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NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th February 2023

February

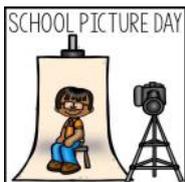
Mon 20th: District Swimming

Wed 22nd: No Preps Today
Swimming Lessons Year 1 & 2

Thur 23rd: Swim Lessons Year 1 & 2

Fri 24th: Lawn Bowls Yr 5/6
Grade 3/4 Historical Society Visit

Mon 27th: School Photo Day



Breakfast Club

Monday & Thursday Morning

Canteen

Tuesday to Friday

Smalltalk Playgroup

Tuesday Morning 9.30 - 11.30

March

Wed 1st: Prep students now attend every day
Swim Lessons Year 1 & 2

Thur 2nd: Swim Lessons Year 1 & 2

Wed 8th: Swim Lessons Year 1 & 2

Thur 9th: Last Swim Lessons for Year 1 & 2

**Hats are back
in Term 1**



Principal's Message

Week 3

Congratulations to all the students that participated in the Swimming Carnival last week. It was great to see all the students trying their best and cheering on each other. Thank-you to all the parents and carers that came along to support and assist when required. We will have some 11 students moving on to the next level and we wish them all the best.

The Swimming Carnival results were:

House Champions

- 1st - Bailey 227 points
- 2nd - Matters 155 points
- 3rd - Ketels 107 points
- 4th - Radford 102 points



School Champions - 100m Girls

- 1st Penny Bowd
- 2nd Milly Bayard
- 3rd Caitlyn Jewitt

School Champions - 100m Boys

- 1st Izieaha Cook
- 2nd Luke Bowd
- 3rd Oscar Virtue



We conducted our first School Council meeting this week and I encourage anyone that wants to join our team to contact the office for more information or to obtain a nomination form. The role of a school councillor is to support and to establish the broad direction and vision of the school within the school's community. A well-informed and effective school council strengthens community confidence in the school and helps to build and secure the school's reputation.

Simon Blake
Principal



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Canteen:

The school canteen is open from Tuesday - Friday during the school Term. Please see an updated menu that is located toward the end of the newsletter.



Smalltalk Playgroup:

Starting Tuesday 23rd August we will be hosting a Playgroup in the school hall from 9.30 - 11.30am The Playgroup will be run by 54 Reasons. Please see the flyer further down in the newsletter for details.

SunSmart Policy:

Please be reminded that as per our Sunsmart Policy all students **must wear** a SunSmart hat in Term 1 whilst outside at all times. Students without a hat will be required to stay in an undercover area.

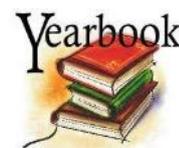


Student Free Day for Prep Students:

Prep students for the month of February do not attend school on a Wednesday. This is deemed a testing day for all Prep students across Victoria. Your child's Teacher will make an appropriate time with you to meet with them.

2022 Year Book:

The 2022 Year Books are still available to purchase from the office for those families that forgot to place their order last year. Be Quick as there are a limited number remaining and once sold out we can not order extra. Yearbooks cost \$15.00 each



Swimming Lessons Year 1 & 2 Students:

Swimming Lessons are continuing for our grade 1 and 2 students. Lessons will be twice a week for 4 weeks on Wednesday and Thursdays. Please remember to pack bathers, towels, and a spare pair of underwear for your child. Parents/Carers are welcome to attend.



The times are as follows:

1/2 P Mrs Percival & 1/2 S Miss Smith will have their lesson at 12:00noon

1/2 V Mr Vague' s class will start their lesson at 12:45pm

CSEF - Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund:

Next week all students will bring home a CSEF form for parents to complete. By completing the form families may be eligible to receive \$125.00 per primary school aged child. This money sits in your school account and can be used towards any camp, sporting event or excursion. This money can also be used to pay the bus fare for swimming lessons. To be **eligible** to receive the CSEF you need to hold a **valid** Health Care Card / Pension Card. Applications close in April 2023

School Start and Finish Times:

Just a reminder that school **starts at 8.50am and finishes at 3.15pm** If your child/children arrive late please have them sign in at the office before heading to class. If you need to collect your child early please come to the office to sign them out prior to going to the classroom.

School Photo Day:

School Photo's will be taken on **Monday 27th February**. Envelopes were sent home with all students this week and the sibling order forms were sent home with the eldest student of the family. On Photo Day you can return the envelope with the correct payment inside or alternatively you can order and pay online via the link listed at the bottom of the photo envelope. Each student **will be photographed** on photo day and families can still order photos at a later date.



