Hello everyone

Welcome to Jonathan Lee (4RP) and Alan Chen (1ML) who joined us this week. We wish these students and their families a happy time at BPPS.

It was our pleasure to host special guests at Monday’s Assembly. Balwyn North PS student leaders Hannah, Sophie, Aaron and Pasandal, along with Principal Ms Bienert and Assistant Principal Mr Stokes, came along to see how we conduct our assemblies. They currently have a focus on increasing student involvement and student voice so thought it may be beneficial to observe our students in action. We’re looking forward to a reciprocal visit as our student leaders may, in turn, gain some good ideas from the way BNPS goes about things.

The Boys Vocal Group set the scene for a lively gathering, treating us to their rendition of Riptide. Shaya Firth was also highly engaging as she sang Maybe solo. Well done and thank you for such an entertaining opening to our assembly. Care, Learn and Share Awards were presented to Lawrence Russo for kindly helping a ‘lost’ grade 1 child find her way; Avi McCallum for making fabulous progress with his writing; Anthony Barro for displaying initiative, consideration and patience when assisting others with maths; Hamish Paragreen for being a wonderful role model for his peers by always doing the right thing; and Chloe Plant, Scarlett Campbell, Thomas Hurt, Henry Smith and Caelin Loffel for proudly presenting BPPS in such a positive manner at the 2017 Foundation Information Night. George Skrinos was awarded two CLaS Awards! One was for displaying outstanding sportsmanship and being a great representative of BPPS during inter-school sport, and the other was for showing leadership and initiative during Tee-ball games and training sessions by always offering to help and supporting his team mates. Great stuff George! It was also delightful to see Amanda Au and Ari Ziskov announced as Artists of the Week. 4JH again win the Walk/Wheel Wednesday trophy again win the Walk/Wheel Wednesday trophy.

Speaking of winners, we were thrilled to hear that Scarlett Campbell won the School Sport Victoria Primary School Girls’ Tennis Championship last weekend. This is an outstanding achievement and we look forward to congratulating Scarlett in person when she returns from a family holiday in a few weeks time. In the meantime, a group of our student leaders will be looking for winners in the BPPS Stars talent quest. The children are signing up this week for this hotly contested competition, auditions for which will be conducted in the last week of this term and the first two weeks of third term. The students will be notified regarding the day of their audition and also if they have qualified to advance to the final which will be held on Monday 8th August during CLaS Group time (2.45 – 3.30).

We are hoping to find the school in a sea of blue, white and red dress-ups on Tuesday as we celebrate our French Day. All students are encouraged to join in the fun – which DOES NOT require any monetary contributions! Canteen Di has finished taking orders for the French-themed Meal Deal which will complement the event, so if you haven’t placed an order I’m afraid it is too late. To add to the excitement, about 20 of our Grade 3 children will be participating in a competition requiring them to read French poetry, the Berthe Mouchette Competition. A representative from Alliance Francaise will be on hand to judge the entrants. Well done to all those who have boldly committed to participating.

The excitement will continue on Wednesday when we conduct our Active Travel Day. This extra special Walk/Wheel Wednesday marks the culmination of the work we have done with the City of Boroondara with the Active and Safe Schools program. We would love to see our surrounding streets populated by very few vehicles as this will mean we are impacting less on the environment and...
improving our fitness through the exercise of walking, riding, scooting or skating. Our student leaders will be waiting at the school gates to give stickers to all students who get to school by means other than car. Please note that while we are soon to have a new bike storage facility constructed at the front of the school near Gate 2, unfortunately it won’t be in place before next Wednesday. Our existing bike enclosure is currently being transformed into a chicken coop but we will still be able to accommodate many bikes and scooters. We suggest that those who elect to ride or scoot bring a locking device for security purposes. To promote this event and celebrate our attempts to decongest our streets and become physically fitter, we will have a Smoothie Bike here on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. A notice was sent home regarding this novel activity and we ask that all students return the reply slip by tomorrow. Please see Mrs Woodman’s page 2 article for further information.

