



Barwon Heads Primary School

Family Newsletter

Welcome
back to
Term 4

'It takes a village to raise a child'

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS – TERM 4 2009

OCTOBER

Tues 6 th	Prep-Grade 2 Swimming Program begins-Ocean Grove
Fri 8 th	Carnival of Music – BH Hall
Mon 12 th	Finance/Curriculum Committee meetings
Wed 14 th	School Council Meeting
Thur 15 th	Prep to Grade 2 Swimming program finishes
	Herald Sun Bike Tour in Barwon Heads
Tue 20 th	Walktober 'Walk to School Day'
Wed 21 st	Geelong Cup Holiday – pupil free
Thur 29 th	Prep 2010 Parent Information Evening
Fri 30 th	International Teachers Day

NOVEMBER

Mon 2 nd -6 th	Grade 5s to Kinder for Buddy program
Tue 3 rd	Melbourne Cup
Fri 6 th	Grade 5 Picnic at Kinder 11.45am
Wed 11 th	Remembrance Day
Wed 11 th -13 th	Grade 5 Camp – Cave Hill Creek
Thur 12 th	Grade 2 Sleepover - Queenscliff
Tue 17 th -26 th	Kinder transition visits
Tue 17 th	Easter Fair meeting – 7.30pm
Mon 23 rd	Finance Committee/Curriculum Committee meetings
Wed 25 th	School Council

DECEMBER

Tues 8 th	Prep 2010/Grade 6-Yr 7 Orientation Day
Fri 11 th	Grade 6 Bike Day
	2010 Book Sales begin
Mon 14 th	Grade 6 Graduation
Wed 16 th	Student reports/Assessment Portfolios home
Fri 18 th	Last Day Term 4 - 2.30 dismissal

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- Staff changes for this term
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Free Fruit Friday

Friday the 9th of October:

Terhi Yla-Outinen & Indi McCulloch



Welcome back to Term 4

Welcome back to Term 4 everyone. We hope everyone had an opportunity to rest and recharge over the September break.

This term we welcome some new families to our school. We have 2 new Prep students:- welcome to Molly McLean in Prep H and Finley Hutton in Prep D.

Nicholas(1/2H) and Charles(3/4C) Symmons have also started with us this term . We hope you enjoy your time with us and we look forward to getting to know you all.

Special welcome back to the McKee family after their wanderings around Australia over the last 18 months. Danielle and Jaimie are back into the routine with dad and mum still opting for the caravan lifestyle – even at home!

Welcome back to the Anthony family after their term in the snow – Matt and Jakara are settling back with us. Welcome back also to the Rosins – Cameron & Chloe, from their break in the U.S.

Welcome back to Mrs Sing after a trek around Australia last term, Mrs Olsen after her European vacation, and Mrs Everett and Mrs Stephenson after their Bali escape.

Mr Harris is on leave this week with Mrs Canning in 1/2H, Mrs Herbison is away for 2 weeks with Mr Whittingham in 5/6H and Mrs Wright is away for a month with Mrs Louise Lont taking our LOTE Japanese program.

This term is typically frantic with the lead up to Christmas. Our Grade 6s have one last term with us and the Grade 5s have their camp and leadership responsibilities stepped up with our buddy program for the new Preps for 2010.

Lots to look forward to and we hope everyone has a great term.

Grade 3 & 5 NAPLAN Results

Results from this national testing program have been received and are very positive for our school and our programs. Parents have received individual reports and if you would like to speak to the class teacher about the report please make contact and set up a meet. More information about the NAPLAN results after school council next week.

Prep -2 Swimming program

Our Prep-2 swimming program starts this week at a new venue in Ocean Grove and we look forward to helping make our younger students more water safe for the Summer. Mrs Sing has coordinated the program that will run every day for 8 sessions finishing next Thursday. Can parents please make sure students have the necessary gear each day please.

Student Assessment Portfolios

Can parents ensure that portfolios are returned to school as soon as possible please.

Term 4 – ‘SUNSMART’

A reminder that as part of our ‘Sunsmart’ Policy students are required to wear a broad brimmed hat for outside activities including recess and lunchtime or they play only in the shade. Please make sure students have their hat in their bag each day.

2010 Enrolments

We look to have major increase in enrolments for next year with numbers at this stage around 335 with 56 Prep students enrolled. School Council has moved quickly to establish resources and facilities to accommodate this increase and a new room will arrive in the next week and be commissioned ready for next year.

