



Barwon Heads Primary School Family Newsletter

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Easter Fair 2009 Saturday 11th April

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH

Wed 11 th	Gr 5 Netbook Parent Information Evening 7.00pm
Thur 12 th	Environment Committee 3.45pm
Fri 13 th	Finance Comm 9.00am
Mon 16 th	Curriculum Comm 3.45pm
	Festival of the Sea Science Evening Gr 3/4s 7.30pm
Wed 18 th	School Council – 2008 Annual Report – 7.30pm
Thur 19 th	5/6 Soccer Lightning Premiership
Fri 20 th	Festival of the Sea – Whole School Estuary Activity – 12.00-2.00pm
Tues 24 th	Grade 3-6 Swimming Program commences (8 sessions)
	Easter Fair Comm 7.30pm
Wed 25 th	National Ride2school Day
Thur 26 th	School Photos – a.m.
Mon 30 th	Surf Awareness Program commences (4 sessions)

APRIL

Fri 3 rd	Last day Term – 2.30pm dismissal
Tues 7 th	Easter Fair Comm 7.30pm
Wed 8 th	Art works arrive
Thur 9 th	Art Show Launch
Fri 10 th	Good Friday Working Bee – a.m.
Sat 11 th	Easter Fair – 10.00am
Mon 20 th	School resumes Term 2
Thurs 23 rd	School Cross Country 11.30am - proposed
Sat 25 th	ANZAC Day

School Council March Meeting – Wednesday 18th March

The next meeting of the Barwon Heads Primary School Council is Wednesday 18th March at 7.30pm. At this meeting we will look at the 2008 Annual Report and the 2009 Annual Implementation Plan. Council sub-committees should meet prior to this date. Dates set so far are:

Easter Fair Committee – Tuesday 10th 7.30pm

Environment Committee – Thursday 13th 3.45pm

Finance/Resources – Friday 13th 9.00am

Curriculum Committee – Monday 16th 3.45pm

It is **not** expected that retiring members attend this meeting.

We have received another nomination to school council from parent Nick McAteer. With a vacancy Nick has been duly elected and is eligible to join school council for its March meeting. We look forward to working with Nick.

Grade 5 Netbook Parent Information Evening

Tonight at 7.00pm we will hold our information evening for parents (and students) of Grade 5 where the netbook program will be explained, lease and internet agreements signed, payments made and netbooks given out to students. Wacko! We hope all parents can attend this important meeting to help support this trial of 21st century learning at our school it promises to be an exciting addition to curriculum delivery in the middle years.

Festival of the Sea – March 16th - 22nd

The school will once again be involved in this local festival by utilising the expertise of local groups, Parks Vic, etc, to provide students and families with some hands on activities related to our marine environment.

This year our Science evening will target Grade 3/4 students and families in a 'Living Between the Tides' evening from 7.30pm. We would love to have students and particularly 'Dad' come along and learn about our marine environment.

The whole school will undertake an estuary ramble on Friday 20th March from 12.00pm.

Our local Festival of the Sea really highlights the wonderful marine environment we live in and heightens the student's appreciation of our wonderful home. We hope you support the festival.

Conveyance Allowance

A reminder to those families that live more than 4.8 km from school that you may be eligible for an allowance. This is to help offset the cost of transport in rural areas. If you fit the criteria then please come into the office and fill out the relevant form. This must be done by Friday 13th March. No late applications will be accepted.

Grade Prep-2 Friendship Contact Lists

Our new parents have asked if we could promote 'Friendship Lists' for each class in pre-2 to help with after school play sessions and parties. The school cannot give out private details of families but we are happy to put lists up on the windows outside the preps and on the Community noticeboard near the 1/2 room. If parents want to be part of the lists add your name, phone and email details. and we will distribute these after a week of display.

Lists will go up from tomorrow for one week.

2009 Student Booklist Payments

Done this yet? – If you haven't, make sure you do a.s.a.p. please.

