A reminder that the school newsletter can always be accessed from our website at www.buninyongps.vic.edu.au

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### ORGANISING CLASSES FOR 2016

Term 4 is slipping by and next month the process of organising students into classes for next year will begin. 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, Josh or Dave by Monday, 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 is best for everyone and that 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 2017. If your family is moving on, please let us know as soon as possible.

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### START DATES FOR 2017

We know that some of you will already be planning summer holidays and are keen to know school start dates for 2017.

- Book packs will be available for collection on Friday, January 27 & Monday, January 30 (New preps do not have to collect book packs)
- Teachers are officially back at work on Monday, January 30
- Grade 1-6 students start back on Wednesday, February 1
- Prep students start on Thursday, February 2

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Before School Care Survey

Survey's due THIS FRIDAY
Are you interested in Before School Care?
Please see survey on page 6 of this newsletter.
The BPS School Magazine

Every year Buninyong Primary School gathers stories and pictures together to produce a magazine that celebrates a year of learning, achievement and fun.

This year it is your chance to make this magazine even more special by designing the front cover.

**What to Do:** Get out your creativity and design a front cover which captures what Buninyong P.S is all about.

**Format:** You can choose how your front cover is designed – digital, pencil, pastel, paint – Tip: Sharp colours and lines look better.

**Top Tips:**
- Front cover must include: **School Logo, 2016,** and the school motto: **Dare to Learn.**
- Think about what Buninyong P.S means to you?
- Look at magazines, websites or even old year book front covers for ideas. (Your parents might have some in the cupboard from their school days.)
- Do more than one draft. Ask parents, friends or anyone that will listen for some feedback on how to make your design better.

**What’s the prize?**

The knowledge that you have been chosen to have your design on every school magazine printed this year… one might say you could brag about being a published illustrator!

**Good Luck!!**

**SCHOOL BUSES’**

We are having a lot of confused children as to wether they are to be on the school bus that night, which has lead to children missing the bus home.

Can you please remind your older child/ren that they are catching the bus home that night and to make sure their younger siblings are at the bus shelter straight after school as the **buses must leave by a certain time.**

If your child hasn't got an older sibling, can you please tell them every morning and/or perhaps write them a note so their teacher can remind them just before the bell goes.

Thank you

"If you would like to join me in Run Ballarat. I will be entering the 6km walk. Hopefully with my puppies and children! You still have time to sign up and get active with me and others from our school!

Please sign up through Buninyong Primary School team and I will meet you there!

Mrs Vermeend “
Buninyong South Uniting Church Fair is being held on the Saturday 29th October in our grounds next door to the CFA.

10:30am to 2:30 pm.

The Buninyong school choir will sing, a band, CFA fire trucks will be there, jumping castle, face painting, plants and many other stalls. The Teddy Bear Picnic will be held at 12 o'clock (bring your teddies along). We will have free craft tables and games for the children. The men’s shed would love to have the children hammer a few nails on their display.

Admission is free.

This is a community day and we would love to see you come and enjoy it with us.

Once again we have had a very successful Book Fair.

Thank you to our school community for supporting these Fairs as they are a fantastic way of getting new books into our Library. Whilst we were a little down on what we have taken in the past we did take over $5500 which is a fantastic effort. This has allowed me to take over $1600 in cash to put towards new resources for the Library next year. Without your support this would not be possible.

I would especially like to thank Owen Mauseth who turned up every morning and afternoon to help with the sales. Thank you very much Owen.

Mrs Cassell

Buninyong Primary School has entered a team into the Wednesday after school cricket competition. Games are played from 4.15pm – 6.15pm. All playing gear is provided unless students have their own. Students can also wear their school uniform unless they have a pair of cricket whites.

The season runs from Wednesday October 26th – Wednesday November 30th. The season recommences after Christmas on Wednesday February 8th – Wednesday March 1st.

If your child is interested, please let Shaun O’Loughlin know at the Scotsburn Campus or Jarrod Sing at the Buninyong Campus. If any parents would like to help supervise the students on a Wednesday night, that would also be greatly appreciated.

Shaun’s email address: olooughlin.shaun.m@edumail.vic.gov.au

Jarrod’s email address: sing.jarrod.a@edumail.vic.gov.au

In recognition of their fantastic results at last week’s regional athletics meet Buninyong Primary School would like to congratulate Alice Le Pair, Harry Lee, Campbell Palmer, Scarlett Eason, Georgina Mees and Lucy Richardson on their fantastic effort. Results below:

The three BPS medallists who qualified today for the state athletics finals are:

- Scarlett Eason - 1st in 100m and second in 200m – PB by 2 seconds
- Georgina Mees - 2nd in 800m – PB by 4 seconds
- Lucy Richardson – 2nd in 200m.

Big thanks to all involved. More results coming after the state finals on Monday – Go girls!!!
Welcome to week 3! Lot’s of stuff going on in the next few weeks. Please check the events calendar so that you don’t miss out on some valuable information. Here’s a few things that will be happening—3-4 T20 Cricket, 5-6 Golf, Ecolink excursion, whole school assembly (Thursday 27th), Scotsburn STEM program, Pre-schooler program and most of all fun, engaging classroom activities. For those interested in attending the PLP meeting please feel free to come along—all welcome. (Info below) Thanks again to our fantastic Buninyong Community for their ongoing support with our busy school program.

**WEEK 4— Emergency Management Drill**

Please be aware that during week 4 we routinely practice our emergency management drills. This term it will be a lockdown procedure.

