Dear Parents
Welcome back to term 2, which will be extremely busy with Naplan for years 3 & 5 students, The Taste of Good Food cooking programme, Prep – 2 incursions and excursions, grade 3/4 excursion, education week and Labour Day thrown in for good measure. Term concludes with the usual 2.30pm finish on Friday 25th June. The term dates and events are included in the parent calendar on Sentral.

Welcome
This term we welcome Miss Wise and Mrs McIntyre to Buln Buln. Miss Wise will be in the grade 1/2 classroom whilst Mrs Renshaw is on long service leave. Mrs McIntyre is replacing Mrs Johnston in her specialist role. Mrs Johnston has replaced Mrs Harford in the classroom for the remainder of the year.

Student Awards
Congratulations to award winners from the last week of Term 1:
Alex, Tyler –, Nikyha, Sam, Blake, Luke, Raffi, Cody and Makenna.

House Points Winners
The result of the last week of Term 1’s house point competition is:
1st place – Falcon
2nd place – Harrier
3rd place –
4th place – Kite / Kestrel
The ongoing totals for the competition are:
1st place – Falcon / Kestrel
2nd place –
3rd place – Kite
4th place – Harrier

Many thanks to the Baxter family for helping to keep our grounds neat and tidy.
**House Captains**
The House Captains will perform their first ‘official’ community duty when they lay the Anzac wreath at the war memorial in Warragul. I look forward to joining them for the march and ceremony. We will share their experience in the next newsletter.

**Naplan Dates**
The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an everyday part of the school calendar since 2008. NAPLAN tests the skills reading, writing, spelling and numeracy. The assessments are undertaken nationwide, every year, in the second full week in May. The test dates for this year are:
- Tuesday May 12th – Language Conventions & Writing
- Wednesday May 13th – Reading
- Thursday May 14th – Numeracy

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas (or ‘domains’) of:
- reading
- writing
- language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation)
- numeracy.
You can visit this site to get a sense of the ‘look and feel’ of the tests and to understand what types of questions are asked:

**Marc Van Days**
In term 2 Marc Van days continue to be every other Tuesday for grades prep – 2 (14th, 28th April, 12th, 26th May, 9th, 23rd June) and every other Wednesday for grades 3-6 (15th, 29th April, 13th, 27th May, 10th, 24th June). These weeks are the same weeks as the newsletter publication.

**Uniform and Personal Items**
As this term begins it is a good time to remind our students about issues around uniform. As the cooler weather creeps in please can additional warmer items of clothing adhere to our blue and red colour scheme. Jewellery is strongly discouraged, and it is expected that this would be limited to stud earrings, in the case of pierced ears, and watches. As well as health and safety considerations, the school and education department do not hold insurance for items that are lost or broken. Makeup should not be worn. If there is a cultural or medical need, this can be discussed with myself and the classroom teacher. Long hair should be tied back for safety, and also it helps us be ever vigilant and active in discouraging head lice. If uniform is lost or outgrown, we hold a small amount of second hand items in school. Hip Pocket Work Wear has a full range of our current items.
Insurance is also not held for personal Ipods, I pads, telephones etc. Students should only bring this to school if they have sought permission to do so from their class teacher. Permission is only granted in exceptional circumstances for these to be in school.

**Assembly**
Assembly is now held on Friday afternoons. It will start at 2.55 and finish no later than 3.25 so that students are back at their classrooms in time for the bell to go home. The days that each grade has an assembly item will be published in the Sentral calendar.
and in the newsletter.

**Free Dress Day**
Thanks to everyone who supported the fundraiser for neurofibromatosis. The total raised is $250.45.

**Easter Egg Raffle**
The Easter raffle was a great success, especially for a few students who collected more than one chocolate prize! Thanks for the donations of prizes, for the hard work put in by Parent Club in selling tickets, wrapping and organising, and to all of you who bought tickets and supported the school.

Have a great week
Drew Allison - Principal

**Gardening and outside jobs**
Are you keen to help with keeping our school clean and tidy?
Every second Friday afternoon 2.30pm – 3.30pm commencing this Friday 17th April parents are welcome to help out with a variety of gardening and outside jobs. This will be the same Friday of MARC van and the same week that the newsletter is published. There are a mixture of jobs that need to be done and will be co-ordinated by a small group of parents. All equipment will be supplied. We just need the people to help out.
Hope to see you Friday afternoon.
Melissa Elliott and Teresa Martyn

**Parent Club**
Many thanks to all families who donated Easter eggs and bought raffle tickets. $1,129 was raised from this activity. What a fantastic effort.
Our AGM is on Wednesday 22nd April at 2p.m. All welcome to come along and enjoy the fun.

**Lost** – a Denim Jacket size 10. If found please return to the office.

**Wanted** – if you have any washed plastic milk containers please leave at the office.

**Bookclub** – Please return all order and monies to your child’s classroom teacher by 22nd April. Thank you.

**Buln Buln Tennis Club Inc.**
Congratulations to Section 5 for playing in the grandfinal. They didn’t win but all played an exciting and excellent game. Congratulations to Prae White, Patrick Ireland, Aaron Newitt and Max Albert. A special well done to two little
girls who turned up every week to training to learn how to hit a ball and some tennis rules. They didn’t play this season but hopefully they will be on the courts next season ready for the Saturday matches – thank you Matilda Kay and Brielle Thexton. Section 9 girls who played really good. Prell White who has played for a couple of seasons was a great help to the team with Charley Kay, Keely and Makenna Savage. Also well done to Abby Henshall on her first season. They all listened and practised everything they were shown and had all improved 100%. Congratulations to all the junior tennis players and we hope to see you all next season.

FROM THE CHAPLAIN
In keeping with the Italian themed cooking session I will say Ciao from the Taste of Good Food cucina. The students not only prepared a fantastic Italian feast but they also practiced some language skills and welcomed the special lunch guest with a buongiorno Signora Weller. The three course lunch included Zucchini Soup served with Bruschetta, a main course of Herbed Fusilli Pasta followed by a dessert of Chocolate Panna Cotta. We also made some handmade Orecchiette pasta.

The pasta is named after pigs ears as it vaguely resembles this shape. It is a traditional type of pasta from the southern region of Puglia in Italy and it is made using only flour, semolina and water. Unlike other pastas this recipe does not contain any eggs. If you would like the recipe and the method of forming this pasta you can find this on the web at http://www.marthastewart.com/993991/how-make-orecchiette-pasta
I would also like to take this opportunity to offer a word of thanks, or rather Grazie, to my helper Megan Duncan. With her assistance the children had a great cooking experience and a delicious meal.

The students who will be preparing an Indian lunch next Monday 20th April will be; Luke, Annalisa, Olivia, Daniel, Patrick, Flynn, Elildh and Dana. Parents of these students may only wish to send a snack for morning tea that day so please take note. I am also in need of parent helpers for this session (11:30am – 2:00pm). If parents or grandparents of any of these students would like to assist with cooking please send a message via the office or email to advise me kingwillbj@hotmail.com.

Because there is no newsletter next week I will also add the students who will be cooking a British lunch on Monday 27th April; Mackenzie, Lachlan, Monique Taylor, Ryan, Thomas, Taylah, Nikyha and Dougal. Again I in need of parent helpers for this session and would appreciate an email regarding this.

Barbara Kingwill – Chaplain BBPS
Parents of
Grade 5 & 6 Students
and interested community members
are invited to

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