Swimming Program 3 – 6

Thankyou to all those parents who have returned their swimming notes. To assist with the planning, could you please ensure that you return your note even if your child is not attending the program. Payments of \$75.00 can be made as soon as possible with the classroom teacher or be paid directly to the office.

Cross Country 2009

The school cross country will be held on Thursday, April 23rd from 11:30 – 1:30pm. All parents are most welcome to attend this spectacular event.

The event is run at Village Park. This enables the children aged 10 – 12 years to have the opportunity of completing the course before our District competition. The first 10 placegetters in the 10, 11 and 12 year age groups who complete the course in the required time, will go onto represent our school in the District event on Tuesday, April 28th. Cut off times have been introduced this year.

10 year boys	13:00
10 year girls	14:30
11/12 year boys	18:00
11/12 year girls	18:30

While the older children are running, the 5 to 8 year olds will participate in their events as listed below. Go a Coffee will be there on the day.

All age groups are taken as at 31 December 2009, that is, the age that the child turns during 2009. For example, a child turning 10 in 2009 competes in the 10 year age group all year.

This is a house event and children are encouraged to wear their house colours on the day.

EVENT	AGE GROUP	DISTANCE
1	11 & 12 year BOYS	3 kilometres
2	11 & 12 year GIRLS	3 kilometres
3	5 & 6 years	½ lap of the oval
4	7 years	1 lap of oval – 300m
5	10 years	2 kilometres
6	8 years	2 laps of oval – 600m
7	9 years	1 kilometre

Book Club

A huge thanks to all who ordered from the last issue, the school received almost \$200 of FREE books. They are in the process of being covered & catalogued for the Library or as classroom readers, be sure to enjoy them.

Just a reminder to Prep families, in your welcome to school packs from 1st day of school there was a voucher to receive a free book valued at \$15.99 or \$3 to spend on your book choice. These are only valid till 3rd April, so be sure to put them in ASAP so you don't miss out. There is still plenty of time to put in orders for this issue too, thanks Kylie.

Community Notices

School Holiday Club

School Holiday Program in Ocean Grove

Activities include: Trips to Werribee Open Rance Zoo and Luna Park.

For more information contact Michelle Garnier on 5272 4443.

Clothes Needed

A collection of clothes is underway for an upcoming trip to a Balinese orphanage. If you have clothes you can part with in good condition, we would love to have them! The children are boys and girls, and range from babies to 16yrs old, so we need all shapes and sizes. Feel free to call on 52542419 if you have any questions, or you can drop stuff to the door at *Beds by the Beach Holiday Rentals – 10 Colite St, Barwon Heads.* Thanks! Belinda and Kristie

Lost

Brittany-Rose Skurrie Grade 3/4 C has lost her new Hoody. It has her initials embroidered on the front under school logo –BRS. PLEASE-parents,could you check under the logo of your child/rens hoodies as they may have collected another one by mistake. I would be very grateful for its return as this was a replacement hoody for another that was lost (Hence the initials on the front). Please hand it in to Ms Curtain's grade or to the office. Thank you.

OPEN GARDEN DAY

12.00-4.00pm Saturday March 21st 2009
Moonah Gates Park, 38 Geelong Rd, Barwon Heads
(Melways Ref 496 K2)

For more information contact Faye 0417 518 685
you're invited
to our

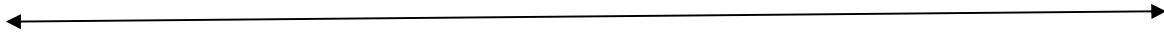
FIRST BIRTHDAY PARTY
as part of Festival of the Sea

Activities include; bbq, chai tent, children's activities, the Rainbow Riders ponies
and
music throughout the day, including Howling Winds and Sarah Carrol.



Entry is by gold coin donation or a pledge on the money tree!

