PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Parents and Friends of BSW,

World Environment Day, (WED), a UN occasion to promote awareness and action to protect the environment. This year was our first wholehearted celebration of this increasingly important event. At Monday Assembly, the Nature Warriors explained the history and purpose of the day. Next they showed their film of BSW students saying what they liked, and didn’t like, about the environment.

The usual Monday timetable was abandoned until Break 1 in favour of activities with buddy classes. For example, Cathy and Kay’s F – Yr 2 classes and Meg’s Yr 5/6 students had activities about soil, worm farms and leaf litter; Sarah’s Yr 3/4 and Maurice’s F – Yr 2 planted seedlings along the embankment near Moule St. Each buddy group had devised its own event, such as, making windmills, learning how plastic bags damage the environment.

The Senior School continued their environmental studies throughout the day. These included workshops on Waste, BMW Electric Car, Nature and Wellbeing, Biodiversity, including bird watching*, Indigenous Plants and Plant ID and Two Great Ways to Reuse Newspapers.

The driving force behind our celebration was the Sustainability Group, (two branches, Community & Curriculum). They were supported by many, many parents who ran workshops, dug holes, took photos and, generally, assisted with activities. To one and all, thank you for helping:

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to make WED at BSW a great success and, more importantly,
to develop the understanding that each person needs to care for the environment. (Like literacy and numeracy, this is something that needs to be part of every day.)

Sustainability is being incorporated into the school’s operations, as well as the curriculum. The 94 solar panels on the hall roof are just the most recent, significant initiative.

For some years, BSW has been registered in the Schools Water Efficiency Program (SWEP). This means that data loggers are attached to our school’s water meter to track how much water is being used. The loggers transmit a daily file each night, which is uploaded into the SWEP website ready for access the following day.

A few weeks ago, on a Monday, the school received a message that our SWEP system had detected constant water loss of a minimum of 140 litres/hour from the Friday evening to midnight Sunday and that it was likely that the loss was continuing. Before calling the plumber we were instructed to check fittings such as toilets to ensure none was stuck or had a leaking seal. (This is the most common cause of water loss in schools.) Judy and I shared the job and the water loss was halted.

Yours sincerely

Louise Chocholis
Principal

*I’d borrowed binoculars so that I could improve my poor bird identification skills. I was disappointed when I was unable to join the session.

SURVEY REQUEST

This survey, from the Engagement Subcommittee of School Council, is designed to look to the future and help us work out how BSWPS can be better at engaging with parents.

This has the potential make a big difference to your kids’ education and make your life easier through more effective and easy to access engagement, and contribute to our community.

The survey will only take 2 minutes and can be accessed using this link:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SKPKCWH

If you do not have internet access, or are having trouble accessing the link, please see admin in the school office for assistant.

Your responses are required by Friday, 10th June.

Thankyou
The BSW Engagement Subcommittee.

LOST & FOUND

This jacket was left by a parent at the Cross Country. Is it yours? Please come to the office to claim it.
ELECTION DAY NEWS

People interested in volunteering their time to help with the BBQ on election day, July 2nd, please contact Kylie Moreland at kylie.moreland@bigpond.com.

People interested in volunteering their time to help with the cake stall, please contact Catherine Pfabe at caffab@gmail.com. Please let me know if you can contribute cakes and/or jams, preserves etc.

Thank-you to all the people who have already contacted us.

SMALL JARS NEEDED

We are in need of small glass jars (250ml or less) for the Election Day Stall. Please drop them off at the office. Your help is much appreciated!

PUPIL FREE DAY

We are having a Curriculum Day on Monday, 11th July, therefore this is a pupil free day. Camp Australia will run child care for the day providing we get a minimum of 18 students.

If you are an existing Camp Australia customer, please log into the website, using your Account number and password, and head to the Casual booking section to make a booking for the day. Or alternatively, complete the form attached and return to the office.

Booking should be made by Friday, 17th June at the latest.

SENIOR SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS SHOW

Thursday, 23rd June
In the HALL
2.30pm

ALL FRIENDS & FAMILY WELCOME
Come & enjoy a quirky show about energy!

CIRCUS & DRAMA

Re-enrolment forms for Term 3 went home this week. Please return them with payment by Friday, 17th June. If your child is not re-enrolling, please let me know either by phone or email brunswick.sw.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Thanks
Heather

LITERACY SPOT

A great way to practise your spelling is to think of rhyming words. For example day, play, say etc... Choose five words you would like to focus on and write a list of rhyming words for each. Look at the different letter patterns!
Musician of the Week…

Aiofe Martin

Q1. What do you play?
   A: Piano.

Q2. When did you start playing?
   A: This year.

Q3. Do you do it out of school?
   A: Yes, I do.

Q4. Do you like it?
   A: Yes, I do because I can learn lots of different tunes and it’s interesting.

Q5. Is there anyone else in your class that plays piano?
   A: Coco and Lily.