Girtgan (School Assemblies):

For all of our new families Girtgan is an Indigenous word that represents the gathering of many people. Girtgan (assembly) will be held every **Friday** morning from 8.50am in the school hall. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Drop Off / Pick Up:

I would like to remind families that you **can not** use the Bus Zone in McCulloch Street as a drop off and pick up point for your children.



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Return By Times On Notes Etc:

I am still finding that a large number of students are not returning consent forms for excursions etc. to the school by the **return by date**. Returning these notes on the day of an excursion makes it extremely more difficult to leave on time for the activity and in lots of instances we are still having to call parents to gain consent on the day as they have not returned the note.

Please be mindful of the organisation that happens in the background for us to make these events happen and understand that a **return by date** helps us make the event run smoother on the day which in turn helps reduce the anxiety of children who get worried they are going to miss out.

Checking Bags for Notes:

Just a quick reminder to please check your children's bags each day for notes etc. At the start of the year there are lots of extra notes and forms we send home that have a fast turn around time and these are often missed as children are more focussed on play and after school activities at the end of the day (my own included) than remembering to hand notes to parents/carers.



Compass, School Facebook Page and Website:

Our newsletter comes out on a fortnightly basis every second Friday. To keep up to date with things happening around the school you can view the newsletter in a number of places. Our main form of communication is through the Compass School Portal via an app for phones or browser for pc. We do post the newsletter to our Bairnsdale Primary School Facebook page and the latest version will also be on the school website. If you have forgotten your Compass login please call the office and I can help you over the phone to get reconnected. We also print a few newsletters that are available at the office after the newsletter has been published.

Art News:

Hi everyone,

Welcome back to the Art room!

This year Grade 3/4's art times are on Monday, grade 5/6 are Tuesday and P-2 (Prep from March) are Wednesdays. There is no need for art smocks this year - I have plenty in the art room that the students can use each week.

This term in we are looking at the Elements of Art (making) which are line, texture, shape, space, form and colour and the Principles of Design, which are movement, rhythm, pattern, contrast, emphasis and unity. All classes have started the year creating Self-Portraits using different mediums and techniques.

We will be working towards showcasing an Art show later in the year - so look out for more information during the year. Thank you! Jen Backman.



School Captains for 2023

Congratulations to our four successfully elected School Captains for 2023

Oscar Virtue, Hunter Axford, Tiieal Kennedy and Zailee Ramsay.

**** Student of the Week Awards ****

Week 1

Prep H:

Prep T:

Prep W:

12P:

12S:

12V:

No Awards Given Week 1

34C:

34H:

34N:

56A:

56B:

56C:

56U:

** Student of the Week Awards **

Week 2

Prep H: **Charlotte Giblett** has had a fantastic start to Prep! She shows respectful listening during learning time on the carpet and when the class is moving around the school. When we are doing school work, she tries her best at each activity before asking for help. Well done Charlotte, we are so proud of you!

Prep T: **Ashton Lee:** Well done on such a great start to your schooling at Bairnsdale Primary School. You are working very hard to follow the expectations at school and always have a smile on your face. Well done Ash, we are so proud of you!

Prep W: **Declan Durston** has had a fantastic start to his schooling. He is always responsible, respectful and resilient. Declan has been a great friend and always helps his friends in the classroom and outside. We are so proud of you Declan!

12P: **Evie Cook** for showing great responsibility. Evie has shown responsibility for her learning, by choosing the best seat for herself on the floor. Evie has shown responsibility for our classroom by making extra effort to clean up the floor, seeking out a brush and shovel then using it to clean up. Evie has shown responsibility for her safety by listening carefully and following instructions during the walk back from the swimming pool. Well done Evie! Keep it up!

12S: **Eden Benedetti** has settled in well to Grade 1. She has shown responsibility this week by always making sure her learning area is clean. She was also very responsible at the pool during the school swimming sports. Great work Eden!

12V: **Jiminy Mullett** stays on task when completing his work and always has something interesting to add to class discussions."

34C: **Felix Virtue** for being able to regulate himself when faced with a challenging situation.

34H: **Troy Cooper** has had a fantastic beginning of year. He applies himself in his learning and is respectful of others. During mat time he puts his hand up and participates. I am also extremely impressed with Troy's resilience. He has not only worked hard in class, but he has also faced his fear and took part in the swimming carnival! Great work, Troy!

