Dear Parents,

We are nearly at the end of the first Semester for 2015. We hope you all enjoy a great Term 2 holiday – I know the children are tired, but proud of their ‘learning’ this term. Well done on a great first Semester of work.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parents are very welcome to make an interview time to meet with the classroom teacher at any time during the year if you want 1-1 feedback with the teacher about your child’s progress. We encourage you to do this is if you would like to discuss your child at any time. In June and December, 3 Way Interviews will be held where children will lead the discussion about their learning and goal setting for future learning.

3 WAY INTERVIEWS

STUDENT FEEDBACK

It is that exciting time of the year again when students and teachers are able to give feedback about their progress. On June 25th our 3 Way Reporting will give students opportunity to explain their learning goals and achievements as well as setting future goals. Portfolios will provide examples of this semesters work which has been done by students. Teachers have written student reports which will sit alongside portfolios and student’s goal setting.

**School will be dismissed at 1.00pm** on June 25th. Please make sure you have made an appointment for the 3 Way Reporting.
SCHOOL REVIEW

We are gathering feedback about our school and looking forward to future planning. Parents are welcome to complete a survey, which can be collected from the office. Following are comments made by our students:

What do you love about BMPS?

- Everything
- The Teachers
- The Play grounds
- The fair rules – Hands off, No bullying, No name calling
- How the kids are always trying to do their best and encourage each other
- Specialist classes eg. Kitchen, Garden, PE
- Very nice teachers
- Great place to have fun
- Great teachers and learn great things
- Helpful and caring teachers
- The chance to do a lot of stuff
- Everyone follows the school motto
- Something to look forward to each week day
- Seeing friends
- The School Council’s ideas
- All the learning and sporting opportunities
- Colourful school yard
- The buildings
- The way the whole school operates. The specialists, the yards, the classrooms, the teachers and students
- Fantastic teachers and friends
- Learning
- The art around the school
- PE and Art
- the History
- being allowed to play on Masons Lane

What is one thing you would keep and why?

- The classrooms, they are so pretty.
- The teachers because they are great at teaching and they are so kind and they make sure everyone is on their best behaviour.
- The Principals because they make sure everything is going smoothly.
- Like to keep the house points because it makes kids try their best and work hard.
- Grade 5 and 6 Sport, it’s cool to play other schools.
- Can’t choose anything because everything is so good.
- The library because it has a lot of books with information that can help with projects.
- Our school song because it represents our school and says who we are.
Our school motto “Consider Others”. It represents our school showing who we are and what we’re like.

Playgrounds because it keeps people amused.

Art because it expresses people’s feelings.

The computers so we can find stuff more easily.

Both rope playgrounds.

3-6 gallery it has books and they are educational.

Gym because it is big enough for the whole school.

All the ways the teachers teach and treat students because it helps B.M.P.S be the highest of their abilities.

The back oval because we play a lot of sport there.

The memory of this school because I am going to miss it.

The specialist because it’s a bit of fun and good to get out of the classroom.

Sport to keep you fit.

Everything because it’s all fun.

The staff because we wouldn’t be here if we didn’t have staff.

All my books because it will help me remember BMPS.

What is one thing you like to change or add and why?

Nothing, everything is perfect.

All grades should have art and science weekly.

Each period should go longer because in specialists they are always in a bit of a rush and we want to do a good activity.

Woodwork class for senior students because students would have fun while learning good techniques.

Some proper soccer goals at the back of the oval for the people who can’t go down to Mason’s Lane.

Add on a classroom or two so we can keep our year levels organised.

History class, it teaches us lots ready for the next year.

Bigger gym, to have two classes.

Sitting areas so friends can chat.

House captains should get their name on their badge.

Science room small and dull.

I would change science class so we do more amazing things and have fun!

Add another 30 minutes to sport.

I would make it so we have a different teacher for each subject like English, Maths and more.

I would like to change the playgrounds because some are a bit boring.

Swings because they’re fun

A tyre swing because it’s fun

A tyre swing because they are the best

I would like to add clocks in every classroom because we can see the time for recess and lunch.
KARATE CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to Memphis Menz and Phoenix Menz for their success in the Australian Schools Karate Championship. Memphis came 3rd and 3rd in the Australian Open and Phoenix came 4th in both the Australian Open and Schools Championship.

They are both going to Adelaide in August to represent Victoria at the 2015 Australian Karate Federation National Championships. Best wishes to you both.

CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to Ashton Craig who is heading to State Champions for Cross Country. Good Luck Ashton.

BMPS EQUESTRIAN TEAM

Our Equestrian Team is competing again on July 1st. Max, Penny, Lily and Abbey are show jumping and the whole team, including Brooke are competing in novelties and handy mount. Best wishes to you all and good luck.

