**DATES TO REMEMBER**

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**End of year Reports**

Student reports will be sent home on Thursday 24th November this year. This time last year the student reports were modified to better meet the needs of parents and to ensure the assessments of student learning were clear and consistent. This involved reducing the amount of detail within the Literacy and Numeracy comments and increasing the focus on student learning behaviours. The detail about student outcomes in Literacy and Numeracy will be offered at the Parent-Teacher Interviews.

Reporting time is a great chance to discuss the learning with your child/children and focus in on the strengths, identify areas for development and develop a plan for the future.

**Parent Teacher Interviews – Save the Dates**

To support the school reporting process each semester we offer the chance for parents to organise a meeting with their child’s/children’s classroom teacher/s.

This term there are two dates available for parent-teacher interviews; Tuesday 29th November between 1.30pm – 6pm. *(Students finish at 1pm)*

**Wednesday 7th December between 4pm – 6pm.**

Bookings will be available via our online booking system from 4pm tonight.

**Please see attached instructions for making a booking.**

**The purpose of the Parent-Teacher Interviews are to:**

- provide further explanation on reports
- elaborate on the level of achievement and level of progress
- elaborate on effort/work habits
- elaborate on social/emotional aspects, and
- provide an opportunity for parents to ask questions.

Are you interested in a music scholarship? Please see page 2 for details.
ANNOUNCING MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2017!

Hi Everyone

We are very excited to announce that through our Music on the Mount funds we have decided to offer three music scholarships to our students. These music scholarships will be awarded to students every year, beginning next year (2017).

We have outlined below how you can apply for the scholarships – they are open to all students in our Buninyong and Scotalburn campuses with the aim of encouraging our students to further develop or begin their passion for music.

Good luck! We look forward to reading your applications!

Mr Conlan.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

ENCIOURAGEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS
(2 offered per year):

$1000 worth of music tuition through the school to a student who is showing potential to learn a musical instrument. The student would be offered an instrument already taught through the school and/or the scholarship would help the student who is currently learning an instrument to continue lessons or begin lessons using a hire instrument through the school.

ADVANCEMENT SCHOLARSHIP
(1 offered per year):

$1000 worth of music tuition to a student showing dedication, ability and progress with a musical instrument. The scholarship will pay for a professional musician to work with the student at school over twelve months to further develop their music ability and talent.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR

The Music on the Mount team will judge the suitable recipients of the scholarships, led by Mr Steven Skibbeck, Head of Music. Scholarships will be awarded based on the following criteria:

1. Give their best in everything they do
2. Model Buninyong Primary School values
3. Demonstrate a keen interest in music
4. Demonstrate interest in music performance through one or more of the following:
   - Attitude shown in weekly music lessons at school
   - Participation in music performance related to extra curricular activities at school (eg. choir, instrument lessons, school concert, Wakaiki, S0B performance, MOTM, Rock Band, busking at School Fete, Lunchtime Live)

For the Encouragement Scholarship – Student who shows the potential to develop a passion for music and may need encouragement and support to achieve this.
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### Advancement Scholarship
(1 offered per year):

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APPLICATION FORM

This form is to be used by students who wish to apply for a Scholarship. When preparing your application, please keep the selection criteria in mind. See these on the reverse of this form. After completion, please hand this form to the General Office.

APPLICANT DETAILS:
Name: ____________________________________________
Grade: ____________________________________________________________________________
Teacher: __________________________________________________________________________

PARENT / GUARDIAN DETAILS:
Name: ____________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________________________
Mobile:  __________________________________________________________________________

MUSIC DETAILS:
Main Instrument: ______________________________________________________________________
Teachers Name: (if applicable) __________________________________________________________

Type of Scholarship you are applying for (please tick appropriate box)

☐ ENCOURAGEMENT SCHOLARSHIP  ☐ ADVANCEMENT SCHOLARSHIP

I/We acknowledge that we have read the criteria process for the scholarship and we have included the following information in our application (please tick off each one to ensure you have included everything):

☐ A personal letter from the student which outlines the student’s musical and other experiences, interest and goals and why the student believes that they should receive the scholarship
☐ A most recent school music report
☐ A short letter of reference from a current instrumental or vocal teacher (if applicable)
☐ A signed copy of the scholarship application form

Parent / Guardian: ____________________________ (full name)  Student: ____________________________ (full name)
 __________________________________________ (signature)  ______________________________ (signature)
Wind farm
Last week, the P-6’s visited the Mt Mercer Wind farm. It was a great learning opportunity that the students thoroughly enjoyed.

