Dear Parents

Parent Morning Tea
Thank you to the parents who came to our morning tea last Thursday. For me it was a great opportunity to discuss issues that have arisen throughout the school year. Some of these concerns were new to me so I really appreciated the input from parents when issues were spoken about from earlier in the year. If you were unable to attend but would like to discuss anything, please come and see me.

Hockey
Through the Sporting Schools Transition Programme all students in the school are participating in a hockey program. The Programme is being run by the Gippsland Bulls Hockey Club. The sessions have been incorporated into our weekly physical education classes and students appear to be having an enjoyable time.

Cricket
Yesterday students in grade five and six participated in a cricket clinic.

The clinic was organised through Cricket Victoria and coincides with the MiloT20 tournament being held this Wednesday. We have two teams competing in the tournament – we hope they enjoy the day.

School Self-evaluation
After discussions at Staff Meetings and School Council, we have decided to survey our School Community with the following questions for our School Self-evaluation:

What is great about our school?
What do we do that you value?
Is there anything you would change about our curriculum?
When your child graduates at the end of grade six what do you believe he/she should have learned and experienced with us?
If you could change one thing about this school, what would it be?

We are using survey monkey as the vehicle for our survey. The link to access the survey will be emailed home this week. The survey will remain open until Friday, October 30th.

Wellbeing News
At last week’s School Council Meeting the Buln Buln Primary School vision and values statement was ratified. This is the culmination of work that Gillian Connolly and the wellbeing team have been concentrating on throughout the year. The vision and values reflect the information collated from the staff, parent and student surveys conducted earlier in the year. We would like to thank Kelly Alfris for being a parent representative on the wellbeing team as it was important for parents to have a voice during this process. Unfortunately, due to work commitments, Kelly is unable to continue as a member of the wellbeing team. If you are interested in being a parent representative on this team, please contact me. The wellbeing team meet every 2nd Tuesday from 3:45.
Regional Zone Sports

Congratulations to Nikya, Vinnie, Keely and Montanna who competed last Tuesday in the Zone Athletics Sports at Newborough.

Their results:
- Nikya: 4th in Discus and 4th in Shot Put.
- Vinnie: 10th in 1500m and 12th in 200m.
- Keely: 5th in Long Jump
- Montanna: 1st in 80m Hurdles.

Great job to all of you and especially Montanna who now goes onto State Finals on October 26th. Good Luck.

Nicole Ball
Acting Principal

100 & 200 Nights of Reading:

Congratulations to the following for a great effort:

100 Nights of Reading:
- Rhemy

200 Nights of Reading:
- Stella, Max and Cody.

Merit awards:
School Council Report
We had a productive School Council Meeting last week. We approved getting a second phone line – this means we no longer have a fax at the school. The school vision and values statement was ratified. The School Sunsmart Policy was approved – a copy has been attached to this newsletter. Our next meeting is Tuesday, November 10th at 7pm.

Working Bee
We will be holding a working bee on

Sunday, November 15th from 9am—12pm.

A list of jobs that need to be completed is at the Office—please come in, look at the list and write your name on the job you would like to complete. We also welcome people to come and do a general tidy up. Please BYO shovels, rakes, blowers, brooms, pressure cleaners etc.

From the Chaplain
Just as a reminder, next Monday 26th October the students who will be preparing a snack to eat for lunch or take home include: Joshua, Max, Evie, Connor, Brielle, James, Blake and Emma. I am in need of one more helper 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

Piano Lessons at school...
Enrolments now open for Term 4
Learning an instrument can improve academic, physical and social skills, refine discipline and patience, and enables creativity.

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Japanese children hang Koi (fish) windsocks to celebrate Children’s Day. In Art our students have been creating their own Koinobori to celebrate International Children’s Week.

Next week students are encouraged to donate a toy they no longer use, to raise funds for the school wellbeing program or to be donated to children who are less fortunate than themselves. Please leave all donations on the stage in the Great Space and ensure they are safe, clean and in good repair.

PLEASE DONATE A TOY!