STAFFING

We welcome back Tiffany Vines next term who is taking over Jayde Clayton’s class for the rest of 2015. We wish Jayde all the best for her exciting new addition to her family.

EARLY DISMISSAL REMINDERS

3 Way Reporting – June 25th - 1pm dismissal

Last Day Term 2 – June 26th – 2.30pm dismissal

CHINESE CHILDREN'S VISIT
WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP PLEASE!

We are again hosting children from our Sister School in Nanjing - Langya Road PS. We will host 20 children and three teachers. We are looking for host families to look after the children. We pair children up to help them with the stay. The visit will be around July 19th for one week.

If you are able to assist in hosting 2 students please contact the office. Families who have hosted in the past find it a very rewarding and fun experience.

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                                         CHINA

I can assist with -  Student Exchange ❑

Name ________________________________________________________________

Phone ____________________________________________________________
EVERY DAY COUNTS!
There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind and can affect their educational and social outcomes. Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy and literacy. We all want the best for the students at Bacchus Marsh Primary School so please support your child to be at school every day ready for learning.

What Chance Has Your Child Got of Being Successful?

1 or 2 days a week doesn’t seem much but......

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Everyday Counts!!

Ian, Leanne, Melinda & Pam
Dear Parents & Students,

We’re looking forward to our midyear 3 Way Interviews. This opportunity is designed to support the development of learning behaviours and celebrate the achievement of Semester One goals.

Please book an interview time on Thursday June 25, 2015

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions.

Go to...

Enter the school event code to the left and follow the 3 simple steps.

When you click finish, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - check your junk mail folder if you do not receive your email immediately. You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

No internet access! don’t worry....

If you don’t have access to the internet please phone the school on 5367 2745 and a time will be arranged for you.

- Interviews are strictly 10 mins and spaces are limited.
- Your child will lead the discussion
- At any time throughout the year you are encouraged to make an appointment to talk with your child’s classroom teacher one to one should you wish to.
- Don’t dwell on anything that could be addressed straight away.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on: 5367 2745

We would love to hear what you think about online booking. If you get time, click on the “contact us” button on the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and leave some feedback. - anonymously if you wish, but please include the school's name and suburb.
YEAR 7 ENROLMENTS
Enrolment forms for secondary schools, including Bacchus Marsh Secondary, are due by June 26th. Please return them directly to the school that the student is to be enrolled at.

Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)
Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student will be:
- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

How to Apply
Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Closing Date
You should lodge a CSEF application form at the school by 26 June 2015.

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
PREP 2016 TRANSITION PROGRAM

1. Wednesday 14th October, 2015
   9.30am – 10.30am
   Your child is invited to participate in our exciting
   Specialist programs offered at school

2. Wednesday 4th November, 2015
   9.30am – 10.30am
   Your child is invited to participate in Prep
   classroom activities

3. Wednesday 2nd December, 2015
   6.30pm
   An Information Evening for parents of 2016 Prep
   children will be held at BMPS at 6.30pm

4. Tuesday 8th December, 2015
   9.30am – 10.30am
   Your child is invited to meet their new class and
   teacher for 2016
## Important Dates

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Bacchus Marsh Primary School is a community school and we are happy to distribute information from community groups. Please be aware that these forms of communication/information are not endorsements from our school.
QkR by MasterCard

Make school payments with QkR your New Year’s Resolution

Welcome to the new school year from all at QkR by MasterCard: the easy-to-use mobile phone app and preferred payment method for your school.

To our returning QkR families, we welcome you back and thank you for your support last year. Follow our simple tips below to update your child’s class and year details for the new school year.

To any new families, why not try QkR today? QkR saves you time by letting you make all your school payments directly from your smartphone or tablet device (Apple or Android), at a time convenient for you.

New Families: Getting started is easy

Step 1 - Download QkR by MasterCard
on your Android phone or iPhone.

Step 2 - Register
Select your Country of Residence as ‘Australia’ and follow the steps to register

Step 3 - Find our school!

Step 4 - Register your children
When first accessing your school menu, you will be prompted to register your child. This allows you to make school orders on their behalf.

Now you’re ready to order and pay for meals and other items...

School Banking is shooting for the stars.

At the beginning of 2015, the School Banking program launched students on a mission to save by making regular deposits into their YouthSaver account. In just one term, over $98,000 in School Banking deposits were made across Australia. It’s a fantastic result! That’s seen thousands of Australian children begin their savings mission.

Rewarding good savings behaviour with two new items
To help keep students on track with their savings mission in Term 2, we’ve released two new awesome reward items from our Outer Space Savers range. Students just need to make 10 School Banking deposits to be able to redeem a reward item.

You could win a 5-night family trip to California’s Disneyland.