34N: **Lilly Webb** for displaying outstanding responsibility. Lilly has clearly come prepared to show everyone that she is more than ready for Grade 4 and the added responsibilities of being a role model and mentor to others. Lilly was spotted several times offering a kind, patient hand to her new Grade 3 classmates, without being asked and often when it was needed the most. Thank you, Lilly!

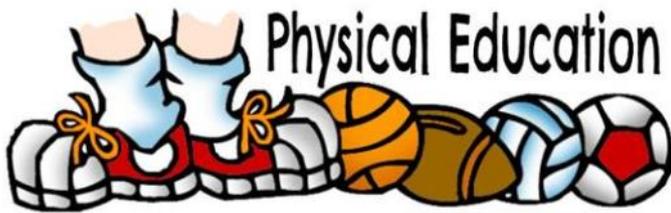
56A: **Zailee Ramsay** it was fantastic to see you show kindness and tolerance in the classroom. You invited someone to join in with a smile and shared pencils. When moving to new tables, you speak to everyone and show respect by being friendly and welcoming. Your actions help foster our positive environment in the classroom.

56B: **Hollie Lavery** for showing Respect and Resilience during the first two weeks of school. Well done on a great start to 2023. Keep up the great effort!

56C: **Sophie Knight** for the responsibility she takes for her learning. No matter what the task, you can always find Sophie working carefully to produce her best work. She asks questions and is keen to learn and improve. Well done Sophie!

56U:

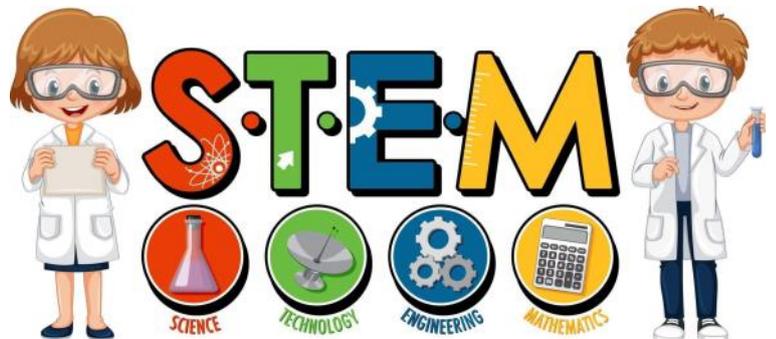
**** Specialist Class - Star of the Week ****



Week 1:

Week 2:

Mr O'Brien



Week 1:

Week 2: Gurman Brar for the respectful way she has been going about her S.T.E.M. learning. Gurman's journal work is well presented and her behaviour during classes is very respectful. Keep up the great work Gurman.

Mrs Padula



Week 1:

Week 2: Ahren Hudson for being responsible and focused during Art. It is really paying off - your self-portrait is looking amazing! Well done!

Ms Backman

Physical Education - P.E News

Phys Ed Notes

Our Phys Ed program is up and running again for 2023 and your child's Phys Ed class will be as follows:

- **Grades 3 & 4 every Wednesday**
- **Grades 5 & 6 and Prep T every Thursday**
- **Grades Prep W, Prep H & Grades 1 & 2 every Friday**

In order to allow your children to get the most out of our Phys Ed program it is important that students come to school prepared for physical activity on the day of their Phys Ed class. This means that **all students require** broad brimmed hats during terms one and four, a drink bottle so students can have a quick drink and join straight back in when they get thirsty. Students also need to be correctly attired in clothes that allow for them to run, jump, kick and throw etc. School uniform is great for this but a problem can often occur when students wear footwear that is not really conducive to running around.

Obviously from time to time a student may be ill or carrying an injury which makes physical activity difficult and if this is the case then a simple signed note from home asking for them to be excused from Phys Ed activities is required.

Individual Trials for State sporting Selection

We are on the lookout for any of our students who may be considered elite athletes in their chosen field. There will be trials held over the next couple of months to select students to represent Victoria in cricket, basketball, football, soccer and netball. There will also be opportunities to represent our school in tennis and golf.

If your child would like to try out for any of these sports please contact me at school. Students trialing for the Big 5 sports of cricket, basketball, football, netball and soccer must be considered to be elite in their chosen sport and if chosen will need to be available on a regular basis for training in Melbourne as well as to travel interstate for the competitions. Students will be expected to be able to make the commitment to be at all training sessions and to cover the cost of their own travel.

The first levels of competition for Tennis and Golf are held locally and details for entering these are available by contacting me at school.





