ORGANISING CLASSES FOR 2015

It is the time of the year when we are about to get busy organising students into classes for next year. If there are significant issues we need to be aware of when allocating your child to a class, please make sure they have been made known to Bernie or Sue by Friday, November 14th. Teachers are meeting soon after to begin sorting children into classes.

It is not our intention to provide parents with the opportunity to select a teacher of choice. We have developed a very strong teaching team and parents can be confident the needs of their child will be met by any member of our team. Developing well-balanced classes can be made difficult if there are large numbers of requests – as such, it is important that placement requests be founded on significant reasons and not related to specific teachers.

We try to accommodate parent requests with regard to student placements, but you will understand this is not always possible.

It is also important when we come to organise classes that we know of students who will not be at our School in 2015. If your family is moving on, please let us know as soon as possible. Those with a prep enrolment for 2015 are reminded to get enrolment forms in as soon as possible.

SCHOOL START DATES 2015

Since of 2012 schools have started the year on different days, depending on how many of their 4 pupil free days are taken before the children return. For us, grades 1-6 students will commence school in 2015 on Friday, January 30th. Preps will commence on the following Monday, February 2nd.
The Story of Buninyong

Last Friday the grade four students participated in the Story of Buninyong Performance. It was a great success and all the students really enjoyed themselves. A special thanks to Miranda Donald who spent a large amount of time choreographing and organising the performance. Thanks also to Mark Muldoon and Steven Skilbeck who organised the music and the Rock band and Michelle Noyce for the fantastic props. Extra special thanks also go to Lidia Aitken and Bev Eason for their work on the costumes, they looked amazing.

The Teddy Bear fundraiser: Thank you to all those people who had a go at naming the Bear. The competition raised over $100, which is fantastic. This money is going towards next year’s Story of Buninyong Performance. The winner was drawn out Friday night and it was Pip Griffin from Prep NS.

CONGRATULATIONS! Thanks to Bev Eason who kindly donated the beautiful bear.

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**STORY OF BUNINYONG DVD ORDER**

$20.00 each (Orders need to be in by Fri 7th Nov)

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RESPECT  OPTIMISM  COMMITMENT  COMPASSION  HONESTY
GOODLIFE FESTIVAL
It was fantastic to see so many members of the school community enjoying themselves at the Good Life Festival on the weekend. A big thank you to the students, parents and staff who helped out with the dunk tank on Sunday.

A big thankyou also to the Donald family for the loan of their dunk tank and the local CFA who kindly filled the tank for us.

Unfortunately the water was a touch arctic, but as always, the dunk tank provided lots of entertainment. The event also served as a handy fundraiser as well, with a final profit of just over $500 for the school.

PREP – 2 JUNIOR SCHOOL SPORTS 2014
When: Tuesday 4th November
Where: Buninyong Football Oval
Time: 10:15am.—2:30pm
What to Bring: Hats, Wear House Colours, Drink Bottle (Water only), Lunch and Snacks.
Families to meet with students for picnic lunch. Parents welcome to bring along a picnic to share with their children. (Lunch: 12pm)
Looking forward to seeing you there.

ATHLETICS
On October 17th we had 18 students compete at the Regional Athletics Championships in Ballarat. It was a great day and our representatives performed and behaved very well. Five of those students, Eden Squire, Mia Lepair, Olivia Reyntjes, Matt Schaper and Nick Lawrence qualified for the State Athletics Championships which were held on Monday. Weather wise, it was a wild and wet day, but all 5 competed well and thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

BOOK FAIR
Once again your support has been absolutely amazing. We took a total of $6,500 which enables us to purchase many many resources. I have already taken $1700 worth of books from the Fair as part of our commission.

I would like to thank Jenny Ward, Mylene Harrington, Lisa Marshall and Owen Mauseth for their assistance with sales. Your help was invaluable.

While you may not have been able to assist with sales you certainly helped with your purchases and this is equally as important as assisting with the sales. I can’t thank everyone enough for their support.