Don’t forget, students who consistently display stellar savings behaviour by making 25 or more School Banking deposits in 2015 will automatically go into the draw at the end of the year to win a family trip to California’s Disneyland.

For more information visit vommbank.com.au/schoolbanking
Bacchus Marsh Parent Support Group

This free support group gives parents a chance to chat and make friends with others in a similar situation and gain information about disabilities, services and parenting.

Join us for morning tea on the fourth Monday of the month from **10.30am** - **12.30pm**, at **Darley Primary School Hall**, during the school term.

Upcoming sessions:

**Monday 25th May:** Respite options and funding in the Bacchus Marsh area (there are more than you think!)

**Monday 22nd June:** Mr Don Nardella MLA will be in attendance from 10.30 – 11.30am to hear your concerns and ideas about disability support in the Bacchus Marsh region and share the State Government’s plans in moving towards the NDIS.

**Contact Rebecca Paton, Parent Support Coordinator, Ph. 5329 1361**
Victoria’s Department of Education and Training has released a new app that is designed to help parents become more engaged in their child’s education. SchoolMate provides parents with a roadmap to help aid their child’s learning at home and at school. It:

- shows parents what their child is learning in each subject, at each year level according to the Victorian curriculum (AusVELS)
- provides parents with tips for helping their child in the best way possible
- suggests apps, books, events and activities related to each subject area and year level.

SchoolMate was created by the Department with input from the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority and Victoria’s professional teaching associations including:
- Victorian Association for the Teaching of English
- School Sport Victoria
- Australian Council for Health, Physical Education and Recreation
- Geography Teachers’ Association of Victoria
- Science Teachers’ Association of Victoria
- History Teachers’ Association of Victoria
- Digital Learning and Teaching Victoria
- Mathematical Association of Victoria
- Art Education Victoria.

We think SchoolMate is a great resource for parents and we encourage you to visit the App Store or Google Play and download it today.

The Department will begin updating SchoolMate soon, so please let us know if you have any feedback you would like us to share with them, or you can email the SchoolMate team directly at online.comms.unit@edumail.vic.gov.au
OSHClub News
Before School / After School Care Program

Program Update
Hello families! We would like to welcome our newest team member Jessica, who has taken on the position of Program Assistant. Jessica has already made a wonderful contribution to our program, and I look forward to working together to further improve our service.

Holiday Program is fast approaching, so for more information on what is planned, please don’t hesitate to call or visit the program. Children MUST be enrolled and booked in to attend Holiday Program, and enrolments can be completed at the OSHClub homepage. We would like to wish everybody a relaxing and enjoyable break with their families, and look forward to seeing you all back for Term 3!

We would love to see some more new faces! For any enquiries, feel free to visit us in the Multi-Purpose room or alternatively, you can email us at oshclub.bacchusmarsh@gmail.com.
See you all soon,
Kate, Jessica and Eliza 🌟

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Parent Information
OSH C Program Phone: 0428 530 254
Coordinator: Kate Woods
Assistant: Jessica Trollope & Eliza Bramich
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.
Autism and Anxiety

Bobbi Cook Behaviour Management

WHEN: 2 Sessions available!
Wednesday 22nd July
Morning 10.00—12.00
OR Evening 7.00—9.00

AT: M.A.D.E. (Museum of Australian democracy at Eureka)
Stawell St Ballarat

Cost: $25 parent/family
$65 professional

To register please complete registration form
Phone: Kris: 53 412 768
Email: kks@netconnect.com.au

Is your child very Anxious or Fearful?

Bobbi Cook is an experienced child behaviour therapist and family counsellor and has a special interest and experience in autism spectrum disorder.

Bobbi brings with her a wealth of practical strategies, informative tips and great ideas in understanding and managing anxiety in children with autism spectrum disorder.

This session is suitable for parents, teachers, aides, therapists, disability service providers

Bobbi is a Clinical Member of the Australian Counseling Association (ACA) and is a registered member of ARCAP (Australian Register of Counsellors and Psychotherapists)
Registration Form for Autism Seminar - Autism and Anxiety
Wednesday 22\textsuperscript{nd} July 2015
Museum for Australian Democracy at Eureka (M.A.D.E.)
102 Stawell St South Ballarat

Ballarat Autism Network  ABN: 427 267 391 79
Registration Form / Tax Invoice  22\textsuperscript{nd} July 2015

Organisation: __
Number attending: __
Names:
1__  2.
3__  4.
Email contact: __

Phone contact: __

Cost: □ Parent/carer $25  Professional $65

Total payable: $______________________________

Registration options: complete form and email - kks@netconnect.com.au

Payment options:  Direct Deposit □  cheque □  Cash - □ (pay at the door)

A Tax Invoice is available on request

Direct Deposit Details:  Bendigo Bank Ballarat Autism Network
BSB 633-000 Account – 11001 4883