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FRIDAY, 26TH APRIL, 2019

CALENDAR

Friday, 3rd May

Tuesday, 7th May

Wednesday, 8th May

Thursday, 9th May

Friday, 10th May

Tuesday, 14th May

Friday, 17th May

Monday, 20th May

Wednesday, 22nd May

Thursday, 23rd May

Friday, 24th May

Senior Unit Gym program commences

Scholastic Book Club orders & money due at the Office (or order online via LOOP) by 9:00am
2020 Prep Information Evening 7:00pm – 8:00pm – information packs will be available on this day

Division Cross Country for selected Year 3-6 students (no lunch orders on this day)

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

Senior Unit Gym program continues

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

Senior Unit Gym program continues

Education Week commences – more information to follow

Grandparents / Special Friend Visit – more information to follow

Dress Up Day – more information to follow

Senior Unit Gym program concludes

First Steps/Junior Unit Incursion

School Organisation

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to Term 2...at 10 weeks long and one week done and dusted due to Easter Monday and ANZAC Day – the term is going to fly! Please try to get your child to school each day unless they are really unwell. The attendance goal for this term is 2 days or less. Reading should also be occurring each night in pursuit of our 225 nights reading goal for the year (all classes).

ANZAC DAY

It was with great pride that I marched with students, staff and parents from Big Hill PS at yesterday's Kangaroo Flat ANZAC Day service. Following the march, our School Captains laid a beautiful wreath at the cenotaph on behalf of the school. Thanks to Kate Dole for organising such a beautiful wreath for the day.

YEAR 3/4 SOVEREIGN HILL CAMP

I started the term with our Year 3/4's on camp at Sovereign Hill, Ballarat on Tuesday and Wednesday. The camp was a great success thanks to the organisation of Dean White. The children were extremely well behaved and enjoyed gold panning, bowling, watching a gold pour, participating in olden days school lessons, touring a mine, watching the new AURO Sound and Light Show at night and much more! A big thank you to Ben, Naomi, Inna, Sandra, Dean, Renae, Wendy and Claire for their hard work over the two days.

KOORIE CULTURAL ART WORKSHOPS

This term, each Friday afternoon, our Koorie students will work with Troy and Dakota (two indigenous artists) and Lauren Adcock, to create a welcome piece at the entrance to the school. You will be able to check on the progress of the painting over the term, with completion scheduled for the end of term. Each Friday, last hour, the artists and students will work on this Creative Arts Victoria funded piece of work. A huge thank you to Lauren for securing the funding for our school and coordinating this event.

CROSS COUNTRY

Thanks to the hard work of Ainsley Stanley, we managed to dodge showers and get through all age groups as part of our Big Hill PS Cross Country. We needed to push ahead and get the races done to ensure children could qualify in time for the Division Cross Country. Fortunately, having a run is a good way to warm up on a cold day.

POLLING PLACE

Just to let everyone know, Big Hill PS will be a polling place for the upcoming election on Saturday, 18th May.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to Xavier P & Tayah C.

Matt Pearce, Principal

FIRST STEPS NEWS

WELCOME BACK

First Steps teachers would like to welcome back all our students and families. We hope you had a wonderful holiday and are ready for a busy term ahead.

HATS

Just a reminder that students are required to wear their hats in the yard until the end of April.

LABELLING CLOTHING

With the cooler weather approaching, we are starting to collect many unnamed jumpers in our classrooms. Can we please remind parents to label their child's belongings and ensure that they are dressed appropriately for the colder mornings.

READING

It has been great to see that many students kept up their reading practice during the holidays. On Monday we have many reading awards to hand out at assembly.

MEETING POINT

After spending the first term of the year settling in to their new classrooms, Prep children are no longer required to be picked up from the classroom each day. Over the next few weeks it would be a good time to help develop your child's independence by establishing a meeting point for after school pick up. This might be at the top carpark rotunda, outside the classroom, at the McInnes Street gate or another place within the school that you agree upon.

ANZAC DAY

On Wednesday students took part and showed their respect in our whole school ANZAC Day ceremony. We made poppies in our classrooms and learnt that the Flanders Poppy is a symbol of remembrance.

