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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM BOOKINGS
CLOSE FRIDAY MARCH 4TH

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Friends of BSW,

Our wondrous Twilight Fete rivals birthdays and other significant celebrations in our students’ lives. The following are snippets from a few Junior School, (Foundation to Year 2), diaries.

I helped mummy on one of the stalls. I saw my friend Ruby. Max Leversha

My favourite ride was the giant slide. The slide is big. It takes a long time to get to the top. It makes you want to go on it again. Tristan Ingham

When I was on the giant slide disaster struck. The next person pushed. I kept on going and my bag stuck. Luckily I didn’t get leg burn like Luka but he got arm burn. I do not like snow cones. Ruby Mae Ruse

On Friday I went to the Fete! I went on the sizzler! It was fun! I had dumplings! They were very yummy! I wanted more. Clancy McPhillips

A huge endeavour, our fete was the result of twelve months dedicated work, and years of development. (During the packing up on Friday night, a dad explained to me how, as an engineer, he had an idea for improvement!) Firstly, on behalf of us all, I would like to congratulate and thank our marvellous fete coordinators, Angela Storer* and Fiona Cameron, (Things to Buy), Catherine Pfabe (Things to Do), Catherine Flower and Daisy Grinter* (Food & Drink), Elly Davis*, Heide Osberg, and Sonia Ingham (Sponsorship & Prizes), Dean Anderson and Nicole Minihan (Operations & Equipment) and Jenni Solterbeck and Renae Howard (PR & Communication).

To be successful, such an event requires incredible support. Thank you and congratulations to each and every person
In addition to the Thursday night to Saturday morning roster, which required more volunteers than families in the school, you cooked, baked, stitched, acquired and provided items for sale; you did the training required by legislation; you packed hampers; you gave your children money; you spent money; you signed up family and friends as volunteers. Our students, teachers and admin staff were part of the team. Thank you all.

Our fete abounds in stories.

Eight years ago, parents Carrie Westcott, Jill Livett, Lynne Bonney and Sonia Harford started the pancake stall at the fete. They made an agreement to keep running the stall until all their children had progressed to high school. Carrie’s son Max is now in Year 10; Lynne’s younger child Lewis is in Year 7 and the last children in the Livett/Daniell and Harford/Edgar families are Meg and Thea, both in Year 6! (The pancake stall is looking for a new team.)

Once again, Anna & Jack Papadimitropoulos’ grandmother, Lyn Hughes, and great aunt, Julie Suarez, came down from Ararat and worked on the second hand stall.

Our Indonesian parents enlisted people with no connection to our school to assist on their food stall.

Our South By South West Band, Andrew Watkins, (drums), David Clarkson, (guitar), Greg Banova, (vocals & guitar) Josh Symons, (bass guitar), Robert Martin, (keyboard), and vocalists, Alison Haeusler, Judith Rowe and Tarnii Lee, is community, comprising present and past parents and people who live locally.

The actual fete passes at such speed that I cling to the traces that linger, the chalk signs directing people to the second hand stall and busking, the still-to-be-collected silent auction items, the bits and pieces in my office that have yet to make their way to the fete storeroom on the third floor, the chocolate chip madeleines in my freezer and the pink grapefruit marmalade which is in a cupboard. I believe in squeezing every drop of pleasure from any and everything.

If you have a fete memory to share, please email or drop a hard copy to the office. They’ll be included in future newsletters.

Meeting visitors and people new to Brunswick West, catching up with past students, parents and fete coordinators – Susan Hamid reminded me that she was the person who moved the fete from the grey brick area to the oval - and the sheer pleasure of young and old, make our annual fete the best of community events. Once again I’m reminded of how proud and privileged I am to be a part of Brunswick South-West Primary School.

Everyone is anxious to know the profit so, please, help by bringing any invoices and out of pocket expense dockets to the office ASAP. As you know, all expenses need to be paid first.

*One of the secrets of our fabulous fete is constant renewal. After their most recent success, Angela, Elly and Daisy are retiring from the core fete committee. PLEASE, don’t be modest! Volunteer for this committee. The ever-evolving master plan and support are in place.

Off to China on Tuesday Late last year I received an invitation to attend a think tank/conference for Australian education leaders in Suzhou, China. The conference aims to provide an authentic and engaging experience of Chinese culture while giving attendees the opportunity to network and reflect on the many models of interaction with China. This opportunity seemed too good to miss. Consequently, I’m taking long service leave from Monday, 7th March, until the end of term. I’ll have a few days in Shanghai before the conference starts on Sunday, 13th. The following Saturday I’ll fly to Hong Kong for a few days before returning to Australia.

Once again Judy Harrington will be the Acting Principal during my leave.

Best wishes until Term 2.

Yours sincerely,

Louise Chocholis
Principal
On Monday, March 7th, School photo forms will be sent home with students. They are individual to each child. Please see information attached to this newsletter. Orders can be placed online or sent in to the office with CORRECT CHANGE. BSW doesn’t handle the money. We encourage you to order online.