We wished our Division Cross Country runners the best of luck for their event at Ruffey Park today. Results weren’t at hand at the time of publication but we’re sure they all gave it their best shot. Hootptime basketball for both our Juniors (Grades 3 & 4) and Seniors (Grades 5 & 6) will be on 21st and 28th July respectively. Mr Batt and the teachers require many parents, grandparents and/or older siblings to assist on this day so please let Mr Batt know if you can help out. Permission notes for these events will be coming home shortly.

Don’t forget our Family Life sessions on Thursday 16th June. Details are available via the link from which bookings can also be made: www.trybooking.com/LGJP

Eric Regester

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Friends,

The Keen Green Team (KGT) consists of 50 enthusiastic year 5 and 6 students. As the name suggests the group focuses on sustainable practices and having positive environmental impacts at school. The group is divided into three different groups depending on student interest. The biodiversity (incorporating water) group put their efforts into our school grounds by planting indigenous plants, especially ones that attract birds, and they grow plants for food production. Passionately led by Miss Jones and Mrs Ballot, this group also plays a big role in composting and water conservation. The waste group, led by Mr Symons, are aiming to reduce waste around the yard by encouraging students to reduce packaging. Ultimately aiming for ‘nude food’ which is when school lunches don’t have any wrappings and therefore no rubbish. Imagine that!

I work with the energy and transport group. Together we are encouraging energy efficiency in classrooms combined with increasing the number of families who actively travel to school. Both of these measures reduce greenhouse gases and carbon emissions which the energy group recognise is a huge, global issue. Reducing energy is not the only benefit of walking, cycling or skating to school. This activity reduces traffic congestion and has an added health benefit of keeping fit. Next week’s Active Schools promotion is designed with these goals in mind. If you haven’t already, it is a perfect time to warm up on these chilly mornings with a walk, cycle or skate to school. Not only on Wednesday but any day of the week!

The smoothie bike is going to be another popular attraction next week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for Active Schools Week. The smoothies will be created by ‘pedal power’. If you can’t pedal you can still have a smoothie. There are some very energetic students in the energy group who can pedal for you or your teacher might even pedal some smoothies. I’m a bit old fashioned so I’m choosing the Penny Farthing smoothie!

There are so many people who contribute to our school in so many ways. Our large grounds are certainly a huge attraction but the maintenance is a big job. You might have noticed ‘big kids Keen Green Team’ on Friday mornings working in the grounds. Sonia Cutugno, Rebecca McMenamin, Kim Burbop, Rachel Hanson, Snez Angelkovik, Linda Pezzano and Dora Koutsiofitis dig, plant, replace, weed and trim our plants. In consultation with the kids Keen Green Team the ‘big kids Keen Green Team’ work on different parts of the school grounds to ensure that all is maintained and neat. We really appreciate the efforts of this group and if you would like to socialise while you work in the garden you are most welcome to come on Friday mornings. A Skoolbag app alert will inform you when the group is meeting.

Let’s keep active,
Jane Woodman
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Chris Trollope & Jennifer Hortin

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**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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**Special Meal Deal**

**French Day**

**Tuesday 7 June**

No other lunch orders on this day. Forms and payment were due 1 June and no late orders accepted.

**From the Art Room**

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**Free to a good home**

Do you need a dictionary or a thesaurus?

We are looking for a good home for a large quantity of dictionaries and thesauruses. They would be suitable for students around the reading age of 8-13 years.

If you would like to take one (or more) yourself or know of an organisation that would like them as a donation, please see Monica Lindau in Room 4.

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Thank you to those who have put themselves forward to help. There are many days still left to fill; please complete the Canteen Helpers form if you can help. If you feel you cannot commit to the canteen the whole day remember anytime you can help is appreciated. If you are unable to work on your selected days, could you please let me know on 0419 506 318.

Di Cleary, Canteen Manager 😊
**Languages News**

**La Sfida di Mario! (Mario’s challenge)**

This is this week’s Italian challenge:

**In primavera...**

All you have to do is remember these Italian words, translate them in English and say them with your best Italian pronunciation to Signora Higgins before **Tuesday afternoon**.