STARS OF THE WEEK

For a great start to Term 2:

FSN: *Oscar W*

FSP: *Blair W*

Nicole & Pauline

JUNIOR UNIT NEWS

WELCOME BACK

A big welcome back to our students and families for Term 2. We hope that you all had a lovely break and have returned refreshed and ready to learn. This term we will be studying invertebrates as part of our Science unit, learning to write information reports and narratives during Writing and telling the time, analysing data and learning multiplication in Mathematics.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Just a reminder that we would prefer that students do not bring items from home to play with at school. Precious items can get lost and we would prefer if they remained at home. As the cooler weather approaches please make sure that all clothing items are clearly labelled and that school hats are still required until Tuesday, 30th April.

SCIENCE

This term as part of our Science Unit we will be studying invertebrates. A note has been sent home today regarding the upcoming visit from the Insectarium of Victoria. They will be bringing along samples of invertebrates for us to hold and observe. We will also be visiting the Nature Park adjoining the school to observe these animals in their natural habitat.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

For displaying resilience and having a positive attitude upon returning to school for Term 2:

JC *Charlotte S*

JJ *Jarrold M*

JR *Dustan H*

Catherine, Jen & Rhys

MIDDLE UNIT NEWS

TERM 2

Welcome back to all our students and families for Term 2, 2019! All students returned refreshed, excited and ready for our camp!! We all enjoyed a fantastic camp program and learnt a great deal about Australian history and the gold rush. This term coming up is a busy one as usual and we look forward to some exciting learning opportunities that have been planned.

Some of the things coming up this term will be production, our major excursion to Scienceworks, Melbourne, Cross Country, NAPLAN and much more.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to all staff who attended our camp to Sovereign Hill this week. Also thanks to all students who showed our School Values whilst on camp. Students were all very well behaved and represented our school extremely well.

A huge thanks also to Ben, Naomi, Inna and Clare who came along and assisted staff with supervision. Your assistance was greatly appreciated.

HOMEWORK

In the Middle Unit we have very clear expectations for students and their homework. Students have all received their Term 2 homework books and diaries and have weekly homework tasks to complete.

Learning spelling words, basic number and multiplication facts as well as recording reading in their diaries are an important part of weekly learning tasks for each student. ALL students are expected to read a 'Just Right' text for at least 20-30 minutes each night and record their reading in their diary.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

For showing the School Value of 'Responsibility':

MR *Oliver S*

MW *Sebastian S*

MD *Matilda M*

Renae, Wendy & Dean

SENIOR UNIT NEWS

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back Senior Unit students and families. We hope you enjoyed a lovely Easter break and are refreshed and ready for a very productive and busy Term 2.

PALMER GYM PROGRAM

This commences next Friday, 3rd May. Please ensure all permission slips and payment are returned ASAP.

ANZAC DAY SERVICE

Congratulations to our Year 6 Leaders who organised and ran a very respectful ANZAC Day service at our school.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

For demonstrating a positive attitude:

SA Sarsha K
SB Seth E
SK Coral HL
SL Shelby C

Ainsley, Brett, Kate, Lauren & Roberta

SRC NEWS

Students have been working on the following recess clubs in Term 1, some will start Term 2 and some are still in the planning stages. Clubs has generated much interest and friendships for students.

Here are the leaders for students to talk to if they are interested in joining a club and to help make their club a great experience!

Well done students for having a go at making and leading a club for the enjoyment of other students. Club rules, meeting times and places are on the SRC bench outside the 'bubble' office!

- ✚ Sports Club - Trey & Seth SB
- ✚ Book Club – Indigo JR & Blaik JJ
- ✚ Chatterbox Club - Allira and Wes SA
- ✚ Pokemon Club - Reuben, Bob, Cody, Will & Ethan SA / SK
- ✚ Gaming Club - Dustan & Indigo JR
- ✚ Cartoon Drawing Club - Gabby SK & Isabelle SB
- ✚ Board Game Club - Keira MR, Mischa SL & Elly SK
- ✚ Environment Club - Mischa, Remy, MacKenzie, & Remi SL & MR
- ✚ Secret Club - Cameron & RJ MD
- ✚ Clash of Clans - Cody, Reuben, Bob, Ethan SA / SK
- ✚ Music Club – Billie & Evie JJ
- ✚ Techo Club - Zane MR
- ✚ Parrot Club – Bob, Cody, Reuben SA / SK
- ✚ Beanie Boo Club - Mirarni & Chloe SA / SL

WHOLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY NEWS

Today we ran Whole School Cross Country in Units. This day was designed to support qualifications for Division Cross Country which will be held on Wednesday, 8th May at the Bendigo Racecourse in White Hills. All students 10 years and above who have qualified for Division took home a note today that needs to be completed and brought to the office ASAP. Payment can be made using the Qkr app. Photos of winning students will be in next week's newsletter.