We have one or two new students who will not get an individual form. You will need to return yours to the office as you won’t be able to order online.

Any enquiries, please see the office.
BOOKS ARE US

Scholastic Book Club brochures will be sent home this week with your child. Just like last year, you can order and pay online and the order will be delivered to the school. Information on this procedure is in the brochure. Any money raised from your purchases will go towards books. Orders need to be registered by Friday March 11th. If you prefer to use option 3, please ensure the order is given to your child's classroom teacher by the 9th March.

This term we have been exploring the 398 section of the library. The P/1/2 children have been reading and viewing fables and the senior school, with Jacinta, have been sharing Myths. Check out the library for some interesting Myths written by the 3-6’s.

LEARN TO COVER BOOKS

We are always adding books to our library collection. These books need to be covered before they can go on the shelves. We desperately need some helpers to cover books. If you think you can help us would you pop in and see Ron on Wednesday morning or contact Chris for more information. Your help is greatly appreciated.

HAPPY READING

Chris

ENGLISH NEWS

The Spotted Pardalotus Punctatus Has Been Sighted in the Brunswick Area

Nesting boxes are going to be installed in some trees (probably the Sugar Gums) in our school ground. The boxes for pardalotus punctatus will have a 30mm diameter tube into the box which will prevent noisy miners and sparrows from entering. See below for more information.

The Spotted Pardalote is a very small bird (8-10cm) weighing only 8g. They have black wings, tail and head that is covered with small, distinct white spots. They also have a pale eyebrow, a yellow throat and a red rump. Both parents share the tasks of building the nest, incubation of the eggs and feeding of the young. They breed from June through to January, laying four eggs that are incubated for 19 days. Fledging occurs after 21 days.

The Spotted Pardalote is one of the smallest of all Australian birds (8-10 cm in length) and one of the most colourful. It is sometimes known as the Diamond bird or the Yellow-rumped Pardalote. Spotted Pardalotes nest in tree hollows which typically take over 100 years to form in very old trees. There are very few large old trees left in inner city Melbourne but Spotted Pardalotes have been spotted at Brunswick South West foraging for lerps and insects in the treetops. It is likely that they are nesting in the few remaining large old trees along the Moonee Ponds Creek and Royal Park.

Brunswick South West has some great plantings of trees that would be suitable habitat for Pardalotes except that they are too young to have yet formed hollows for nests.

Thank you to Kim Anderson and the scout group, who are organising this project.

This exciting event will occur on Thursday March 10th at 6.30pm. If you would like to come along please RSVP Cathy (room 17, junior school.)

NEWS OF THE WORD

How exciting, Dromkeen is reopening on the 19th March. Check out the website for more information on the celebration. dromkeen.com.au

Next week in the library there will be word investigations of all kinds so come in and see how you go.

Chris
Kids Matter

The focus of our first term inquiry units across the Junior and Senior school is personal and interpersonal development. As the year progresses students will continue to be supported to develop these skills.

We want all of our children to value their sense of individuality, to value who they are and where they come from, to appreciate diversity among others and to celebrate their sense of belonging in our school community.

Below are some examples of the individuals who form an important part of our community…. *Every Face Has a Place* contributions from Maurice and Phaedra's F/1/2 class.
Fete Busking

So many students performed at the Fete busking this year. There were jokes, dances, beautiful singing and piano playing. Everyone who graced the stage on Friday night were extremely brave and talented.

Thank you to all the performers: Greer, Ash, Emily, Isla, Sammi, Jacki, Ned, Bonnie, Amelia, Anna, Tameka, Isabelle, Dominic, Sophia, Isabella, Stella, Zoe, Amelia N., Alesha, Meg, Max, Tonmee, Kai, Pheobe, Ruby, Toby, Rowan, Malak, Ruby G. and Miles, Isabelle and Sierra

And thank you so much to the comperes for the night: Lisette, Erin, Ruby, Miles, Esther, Amelia, Isabelle and Sierra

Tune in to encore performances from some of our buskers at school assemblies in the coming weeks.

The Fete Team will have a stall this Friday out the front of school to sell off the various leftovers from the fabulous fete last Friday. Come and have a look! Some craft items, jams, soft drinks, gifts and so on.

Congratulations to Tonya Shaw for guessing the correct weight of our massive school grown zucchini.

She was spot on guessing 4kg

Congratulations to the raffle prize-winners!

1st Prize - Hotel Lindrum, movies etc - Michael de Vries

2nd Prize - Dinner at Kumo Izakaya dinner - Kellee Ireland

3rd Prize - Dinner at Mr & Mrs Howell - Fu Nojima

4th Prize - Dinner at Rumi and movies - Becky Woodyatt

(If anyone knows the first prize winner, please contact Elly Davis on 0434 530 249).

Huge thanks to all those who loaned marquees, eskies, trestles, slow cookers and rice cookers.

Please remember to collect your items from the hall or hall kitchen.
“This is the animals at the fete.”
- Phoebe
Lizzy’s Class

MISSING ESKY

If anyone has seen an Esky with “Luca Vardis” written on it, please contact the office. It has a blue body and white lid and was used during the Fete.

