notified through principals and presentations will take place at school assemblies with local Mayor, Elders and other dignitaries.
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SHORT STORY WRITING

Entry open to all students in years 3 - 6.

Write the lyrics to a rap titled - Respect
(Respect of Indigenous Australians, Culture and each other)

INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS TO APPLY TO
JESSICA MURatore
Indigenous Awarding Artist

DYLAN KAREEL
Indigenous Rugby League player

PRIZES

BMX BIKE & HELMET
BLUE RAY PLAYER

Sponsors

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100% OF PASSERS
TO THE TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX'S ANIMATION MOVIE 'RIO 2'

Name: ____________________  Age: ______  School: ________________  Year: __________

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College Open Night

Wednesday 7th May 2014

Drama Hall, Grant Street
Bacchus Marsh

School Tours Depart: 5:30pm - 6:15pm
Information Session: 7:00pm

We invite you to attend this event to learn more about what Bacchus Marsh College has to offer, including:

• Comprehensive and differentiated curriculum tailored to meet student needs
• 1-to-1 Netbook Program
• A multi-faceted Year 7 transition, engagement and wellbeing program
• A Year 7 scholarship program
• Careers and pathways advice and support
• Featured programs in leadership, sports, science, robotics, music and performing arts, including the school production
• A rich choice of subjects including Chinese language, arts and technology

If you can’t attend the Open Night arrange a personal tour (03) 5367 2955
Autism Awareness Expo
3rd May 2014

Over 30 Information Exhibits
Disability agencies, Autism therapies, autism resources, books for sale, cartoon workshop, lego display, local artists exhibitions, Dogs for autism, information for early intervention, school age and post school options, social skills programs, autism merchandise, visual aides and many more! Presentations throughout the day, individual consults with behaviour therapist available.

Entry : Gold coin donation
Venue: Mining Exchange, Lydiard St Ballarat
Time : 10am - 4pm

Timetable
10.30 : Official opening
11.00 : Comic workshop
   - Dillon Naylor Comic artist
   - Speaker presentations
11.00 : Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorder
   - Stacy Shepherd
11.45 : Communication and ASD
   - Robyn Garnet Clear Messages
12.30 : Behaviour and ASD
   - Bobbi Cook Behaviour therapist
1.15 : Living on the Spectrum Daniel Giles
2.00 : A Sensory Day
   - Sarah Elford & Steph VanVelsen Pinarc
2.45 : Autism intervention therapy
   - Christine Chambers-Morton
3.30 : Disclosing the diagnosis
   - Amanda Curtis
4.00 : Close

For further information contact
Tricia Murphy e:triciamurphy@live.com.au
Kris Schmidt e:kks@netconnect.com.au

www.ballaratautism.com
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MAY

JON MADIN
and his homemade instruments

May 12
Durnstown
Durnstown Community Centre
Old Melbourne Rd
10am

May 13
Bacchus Marsh
Studio 22
Clive & Community Hub
182 Halletts Way
10am and 11:15am

May 27
Gordon
Gordon Hall
10am

Tickets available April 23

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