

Beaconsfield Upper Primary School

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ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome Back

Welcome back to Term 2! We are very excited with lots of fun activities coming up this term such as BUPSL for grades 3 to 6, production rehearsals, sporting events and excursions to tie into our inquiry learning.

I will be acting principal for the first 5 weeks of term as Mrs. Miles enjoys her long service leave. Please feel free to reach out if there is anything you would like to discuss.

Industrial Action

The Australian Education Union has called on its members to take half-day industrial action this term.

For our region, this will occur on the morning of Thursday the 7th of May 2026. Staff participating in the industrial action will not return onsite to school until 12.38pm.

At this stage, I am unable to confirm how many staff members will be participating in the stop work action as they are not required to notify me of their intention until Tuesday the 5th of May. However, it will most likely be considerably more staff than on the previous stop work day last term and cause more disruption to regular classes. I will communicate with families as soon as possible to advise families of what this means for students at BUPSL.

I wanted to provide this information in advance so that families have as much notice as possible. Thank you for your support.

Lunchtime Clubs	Monday	Club 1 - Everyone - Lego, Colouring
	Tuesday	Club 1 - Everyone - Lego, Colouring
	Wednesday	Club 1 - Everyone - Lego, Colouring
	Thursday	Club 1 - BUPSL has Talent Tryouts Club 2 - Grade 6 Production
	Friday	Club 1 - Everyone - Lego, Colouring Club 2 - Grade 6 Production

Calendar of events

Wednesday 6 th May	District Cross Country
Friday 8 th May	HPV Mothers Day Breakfast PFA Mothers Day Stall Assembly - 3pm
Wednesday 20 th May	Grade 6 Girls AFL Day
Friday 22 nd May	National Walk to School Day Assembly - 3pm
Monday 25 th May	School Council - 7pm
Wednesday 27 th May	Divison Cross Country National Simultaneous Storytime - 10.50am
Thursday 4 th June	Grade ¾ Aquarium Excursion
Friday 5 th June	Assembly - 3pm
Monday 8 th June	Kings Birthday - NO Students at school
Friday 12 th June	Grade ½ Old Gipps town Excursion

Upcoming Sick Bay Roster

Friday 1st May - Cornwall Family
Friday 8th May - Cox Family
Friday 15th May - Curic Family
Friday 22nd May - Dadswell Family
Friday 29th May - Dascoli Family



YEAR LEVEL REPORTS

PREP

What a great start to Term Two we have made in Prep!!

The kids have moved from learning letter sounds as a class, into individual phonic focus groups and explicit teaching at their point of need. A great time to remind families how important the school – home relationship is, especially with reading. We would love to have all students reading at home allowing them to practice the skills learned at school, at home. If you have not set up your DRA reading account on a digital platform, please reach out to your teacher for assistance. If reading online is not conducive to your family dynamic, please see your teacher for an alternative. Reading is the key to learning!

Through writing, we are exploring fragments and simple sentences, ensuring that a simple sentence is a complete idea and the full stop is placed correctly, we are working hard to include capitals correctly and listen to, and record the sounds in words that we hear.

Numeracy sees us continuing to develop our number sense through number talks, developing our understanding of 'more and less', patterns, shape and measurement.

Please don't forget our Mother's Day Stall and breakfast on Friday 8th May.

Carla, Carla and Rachel

ONE/TWO

Welcome back to Term 2! Our Grade 1/2 students have had a fantastic start, launching straight into a busy and exciting term. We began with the House Cross Country, where all students showed incredible perseverance and team spirit. Congratulations to Guys Hill for their narrow win across the school—it was a very close and exciting event!

In Maths, students are building their understanding of place value by exploring how numbers can be partitioned into tens and ones, and beginning to work with hundreds. They are also exploring shapes by identifying and classifying objects based on their features.

In Literacy, students are engaging in shared and modelled reading, learning to retell texts using sequencing language such as first, next and last. They are also exploring sentence structure, focusing on correct punctuation and beginning to use conjunctions such as and, but and so to expand their ideas.

THREE / FOUR

It was lovely to see our students participating so respectfully in the ANZAC Day service last week—thank you to those families who also managed to send along flowers.

In Writing, we are continuing to work on editing our texts—looking for correct punctuation, spelling, adding adjectives to make our sentences more interesting, replacing boring words with better words and ensuring our sentences make sense.

In Reading, we are studying the book, ANZAC Biscuits, where our focus is discussing how authors and illustrators make stories exciting, moving, and engaging and holding the readers' interest by using various techniques as well as identifying independent and dependent clauses and verbs as well as classifying the verbs as relating, feeling, action and speaking.

In Maths, we are developing our additive strategies to solve addition and subtraction equations using the most efficient strategy for the numbers.

In Inquiry we are learning about sustainability and our end project will be a diorama. Each student will require an empty shoe box for this. Some students have already brought some in—could you please endeavour to locate and send any in to your child's classroom ASAP?

Good luck to the students participating in the District Cross Country event on Wednesday 7th May at Toomuc Valley.

