Beaconsfield Upper Primary School

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A Note from the Principal

I can't believe how quickly Term 4 is flying by! There is so much happening across BUPS at the moment, and it's wonderful to see the school buzzing with learning, activities and exciting opportunities for our students.

Over the past couple of weeks, we've been working through the process of appointing our 2027 School Captains, and I have to say, I've been incredibly impressed! The speeches and interviews have been sensational, and it's clear that we have some truly amazing senior students at BUPS. The confidence, maturity and thoughtfulness demonstrated by our Year 5 students have made the selection process a very difficult one! A special mention also needs to go to our outgoing School Captains, who have been fantastic in supporting the process. They've helped conduct interviews and asked some incredibly thoughtful questions. In fact, I think some of them could give a few adults a lesson or two in interviewing! It's been wonderful to see student leadership in action.

Bike Ed has also been well underway this week, and what a fantastic experience it's been for our students! I've been particularly impressed by the responsibility shown by our Year 3–6 students as they've been riding around our local community, demonstrating our BUPS values and representing our school so positively. It's also been lovely to see some of our senior students stepping up to support younger students during their Bike Ed lessons. Seeing students encourage, guide and look out for one another is exactly the kind of school culture we want to celebrate.

Term 3 Lunchtime Clubs

Monday	Club 1 - Lunchtime Club-Everyone
Tuesday	Club 1 - Lunchtime Club-Everyone Club 2 - Art Club - P-2
Wednesday	Club 1 - Lunchtime Club-Everyone Club 2 - Organised Games - 3-4
Thursday	Club 1 - Lunchtime Club-Everyone Club 2 - Organised Games - 5-6
Friday	Club 1 - Lunchtime Club-Everyone Club 2 - Chickens and Garden Club-Everyone

Calendar of events

Monday 9th - Thursday 12th November	Bike Ed Incursion
Tuesday 10th - Thursday 12th November	Prep 2027 Transition Sessions
Thursday 12th November	Girls Regional Hooptime
Friday 13th November	PFA Colour Run-2.30pm
Tuesday 17th - Friday 20th November	HPV Maryborough
Tuesday 17th - Thursday 19th November	Prep 2027 Transition Sessions
Thursday 19th November	2027 Prep information Session - 3.45pm
Friday 20th November	Assembly - 3pm
Monday 23rd November	School Council - 7pm

Upcoming Sick Bay Roster

Friday 13th November - Phillips Family
Friday 20th November - Phosuphap Family
Friday 27th November- Reid Family
Friday 4th December - Reyes Family
Friay 11th December - Reynolds Family



In the interest of work life balance it is our policy to reply to work emails between 8.00am and 5.30pm. We will make every effort to respond to emails within 48 hours.

ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT CONTINUED

Of course, amongst all the exciting events and activities, there is still plenty of fantastic learning happening in our classrooms. As I've continued visiting classes, I've loved seeing students working hard, challenging themselves and taking pride in their achievements. Our teachers and support staff are doing a wonderful job of keeping students engaged and focused as we head towards the end of the year, which can certainly be a busy and exciting time!

With so many events still to come, I'm sure the next few weeks will fly by just as quickly. Thank you to our staff, students and families for everything you do to make BUPS such a wonderful community.

Last newsletter's riddle:
The more you take away from me, the bigger I become. What am I?
The answer: A hole!

Well done to everyone who worked it out!

This week's riddle:
I can travel all around the world while staying in the same corner. What am I?

Think you've solved it? Come and find me in the yard and share your answer! I'll reveal it in our next newsletter.

Have a fantastic week, everyone!

Rachael Kimber
Acting Principal

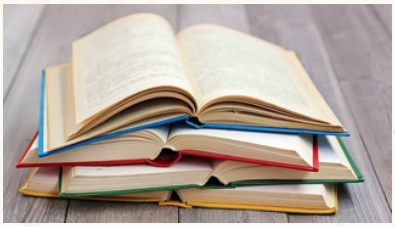
Will R does it again!