Q6. What’s your favourite piece of music?
   A: I like playing the song ‘Rockets’.

Interviewers: Sierra Lozada, Ellen Clarkson and Kate Arnott
World Environment Day

World Environment Day is celebrated annually (every year) on June 5th and was created to inspire people around the globe to become active about the environment and learn more about ways they can help to ensure the future of our planet is safe.

The very first World Environment Day took place in 1973, inspired by the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment that took place the year before starting on June 5th. Each year the United Nations pick a theme and a host city where environmental topics can be discussed, followed by different kinds of exhibits and displays to promote environmental awareness, in many ways very similar to Earth Day. This year (2015) World Earth Day discussions will be hosted by Italy, and the theme is Seven Billion Dreams. One Planet. Consumer with Care, environmentalists, academics and scientists will come together to bring new ideas to the table concerning the environment.

Even though the United Nations pick a specific host city every year, people around the world still celebrate World Environment Day in their hometowns with parades, concerts, clean up and recycling initiatives, tree planting groups and all kinds of green action initiatives that are meant to promote and inspire people in every community to work towards maintaining our beautiful planet and battling pollution.

World Environment Day is not a public holiday, so you won’t be getting the day off school, but if you want to celebrate why not bring it to the attention of your parents, teachers and classmates? World Environment Day is all about working together to take action for the planet, so try to get everyone you know interested in helping make a difference. Something as small as making sure people have a way to recycle in your school can make a difference. You could also try beautifying your neighbourhood by planting gardens, learn about organic and local foods, or raise money for a local wildlife and conservation charity or simply learning about the effects of different products on the earth.

Remember, we only get one planet, so let’s keep it clean and beautiful for generations to come!

Article source: Kidzworld.com
On Monday, BSWPS celebrated **World Environment Day**. Thank-you to all the students, parents, teachers and community members who helped make the day memorable. Learning about sustainability and caring for nature was evident, in many different forms and styles.
World Environment Day

Wind Farms

Yesterday, Monday 6th June we learnt about wind farms. If the wind is too strong it will blow the blades off. Wind farms convert wind into power. We made a mini wind farm out of kinder squares, stick, a pin and a bead. It was really fun! We planted our wind farm next to the tennis court. Wind farms need good wind, not too strong and not too light. They have to be where there are not too many objects around them because it blocks the wind. They also have to be somewhere up high. We had a great time working with our buddy class.

Fai & Elijah

Yesterday we were learning about wind farms. It is good to put it where there is a strong and steady wind. It is also good to put it in the grass. Wind turbines are really tall. What we learnt about wind turbines is they need be on the coast and some are 100 meters tall. They turn the wind into our energy. We made pinwheels and these looked like wind turbines. We planted these into the ground to make our own wind farm. It was fun learning about wind turbines.

Deblina & Piper

World Environment Art Competition

Create a beautiful picture using Nature as your focus. Be creative, please paint, draw, or use collage materials. The Nature Warriors will be judging the art on creativity and effort. The artwork should be no bigger than A3. There is a junior school, 3/4 and 5/6 category. The junior school winner will win a planting experience for their class, and the 3/4 & 5/6 winners will win a cooking experience with a chef for their class.

The competition closes on Friday, June 17th.

All entries need to be given to Chantel in room 3. Please make sure your full name, class teacher and year level are clearly marked on your artwork.

Good Luck!
Date: Monday, 11\textsuperscript{th} July, 2016

Program Times: 7.30am - 6.00pm

Cost: $51.00 per child per day
(Child Care Benefit is available to reduce this fee)

Phone enquiries: The OSHC number 9389-3329

Please note that we can only offer childcare if we get a minimum of 18 students. If there is a lack of interest and the day is cancelled, you will be contacted by telephone.

The following children will require care for: Monday, 11\textsuperscript{th} July, 2016

Child/ren name: ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

My child/children will attend between the hours ______am - ______pm

For your child’s safety all children must be registered with the OSHC program in order to attend. If your child/ren are not currently registered, please contact the Coordinator for an enrolment form.

All bookings are required by: Friday, 17\textsuperscript{th} June, 2016

The cost for the program will be added to your next invoice.
Fee Reductions are available through the Child Care Benefit for families registered to the service. For further information on CCB please contact the FAO on 136150

Submitting this form confirms your child’s attendance in the Curriculum Day Program.
Please note 7 days notice is required to cancel your booking otherwise without a medical certificate the full fee will be incurred.

PARENT/ GUARDIAN/ AUTHORISED SIGNATORY………………………………………………………………………………………………

Parent Phone No’s ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Date ____________________________
AFL Victoria’s Holiday Program is back bigger and better for the Term 2 School Holidays. The program is for boys and girls aged 5-12 and runs from 9:00AM-3:00PM. Each of our venues across the state are expected to fill fast.

Venues include:
Box Hill, Essendon FC, Footscray, Moorabbin and many more!!

Register now at www.aflvicholidayprograms.com.au