Cheers, Paige, Chelsea, Hayley, Jacynta and Karine

YEAR LEVEL REPORTS CONTINUED

FIVE / SIX

This term, our Grade 5/6 students have begun an engaging text-based unit centred on the novel *Black Cockatoo*. Throughout the unit, students will develop their comprehension skills by writing detailed summaries for each chapter, helping them to identify key events and important ideas within the text. In addition, students will be analysing the main characters, Mia and Jy, with a focus on their traits and how these evolve over the course of the story. This work supports deeper thinking about character development and encourages students to justify their ideas using evidence from the text.

In Writing, students are focusing on improving their sentence fluency. They are learning how to “uplevel” their work by varying sentence structures, combining ideas effectively, and making deliberate language choices to enhance clarity and engagement. This focus will help students become more confident and expressive writers, producing work that flows smoothly and captures the reader’s interest.

In Mathematics, students have begun their multiplicative thinking unit. They are exploring key concepts such as multiplication strategies, patterns, and problem-solving, while also interweaving their understanding of area and perimeter. By connecting these concepts, students are developing a deeper understanding of how mathematics applies in real-world contexts and strengthening their ability to think flexibly when solving problems.

HPV 2026

BUPS Human Powered Vehicle Team – Season Launch

Excitement is building as the BUPS Human Powered Vehicle (HPV) team prepares for the first race of the season at Casey Fields this weekend. After weeks of preparation and training, our riders are eager to hit the track and represent our school with pride.

We are thrilled to welcome back six returning riders from last year’s team, whose experience and determination will be invaluable as the season gets underway. At the same time, we extend a very warm welcome to six new riders who are beginning their HPV journey this year. It’s fantastic to see such enthusiasm and commitment from all students involved, and we look forward to watching their skills and confidence grow throughout the season.

This year is particularly special for BUPS HPV, as we proudly introduce our first ever all-girls team. This is an exciting milestone for our program and a wonderful opportunity to promote inclusion, teamwork, and confidence in sport. We can’t wait to see both of our teams in action and celebrate their achievements along the way.

If you’re free this weekend, we encourage families and community members to come down to the Casey Fields criterium from 10am to show your support, say hello, and see our riders in action. Your encouragement makes a big difference to our team.

Good luck to all of our riders for the first race—exciting things are happening at BUPS HPV!



Student Of The Week Friday 24th April 2026

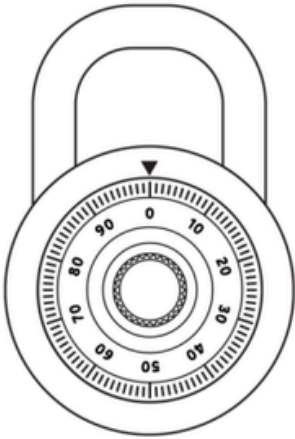
Grade	Student	Grade	Student
0B	Layla A Layla, you have returned to school with such a positive attitude and renewed confidence. You are showing great enthusiasm for your learning and settling back in after the holidays beautifully. We are so lucky to have you in Prep B	0P	Noah C You have settled back into school with confidence and a fantastic attitude. Well done for following our classroom expectations and always giving everything a go, Noah.
01K	Tyler D For writing a detailed holiday recount with correct punctuation and a fantastic picture. Great work Tyler!	01K	Heidi J For settling back into our classroom routines after the holidays and working so hard on your sounds. Well done, Heidi!
12A	Lexie R For working hard during Phonics sessions. It is great to see you try your best and stay focused on your learning. Well done, Lexie!	12A	Olive M For consistently showing kindness and making our classroom a caring and friendly place to be. Well done Olive!
12G	Matilda B Matilda, you showed maturity and honesty when you realised that you hadn't made the best choice. It is fantastic that you can be relied upon to work responsibly in class, and that you take ownership of your mistakes. Keep being fabulous, Tilly!	12G	Spencer M What a wonderful effort you have put in to producing neat work that you are proud of. It is great to see you are thinking carefully about the feedback you receive and apply it to the best of your ability. Keep it up, Super Star!
12J	Taylor P Well done, Taylor, on persisting with your work and asking for help when you feel stuck. It was great to see you took initiative and requested assistance after giving it your best try independently.	12J	Logan M For your kindness and respect towards others and including them in your games before school starts. You are showing so many great values of a fantastic member of our BUPS community.
34D	Joshua S Well done Josh, you always try your best in the classroom! It has been great to see you solving decimal addition problems in maths this week.	34D	Connor P Well done Connor! You are always demonstrating kindness towards your friends and making sure everyone is included!
34H	Jed P Well done Jed on your incredible efforts with your information report about Tigers! Your use of details and fun facts made your piece wonderful to read.	34L	Daniela Z For your excellent efforts in writing to demonstrate your understanding of simple and compound sentences. Well Done