Christmas Feeding & Watering Roster
If you are able to help out with the watering and feeding of animals over the Christmas break, please contact Naomi Moore on naomimoore1973@yahoo.com

New Chicks
We are very excited about some new chicks that have been in an incubator and just cracked out of their egg this week. Our environmental leader, Amelia Plier along with some capable assistants are doing a wonderful job looking after them.

Maintenance on the Chook Shed
Unfortunately we had what we believe to be a fox visit us on the weekend. Before we can get some more chooks and also move the new chicks in, we would like to do some work on the chook shed so that it is fox proof. If anyone can volunteer some time to help with this, could you please see Shaun.

Toilets are Clean
A big thank you to Aaron and Max who did a wonderful job cleaning the student toilets. The walls both inside and out have come up really well.

Grounds Work
You will have noticed that Shane our maintenance man has been doing some great work to help neaten up the walk ways and paths. It is looking great. If you also have some building talents and would like to help, please see Shaun ASAP.

Term 4 - Rotation Roster

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P-2 Cross Country
The P-2 Cross Country is on at the Buninyong Primary School on Thursday 24th November from 2pm. The kids will start at Scotsburn and catch the bus down to the school oval during the lunch break. You are welcome to take your kids home at the completion of the event, but please let Ms Wood know to ensure that we have all of the kids accounted for. Otherwise, they will need to be collected from Buninyong at the end of the school day.

ABC Awards
P/1 – Archie Bowers

Term 4 - Lunch Order Roster
Lunch orders need to be collected from The Buninyong campus at 12.40pm.

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Spelling Mastery Roster for 2017
If you can help with Spelling Mastery on a Tuesday – Friday next year, please let Shaun know ASAP.

Term 4 - Important Dates & Extra-Curricular Events
Gr P-2 Cross Country – 24th November
Reports go home – 24th November
Scotsburn Swimming Program – 28th November – 2nd December
Parent Teacher Interviews – 29th November (1.30pm-6pm)
2017 Preps Orientation Day – 6th December
Parent Teacher Interviews – 7th December (4pm-6pm)
Scotsburn Gr P-6 EarthEd Incursion – 7th December
Working Bee – 9th December (3.30pm)
Scotsburn Shared Christmas Lunch – 12th December
Scotsburn Christmas Breakup – 15th December (6pm)
Scotsburn Breakup (Buninyong Swimming Pool) – 16th December
Grade 6 Graduation Night – 19th December
Term 4 Finishes – 20th December (1.30pm)

FUNDRAISER

The Oellering Children are running a fundraiser to raise money for the Carrie Bickmore Beanies for Brain Cancer Charity. Both Lachie and Chelsea organised a lovely chocolate hamper as a prize and are currently walking around the school selling raffle tickets. All proceeds will go direct to the charity and the hamper will be drawn at the whole school assembly on the 25th of November.

BOOK CLUB ISSUE

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We are sending home Book Club Issue No 8 today.
If you are not ordering online all orders are to be returned no later than Wednesday 23rd November
PLP INFORMATION

Each week we need a Parent Liaison Person to help organise support for our canteen. This week we need a volunteer. Please contact the office if you are able to help out tomorrow.

