Dear Parents,

It was great to see one of our ex-students – Brenton Payne come along to assembly and talk about life as an AFL footballer. Brenton was selected by St Kilda in the draft and has been working hard to get his body ready for AFL football. We wish him great success! I am especially happy he is playing for such a great team!

PANCAKE DAY
All the children enjoyed a pancake on Tuesday. A big thanks to our fundraising group and all the parents who worked hard cooking pancakes. The group raised $600.

WEAR RED TO SAY STOP BULLYING
On Monday at assembly we used dressing up in red as a focus to say we don’t tolerate bullying – say Stop!
We will continue to focus on being kind to everyone.
SCHOOL COUNCIL
Our new School Council for 2015 are:
PARENT MEMBERS
Lachlan Hodgson
Sharon Noorman
Marzieh Hussain
Leigh Bradbury
Karyn Saw
Tim Gallagher
Sharlene Tarantino
Jenny Caligari
Emma James
Narelle Amor

STAFF MEMBERS
Leanne Fitzsimons
Daniel Morris
Pam Whitten
Ian Wren
Melinda Williams

We thank Sharlene Gordon for all her time on School Council.

TIQBIZ
We are constantly keeping up to date with the latest technology innovations. To assist communication we have trialed tiqbiz, an app for phones and tablets last year. From Term 2 all communication (newsletters, notes, updates, events and messages) will be sent home using tiqbiz. tiqbiz will have access to our Web page, absence reporting, QKR etc. It is free to download. Please read information below and download tiqbiz onto your iPad, phone or android device. We will still use emails this term but convert to tiqbiz in Term 2.
Newsletters are always available at the office and from our website.
Our School Values are:

**RESPECT**

Respect is;

- Caring about people and treating them well
- Valuing ourselves and others
- Speaking and acting with courtesy
- Taking care of people’s belongings
- Following the school rules

**LEARNING**

Learning is;

- Gaining knowledge and skills
- Showing inspiration and creativity
- Doing the best job you can possibly do
- Having goals and a clear focus
- Working with a purpose and reflecting on your practice

**TEAMWORK**

Teamwork is;

- Working together
- Keeping a safe and happy environment
- Co-operating and helping others
- Being a team player and sharing the load
- Respecting others

**INTEGRITY**

Integrity is;

- Standing up for what you believe in
- Doing the right thing when it’s hard
- Being willing to clean up your mistakes
- Living by your values
- Being honest and sincere

**KINDNESS**

Kindness is;

- Showing that you care
- Making life better for others by doing good
- Giving help to someone who is sad
- Accepting others who are different
- Thinking about people’s needs

We promote and learn about our values in all we do at school. Our BMPS motto is ‘Consider Others’. We try to live by our values.
CHINA TRIP
This year we are again offering a family trip to China in October/November for students in Year 5 & 6. We have had a great response already. We welcome students, parents and grandparents along on the trip. The trip will travel to Beijing, Xian, Nanjing (where we visit our Sister School) and Shanghai. The approximate cost of the trip is $2,500. BMPS staff will lead the tour. It is a fantastic tour, the children and parents loved it in 2013 and we look forward to going again. Please fill out expressions of interest if you are keen to find out more.

CHINA TRIP EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
Name _______________________________
Children _________________________________________
Number of people wishing to attend ___

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS
Parents are very welcome to make an interview time to meet with the classroom teacher at any time during the year if you want feedback about your child’s progress. We encourage you to do this if you would like to discuss your child at any time. In June and December 3 Way Interviews will be held where children will lead the discussion about their learning and goal setting for future learning.

DROP OFF AREA
We encourage parents to use the drop off zone at the back of the school to drop off and collect children. If using this area please be careful of children and drive safely. The staff car park is only for staff cars – for children’s safety we ask that children not be dropped in this area as it is out of bounds for children. The drop off zone is not to be used for leaving your car unattended as this causes traffic chaos. Please move into empty spaces to allow other cars to move through.

ASTHMA
If your child suffers from Asthma and needs to use a puffer/medication at school, please fill in and return an Asthma Management Form (available at the school office). A new form needs to be completed each year please. 2015 forms will be sent home to those students on our register.

SAFETY
Please remind children about road safety if they are riding bikes or walking to and from school and also for children to be careful when crossing roads.

SHARING FOOD
This is also an important message that we need our students to understand. In light of student’s allergies (as above) we ask all parents to remind their children about not giving, sharing or buying other children food or snacks.
SCHOOL DISCO
On March 20th we will hold our first school disco in the gym.
Junior Disco (Prep/1/2) will be from 4pm – 5pm $4
Senior Disco (3/4/5/6) will be from 5.15pm – 6.30pm $5

ENROLMENTS 2016
We ask all BMPS families to ensure you enrol 2016 Prep children (siblings) here at school by the end of this term. We have restricted enrolments and wish to ensure we cater for all siblings of children already at our school. Places will be limited from Term 2, so please collect and fill in forms.

OUT OF UNIFORM DAY – PJ DAY
On March 13th we are having an Out of Uniform Day. Children are able to wear their PJ’s for the day. A gold coin donation will support ‘Shave For A Cure Leukemia Foundation’.

NEW PLAYGROUND
We are very excited to have a new adventure playground installed during this term. We are using funds from fundraising to pay for this.

Ian, Pam, Leanne & Melinda

On 30th January the school had a sum of money paid into its account with the notation ‘Keysborough’ as the reference.