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34M	<p>Madi D For a great start to Term 2.</p>	34M	<p>Mitchell S For a great start to term 2.</p>
56B	<p>Austin R Well done Austin on your persistence and dedication to complete your inquiry project last term. You should be proud of your efforts and presentation.</p>	56B	<p>Frayah P Well done Frayah on your concentration and general attitude towards your NAPLAN. You handled the stress with confidence and grace and should be very proud of your efforts.</p>
56H	<p>Jaimee B Your effort in our Maths unit this week was excellent. You approached your work with a positive attitude, which supported your success. Keep up the great work!</p>	56H	<p>Harper M Your effort in our Maths unit this week was excellent. You approached your work with a positive attitude, which supported your success. Keep up the great work!</p>
56L	<p>Skylar W For demonstrating outstanding persistence during our Inquiry unit in term 2. Despite your partner being away, you showed incredible determination and independence while working on your assignment about the aid agency Play 4 Change. You stayed focused, managed your time effectively, and continued to produce thoughtful and high-quality work on your own. Your positive attitude and commitment to your learning are something to be very proud of. Keep up the fantastic effort!</p>	56W	<p>Beau L Well done on your inquiry project about the Alannah and Madeline Foundation. You worked hard on your own to research and present your information and should be proud of the slide show you created.</p>
INDO	<p>Prep P What a fantastic start to the term! You have been great listeners and have followed instructions so well. You are learning our classroom routines and expectations beautifully. Bagus – well done!</p>		

PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

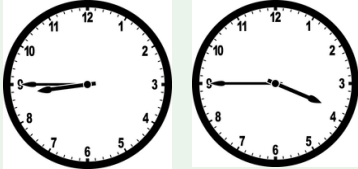
Velma, Fred and Ted share a locker.
 Velma says that the locker code is a **two-digit number**.
 Fred says that the locker code is **divisible by 9**.
 Ted says that the locker code has **9 factors**.
 What is the locker code?



School Policies

Our school policies and procedures guide our daily actions and decisions. They are developed in line with statutory guidance and regulatory requirements, from the education department. You will find our key policies on our school webpage under the "Our school" tab.

<https://www.bups.vic.edu.au/>



School hours

School commences at 9am and concludes at 3:30pm. The arrival of children at school will be supervised from 8:45am. Children will also be supervised while they are leaving school until 3:45pm.



Attendance

Parents are requested to use the 'Sentral for Parents' app to notify of any child absences, preferably before 10am on the day, or prior to the day if you know in advance. eg family holidays. If you are experiencing issues with the app you can also call the office on 5944 3591 before 10am on the day of the absence.



New Address Have your circumstances changed?

Update your contact details at the School Office as soon as possible. Please ensure you let the school office know if you have changed address or updated mobile phones with new numbers.

PREP 2027 Enrolments are open

Enrolments are now open for Prep 2027. If you have a child starting Prep/foundation next year, can you please either enrol online at <https://students.educationapps.vic.gov.au/s/> or complete a paper form, which is available at the office for collection. Thank you.

Conveyance Allowance
 Parents who live 4.8km's or more from the nearest Public School Ground may be eligible to claim conveyance allowance from the department for travel expenses.
 If you fall into this category please contact the office prior to Friday 29th May to either: check your details if you have had a claim in previous years, OR fill out a form if you are new to the school.



BUPS HAS

TALENT!

SHOW US WHAT MAKES YOU **SHINE!**

LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF A **MICROPHONE!** (WE CAN SUPPLY!)



AUDITIONS ARE **THURSDAY LUNCHTIME** IN 3/4D CLASSROOM



AND MORE!

IMPORTANT: BRING ALL YOUR ITEMS FOR YOUR ACT!
Make sure you have everything you need!

EXAMPLES OF WHAT YOU MIGHT BRING:

- MUSIC - on a device or USB
- INSTRUMENTS
- PROPS & COSTUMES
- ACCESSORIES
- CHARGERS & ADAPTORS
- SCRIPT or NOTES

SIGN UP!

★ **THURSDAY 23RD APRIL**

SEE MS CONNELLY & MS DAVY

SIGN UP USING THE **GOOGLE DOCS SIGN-UP SHEET!**



AUDITION DATES

THURSDAY 30TH APRIL | GRADES 3 TO 6'S

THURSDAY 7TH MAY | GRADES 1-2

THURSDAY 14TH MAY | **PREP**

YOUR TALENT. YOUR TIME. YOUR STAGE.
WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU SHINE!



BEACONSFIELD UPPER
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BUPS HPV FUNDRAISING TEAM PRESENTS

Mother's Day Breakfast




**FRIDAY
8TH MAY**


BUPS
Netball Courts


**7:45am
Start**



PRE-ORDER VIA QKR
Closes Monday 4 May

*Come along and check out our
awesome HPV Racing Carts!*



*Hang with your gorgeous kiddos, grab a cuppa
and enjoy some quality time before school*

MOTHER'S DAY STALL

FRIDAY 8TH

MAY



Beaconsfield Upper Primary School
Excellence in Learning
Community & Environment



ALL STUDENTS WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT
OUR MOTHERS DAY STALL TO BUY SOMETHING FOR THEIR
SPECIAL PERSONS

PLEASE REMEMBER EACH STUDENT WILL NEED TO BRING
A BAG AND MAXIMUM \$20 EACH CASH

**NO EFTPOS WILL BE AVAILABLE