PLP MEETING
Week 8 Friday 25th of November from 2.30pm in the staff room. Please email Josh if you’d like anything added to the agenda. Ebbels.joshua.r@edumail.vic.gov.au

B.P.S VOLUNTEER AFTERNOON TEA
Are you a PLP or do you help in the classroom, on excursions, camps or in our Canteen?
All PLP’s and volunteers are invited to a thankyou afternoon tea on Friday December 9th.
Where: Buninyong P.S Staff Room
Time: 2.30pm until 3.30pm
Hope you can all come along (Toddlers welcome)

RSVP to Josh Ebbels (Ebbels.joshua.r@edumail.vic.gov.au) by the 2nd of December

B+ THEME— SECRETS
Just a reminder that the next family group assembly will be on Friday the 25th of November. This fortnightly theme is focussed around SECRETS and how important it is to seek help from an adult if a friend tells you to keep a secret that you are concerned about.
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**It’s Disco Time Again….**

**When:** Wednesday 23rd November (week 8, next week)

**Dress up Theme:** Movies (or free dress if you prefer)

**Times:** Grades 4, 5 and 6 at recess.
Grades Prep, 1, 2 and 3 at lunch time.

**Where:** In the Gym.

**Donation:** Please bring a gold coin along on the day for dressing up and for going to the disco if you choose to go along.

**Why?:** To raise money for the Grade 6 Graduation night and TO HAVE FUN!!
**My Body Safety Rules**

**My body is my body and it belongs to me!**

I can say, ‘No!’ if I don’t want to kiss or hug someone.
I can give them a high five, shake their hand or blow them a kiss.
I am the boss of my body and what I say goes!

**I have a Safety Network**

These are five adults I trust. I can tell these people anything and they will believe me.
If I feel worried, scared or unsure, I can tell someone on my Safety Network how I am feeling and why I feel this way.

- Aunt Sue
- Dr Kelly
- Mum
- Mr Ross (my teacher)
- Grandma

**Early Warning Signs**

If I feel frightened or unsafe
I may sweat a lot, get a sick tummy, become shaky and my heart might beat really fast.
These feelings are called my Early Warning Signs. If I feel this way about anything, I must tell an adult on my Safety Network straightaway.

**Secrets**

I should never keep secrets that make me feel bad or uncomfortable. If someone asks me to keep a secret that makes me feel bad or unsafe, I must tell an adult on my Safety Network straightaway!

**Private Parts**

My private parts are the parts of my body under my bathing suit. I always call my private parts by their correct names. No-one can touch my private parts. No-one can ask me to touch their private parts. And no-one should show me pictures of private parts. If any of these things happen, I must tell a trusted adult on my Safety Network straightaway.

Original concept: The Mama Bear Effect
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For Body Safety resources go to www.somecrets.info
REMEMBRANCE DAY

On Thursday the 10th of November our grade 5 & 6 students were lucky enough to have Paul Micalef, a current Infantry Sargent in the Australian Army and father of Chelsea, Emily and Ruban come and talk about the significance of Remembrance Day. It was an amazing experience and truly allowed all of our students to gain a deep understanding of not only how important it is to celebrate Remembrance Day but also what our army does for our country. Thanks Paul, it was unreal and you definitely made Chelsea, Emily and Ruban’s day! On Friday the 11th of November I also had the privilege of taking all 4 of our school captains, Tam Petrov, Sarah Elsey, Connor Brisbane and Ollie Marshall to celebrate Remembrance Day. Even though it was a public holiday all 4 students turned up in uniform and delivered a wreath to show their respects. We really do have Amazing Buninyong Children!
SCHOOL PROCEDURES FOR THE BUSHFIRE SEASON

The way schools in Victoria respond to bushfires is being constantly revised. Fire danger ratings and warnings are used in Victoria to provide clear direction on the safest options for preserving life. Schools – and children’s services – identified as being at highest bushfire risk have been included on the Bushfire-At Risk Register (BARR) and will be closed on days determined by fire authorities to be Code Red. Our Scotsburn Campus has been identified by Government as a school at highest bushfire risk and is listed on the BARR. This does not include our Buninyong Campus, however Buninyong students will be effected if they are bus travellers. (please read below)

Where possible, we will provide parents with up to three days notice of a planned closure following the issue of a Code Red warning by the CFA. We will contact you directly with advice on planned closures. This will be done via a letter home to all families, but will be backed up with massages sent via email, SMS and the school app and a posting on the school website. Contact will also be made to confirm the decision to close by 12 noon the day before the planned closure.

Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, regardless of improvements in the weather forecast. This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child.

