



# Calder Chronicle

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## THURSDAY, 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2019

### CALENDAR

Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> April

Hot Cross Bun Drive collection day –  
2:30pm – 3:30pm in the multipurpose room: Please bring a bag/box for collection  
Easter Raffle & Guess the Easter Eggs competition drawn  
Team China Fundraising Dinner at the Bendigo Stadium – book at the venue

Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> April

**LAST DAY FOR TERM 1-early dismissal 2:15pm**

KANGAROO FLAT BUS WILL BE RUNNING, departs school at 2:30pm

PIZZA DAY – normal menu not available – iced treats will be available

Easter Monday Public Holiday

Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April

Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April

**First Day for Term 2**

Middle Unit Camp Departs – be at the multipurpose room by 7:45am for an 8:00am departure

Middle Unit Camp Returns – approximately 4:00pm

Senior Unit conducts ANZAC Day service for whole school at 10:45am

Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April

Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> April

**ANZAC Day Public Holiday** (newsletter being sent out Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April)

Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April

Whole School Cross Country

Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May

Senior Unit Gym program commences

Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> May

2020 Prep Information Evening 7:00pm – 8:00pm – information packs will be available on this day

Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> May

Division Cross Country for selected Year 3-6 students

Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> May

Mother's Day Stall and Mother's Day Raffle Tickets due back at the Office  
Raffle will be drawn at the Mother's Day Stall and winners will be announced

Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> May

Senior Unit Gym program continues

Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> May

School Council – Finance Meeting 6:30pm and General Meeting at 7:00pm

Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> May

Senior Unit Gym program continues

Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> May

Education Week commences – more information to follow

Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Grandparents/Special Friend Visit – more information to follow

Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May

Dress Up Day – more information to follow

Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> May

Senior Unit Gym program concludes

### School Organisation

Dear Parents/Guardians,

#### **TEAM CHINA FUNDRAISING DINNER – BENDIGO STADIUM – TONIGHT!!**

Why not book at table at the Bendigo Stadium tonight for a meal. Just by having a meal out with family and friends, you will be supporting our children travelling to China. Book directly at the Bendigo Stadium. Great prizes available on the night, including raffles etc. Hope to see you there!

#### **ATTENDANCE / STUDENT AWARDS – 9:00AM ASSEMBLY – TOMORROW!**

The awards ceremony will be commencing at 9:00am tomorrow morning. Check the back page to see if your child has won an award! The attendance awards will also be presented at this assembly.

#### **KANGAROO FLAT BUS**

The bus WILL BE RUNNING tomorrow, but it will not be at school until 2:30pm. Apologies for any inconvenience.

#### **END OF TERM – EARLY DISMISSAL**

Just a reminder that school is dismissed at the earlier time of 2:15pm tomorrow!

#### **ANZAC DAY BADGES**

The school is selling badges at the Office ranging in price from \$1 to \$5.

#### **STAFF**

A big thank you to Angela Matteo who has been working in Nicole Peach's First Steps room this week Nicole has taken Long Service Leave enjoying an extended break with her family. We hope she is having a great time.

#### **SUNSMART**

Our SunSmart policy requires children to wear hats up until the end of April. So that is Tuesday of the second week in Term 2. We would advise children to wear hats on hot sunny days in May as well.

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Happy Birthday to Cooper C, Tait R, Cooper S, Jayda W, Chad S, Toby W, Jake W, Chelsea H, Isabelle H, Katie M, Lily R, Emily T, Latoya F, Chase L, Clare P, Remy W & Indigo B.

Have a safe and happy holiday.

*Sharyn Burnett, Assistant Principal*

## FIRST STEPS NEWS

### HOLIDAYS

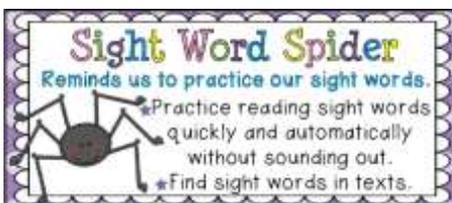
Have a safe and enjoyable holiday. Your child will bring home 3 readers for the holidays, please continue to read these books and also your favourite books at home over the holidays.

