Dear Parents

**MARC Van**
The MARC Van has been a valuable program in promoting literature and the joy of reading for many years at Buln Buln Primary School. Unfortunately due to our growing population we are no longer eligible to run the program here. We have been extremely lucky to have fantastic MARC Van teachers who have engaged our students. Tuesday, December 6th and Wednesday, December 7th will be our last MARC Van sessions. We would like to have all books returned by then. We also encourage you to come and say thank you to Phil – it is not farewell as I am sure we will see him next year when his grandchildren need picking up.

**Working Bee – 2.30p.m. to 6pm.**
We are having a working bee on Friday, December 9th. The aim of the session is to dismantle the seating in the F-2 and art room courtyards. This will allow us to replace the wood with ekodeck – an anti-slip, maintenance free external decking.

If you are unable to help on the night but can assist at other times there are some other jobs which we would love to have completed:
- Weeding;
- Hedge trimming;
- Sweeping;
- Gutter cleaning;
- And power washing of concrete areas.
- Cobwebs

**Step Up Day**
Next Tuesday, December 6th is the Statewide Transition Day. All students will be spending time and getting to know their 2017 classroom teacher.

**Car Parking**
Thank you parents! It is wonderful to see the kiss and ride zone being used correctly.

Nicole Ball,
Acting Principal
**Reading Awards:**

**200 Nights Reading:** Gracie, Amelie, Charley, Ari, Declan, Harrison and Toby.

**100 Nights reading:** Stella

**ICARE Value awards:**

James, Tanesha, Kadia, Annalisa, Jack, Rhys, Lyrali and Nathan.

Some of the reasons for the awards are:

- A great transition into our school. It’s good to have your insights and input.
- You have many excellent learning behaviours.
- Always showing intrigue and attention to new learning
- Using independent strategies when editing and revision your poetry.
- Taking pride in your work by editing your writing carefully
- Displaying excellent ICARE values
- Striving for excellence
- Taking on feedback

**Library – End of Year Stocktake**

It is library stocktake time again! Please have a good hunt for all books belonging to the school and return them as soon as possible. There will be no more borrowing of library books this year. Many thanks.

**Parent Club**

**Donations for Christmas Raffle**

We are currently seeking donations for our Christmas Raffle to be drawn on Monday 19th December. All donations can be left at the office.

**End of Term Luncheon**

We are not having an End of Term Luncheon this year BUT we will be having a BBQ at the Awards and Grade 6 Presentation picnic on Monday 19th December from 5.00p.m. Expression of interest forms will go out to families to get approx. numbers of family and friends.

**Parent Club Christmas Breakup**

Unfortunately this has had to be cancelled as it clashed with other community events.

**OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE**

The year is drawing to a close very quickly! Our foundation children, as well as our new children, have settled in well and enjoyed participating in our Program due to the inclusive and empathetic nature of our “older” children making this transition to school and our Program a lot smoother. We look forward to the challenges of our new group in 2017. Our children who have been in care in previous years have also enjoyed a variety of activities. Would families please remember to book/cancel as early as possible to be assured of a place for everyone's children. This can be done either
through the School phone number from 7am to 6pm, or directly to Lyn Mitchard via a
text message on 0427268410 out of business hours. During Outside School Hours Care,
staff can be contacted on the school phone number.

Lost Property
OSHCH staff pick up a number of jumpers each night that are left in the playground,
many with no names which makes it extremely hard to find their rightful owners.

Invoices will be sent out shortly so that all accounts can be finalised before the end of
term. If families wish to discuss payment of accounts, please speak to Lyn Weller in the
Office.

On the last day of term, After School Care runs from 2.30 till 6pm with general clean
ups occurring during the program.

Thanks Lyn Mitchard & Helen Newitt

FROM THE CHAPLAIN
This week in the junior cooking session students prepared Sausage Rolls & Double Choc
Brownies. Thanks to my parent helpers Naomi Cafarella and Jen Christensen the
children had a great cooking experience and enjoyed some delicious food.

Next Monday 5th December the students who will be preparing a snack to eat for lunch
or to take home include; George, Phoenix, Tyler, Ethan and Thomas. I’ve had one offer
of assistance but it is helpful to have two helpers for this session which runs from 11:30
until 1:30. If parents or grandparents of these students would like to assist please send
a message via the office or an email to kingwillbj@hotmail.com

Barbara Kingwill – Chaplain BBPS

Scienceworks Excursion
Grades Prep/One/Two
November 24th 2016

Last Thursday Grades Prep, One and Two set off on a bus trip to Scienceworks in the
city. It was a long, but entertaining bus trip as we enjoyed watching the traffic and all
the interesting things we could see out the windows.
At Scienceworks we watched a show in the Planetarium all about space and learnt
about the stars and different constellations as well as planets we can look out for at
night.
After the show we were able to explore Scienceworks. There were so many things to
touch, turn, push, watch, measure and listen to. We visited an area called Sportsworks
where we could challenge ourselves either running, pulling, pushing, wheel chair racing,
and so much more. The other area we visited was called Nitty Gritty Super City. It was
like a city and we were able to build and play in different sections. There was a model
city of Melbourne made entirely of Lego.
Thankyou to all the parents for their supervision and to the children who were so well
behaved.
Find the real meaning of Christmas
at Warragul Uniting Church
150 Sutton Road, Warragul, P.O. Box 301, Warragul.

When: 1st & 8th December  4.00 - 5.30pm
What: Games, Craft, Stories, Songs
Who: Primary aged children
Cost: $5 per session/child

Come and enjoy/height the real meaning of Christmas in a fun setting.