**WINNER:** Angelina Tavlaridis 4RP

Your name will go in the newsletter and at the end of each term there will be C@S awards for the top 3 winners.

**Buona Fortuna (Good luck!)**

Signora Higgiss

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**Le défi de Tintin (Tintin’s challenge)**

This is this week’s French challenge:

**Au printemps**

If you know the answer and you can say it in French, find Madame Higgins before next **Tuesday afternoon**. You will win house-points and have your name printed in the newsletter.

**WINNERS:** Jay Shi FBG, Joel Dickenson FBG, Eamon Chong FBG (from previous week)

At the end of each term there will also be C@S awards for the winners.

**Bonne chance! Good luck!**

Madame Higgins

(PS watch out for missing accents!)

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**Performing Arts**

**Performing Arts & Music at BPPS**

**Assembly Performers**

Thank you to Shaya Firth and the Boys Vocal Group for their entertaining and highly enjoyable vocal performances in this week’s assembly on Monday 30 May. The audience loved it... congratulations!

**Noisy Instruments in Prep: RECYCLABLE MATERIALS WANTED**

This term our Preps will be making noisy instruments out of recycled material and we are in need of the following items:

- Glad Wrap Roll (no toilet rolls)
- Shoe or Tissue Boxes
- Rubber bands
- Tin Cans (Nothing with milky substances or nuts due to allergies)
- Balloons
- Jam Jar lids
- Plastic soft drink bottles

If you have any of these items at home and are willing to donate them for our noisy project, could you please leave them in the box labeled ‘Noisy Instruments’ in the Stadium Foyer (near the office door).

**Llaaneath Poor & Beth Stephen (Performing Arts Teachers)**
Program Update
This week is Sport Week with a different sport theme for each day’s activities this week. Monday we played Table tennis and balloon tennis and made their way through a streamer Laser Maze. Tuesday we made soccer frizbees, made marshmallow goals and played number soccer. Wednesday we made AFL footy player puppets, Handball challenge and Golden Syrup dumplings, Thursday we ran lots of relay races and challenges and cooked Gluten-free/nut-free/dairy-free cookies and finished the week on Friday with Skipping challenges, fried rice and a wii sport challenge.

***Next week is Science Week, with a different experiment each day.***

Artist of the Week:
Mimi D.,
Ellie C.,
Nicola P.,
Amalia P.
& Adriana
H. for
their
beautiful
Marble
Painted birds they made at the whole day Curriculum Day @OSHclub.

Best & Fairest:
To Sullivan B. for sharing and leading others nicely to build together with the dominos

Next Week is Science Week

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Parent Information

OSH program phone: 0412 263 319
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000
Coordinator: Joey Arnold
Assistant: Amy Stephenson (BCBASC), Greta Bramley (ASC)
All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember enrolment 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.

Visiting Primary School Nurse

Cathy Gray a visiting primary school nurse from the Department of Education and Training will be attending the school to conduct the Prep grade health assessments and to see other children as requested by parents or teachers (with parents’ consent).

The purpose of the visit is to provide all Victorian children with the opportunity to have a health assessment; to link children, families and school communities to services available in the community; and to provide information and advice that promotes health and wellbeing.

Parents are invited to contact the visiting primary school nurse if there are any issues they wish to discuss. The contact number for the visiting primary school nurse is 0438 519 037.

Parents of students (other than Prep students) that wish their child to be seen by the school nurse need to complete a Referral form that is available at the school office. This completed Referral form needs to be returned to the school office.

Forms must be in by this Friday 3/6/16
1JT PARENTS AFTERNOON TEA

Please join Mrs Tainsh and 1JT parents for afternoon tea on Friday 03 June at 1.50pm in the Staffroom.

SCHOOL DIRECTORY AMENDMENT

Please add the following details to the 2016 Foundation School Directory:

Reuben Li FSA
Mother’s email should be: eveeeoi@gmail.com

French Day, French Poetry, French Food

Oooh la la!
Don’t forget to dress up in your best French costumes on Tuesday June 7.
It is free!