Kath Cassell
Book Fair Organiser
Some of last week's ABC Kids and Environment winners:

Amazing Buninyong Child

Our winners for this week are:

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Molly Hudson 5JS

Molly noticed one of her class members alone at lunch time and welcomed them to join her game. When her friends left she stayed and kept playing. Very compassionate!
Canteen & Qkr:
Are you using the “Qkr app” for canteen lunches yet? Imagine, no more lunches left at home or in the car! No lost or forgotten money! No rushing around in the morning looking for paper bags and coins! Download the app today - it’s free. Check out the school website for more info. See Tara in the canteen or contact on 5341 3799 or 0417 540 095

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The Canteen is really struggling to get enough help! Please order online with Qkr if you can. This cuts the morning workload alot. Wednesdays are twice as busy as Mondays and I have less helpers.

Making life easier for school staff and volunteers with Qkr!

Qkr™ by MasterCard takes the hard work out of processing school payments, leaving staff and volunteers free to concentrate on more important tasks.

1. Reduces the time school staff and volunteers spend on administrative tasks e.g.
   - Processing school payments
   - Cash Handling
   - Paperwork
   - Sorting bags for food orders

2. Increases efficiency of school operations:
   - Speeds up kitchen logistics so staff and volunteers can spend more time preparing and serving nutritious food

3. Reduces the need for cash on school premises and the associated cost and security issues

Qkr™ also saves you (busy parents) time by letting you place all your school orders directly from your mobile device, at a time convenient for you.
SCOTSBURN NEWS

PARENT MEETING
Just a reminder that there will be a parent meeting on Wednesday 29th (8am) and Thursday 30th October (3.45pm). We are providing these two options for you to choose from to ensure that as many parents as possible can attend.

GOOD LIFE FESTIVAL
The Good Life Festival was again a great success with huge crowds enjoying a variety of stalls and entertainment on a beautiful day. Buninyong Primary School was involved again with the dunk tank which proved a big hit! Well done to Ms Morris and Jess Ockwell who braved the cold water as volunteers on the dunk tank. Special thanks to Gareth Smith who helped set up and pack up the equipment on the day.

BUS SAFETY
Our bus drivers would like to remind all pedestrians to please be careful around the bus as it is picking up and dropping off students. Please remember to walk behind the bus and not in front of it.

STORY OF BUNINYONG
Well done to our Grade 4’s who did a brilliant job at the Story of Buninyong performance last week. Amelia, Bianca, Kade, Campbell, Dylan, Ben and Mitch performed their parts extremely well. Congratulations to you all. Special thanks to Miranda Donald for all of her hard work in preparing the performance. It was wonderful.

GREAT EFFORT MIA
On Monday, Mia Lepair competed in the State Athletics in Melbourne in the 1500m. She came 11th out of 16 which was amazing. Congratulations and well done Mia.

SCARECROW CLOTHES
If anyone has some spare clothes and a hat that they can donate for our scarecrow it would be greatly appreciated. Please see Claire if you can help.

IMPORTANT DATES & EXTRA-CURRICULAR EVENTS
- Pre-Schooler Program - Wednesday 29th October and 5th November
- Donegans Farm (Grade P-1) – 31st October
- P-2 Sports Day – 4th November
- Sovereign Hill School Experience (Grade 5) – 4th & 5th November
- Sleepover (Grades P-2) – 14th November
- Swimming Program – 1st – 5th December
- Orientation Day - 9th December
- Scotsburn Christmas Breakup – 17th December
- Term 4 ends – 19th December

PRE-SCHOOLER PROGRAM
Our pre-schooler program is into full swing now. The preps for 2015 are having a great time.

REMINDERS FOR WEEK STARTING NOV 3RD
- Cooking helper – Natasha
- Gardening helper – Naomi
- Lunch order drop off and pick up – Sarah

START DATES FOR 2015
Some of you will be wondering about start dates for next year and we are now in a position to confirm that 1-6 students will start on Friday, January 30th and preps will start on the following Monday, February 2nd. Arrangements will be made for some of the preps to come in for individual testing on January 30th. Remaining preps will undertake that testing on one of the Wednesdays they have off during February.