If any parent might know anything about this, can they please talk to one of our office staff.

CONVEYANCING ALLOWANCE
FIRST INSTALMENT
If you live more than 4.8kms from the nearest school, you may be eligible to apply for your child/children. Application forms are available from the school office.
Applications for Terms 1 & 2 must be submitted by MONDAY 2ND MARCH, 2015.

SUCCULENTS WANTED FOR SCIENCE GARDEN
We would appreciate donations of succulents for our Science Garden. Please contact Jane McWhinney if you can help us out.
GET ACTIVE THIS APRIL!
All it takes is 30 minutes a day of physical activity. The benefits from being active helps across all areas of learning. The Premier's Active April is a Government run program encouraging you to register on line at activeapril.vic.gov.au. Once registered, you can win awesome prizes while enjoying the benefits of being active. Look out for the posters around BMPS. Enjoy moving together as a family!

WANTED
A GOOD HOME FOR 2 ROOSTERS
If anyone on a farm would like to help out by adopting our 2 roosters it would be much appreciated. Please see Mr Penney or Mr May.

KITCHEN HELPERS 2015
Dear Parents,
We are looking forward to another productive and fun year in the Kitchen in 2015. There are however many spots to be filled on our volunteer roster. You don’t have to be a great cook, your role is to make sure children are safe and busy. You only need to be able to help read the recipe and have a sense of humour. Please let us know if you can help out as we need our volunteers for the program to run smoothly.

KITCHEN
A reminder for all students to bring an apron to Kitchen lessons.

HISTORY 2015
History incursions for each class will be conducted during 2015. A mix of ‘olden days’ school, art and play activities will be experienced during the am sessions. On the ‘History Room incursion day’ children are invited to come to school dressed in late 19th century clothing –
Girls – yoked dress, pinafore, bonnet or mob cap
Boys – short pants, shirts, braces, cap

Afternoon sessions will allow for an extension group to work on research and an activity related to Australia’s WWI Gallipoli campaign. Results of this work will be presented to Senior and Middle School classes over the two Wednesdays close to Remembrance Day. I would welcome any empty matchboxes.

Dates for Grade levels are: (class teachers will provide actual dates for individual classes)

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Margaret Love
SCHOOL DISCO

Friday 20th March

Prep – Grade 2  $4  4pm – 5pm
Grades 3-6    $5  5.15pm – 6.30pm

Glo Bracelets for sale 4 for $1

FOOD & DRINKS AVAILABLE
  Icy Poles $1
  Soft Drinks $1
  Bottled Water $1
  Popcorn $1

PARENTS ARE WELCOME

Soft soled shoes only to be worn please due to the delicate floor surface in the Gym

Students must be collected from the Gym at the end of each session

WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR HELP

Please fill in and return this form to the office if you can help

Yes I am able to help at the Junior Disco
Yes I am able to help at the Senior Disco

Name _________________________________   Contact telephone number ___________________

Name of student ______________________________  Grade _____
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**New Families: Getting started is easy**

1. **Step 1: Download Qkr by MasterCard**
   - On your Android phone or iPhone, you can download the Qkr app.
2. **Step 2: Register**
   - Select your country of residence and follow the steps to register.
3. **Step 3: Find your school**
   - Scan the provided QR code.
   - Within 4 ft of the school, you can select them “Locate 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 school orders on their behalf.

Now you're ready to order and pay for meals and other items...
OSHClub would like to welcome all families to our new program! We have had a fantastic time with your children throughout Holiday Program, enjoying arts and crafts, construction, games, excursions to Docklands Wonderland and the cinemas, fun incursions and lots more.

We have been working very hard, and are pleased to be able to share with the school community your exciting new and improved OSHC room.

For any enquiries, feel free to visit us in the Multi-Purpose room or alternatively, you can email us at oshclub.bacchusmarsh@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing familiar faces and meeting new ones for Before School Care (6.30-8.30am) and After School Care (3.15-6.30pm).

See you all soon,
Kate and Stephanie ☺

OSHC program phone: 0428 530 254
Coordinator: Kate Woods
Assistant: Stephanie Ali

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.

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.
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+
Sunday 15th March
12PM - 2PM

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DEVIL

SIGN UP ONLINE TODAY!
Visit: darleyjnrinc.com.au
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E-MAIL: registrar@darelyjnrinc.com.au

2015 SEASON FEES: First Player In Family Subsequent Player In Family
Football
$220 $106
Youth Girls Football
$180 $106
Netball
$180 $106

FOOTBALL - U10's - U13's - U14's - U16.5's - U18's - Youth Boys
NETBALL - U11's - U13's - U15's - U17's
PARTICIPATING IN THE BALLARAT JUNIOR FOOTBALL NETBALL LEAGUE
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Melton Hockey Club needs You!
Want to try a new sport, find new friends or experience something different?
U12s Wednesdays 6 – 7pm  U10s/U8s Thursdays 6 – 7pm
More details 0450 643 826 I www.meltonhc.org.au I meltonhockeyclub@yahoo.com.au
Bacchus Marsh Junior Football & Netball Club 2015 Registration

& Season Launch Day

Friday 20th February 6pm—9pm

Maddingley Park Clubrooms

New players welcome

Free Cobras training singlet with every registration

For further information please call Maria Dickson on 0407003081 or
Jacqui Segrave on 0430956758