Playgroup

**Proudly
run by**

54 reasons



**Free
Playgroup**

SMALLTALK

Supported Playgroup

- The smalltalk playgroup is a fun time for you to share with your child.
- The smalltalk playgroup gives your child the chance to learn, grow and prepare for school.
- All families with children aged 0-5 years are welcome to attend



Program Time & Location:

Every Tuesday 9:30 - 11:30am

Bairnsdale Primary School 754

324 Main Street, Bairnsdale

Entrance via back gate on Nicholson Street.

Come and join us for:

- Lots of play activities
- Craft
- Music and story time
- Fun and friendship
- Support with parenting

Phone Jade for more information

5153 7500 – 54 Reasons Office

0477 738 303 – 54 Reasons Mobile



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54 reasons Australia acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we work, and their continuing connection to land, sea and community. We pay our respect to their lore, and to Elders both past and present. We also pay our respects to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children as they will become our future leaders, Elders and Custodians of Country.

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* Around our School *

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GIRLS Only Come & Try Day for Soccer!

Come on girls, bring a friend!

Football Victoria representatives coming to Sale and three other venues across the Latrobe Valley Soccer League in Gippsland.

Sign up using the link.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScZsDUC8dktLpSgCwbN35IQD6qYDrfj8bhpINQnIrtUvukilw/viewform>

Saturday February 18th
Sale United Football Club
Raglan St, Sale
9.30am - 11am
Free BBQ to finish.

LVSL Junior Initiative

GIRLS

SAVE THE DATE 18/2/2023

Sale United FC
9.30am to 11am

Newborough Yallourn
United SC
12.30pm to 2pm

Traralgon City SC
11am to 12.30pm

Girls only come and try day across
Latrobe Valley Soccer League

SAT 18TH
FEB 2023

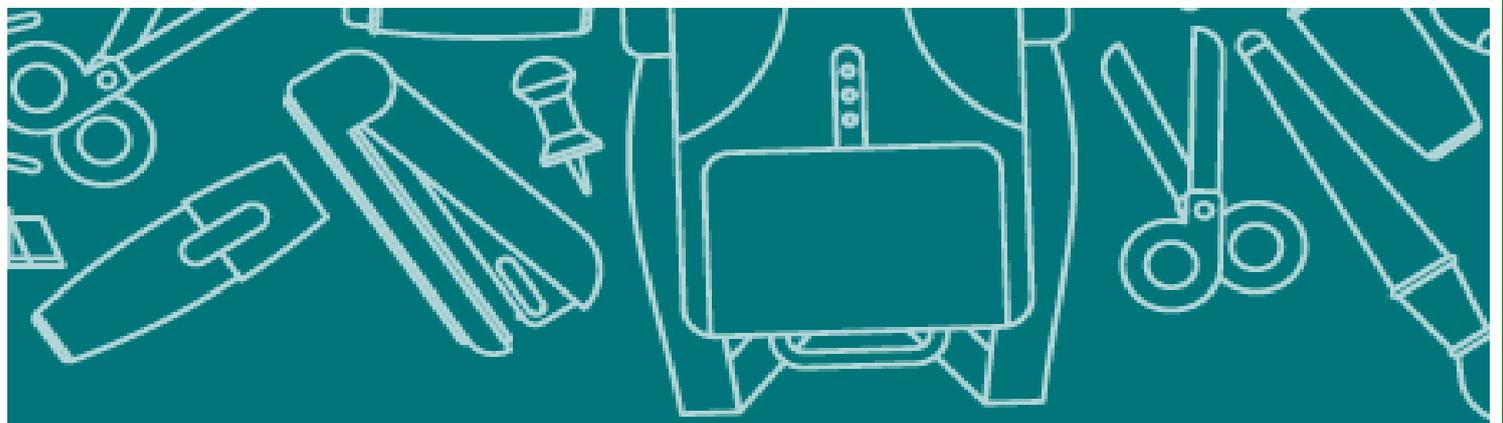
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Latrobe Valley Soccer League

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Could \$500 help with next year's back to school costs?

Learn tips and tricks to grow your budget and saving skills. Save for 10 months. Get up to \$500 of matched savings for school expenses. Just in time for 2024.

Must meet all eligibility criteria:



-  Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card AND an eligible Centrelink payment*
-  Be studying yourself OR have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
-  Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)*
-  Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible



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To fill in an online enquiry form, [CLICK HERE](#).

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Notice of election and call for nominations for Bairnsdale Primary School Council - 2023

An election is to be conducted for members of the school council of Bairnsdale Primary School

Nomination forms may be obtained from the school and must be lodged by 4.00pm on Friday 24th of February 2023.