12.00 Gates Open- be drummed in by the energetic hands of the Fishpond Drumming School
12.15-12.30 Address by Cr. Andy Richards
12.30-1.00pm Dave Campbell, Geelong Sustainability Group
12.30-1.15 Howling Winds on flute
1.15-1.45 Rachel Brown, Geelong Organic Gardeners
1.30-2.15 Sarah Carroll on ukelele
2.00-2.30 Evan Hardie, Biodynamics
3.00-3.45 Surprise musical guests
2.45-3.15 Ralph Cotter, Permaculture
3.30-4.00 Perry Mills, Surfcoast and Otway Eco Village Group



Festival of the Sea 2009 and the Barwon Heads Community Arts Garden presents Andrew Lucas

Surf Coast Shire Councils Sustainability Officer
introducing

The Transition Town Concept from oil dependency to local resilience

7.30 Thursday March 19th, 2009

Barwon Heads Community Hall

Entry: Gold Coin Donation.

“What makes the transition movement so attractive is that its message is simple and unflinchingly positive. It is place specific in that it addresses the concerns of individual communities. It looks at what can be done rather than the possibility that it may be too late to save the planet from runaway climate change or global oil crises resulting in total systems failure... It is also a sign of the times and an answer for anyone who saw “An Inconvenient Truth” and wondered What can I do? The Transition movement is based on Permaculture principles and has harnessed the collective call to action and is the glue that is mending the torn fabric of our society.”- Cliona O’Conaill

Festival of the Sea Environment Program 2009

**supported by
Friends of the Bluff/Coast Action / Coastcare
Parks Victoria/Barwon Coast Committee of Management
Marine Discovery Centre, Queenscliff**

Monday 16th March

7.30 – 9.00pm

'LIVING BETWEEN THE TIDES' FAMILY SCIENCE NIGHT

GRADES 3 / 4

BARWON HEADS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Hands on activities to explore the extraordinary marine and coastal environments of Barwon Heads.

Open to parents and families of Grade 3 / 4 BHPS students.

Tuesday 17th March

9.30 am – 3.00 pm

BARWON HEADS HALL

**Friends of the Bluff and Coast Action / Coastcare
present the**

2009 COASTAL SEMINAR "LIVING BETWEEN THE TIDES"

Featuring up to date presentations from a range of coastal and marine policy makers and managers, and a field trip exploring intertidal areas of the Bluff, the 2009 Festival of the Sea coastal seminar will take a look at the past and the future of this special place we call home. We will learn about the new Victorian Coastal Strategy, and look forward and consider climate change and what we can do to build resilience in both our natural and human communities

Registration for this popular event is essential so book early. Open to all and free.

For bookings contact Jon Duthie (5254 2626)

Tuesday 17th March

7.30 - 9.30 pm

NIGHTMOVES ON THE BLUFF

Come along for a different view of the Bluff by visiting after dark. We will explore the animals, plants, stars, and much more.

Bring a torch and suitable clothing. Meet in the top car park. Open to all and free.

Wednesday 18th March

7.30 – 9.30pm

LAND SEA AND SKY - F.O.T.S. SLIDE NIGHT

BARWON HEADS HALL

A Festival of the Sea midweek favourite! Bring a cushion and come and share some fabulous images of creatures that inhabit our local environments while sharing in some of their secrets.

Open to all and free.

Friday 20th March

LIVING BETWEEN THE TIDES

BARWON HEADS PRIMARY SCHOOL ACTIVITY DAY

Prep: 'Life's a Beach': Games and activities with coastal focus

1/2's: 'Meanwhile, Down at the Lobster Pot ...': Exploring our Bluff through science and the arts

3/4's: 'Life on the Edge': Rockpool rambling in the Barwon Bluff Marine Sanctuary

5/6's: 'Mangroves, Mud, and so Much More': A muddy investigation of our magnificent estuary and its inhabitants

Saturday, 21st March

1.00 – 2.30pm

Location: Barwon Bluff Marine Sanctuary

From the first car park on the Bluff take the stairs down to the 13th Beach end of sandstone reef.