If you have any concerns please contact Josh Ebbels
Ebbels.joshua.r@edumail.vic.gov.au

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**B+ THEME — Body Awareness**

Just a reminder that the next family group assembly will be on Thursday, October the 27th. This fortnightly theme is focussed around Body Awareness. Body awareness is the sense that we have of our own bodies. It is an understanding of the parts that make up one’s body, where they are located, how they feel, and even what they can do.

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**PLP INFORMATION**

Each week we need a Parent Liaison Person to help organise support for our canteen.

PLP’s this week are from
Shaun O’Loughlin’s class
Thankyou: Cathy White

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**PLP MEETINGS**

Week 4 Thursday 27th of October from 2.30pm in the staff room
Week 8 Friday 25th of November from 2.30pm in the staff room.
ebbels.joshua.r@edumail.vic.gov.au
**Parent Meeting**
We have a parent meeting coming up on Thursday 20th October at 3.30pm in Shaun’s classroom. We will be discussing the parent opinion survey results along with preparations for the end of the year. I encourage as many parents as possible to come along (toddlers most welcome).

**Scotsburn Geocaching**
The Scotsburn campus held a geocaching fundraiser on Sunday. Participants enjoyed a morning of non-motorised fun and exercise which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. A lot of time and effort went into the organization and ran so successfully as a result of the great support of so many of our wonderful parents. This event would not have been possible without the tireless efforts of Ms Morris who did a sensational job bringing it all together.

**Congratulations Indi**
Each year Central Highlands Water runs a poster competition in conjunction with National Water Week. Indi Durham was selected as an honourable mention in the Years 1 & 2 category. Indi received a brand new scooter and a show bag filled with water related goodies at a special presentation from Central Highlands Water. Congratulations Indi.

**Canteen Help**
The Scotsburn Campus are scheduled to act as canteen helpers on the 27th October. We require 2 helpers from 11.45am. Please see Shaun if you can help out.

**Pre-schooler Program**
A reminder that the Pre-Schooler program starts this week (Wednesday 12th at 10am). It would be great if some parents were available to come along at 10am to chat and have a tea or coffee with any new parents for 2017 in the old building.

**Spelling Mastery Help Needed**
We are looking for some parent help to lead one of our spelling mastery groups on a Tuesday in the Art room. Please see Shaun if you can help.

**Congratulations Quinn & Felix**
Felix and Quinn represented the School in the MTB Final of the Victorian School Cycling Championships at Bendigo on Saturday 15th of October. Quinn stepped up to claim a silver in the girls U/11 racing category. Felix rode strongly in the U/13 boys racing category to take the bronze medal. This is always a fantastic series for riders of all levels, with both novice and racing categories, so I urge you all to have a go for the 2017 series.

**P/1 Sovereign Hill Excursion**
Our Grade P/1 students visited Sovereign Hill last Friday with the students from the Buninyong campus. They had a brilliant day walking the streets and enjoying the many things to do. Special thanks to the parents that volunteered their time to assist on the day.

**Congratulations Alice & Campbell**
Last Friday, Alice & Campbell competed at the Regional Athletics. They both participated extremely well in strong competition. Alice finished 5th in the long jump and 9th in the 800m and Campbell finished 10th in the 800m.

**ABC Awards**
P/1 – Ella Turner 2/3 – Koby Wenzlick

**ROCCH – William Harrison**

**Term 4 - Rotation Roster**

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**Term 4 - Lunch Order Roster**
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**Term 4 - Important Dates & Extra-Curricular Events**
7th, 14, 21st & 28th Oct - Gr P-6 Fed Uni Stem Program
12th, 19th, 26th Oct & 2nd Nov - Scotsburn 2016 Pre-Schooler Program
4th November - Scotsburn P-2 Sleepover
8th November - Gr P-2 School Sports
11th November - Show Day Holiday
24th November - Gr P-2 Cross Country
24th November - Reports go home
28th Nov – 2nd Dec - Scotsburn Swimming Program
Before School Care Survey
Buninyong Primary

Ballarat YMCA is reaching out for expression of interest in relation to starting a before school care service located onsite at Buninyong Primary School. Before School Care helps kids off to a great start to any child’s school day. A healthy breakfast, along with fun activities are included in the program which has kids prepared and ready to go once the school day starts. If you have any further questions about Before School Care feel free to contact the Ballarat YMCA on 03 5329 2800.

The below is a quick survey to establish if the service would be beneficial to you. We kindly ask that you complete and return to the Buninyong Primary School office by Friday 21st October.

1. Would you be interested in a before school care service? (please circle) Y N
2. Would your booking likely be on a casual or permanent basis? (please circle) Casual Permanent
3. What days would you be likely to attend? (please circle)
   Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

ESTIMATED FEES (Note that these fees are BEFORE Centrelink benefits are applied)

Permanent Booking Casual Booking
$25 $29

Parent/Guardian Name ____________________________
Contact Number ____________________________
Child/ren’s Name ____________________________
Child/ren’s Age ____________________________

Family fun-day Sunday
Buninyong and District Community Bank® along with Buninyong Golf Club invite you to join us for a great family fun day.
‘TEE-UP for kids’

The Tee-Up for Kids Foundation has been established to encourage, both professionally and personally to promote the education, safety and wellbeing of children who are living in out of home care in Victoria.

When: Sunday 30th October
Where: Buninyong Golf Club
Time: 12pm sausage sizzle $2 – Tee off and activities 1pm – 4pm
Cost: $10 per family.

To register your family, please call into the Bank or the Buninyong Golf Course.