### LITERACY

During the term students have been learning and practising the CAFÉ reading strategies 'Eagle Eye', 'Sight Word Spider' and 'Stretchy Snake'.

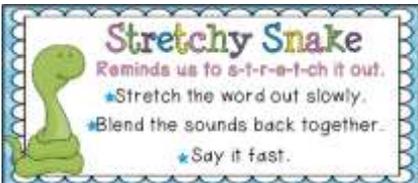


Eagle Eye is the name of a reading strategy that reminds children to look at the pictures and use the pictures to get clues to help figure out the unknown word. The use of pictures also helps us understand what is happening in the story.



Sight Word Spider reminds us to find sight words in books and practise

reading sight words quickly and automatically without sounding out.



Stretchy Snake reminds us to stretch out the word slowly, blend the sounds together and then say it fast.

Please talk to your child about these strategies and encourage them to practise them while they are reading to you.

*Nicole & Pauline*

## JUNIOR UNIT NEWS

### HOLIDAYS

We wish everyone a wonderful holidays and don't forget to practise your reading!

*Catherine, Jen & Rhys*

## MIDDLE UNIT NEWS

### TERM 1

WOW term 1 is over! We have had a very productive term in the Middle Unit. A great deal of learning has taken place and we can see the development of our students throughout the term. We look forward to an Easter break and hope that all students and families have a fun and safe holiday and return to school rested and ready for a big Term 2. We will again be very busy next term with camp, production, Scienceworks excursion, Cross Country and much more.

### LIFE SKILLS

Today was our last session of Life Skills for 2019. All students were fully engaged in this program and we found that the program complemented our Middle Unit School Values program, which we ran during the first 2 weeks of term. We would like to thank Miss Marissa for her wonderful teaching approach and effort to engage our students in this learning. Hopefully our students can continue to utilise the lessons learnt throughout the program for the rest of their lives.

### CAMP

Our camp to Sovereign Hill Ballarat begins on the first day back from school holidays. Students will be briefed on what to bring with them and the program for camp tomorrow. A note with all information has gone home today. All students will be asked to assemble in the multipurpose room at 7:45am on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April for an 8:00am departure.

*Rena, Wendy & Dean*

## SENIOR UNIT NEWS

### NAPLAN

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you are aware, the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students is held in May each year. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in Writing, Reading, Conventions of Language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. The results of the tests provide information for students, parents, teachers and principals and can be used to improve student achievement.

In 2018, NAPLAN began transitioning from a paper based test to an online assessment (ie: students complete the tests utilising a computer or tablet). NAPLAN Online delivers numerous benefits including:

- a 'tailored test' design that adapts to correct and incorrect student responses providing a more precise understanding of student achievement;
- innovative use of technology, including a more engaging test design and a wider range of item types;
- the extension of the 'test window' to two weeks, allowing schools greater opportunity to schedule the tests at times that suit them best and increasing student participation.

Our school is conducting NAPLAN Online in 2019. This means that from 14 – 24 May 2019, students at our school will undertake all NAPLAN tests online in place of the paper tests. Please note that our Year 3 students will continue to complete the Writing test as a paper test.

All students are expected to participate in the NAPLAN Online tests. Catch up tests will be available for individual students who are absent on test days up to and including Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

Support can be arranged for students with disabilities, if the student regularly uses similar support for classroom assessment tasks.

Exemptions may be granted to students with significant intellectual disabilities and to students who have been learning English for less than one year. If your child is eligible for support due to disability or exemption, you should discuss this with his/her teacher prior to the tests. Parental consent is required before any support due to disability or exemption is granted.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents and carers in consultation with the principal. Parents will need to make an appointment to speak with me early next term. If, after consultation, you decide to withdraw your child, you must sign a Student Withdrawal form. These forms are available at the school after the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April.