Friends of the Bluff

present

“LIFE ON THE EDGE”

A Guide to the Animals and Plants of Barwon Bluff Marine Sanctuary

WORLD FIRST RELEASE BOOK LAUNCH

With special guest

the “Howlin’ Wind”

If you ever wanted the definitive “Who’s Who?” to the life on the Bluff, then this is the book you have been waiting for all those years!

This product of the passion of local photographers and Friends of the Bluff will be launched featuring ‘Riffs on the Rocks’ down on the rock platform in Barwon Bluff Marine Sanctuary with the legendary “Howlin’ Wind”.

Following the launch there will be a rockpool ramble to put the book through its paces. If conditions are suitable experienced snorkelers with own wetsuit and equipment might be interested in a quick dip?

Come and be part of this in a world exclusive Festival of the Sea event.

All welcome!

Sunday 22nd March

9.00 – 11.00am

On stage down at the Bridge.

Festival of the Sea

host

RADIO 3RRR’s

“RADIO MARINARA”

LIVE OUTDOOR BROADCAST on 102.7FM

Don’t miss the chance to be the live audience for Radio Marinara’s Festival of the Sea special two hour outside broadcast show right from the beach, here in Barwon Heads.

Join Bron Burton, Doctor Surf, and Special Guests for this quirky marine news and views show which will entertain and inform you of what’s happening in, on, and under the sea.

With many surprises planned that celebrate living on the edge of our unique coastal environments, don’t miss this opportunity!

Sunday 22nd March

All Day

Environment Displays and

Info Points are located

around the Lobster Pot.

Environment and Sustainability Expo

**Discover the many people and organisations that
are working to protect our fragile coastal environment
and how you can help.**

A great source of information and ideas on how to help in the fight to protect our precious coastal and marine environments.

Visit the Lobster Pot to discover the treasures of the estuary past and present.

Wander through the Sculpture Poles and engage in the key issue of our day through the eyes of our community artists,

Enjoy the varied and informative displays by our own community groups, agencies, and local businesses helping to care for our planet.

Better still, find out how you can join them! All welcome!



Easter Fair Update



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WELCOME AND THANK YOU TO OUR
MAIN SPONSORS FOR EASTER FAIR 2009



Introducing our Major Sponsors

Tonik Surf has joined us again as the major sponsor of the Easter Fair.

R T Edgar will sponsor the Easter Fair Art Show.

Barwon Coastal Management will sponsor the "Sheepwash Classic Fun Run".

Hayden Real Estate will be the major sponsor of the Entertainment Stage.

Please remember to support our sponsors for their wonderful participation and contributions to our Easter Fair.

PARENT ROSTER

Please go to the next pages and join in all the fun of the Fair by adding your name to the **Parent Helper Roster**.

We will appreciate it if you can help on any of the days or all of the days.

All help supports your child at school.
Return your forms to the Office, please.

Thank you to everyone who has sent sugar along to school. There is plenty available for anyone who is able to make jam or cook cake items.

There will be cake recipes in this Newsletter and in following weeks.



Book the baby sitter!

The Barwon Heads Primary School Arts Show Opening Night Party



A party for all in the Barwon Heads and Ocean Grove community.

Thursday 9th April 2009

In the Marquee @ the Barwon Heads Primary School,
Golf Links Rd, Barwon Heads

7pm to 10.30pm

\$10 entry / head.

This year is a whole new Art Soiree hosted in our new marquee, with delish cocktail on arrival, light finger food, new band and new local artist featured.

Drinks at bar prices. Great auction items to be snapped up.

This is an **Adults only event** and is the major parent and community celebration for Barwon Heads Primary School for the year.

Please bring friends and grandparents you do not have to be a BHP school family to attend. All are Welcome.

Don't miss the Opening Night Party which gives you the chance to purchase your favourite piece of art ahead of someone else's red dot.