RAINBOW BEAR FOUND

If this is your bear or you know who it belongs to, please contact the office.

As part of the Brunswick Music Festival, High Voltage Rock School will be running band workshops from 11am to 4pm for rockers aged 8 years to 18 years of age.

Click the eventbrite link here to book your 1 hour workshop: eventbrite

All equipment supplied and no experience to absolute pros welcome.
SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING

SCHOOLPIX will be visiting us on Monday, 21st March 2016

PHOTO DAY TIPS:

Dress: Clean and tidy

Hair: Neat and swept off face

Manual Orders: Complete your order form and return with payment to school office ON, OR BEFORE PHOTO DAY. Enclose the correct cash or cheque or credit card details. Cheques should be made out to “Schoolpix”. Please make sure correct money is enclosed and sealed well, as BSWPS does not handle the money.

Online Orders: To pre-order online, take your personal Order and ID Numbers found on your order form and go to www.schoolpix.com.au. Orders can be placed online up to 2 working days after photography. You do not need to return the order form if you order online.

Sibling Orders: For a special photo of you children together, collect a Sibling Order Form from the office or download it from the SchoolPix website and return it on photography day. Alternatively Order Online by 10am on photography day.

There is a 25% family discount to families with 3 or more children who order online.

Remember: All orders placed online will receive a free 20cm x 25cm black and white portrait print.

The photographers take a photo of each class and each student. If you would like to opt out from having your child’s photo taken, please put it in writing to the Principal one week before photography day. Please note that individual student photos are used in the CASES21 School Database.

PO Box 5222, Hallam VIC 3803
Ph: 1300 766 055
Email: info@schoolpix.com.au
PREMIER'S ACTIVE APRIL

Premier’s Active April encourages all Victorians to do 30 minutes of physical activity a day during April. It’s free, it’s fun and it’s part of the Victorian Government’s commitment to get more people active and healthy.

Use the online Activity Tracker to log your daily activity and track your progress throughout the month. Plus, you can create and join teams, compare the progress of team members, discover events near you and win awesome prizes!

Just by registering every participant gets*:

- 10 free passes to a participating YMCA or local government facility
- 15% off at Sportsmart in store and online
- one hour free tennis court hire at Melbourne Park or Albert Reserve
- one free Get into Cardio Tennis session
- a 2 for 1 ticket offer to SEA LIFE Melbourne Aquarium
- a chance to win some great prizes including entry into the draw to win tickets to the 2017 Australian Tennis Open Finals*, a $1,500 bike voucher or a GoPro Camera

Register today at activeapril.vic.gov.au

*Terms and conditions for all prizes and offers apply. Visit activeapril.vic.gov.au for details.

- See more at: https://www.activeapril.vic.gov.au/about/promoting-active-april/#marketing-packs

PREMIER’S ACTIVE APRIL CONSENT FORM

Premier’s Active April is a Victorian Government initiative that encourages Victorians to participate in 30 minutes of physical activity a day during April.

To accompany this form, we recommend you visit www.activeapril.vic.gov.au/schools to download our Information for Parents flyer that explains the health and wellbeing benefits of joining Premier’s Active April and outlines the great incentives and prizes you can win by registering.

This year, our school will be participating in Premier’s Active April and we are asking students to join their school team and get more active and join the fun.

There are two options below showing you how to register and join our school team. Please contact Shar Dickinson (PE Specialist) if you need further information.

Registration and Team Details

Login / Register activeapril.vic.gov.au
Team ID bswps-superstars
Team Name B.S.W.P.S Superstars
Once registered, students will have the option to join multiple teams. We encourage you to register your whole family and create a family team as well, enabling you to share the experience and keep each other motivated.

How to join our school team:

1) If your family are already registered:
   1. Login to the Active April Activity Tracker app using the student’s username and password
   2. Go to the Teams page and select “Request to join a Team”.
   3. Enter the Team ID (see above) and press “Send Request”
   4. A notification will be sent to the teacher who created the team. After the teacher accepts the request, the student will see the team details when they next login.

2) If your family are not registered
   1. Register at activeapril.vic.gov.au – register yourself first, then register family members.
   2. Once registered, your child can use their unique username and password to access the Activity Tracker and program incentives.
   3. In the top right navigation, change “Logged in as:” to the relevant child’s name. You’ll now be viewing the Activity Tracker app as though you are logged in as this user. NB: you may need to refresh the page to see this.
   4. Go to the Teams page and select “Request to join a Team”.
   5. Enter the Team ID (see above) and click “Send Request”.
   6. A notification will be sent to the teacher who created the team. When the teacher accepts the request, the student will see the team details when they next login.

SOCCER CHAMPIONS: FOUNDATION TO GRADE 2

This term several Junior school classes will get the opportunity to be part of the Sporting Schools Program. Melbourne City FC will run clinics for 4 weeks giving the children lots of fun and engaging activities. We will also be purchasing new soccer equipment for the school.

Shar Dickinson

P.E Specialist