BPPS will be celebrating our first French Poetry competition with Alliance Francaise, French Food: Meal Deal at the Canteen and all things French!

Magnifique!

Madame Higgins
40,000 young people and their families participate in Family Life Victoria sexuality education programs every year. Our programs emphasise the importance of family and is conducted by trained, experienced educators. This program is designed to encourage communication on topics of Health & Human Relations and is attended by adults & children.

Date: Thursday, 16 June, 2016
Venue: Boroondara Park Primary School

Session 1: Body Basics
Recommended for Years 1-2
This session helps children understand their own family unit and opens discussion on different types of families, the key message being that families come in all different shapes and sizes. Male and female similarities and differences are discussed, including discussion on stereotypes. Appropriate language for male and female body parts is introduced and conception is explained in terms of sperm and egg joining together for a baby to begin. Families are encouraged to talk about some of the features of an unborn baby and what happens at birth.

Session 2: Where Did I Come From?
Recommended for Years 3-4
This session supports and acknowledges the many different kinds of families and family relationships. The session will encourage naming of body parts and their functions, building on and extending children’s understanding of conception and fertilisation. Foetal development and the birth process is also discussed.

Session 3: Preparing for Puberty
Recommended for Years 5-6
This session helps prepare young people and their families for the changes they may expect during puberty. The physical changes of puberty are discussed, emphasising that puberty can be different for everyone. Periods and sperm production is also explained. Some common social and emotional experiences during puberty are discussed as well.

Admission:
One session only - $20 per family
Two or three sessions - $25 per family

Check out www.familylifevictoria.org.au for the full range of books available
School Banking Day Reminder

Don’t forget that Tuesday is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit.

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their regular savings habits.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program.

Save the Date! 2016 BPPS Fair Saturday 19th November 2016

This year’s BPPS Fair will be held in November, offering a fun community day full of stalls (for some early Christmas shopping) rides, food, free activities and more.

Further information will follow as we will need plenty of volunteers to help with all aspects of planning and preparation leading up to and at the event. Thank you to those who have volunteered already.

Any ideas or enquiries contact Bek and Jacquie and BPPSFair@gmail.com
FOSTER CARERS NEEDED
If you have thought about foster care, please get in touch and ask the questions you have always wanted to.
Ring Key Assets 1800 932 237 or 1800 WE CARE
Email: info@keyassets.com.au
www.keyassets.com.au

FREE TENNIS LESSONS For Children and adults from a Chinese background.
FREE TENNIS LESSONS For Children and adults from a Persian background.

Why is it free?
Doncaster Tennis Club in conjunction with Terrie Vincenti’s Accessible, Community, Equality (ACE) project, has been successful in obtaining a grant to offer tennis lessons to local children and adults from a Chinese background, and also apace program for children & adults from a Persian background. We have coaches who are able to communicate in several Chinese languages, as well as English and Persian to help our Chinese & Persian Friends by tennis or return to the sport of tennis. All equipment is provided at no cost, and easily sign up and have a class.

FREE CHINESE CLASSES
- Monday 4:00-4:45pm (Primary school)
- Monday 4:45-5:30pm (Primary school)
- Monday 5:30-6:15pm (Primary school)
- Monday 6:15-7:30pm (Secondary school)
- Monday 7:00-7:45pm (Adults)

FREE PERSIAN CLASSES
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- Monday 7:00-7:45pm (Adults)
- Tuesday 5:00-6:45pm (Primary school)
- Tuesday 7:00-7:45pm (Secondary school)

FREE CHINESE CLASSES: Monday’s: June 20th, July 11th, 18th & 25th
FREE PERSIAN CLASSES: Monday’s: June 20th, July 11th, 18th & 25th, Tuesday’s: June 14th, 21st, July 1st, 18th & 25th 2022.
No League held during school holidays

Bookings:
Places are strictly limited, and bookings must be received to reserve a place.
Please contact Vicky Lee to reserve your place.

Conditions:
1. Only open to new players, not open to players already having lessons.
2. Not open to existing members of Doncaster Tennis Club.

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