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

MOTHER'S DAY STALL

Our Annual Mother's Day Stall will be held again on Thursday, 9th May. This is a fantastic day for all the kids they really enjoy coming along every year to our stall and buying a gift.

We have booked in 2 wrapping/set up days that will be held on Tuesday, 7th May and Wednesday, 8th May from 9:00am in the multi purpose room, and our stall day will be on Thursday, 9th May. If you would like to come along and help out on any of these days, your help would be really appreciated.

If anyone is wanting to come along and help out on our actual stall day, we would love to hear from you, and if you could let me know via our email address bhpspf@gmail.com for catering purposes.

MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE

We are also running our Mother's Day Raffle again this year, we have sent home raffle tickets today with your child we would appreciate your support in selling a book. Tickets are 50c each with 20 raffle tickets in each book. Please return all tickets (sold or unsold) to the office by 9:00am Thursday, 9th May.

The raffle will be drawn and winners announced on that day. Extra raffle tickets are available at the office if needed. We are also seeking donations again for our Mother's Day raffle prizes. We would greatly appreciate any kind of donation big or small, all donations can be left at the office. Thank you everyone for your generous donations.

If you are stuck for ideas here's a few suggestions to get you started.....

Cellophane	Tissue Paper
Sticky Tape	Curling Ribbon
Chocolates	Lollies
Bath Bombs	Hand Creams
Gift Cards	Gift Baskets

UPCOMING EVENTS – GRANDPARENTS / SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY AND P&F CAKE STALL

We will be running our cake stall again this year on grandparents / special friends day as it was such a great success last year. We would love to hear from anyone who would be able to help with cooking / baking for our cake stall. Plans are underway now and notes will be sent home shortly with all the information on our cake stall.

SAVE THE DATE.....

TRIVIA NIGHT – ADULTS ONLY NIGHT..

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, 26th July and we will confirm the time a bit closer to the day. Trivia With A Twist will also be running it again as they were great to work with. We hope you all can make it again and join in all the FUN!!

JUST ONE THING LETTER

We have sent home our Just One Thing Letter with your child. This is an invite to all our 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 part of them. The Just One Thing Letter gives everyone a chance to join in with any events/activities you may be interested in. We now have our Just One Thing letter on our Facebook Page which you can also complete the form online. Look forward to hearing back from everyone. Thank you to everyone who has already returned forms.

P&F FACEBOOK PAGE

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

(<http://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? It's 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

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The shop will be open every Friday from 3:00pm – 3:30pm in the multi purpose room except for the last day of term. Thank you.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB NEWS

Brochures for Issue 3 were distributed today. Please have orders and correct money returned to the Office by Friday, 3rd May. Alternatively, you can order and pay online using the parent LOOP option.

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:

✚ Nikirra S

✚ Josh VS

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

Tammy Fear, Canteen Manager

COMMUNITY NEWS



Pathways in education

Year 6 – 7 transition information night Wednesday May 8 at
7:00pm JB Osborne Theatre

IT'S ABOUT THE KIDS

Post Separation Parenting Program



Is your child exposed to
conflict between adults
they care about?

This program explores:

- How ongoing parental conflict affects children
- How to support your children through changing family relationships
- How to develop effective communication with your co-parent
- How to move forward towards a co-operative parenting arrangement

5 WEEK PROGRAM

Dates

Term 2, 2019
Wednesday May 22nd - June 19th 2019
Friday May 24th - June 21st 2019

Times

6.00pm - 8.30pm
12.00pm - 2.30pm

Term 3, 2019

Wednesday July 17th - August 14th 2019
Thursday July 18th - August 15th 2019

6.00pm - 8.30pm
12.00pm - 2.30pm

Term 4, 2019

Wednesday October 9th - November 13th 2019
Thursday October 10th - November 7th 2019

6.00pm - 8.30pm
12.00pm - 2.30pm

CCS Noel Daly Room, 176 McCrae Street, Bendigo
\$60 - \$30 Concession

Groups are subject to maximum and minimum numbers determined seven working days prior to the commencement date. Early registration is encouraged



For bookings and enquiries phone Kate or Anne-Maree on 5438 1300

Bendigo Athletic Club Cross Country Season

Children's 1km race starts after the Senior race that commences at 10:30am each Sunday.

Focus is on Health, Fitness and Fun!

For more information visit:

www.bendigoathleticclub.org.au

or contact the club on 0409 874 958.