The ballot (if required) will close at 4.00pm on Monday 27th of February 2023.

The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows:

Membership category

Parent member/Community

Term of office

Year

From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in

2023

to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in

2025

Number of positions:

4

Membership category

DET employee member

Term of office

Year

From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in

2023

to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in

2025

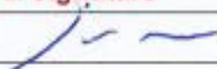
Number of positions:

2

Following the closing of nominations, a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school.

If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, a notice to that effect and calling for further nominations will be posted in a prominent position at the school.

Principal signature



2022 Canteen Menu

Hot/Cold Food

* Beef Lasagne	\$6.00
Bolognaise sauce with cheese and béchamel sauce	
* Mac and Cheese	\$5.00
* Fried Rice	\$5.00
Rice with ham, onion, peas and carrot fried with soy sauce	
* Pizza	\$4.50
Wholemeal base with your choice of ham, cheese and pineapple	
* Salad Sandwich or Wraps	\$4.00
with Ham	\$4.50
Lettuce, tomato, cheese, beetroot and cucumber on wholemeal bread/wrap	
* Sausage Rolls	\$4.00
Large Sausage Roll (Please ask for tomato sauce)	
* Chicken Burger	\$4.50
Chicken burger, cheese, lettuce and mayonnaise	
* Nachos	\$4.50
Corn chips with tomato salsa and cheese	
* Toasted Sandwich	\$3.50
Your choice of ham, cheese and tomato	
Steamed Dim Sims (ea)	\$1.50
(Please ask for soy sauce)	
* Party Pies	\$1.50
* Meat Pies	\$4.50
* Hot Dog	\$4.00
(Please ask for tomato sauce)	

Remember the Canteen is only open from Tuesday - Friday

Drinks & Snacks

* Flavoured Milks	\$2.50
Chocolate or Strawberry	
* Juice Box	\$2.00
Apple, Orange or Tropical	
* Pop Corn	50c
* Cheese Snacks	50c
* Fruit Muffins	\$2.00
* Yoghurt	\$2.00
No sugar, low fat	
* Fresh Fruit	\$1.00
Apple or orange	
* Cookies	50c
* Zooper Dooper	\$1.00
* Ice Cream in a Cone	\$2.00
Chocolate or Vanilla - single serve only	

Foods marked green are healthy food choices. This is guilt-free canteen food, which is low in sugar, salt and fat.

Foods marked red are foods that should only be eaten in moderation as part of a healthier diet. These foods contain significant levels of salt, sugar and/or fat.

The canteen is endeavouring to improve the quality of food available to students. We are reducing the number of unhealthy manufactured goods. This inevitably increases the labour and time involved in making healthier options.

Volunteer help would be greatly appreciated if parents/caregivers have some time to spare. Even an hour a week would be of help. Please see the School Office or Devon in the Canteen for more details.

Paper Bags (if not provided) - Please add 20c.

Write the lunch order on a clean brown paper bag and remember to include your Child's name and Class.

Lunch orders are placed in the basket in the classroom before 9.00am. Late orders may not be accepted.



Matrix – School Wide Positive Behaviour System Expectations

We all come to school to learn!	RESPECT	RESPONSIBLE	RESILIENT
CLASSROOM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use excellent manners • Be organized • Listen to instructions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Always make positive choices • Own your own behaviour • Be at line up on time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be sensible • Be brave and persevere • Always have a go and try your best • Accept the consequences of your behaviours 
CORRIDOR MOVING AROUND THE SCHOOL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk safely and quietly • Close doors gently • Know personal space 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go straight to your destination • Wait quietly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wait your turn • Be a role model • Respond appropriately 
PLAYGROUND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use common sense • Own your own behaviour • Respect others personal space and property 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enjoy sensible and fair play • Plan your play time • Pack away equipment • Always include others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solve your own problems • Apply common sense • Adapt when things don't go your way 
BUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use excellent manners • Show a positive attitude • Keep the bus clean 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seat belt on • Quiet voice • Stay seated • Own your own behaviour 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Try to solve your own problems • Ask for help 
TOILETS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wait your turn • Respect others privacy • Keep toilets tidy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the toilets during break times • Wash and dry hands • Use toilet and sink correctly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solve your own problems • Ask for help 
ASSEMBLY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Always clap for achievements • Sit look and listen • Use excellent manners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep hands feet and objects to yourself 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be pleased for others 