WELL DONE FELIX AND CAMPBELL
Recently Felix and Campbell competed in the State Mountain Bike Championships in Bendigo. The boys raced extremely well with Felix coming 5th and Campbell 7th. Well done boys.
Day for Daniel

On the 31st October at Friday’s assembly the School Leaders will be addressing the importance of our students knowing how to Recognise, React and Report situations to keep them safe.

As the theme is Red, students please come in full school uniform.

In class the students will learn an appropriate age lesson on child safety.

The Student Wellbeing team also encourages you as the parents and guardians to read the Daniel Morcombe site below and use this information as conversation starters especially around stranger danger, cyber safety and road safety at home and with the wider community.


Many thanks
Student Wellbeing Team 2014

Welcome to Walk to School 2014!

Vic Health’s Walk to School encourages Victorian primary school students and their families to walk to and from school during October, building healthy habits for life. Walking – like all physical activity – is great for children's health and wellbeing.

It is easy to get involved all you need to do is walk as many times as you can to school and from school in the month of October and log in to this website to record your walks:


Walk to School 2014 is a brilliant way to support us to build healthy habits for life – and win some great prizes for your school. So make sure you walk as many times as you can this October and log in to the website.
Mathletics News...

Mathletics has now been available to all of our students for almost a year and I thought that it would be good to share some of the facts about how we are using it at Buninyong …

- Our students have spent a total of 3094 hours and 15 minutes logged into Mathletics.
- Our students have mastered (over 85% correct) 8,844 activities and improved their number fluency by gaining 271,394 Mathletics Live points.
- We have had 2,447 Star Improvers, who have made significant improvements of more than 10% on particular activities.
- Across the school, our students have improved their levels and skills on Mathletics by an average of 30% which is great.

Did you also know that Parents are able to access the Mathletics information about their child’s learning by signing into 3P Learning’s Parent Console? As a parent, you can receive a report on your child’s progress each week directly to your email. Registration is free and can be done through;

www.3plearning.com/parents

You will need your child’s Mathletics username and password, then simply register your details to receive your own username and password.

Please encourage your children to log into Mathletics regularly, even if their teacher has not set them homework: the fluency practise from participating at an appropriate level on Mathletics live is very valuable.

Wendy Hines
Numeracy Coordinator
Ballarat Community Health presents
FREE PUBLIC LECTURES

A unique opportunity to hear world-renowned international therapists and
relationship experts, Dr Allan Wade and Dr Steven Stosny.

11 NOVEMBER 2014, 7:00PM
BALLARAT COMMUNITY HEALTH
12 LILBURNE STREET, LUCAS

Dr Allan Wade
Loving to Survive
Challenging Beliefs About
Gender Violence

The “Stockholm Syndrome” was invented in 1973, after a week-
long hostage taking at a bank in central Stockholm, Sweden. One
of the hostages, Kristin Enmark, spoke publicly about
disorganized and dangerous responses to the hostage
taking, by police and government. Kristin became the
first person said to have “Stockholm Syndrome”.
Dr. Wade will summarize his recent conversations with
Kristin to shed a quite different light on the circumstances of the hostage-taking. He will show how
“Stockholm Syndrome” and related ideas, such as
“traumatic bonding” and “learned helplessness”, shift the
focus from social responses by authorities to invented problems in the minds of victims of violence, particularly
women.

13 NOVEMBER 2014, 7:00PM
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Dr Steven Stosny
How to Improve Your Relationship without
Talking about It

Learn how the different
ways that men and
women cope with two
unconscious emotions,
fear and shame, are
ultimately responsible for
poor communication,
intimacy problems,
addictions, affairs, abuse,
and most divorce. This very informative workshop is
based on Dr Stosny’s popular book, How to Improve
Your Marriage without Talking about It. Dr Stosny is a
renowned American therapist, author and media
consultant on relationships, anger and abuse, who
has appeared on the Oprah Winfrey Show, The
Today Show and many others.

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