NEWSLETTER
Newsletter 17
Monday 17th November, 2014

FROM THE PRINCIPAL TEAM

OSH CLUB
We are excited to announce that OSH Club will be the new company running our Out of School Hours Care program next year. OSH Club come highly recommended and offer great activities for children and service for parents. They will start from January with the holiday program. Out of School Hours care services will not change from what is currently provided.

CHINA
We had a great trip to China to our Sister School in Nanjing – Langya Road. Mrs Muller and Ms Fromholtz enjoyed teaching at the school.

PADDY’S MARKET – NOVEMBER 28TH (1pm -3pm)
Our annual ‘Paddy's Market’ is on again! It's always an exciting event for our children. We will be looking for volunteers to help cook our BBQ lunch.
Details to follow.

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE
As you are aware there will be no Education Maintenance Allowance money from the start of next year as a result of government cut backs. We will let you know in the next few weeks how we will support families in financial hardship to cover costs of book packs.

BOOKLISTS
Booklists for 2015 will be coming home in the next 2 weeks.

SCHOOL APP
We are currently trialling ‘Tiqbiz’, an online school App for smartphones and tablets. ‘Tiqbiz' will enable parents to access all school information on a smart easy to use App.

QKR
If you don’t use Qkr you might like to have another look at putting this App on your phone. It is a very quick and easy way to pay for excursions, booklists, canteen orders etc. All payments can be made from the comfort of your lounge room or while on the train or at work.
ART ROOM
Our new Art room is nearly complete. The official opening will be on December 5th and we will have Open Day opportunities for everyone to see this beautiful space and children’s art work will be displayed.

JUNIOR SPORTS
Our Annual Junior Sports are on next Wednesday 19th November. Our children in Prep, 1 & 2 love this day and all are welcome to come along and join in the fun.
Thank you Mrs Muller for your work organising this day.

LEAVING BMPS
If your child/children are not returning to BMPS in 2015, please let us know at the Office. This will assist us in grade and staff planning for next year.

BREAKFAST CLUB
Our breakfast club operates on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 8am.

ABSENCE
We encourage and expect children to attend school each day. Contact will be made with parents after 3 days of unexplained absence and a meeting time will be made to support and ensure children miss as little school as possible. For periods of long unexplained absence, infringement notices will be issued which involve a fine.

UNIFORM
We thank everyone for supporting our school uniform. If children are out of uniform for any reason they must bring a note to school explaining the reason.
There are a few variations creeping in which are not school uniform.
Remember school hats need to be worn in Term 4.

Ian, Leanne, Melinda and Pam

PE AND SPORT TERM 4 UPDATE
JUNIOR SPORTS will take place at BMPS on Wednesday 19th November.
Grades One and Two will be on before recess from 9.00 am to 10.55 am.
Grade Prep will be between recess and lunch, 11.30 to 12.55.
Grade Six House Captains and School Captains will be required to assist on the day. More information will follow.

GRADE 3 ECOLINC EXCURSION
On Wednesday the 19th November, the grade three students will be visiting Ecolinc as part of their water investigations unit. Ecolinc has organised a bus to take students on this excursion so we will no longer be walking.

Grade 3T and 3G/C will depart school at 9:30 and return at 12:30
Grade 3B and 3H will depart school at 12:00 and return at 3:00

Students will be unable to have lunch orders on this day.
TAKE HOME BOOKS
As we near the end of the year could parents please have a special check for BMPS Take Home Books (as we are missing many!). Please return them to grades or the office.

HEAD LICE
We have had some reported cases of head lice in our school. Please be vigilant with checking your child's hair.

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.

CENTREPAY
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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).
INVITATION
BMPS PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS

Please feel welcome to come along to a short, informal support session presented by Moorabool Shire Council’s Maternal and Child Health Service.
Free cappuccino and cake!
Details below.

Parenting Cafe
Presented by Moorabool Shire Council’s Maternal and Child Health Service

Parenting Cafes are informal round table discussions about parenting and child development.
Information and support for mums, dads and carers in Moorabool.
Light refreshments provided.
No cost.

Tuesday November 18
9.00—10.30
Bacchus Marsh Primary School
All welcome

For more information contact Maternal and Child Health on
53667100 or email mchadmin@moorabool.vic.gov.au
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Welcome to the new school year. Make paying for school payments easier:

1. Download QR by MasterCard on your phone (Android or iPhone).
2. Register your card.
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4. Register your children.
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Make school payments with QR® your New Year’s Resolution.
A Party for Ava

Join us for a fun evening at the 'A Party for Ava' fundraiser event. Live entertainment, auctions and prizes to give away.

Money raised will go towards Ava Le Huray's fight against Leukaemia and to assist the Le Huray family.

Friday, 28th November 2014
Bacchus Marsh Shire Hall
7.00pm – 12.00am
$25 per ticket
Finger food provided
Drinks at bar prices

Tickets can be purchased at Bacchus Marsh Primary School in Lederderg Street, Bacchus Marsh or Customised Training at The Business Block, Level 1, 11B Gell Street, Bacchus Marsh. For further information please call Jaemie Blunt on 0466 882 501 or Lynda Ellis on 0400 677 330.

Please note: this is an 18 years and over event.
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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.

Bacchus Marsh Football & Netball Club
(everyone is welcome)

Sportsman Night
Saturday 22nd November
Bacchus Marsh Town Hall
7pm start.
This is a seated event. $50 per ticket.
Includes light supper. Bar open.

Sam Kekovich  Master of Ceremonies & story teller
Russell Gilbert  Comedian
Rodney Hogg  Cricketering great & story teller
Doug Hawkins  Football great & story teller

This promises to be a fantastic night with lots of laughs and tall stories. Bring all your friends. A large Percentage of all funds raised will go towards helping little Ava Lehuray in her fight against Leukemia.
DARLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB
Season 2015 Junior Netball Registration Day
Sunday December 7th
At Darley Netball Courts
Times
U11s & U13s  2pm to 3pm
U15s & U17s  3pm to 4pm
Darley Juniors are looking for New Players in all Age groups
(U11’s, U13’s, U15’s, U17’s)
Come along, bring your friends, meet the new coaches
and have some fun.
If you want to become part of a great Club, then come
register to play at the Darley Junior Netball Club
All returning players for Season 2015 must attend
No payment required until February 2015
For all enquiries please contact:
Darley Junior Netball Coordinator: Sam Taylor
darleyjnetballcoord@gmail.com
GO DEVILS!
*We try to suit 1st, 2nd & 3rd*