While it is anticipated that NAPLAN Online will be successfully implemented in 2019, there are a range of contingencies in place to deal with the unlikely occurrence of significant issues.

These contingencies include extended testing windows and the printing of paper-based test for all participating schools.

Later in the year you will receive your child's personal NAPLAN report. The report will describe your child's particular skills in Reading, Writing, Conventions of Language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. The report will also show how your child performed in relation to national minimum standards. These describe the minimum acceptable standards for students across Australia.

I am confident that the information you receive as a result of your child's participation in the NAPLAN tests will be valuable in helping you to assess your child's progress in literacy and numeracy.

For more information about NAPLAN Online, please visit the VCAA website at [www.vcaa.vic.edu.au](http://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au) or the NAP website at [www.nap.edu.au](http://www.nap.edu.au).

Yours sincerely,  
Matt Pearce

### **GRADUATION SHIRTS**

A big thank you to Lauren and Kate for organising this for our Year 6 students! The students have received their shirts and even got to have their photos on Tuesday in them.

### **SCIENCE & HISTORY HOLIDAY HOMEWORK**

Children do not need to stress about History presentations, these will be organised upon our return to school next term.

### **GYM TERM 2**

Our Gym program starts next term with all notes/payment due on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April. We are looking forward to commencing our program at Palmer's Gym.

### **THANK YOU**

Thank you to all families in the Senior Unit for a fabulous start to the year!

The term has flown past with much happening throughout and it has been fantastic to work with all of the students in the Unit.

A big thank you to Susie Marsh for working with us this term, she will be continuing to work with us in Term 2 for a little longer whilst Brett makes his way back to work. Susie has done and will continue to do a wonderful job in the Senior Unit!

### **STUDENTS OF THE WEEK-from last week**

*For showing leadership qualities in the Senior Unit:*

**SL Remi CK**

**Ainsley, Brett, Kate, Lauren & Roberta**

## **PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS**

### **SAVE THE DATE.....**

We have our Adults ONLY Trivia Night Booked again! As such a great night was had by everyone, we are running it again! We have booked the Kangaroo Flat Bowls Club as our venue once again as they were fantastic to work with. It will be held on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> July and we will confirm times a bit closer to the day. Trivia With A Twist will also be running the night again as they were great to work with. We hope you can all make it again and join in all the FUN!

### **UPCOMING EVENT**

#### **Grandparents/Special Friends Day and Cake Stall**

Once again P&F will be running a cake stall on this day Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May, as it was such a success last year! We would love to hear from anyone who would be able to help with cooking or baking for our stall. More details to come in Term 2.

### **JUST ONE THING LETTER**

We have sent home our Just One Thing Letter with your child today. This is an invite to all families to have a chance to be more involved with our school community and events being run, as well as meeting new families. There are so many different things that we have going on in the school and we would love you to be a part of them. The Just One Thing letter gives everyone a chance to join in with any events/activities you may be interested in. Look forward to hearing back from everyone.

### **P&F FACEBOOK PAGE**

Keep up to date with P&F activities by joining our Facebook community

(<https://www.facebook.com/groups/bhpspf/>)

Our page provides reminders and updates on all the activities as well as connecting you with other families at our school.

### **CASH REWARDS PROGRAM**

#### **EARN REAL CASH FOR YOURSELF & THE SCHOOL**

Have you signed up for our Cash Rewards Program yet?? Its free to join and by simply doing your usual online shopping through our unique landing page, you will contribute towards the school without even leaving the house. Better still, you'll earn cash rewards for yourself at the same time. You really can't lose! Signing up is easy just head to our unique landing page and follow the prompts:

<https://www.cashrewards.com.au/community/schools/big-hill-primary-school>

*Thank you for all your support with P&F activities, it's really appreciated*

## SRC NEWS



\$456.68

\$1,000

Thank you students and families for supporting our SRC organised free dress day in March, we have raised \$456.68 so far for the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.