Dress Code : Fabulous frock, Smart Casual

Easy and delicious carrot cake

1+1/4 cups brown sugar
vegetable oil

3 eggs

1+1/2 teaspoons baking powder (baking soda)
cinnamon

1/2 teaspoon ground ginger

1/2 cup chopped pecan nuts

3/4 cup



1+1/2 cups plain flour

1 teaspoon ground

2+1/2 cups grated carrot

1/2 cup sultanas

Preheat oven to 180C (350F). Place the sugar and oil in the bowl of an electric mixer and beat for 2-3 minutes. Add the eggs gradually and beat well. Sift the flour, baking powder, bicarbonate of soda, cinnamon and ginger over the sugar mixture. Add the carrot, pecans and sultanas and mix until just combined. Pour the mixture into a tin and bake for about 50 minutes, until cooked when tested with a skewer.

The BHPS Easter Fair 2009 cake stall:

Thank you in advance to everyone who makes cakes and other items for this stall.

We will include recipes in the weekly newsletter but these are only suggestions and we welcome any of your own favourite recipes.

There are a few things to note about the cake stall.....

A free fish and chip lunch will be given to the class that has the most points allocated. Points are allocated for each item that is baked. One child can be nominated for each item baked. For instance if you make two cakes and you have two children at the school each cake will be allocated points and you can nominate which child and class is to receive the points by writing (E.g.) Ruby Clarke 1/2 O would be written as R.C. 1/2 O on each label.

Presentation is important and we encourage you to drop by the office and help yourself to cellophane bags, ribbon, crockery and cane plates to help you display your produce to full advantage. If you are unable to present in this way we are happy to add a little flair on your behalf. We realise that everyone is busy and we appreciate whatever effort you can manage.

Farm fresh eggs and sugar have been kindly donated for bakers and can be collected at the office.

Some items can be made now and frozen until closer to the time or dropped to the school for freezing. Ideally items that are made as close to Easter Saturday the better. Items can be dropped at the office until the end of term and on Good Friday items can be taken directly to the After School Care building between the hours of 10 am until 12 midday and from 8 am on Easter Saturday at the cake stall.

There are a few occupational health and safety points that we need to remind you of:

Please remember.....

- No cream fillings are to be used.
- Wash hands before cooking (children in particular)
- All ingredients must be written on to the labels provided and in turn these labels need to be stuck to each separate item.
- Your child's class and initials must be clearly on each label (one child per item). These details are also used to allocate points for the fish and chip lunch.

Thank you and happy baking.

Feel free to contact Gerry Keely 5254 1908 or Peta Trinder 5254 2265 if you have any questions

PARENT HELPER ROSTER

**FAIR DATES - THURSDAY,
APRIL 9TH - SATURDAY, APRIL
11TH**

Family Name:

Contact details:

I AM AVAILABLE TO HELP:

Your Name ↓

Wednesday	ART SHOW	Hanging art work	
Thursday night	ART SHOW	Kitchen help	
Good Friday	KITCHEN	8am - 11am	
Good Friday	SET UP OVAL	8am - 11am	

FAIR DAY - EASTER SATURDAY

	8:30 - 11:00	11:00 - 1:30	1:30 - 4:00
EASTER FAIR STALLS			
PACK UP Oval & classrooms 3:30 -5:30pm			

SHEEPWASH CLASSIC FUN RUN ROSTER

CO-ORDINATOR: Margie McLeod 52541145

ENTRIES: Nicki Hartney 52541186

COURSE SET - UP AND PACK UP: Kelvin Harris

AREA	APPROX TIME REQUIRED	CONTACT PERSON	YOUR NAME	YOUR PHONE CONTACT NO.
COURSE SET - UP	Good Friday TIME: TBA	Kelvin		

ENTRIES Includes finish line tasks	SAT: 0800-1130	Nicki		
MARSHALLS Need lots! Great job for Dads!	SAT: 0915-1130	Margie		
DRINK STATIONS Good job for big kids!	SAT: 0915-1130	Margie		
LEAD BIKES	SAT: 0915-1130	Margie		
COURSE PACK-UP	SAT 1100-1230	Kelvin		

PLEASE DROP YOUR FORM INTO THE OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THE ROSTER CAN BE MADE.