- No staff will be on the Scotsburn site on Code Red Days.
- Scotsburn students are welcome to attend our Buninyong Campus on Code Red Days and will join classes with the Buninyong students.
- Each of the buses that service our school travel through areas classified by government as ‘high fire risk’. As such, no busses will run during a Code Red Day. This obviously effects families from both campuses. Bus travellers will need to find other means of transport to and from school on Code Red Days.
  
  School camps will be cancelled if the area where the camp is taking place is at risk.

On these Code Red days families are encouraged to enact their Bushfire Survival Plan – on such days, children should never be left at home unattended or in the care of older children.

For those of us living in a bushfire-prone area, the safest option when a Code Red day is declared may be to leave the night before, or early in the morning of the Code Red day.

What can parents do?

- Make sure your family’s Bushfire Survival Plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements for your children in the event that our school is closed.
- Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers. Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters, by checking our website (www.buninyongps.vic.edu.au), and by talking to your child’s teacher or any other member of the teaching staff about our emergency plans.
- Most importantly at this time of year, if you’re planning a holiday or short stay in the bush or in a coastal area, you should check warnings in advance of travel and remain vigilant during your stay.
- If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family’s Bushfire Survival Plan.


For up-to-date information on this year’s fire season and Bushfire Survival Planning, visit the CFA website at www.cfa.vic.gov.au or call the 24-hour Victorian Bushfires Information Line on 1800 240 667.
Dear Parents

Parent/Teacher/Student interviews will be held on 14th June at 1:45pm - 6pm and 15th Jun 4pm - 6pm
You can now book interviews at times that suit YOUR FAMILY BEST.
Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions.

BOOKINGS OPEN Tuesday 15th November at 3.30pm
BOOKINGS CLOSE Sunday 27th November at 9pm

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au
Enter THIS school event code. Then follow the 3 simple steps.
and change your interviews - until bookings close.

When you click finish, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - check your junk mail folder if you do not receive your email immediately.
You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

For parents that don't have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend's house or on their phones, use of a classroom computer will be available, so that parents can still make their own bookings. Parents may send a note to school with the approximate times they require, or phone the school on 5341 3560. Interviews are strictly 15mins and spaces are limited.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on: 5341 3560
This year you have the chance to leave a very special message in the school magazine to say thanks, well done, I’ll miss you or even goodbye. Have your message permanently on record in the 2016 School Magazine.

LAST DAYS - DON’T MISS OUT

The options are only limited by your imagination. (Examples below)

What you need to do:

- All Memory Grams must be on a Business Card sized piece of paper or card.
- Type or write a message onto the card - don’t forget you can include a photo too.
- Place the Memory Gram into an envelope with a $5.00 payment and pass it in at the office or to your classroom teacher.

If you wish to create your Memory Gram on the computer, please ensure that it is the size of a business card (90mmx55mm) and email it to Kath in the office*

cassell.kathleen.k@edumail.vic.gov.au

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Sophie,
Well done for a GREAT year and for FINISHING PIE!
Have fun in Middle School,
Love
Mum, Dad, Olivia and Zac

Nick and Dan
Thank you for doing your very best this year, we are very proud of you both.
lots of love
Mum and Dad

Farah,
our little artist,
we are very proud of you,
you did such a good job!
Love,
Mom, Dad & Yasmine

To Mrs. Annette,
Thank you for accepting me into your P1 class and teaching me so much. You’ll always be my most favorite pirate princess teacher!
Love,
Emma
Grade 6 Canteen
CAN-TEAM

FRIDAYS @ the canteen
STARTING THIS FRIDAY 4th NOVEMBER

Items for sale:

FROZEN FRUIT SEGMENTS
50c
(Seasonal... pineapple ring, watermelon slice)

ZOOPER DOOPERS
$1

FROZEN YOGHURT
$1.50
(Bulla 97% fat free / reduced sugar)

This term our chosen charity will be a Christmas Appeal (to be decided). The profits from our hot milo sales over Winter ($201.50) is being donated to BADGAR wildlife rescue. Thank you for supporting us and helping us make a difference.