Just to remind everyone of the online donations page we have set up, and hopefully we will reach our fundraising goal of \$1,000. Have a happy and safe Easter holiday break from the SRC team 😊

<https://goodfridayappeal2019.everydayhero.com/au/big-hill-primary-school>

## CANTEEN NEWS

### CANTEEN PROCEEDS

Just to let families know that any money the canteen makes (after costs) goes back to the school, so thank you for supporting the canteen 😊

### HELPERS – THANK YOU

Big thank you to our new helpers this term, it has been really good to see new faces, you are appreciated, and I hope you have enjoyed volunteering so far.

### WEDNESDAY WINNERS

Congratulations to this week's winners:

- 🚩 Charlotte S
- 🚩 Allara N

All you need to do is place a lunch order on a Wednesday for your chance to win a lunch box. Good luck everyone!

### STIKEEZ SWAP DAYS

After school tomorrow at the canteen is the **LAST DAY** to do a swap to help everyone who needs some to complete their collection. Thanks everyone.

Tammy Fear,  
Canteen Manager

## SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The shop will be CLOSED tomorrow. Apologies for any inconvenience. It will be open from next term every Friday except for the last day of term. Thank you.

## OSHC NEWS

### ACCOUNTS

Our Qkr payment app will remain open during the school holidays for payments, so it would be appreciated if all accounts are paid in full before Term 2 commences. An account for this week's attendances will be sent out Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> April.

## SHRINE OF REMEMBRANCE



Mia, Katie, Sebastian & Cody at the Shrine of Remembrance visit yesterday. They were accompanied by Cheryl Holt and went down on a bus with other local Primary Schools to attend the ANZAC Day School Service.

## COMMUNITY NEWS



Central Victorian Free Junior Ranger Activities  
8 April – 20 April 2019

| DATE          | TIME              | DETAILS   |
|---------------|-------------------|---|
| 8 April 2019  | 10:00am – 11:00am | <b>All Fired Up</b> – Greater Bendigo National Park – One Tree Hill. Come and learn about how fire is managed in our parks to keep them healthy, and to keep us safe!   |
| 9 April 2019  | 10:00am – 11:00am | <b>Gold Rush Adventure</b> – Castlemaine Diggings National Heritage Park. Come and discover the history of Forest Creek Historical Gold Diggings while trying your luck at gold panning.                                |
| 11 April 2019 | 10:00am – 11:00am | <b>All Fired Up</b> – Mount Alexander Regional Park. Come and learn about how fire is managed in our parks to keep them healthy, and to keep us safe!   |
| 12 April 2019 | 10:00am – 11:00am | <b>Bush Detective</b> – Pink Cliffs Geological Reserve – Heathcote. The Pink Cliffs are home to an amazing array of plants and animals. Become a bush detective and discover what lives in this beautiful landscape.    |
| 16 April 2019 | 9:30am – 11:30am  | <b>Catch a Carp</b> – Huntly Streamside Reserve. Come and help keep our waterways clean and healthy by learning how to catch a carp.  |
| 17 April 2019 | 10:00am – 11:00am | <b>All About Ceremony</b> – English Bridge Streamside Reserve – Rocky Crossing. This activity is all about ceremony! Come and learn about the importance of smoking ceremonies, language and ochre painting.            |
| 18 April 2019 | 10:00am – 11:00am | <b>The Very Big Bushwalk</b> – Eureka Reef – Castlemaine Diggings National Heritage Park. Ever wanted to try a family bushwalk but don't know where to start or where to go? Try coming along to The Very Big Bushwalk. |

All Junior Ranger activities are free, and are suitable for children aged 6-12 years, (must be accompanied by a parent or guardian). Bookings are essential, and open 2 weeks before the school holidays. Children should bring a hat, drink, sunscreen, closed-toe shoes and wear clothing suitable for the activity and weather.  
Please visit [www.juniorrangers.com.au](http://www.juniorrangers.com.au)

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TEAM CHINA  
**FUND-RAISING  
DINNER**



