Dear Parents and Friends of BSW,

**Welcome back!** At BSW, whatever the day, Wednesday, Friday, the term starts with assembly; this post-holiday gathering of three hundred and sixty students pulses with exhilarating energy and excitement.

Now, when we’re refreshed and at our best, is the time to re-establish the routines that support learning:

- A good night’s sleep
- Eating breakfast
- Arriving at school in time to chat with friends, (a relaxed start to the day with no worries about being late) *

An eventful term is ahead, with many special activities. Rather than detailing any, I invite you to use the calendar on the school’s website, [www.brunswicksw-ps.vic.edu.au](http://www.brunswicksw-ps.vic.edu.au)

If you click on the calendar icon on the home page, the current month’s events will be displayed; each event may include further information. To see a future month’s events, you need to click through to the particular month, and then click on the first day of the month for all the events to be displayed.

This term, as a staff, we will be making concerted efforts to update the calendar and associated information so that it will be useful for you.

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### PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

#### CALENDAR

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Thank you to our Election Day fundraisers
An election during the holidays? I can’t recall another! Thank you to everyone who made that special effort during the holidays to help with the cake stall, barbeque and music fundraiser. As well as helping our school, you improved the wait for voters which, I believe, was an hour.

*Students don’t like arriving late to school. However, this morning, the second day of term, at least 34 students arrived after the bell. (These were the ones I counted when I glanced occasionally out the window.)*

Where the Forest Meets the Sea This picture story book by Jeannie Baker was published in 1987. It features two of Australia’s World Heritage natural attractions. If you know what they are, please tell your child!

2017 Preps If you have a child who will be starting school next year, please phone for, or collect, an enrolment form at your earliest convenience.

Special Wishes to the Muslims in our community, who celebrated Eid-al-Fitr last Wednesday, which was the first day of the month of Shawwal. This marked the end of the month-long fast of Ramadan.

*Yours sincerely*

Louise Chocholis
Principal

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**SCIENCE NEWS**

**SNOTBOT**
Quadcopters for Whale Snot

Tasting snot to test for health?

It might not sound like the most appealing science, but clever thinking and quadcopters have made it possible – for whales, at least!

Whales have been one of the trickiest mammals to study. Despite being the largest creatures on Earth, they can be very had to track, let alone run health tests on. This is where remote technology, such as a quadcopter, comes in handy.

Nicknamed ‘SnotBot’, this invention flies straight into the ‘blow’, or snot, rapidly expelled by a whale when it breathes. “SnotBot is used to collect whale DNA, without disrupting the whale,” says Dr Iain Kerr, from Ocean Alliance. “This invention means that we can collect all kinds of biological information about whales from their nasal spray, without the whale even knowing it has been sampled.”

This is just one example of the science we can do with innovative technologies: accessing new and detailed information about animals, without disrupting them.

*Article source: DoubleHelix Science by email*

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**GUPPIES AVAILABLE**

Bonnie and Ned’s Guppies have had A LOT of babies. If you have a working tropical fish tank and would like some baby guppies please let Ned or Bonnie know or call Emma on 0424382195 to arrange a pick up time. The babies may need to be protected from bigger fish in your tank. You can do this by putting them in a nursery tank to separate them or just put a mossy plant into your the tank so that they have somewhere to hide until they get bigger.
I Can Hear the Bells

Make sure you are around to hear the bell music this week!

It has been played by Annie’s students from Creative Music.

You will hear music played by Hugo Reeves, Oliver Reeves, Lily Reeves, Coco Balmain, Lottie Seligman, Nelson Ballueer, Kate Arnott and Emma Seligman.

Musician of the Week…

Maeve

Q1. What do you play?

Q2. When did you start playing?
A2. This year.

Q3. Do you take lessons?
A3. No.

Q4. Do you like it?
A4. Yes because you can make weird sounds.

Q5. Where do you keep your instrument?
A5. In the kitchen.

Q6. Who else plays it in your family?
Big thanks to all the people who contributed to a very successful cake stall and BBQ on Election day.

Thanks to Amanda Frittolini for all her help with floats and for getting up early to open everything. Thanks for the cakes too, Amanda.

Thanks also to:
Heather Macfarlane for all her help and contributions to the stall
David Clarkson for helping set-up
Duncan Adams for being the runner on the day
Karen Seligman for publicity and
Natalie Kruger for her label-making.

Thanks to all who made cakes and slices, cordials and marmalades, cookies and honey joys:

- Julie Crouch
- Lucinda Pridmore
- Mustafa Hamoui
- Sonia Harford
- Monique Doney
- Lara Stockdale
- Michelle Fros-Salvatore
- Kath Navarro
- Robyn Stewardson
- Jill Livett
- Tram Nguyen
- Sally Thomas
- Jenni Solterbeck
- Yumiko Sakurai
- Kellee Ireland
- Clare Land
- Andrea Thomsen
- Dee Zschunke
- Nia Markwick

Thanks to Lucinda, Michelle, Kath, Clare, Tram, Jenni, Kate, Dee and all the kids who manned the stall.

Thanks to all the BBQ helpers:

- Felicity Kingsford
- Casey O’Farrell
- Maaike Weink (and Jan and Margot)
- Monique Doney
- Salome Brock
- Vincent Cairns
- Jenny Baker
- Lara Stockdale
- Hudson Vicery

Thanks again to all the kids who helped.

Thanks to the fantastic BSWPS Community Band:

- David Clarkson
- Rob Martin
- Cass Bowman
- Greg Banova
- Alison Haueser
- Jude Rowe
- Andrew Watkins

Special thanks to James Jackson and Paul Junor.

Thanks BSWPS community for making this a great day.

*Catherine Pfabe and Kylie Moreland*