At this stage we are looking to run 15 individual class groups with 3 Prep classes but this may change. Room organisation is still being finalised. Parent input into classes for 2010 will be called for in November so please wait until then before submitting anything to us.

Our newsletter is also available on our school website at
www.bhps.vic.edu.au

Want your newsletter emailed?

Contact the school barwon.heads.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au and request your copy.

**Any Students who would like to be apart of the Barwon Heads Primary School Choir are welcome. We practice Monday lunch times.
Please see Mrs Kebell**

Carnival of Music

Just a reminder that the 'Carnival of Music' is being held in Barwon Heads Community Hall this Friday. Thanks Mrs Kebell for organising this opportunity. If you have not yet returned your excursion form and payment of \$1.00 please do before Friday. Thank you.

Community Bank News

Good news for Barwon Heads Primary from the steering committee of our community bank. Support from the local community is gaining momentum as more and more residents of Barwon Heads opt to become shareholders in their community bank thus taking us forward to our required target. Why good news for the school? Because community banks not only financially benefit individual shareholders via dividends, they also support local organizations! For instance, the small historic town of Maldon has a community Bendigo Bank which has injected over \$750,000 in projects such as new lights for the tennis, football and netball clubs and playground equipment for the neighbourhood centre. Pledging to become an active shareholder is a positive way to make this happen for Barwon Heads and for Barwon Heads Primary School.

Stay tuned for our coming competition. Great prizes to be won!

For further information call Heather on 5254 2602 or visit www.barwonheads.net



2009 CONCERT DVD

**The DVD of the 2009 Barwon
Heads Primary School concert is
now available. \$12 - great price -
first in...first serve. Get yours**

Community News

Need help relaxing?

Mindfulness principles along with Meditation practice help to relax the body, calm the emotions and quiet the thinking mind. We learn to live more fully in the present moment with a happy and non-judgemental attitude.

Date: Beginning Thursday 15th October 2009

and then every Thursday for eight weeks until 3rd December

Time: 10am to 12noon

Contact: Valya Bazalicki – Occupational therapist and Gestalt psychotherapist

PH: 0400 069 181 or **Email:** valyab@hotmail.com.au

Milo Cricket Registration

Have a go - Have a game

Friday 9th of October 5pm until 6pm

At Barwon Heads Cricket club.

Contact Danielle on 0438 700 813
(Starts 6th of November)

Barwon Heads Seagulls Basketball Club

Notice of AGM

To be held Sunday 18th October, 2009
11am

Barwon Heads Cricket Club Rooms
Geelong Rd, Barwon Heads

Barwon Heads Red Cross

Barwon Heads Red Cross is running a CPR course on Friday October 9th, 9am-12 noon. It will be held at the Uniting Church Hall.

With summer coming on we feel it is an appropriate time to upgrade skills in this area. Cost is \$36. The maximum number we can have attending is 20 so if you are interested let us know well in advance.

Please contact Yvonne 5254 2086, Carol on carolinerichardson@bigpond.com candidates that day.

FOR SALE

Oztrail Villadome 3 room family tent comfortably sleeps 6-7. Excellent condition
\$180

If interested call Sally 0407 292 589

Fishing Clinic

Ron Neilson Memorial Junior Fishing Clinic.
Sunday 25th October 9am – 1pm
Seagull Paddock, North Geelong

Free entry – B.Y.O Bait

Prizes for heaviest fish species.

All Anglers must register (one rod per Angler)

For further information phone Ian Pickering 5266 1008 or John Hotchin 5248 6817

2010 Nippers Season Registration Day

An information and registration day for new members will be held at the club on Sunday October 11th at 10.00am.

There will also be an information/induction session for potential **Bronze Medallion**

Enquiries: Mark Kebbell

kebbell@optusnet.com.au



TAKE HOME AN INTERNATIONAL BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER.

Capture the spirit of family and friendship by hosting an international exchange student from Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

Carefully selected students will arrive February 2010 for 5 months from Europe, Japan and the U.S.A. They will attend your local secondary school, are fully insured and have their own spending money.

Barwon Heads Community Garden hosts 2nd Sustainability Discussion Group

Have an interest in building a community less dependent on coal power and resilient to the effects of global warming? Join us to discuss how these issues can be tackled within BH/OG at the The Barwon Heads Community Garden on Sunday 11th October 3pm. Children welcome more info Ph 0417518685.