**THURSDAY APRIL 4, 6PM**  
**BENDIGO STADIUM BISTRO**

Celebrate the end of term 1 with us and help to raise money for our Team China members. Bring a friend, bring your whole family! There will be raffle tickets available to buy on the night and the raffle will be drawn at the end of the night, with many chances to win (see below)



- 1st Prize – Handmade Quilt
- 2nd Prize – Long Block Estate Taster Pack
- 3rd and more – Mystery Prizes

TO CONFIRM NUMBERS PLEASE RSVP TO BIG HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL @ 5447 7022 OR  
TO YOUR FRIENDLY TEAM CHINA REPRESENTATIVE

# **STUDENT AWARDS – TERM 1, 2019**

## **Outstanding Achievement in English:**

|              |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| FSN: Liam W  | FSP: Lyla E  |              |
| JC: Isla G   | JJ: Emily A  | JR: Alissa M |
| MD: Leila D  | MR: Alexis C | MW: Taj A    |
| SA: Reuben S | SB: Blake B  | SK: Katie M  |
| SL: Hugo G   |              |              |

## **Outstanding Achievement in Mathematics:**

|              |               |               |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| FSN: Layla F | FSP: Jarryn S |               |
| JC: Chase D  | JJ: Kirra W   | JR: Henry P   |
| MD: James G  | MR: Oliver S  | MW: Mikayla F |
| SA: Marcus G | SB: Matilda B | SK: Lyla R    |
| SL: Connor S |               |               |

## **Endeavour Award in English:**

|               |                 |             |
|---------------|-----------------|-------------|
| FSN: Maeson D | FSP: Isabella G |             |
| JC: Phoebe C  | JJ: Evie S      | JR: Ty R    |
| MD: Tellium M | MR: Eliza K     | MW: Harry S |
| SA: Marcus B  | SB: Milla P     | SK: Elly V  |
| SL: Adalia C  |                 |             |

## **Endeavour Award in Mathematics:**

|             |              |                |
|-------------|--------------|----------------|
| FSN: Mia M  | FSP: Caleb H |                |
| JC: Melia H | JJ: Keenan S | JR: Tristion D |
| MD: Mia P   | MR: Remy W   | MW: Neriya H   |
| SA: Emily T | SB: Zac N    | SK: Milena J   |
| SL: Remi CK |              |                |

## **Outstanding Display of School Values:**

|                |                  |             |
|----------------|------------------|-------------|
| FSN: Oscar W   | FSP: Nathaniel S |             |
| JC: Scarlett N | JJ: Madison L    | JR: Max W   |
| MD: Peyton C   | MR: Tom S        | MW: Cohen S |
| SA: Lochie C   | SB: Indianna N   | SK: Ethan M |
| SL: Ava A      |                  |             |

## **Principal's Award:**

|               |             |              |
|---------------|-------------|--------------|
| FSN: Thalia M | FSP: Jake W |              |
| JC: Kohen S   | JJ: Tyler W | JR: Kaylie A |
| MD: Xavier M  | MR: Jacob W | MW: Nate F   |
| SA: Shayla P  | SB: Mahdi B | SK: Mia B    |
| SL: Ben M     |             |              |

## **Outstanding Achievement in *Visual Arts*:**

|                |             |              |
|----------------|-------------|--------------|
| FSN: Maeson D  | FSP: Ella M |              |
| JC: Samuel H   | JJ: Zoe W   | JR: Indigo B |
| MD: Addison ML | MR: Mia L   | MW: Nate J   |
| SA: Sarsha K   | SB: Taini H | SK: Lily R   |
| SL: Bailey S   |             |              |

## **Outstanding Achievement in PERFORMING ARTS**

|               |              |               |
|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| FSN: Chase B  | FSP: Ella M  |               |
| JC: Addisyn J | JJ: Evie S   | JR: Charlie T |
| MD: Piper H   | MR: Jordan M | MW: Latoya F  |
| SA: Cody N    | SB: Kayla G  | SK: Bob J     |
| SL: Mischa W  |              |               |