Will R represented BUPS at the State Athletics last week. He came an incredible 4th in the 800m and 3rd in the 1500m.

Will will now compete at the Nationals with Team Vic on 29th November.
Good luck Will and Team Vic.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB ISSUE #8 ORDERS DUE BACK AT SCHOOL OFFICE OR ONLINE BY FRIDAY 20TH NOVEMBER. NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.



YEAR LEVEL REPORTS

PREP

This term in writing we will continue learning about sentence fluency and word choice. We encourage the children to think of an idea, to draw their idea, and then to think of a 'who' (noun/subject) and a 'do' (verb/action) so that their sentences represent a 'complete thought'. Some children are beginning to plan out three events as they draw, in order to produce a more coherent piece of writing more like a narrative structure. Others are experimenting with adjectives in order to make their writing more interesting. We are exploring some spelling patterns and rules in class, so these are gradually appearing in the student's work. We also learn our 'tricky' words, or high frequency words, and these are beginning to be spelled correctly in the students' writing, too. In Maths we have been exploring the concept of equal shares, and we are continuing our learning of addition and subtraction through games and independent activities, some of which we hope to have reached home.

The Prep Team,
Rachel, Carla B, Carla K

ONE/TWO

There is plenty happening across Grade 1/2 this fortnight! Alongside our classroom learning, students will participate in Bike Education, come together for Remembrance Day and enjoy the PFA Colour Fun Run.

What We Are Learning

Reading: Students are discussing how language and illustrations add meaning to a text. We are making connections between the stories we read and the cultures and experiences we are exploring.
Writing and Spelling: Our writers are considering who they are writing for and choosing language to suit their purpose. We continue to practise spelling patterns and apply these when writing and checking our work.
Mathematics: We are building connections between addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Students are beginning to explore how equal groups and sharing can help us solve problems.
Inquiry: Our journey through six countries continues! We are discovering different foods, celebrations and ways of life while recognising the things people around the world share.

Dates for the Diary

Week beginning Monday 9 November: Bike Education, on each class's usual PE day.
Wednesday 11 November: Remembrance Day Service at 10:30 am.
Friday 13 November: PFA Colour Fun Run.

Family Reminder

Please check the information provided for Bike Education and the Colour Fun Run so your child is prepared to participate. Keep enjoying regular reading together and encourage your child to explain their ideas about the text.

The Grade 1/2 Team

THREE / FOUR

The students had a fantastic time at the annual BUPS Cup on Wednesday 4th November. It was great to see students enjoying themselves with their friends, eating snacks and relaxing in their marquees.

In Writing, students have been focusing on adding more detail to their sentences. Students have focused on adding where, how, when and why adverbs to their writing to expand on simple sentences. During their independent writing time, they have been able to implement these skills into their pieces.

In Mathematics, students have continued to focus on fractions, exploring halves, quarters and eights. Some students have been focusing on developing their understanding of equivalence fractions and mixed numbers. During Week 7, students will explore volume and capacity through various hands-on tasks.

In Reading, we have been completing our Text Based Unit on Suri's Wall. Students have been demonstrating their understanding of techniques the author uses to engage the reader such as suspense, descriptive language and illustrations. During Week 7, we will begin our assessment week using the text, 'The Gift'.

If you have any questions about our upcoming camp, please contact your child's classroom teacher.

Thank you,
Chelsea, Karine, Paige, Hayley and Jacynta.

YEAR LEVEL REPORTS CONTINUED

FIVE / SIX

It has been another busy few weeks in Grade 5/6, with plenty of exciting activities and lots of learning taking place!
One of the highlights was the Upper Beacy Cup, where our Grade 6 students had the opportunity to compete alongside their buddies, while our Grade 5 students enjoyed dressing up and spending time together in their marquees, cheering on the races. It was fantastic to see everyone getting involved, showing their school spirit and enjoying the day!

In Reading, we have started our new text-based unit, Black Dog. Students are exploring the themes and messages within the text, making connections and examining the author's individual style. We are looking closely at the choices authors make and how these help communicate ideas and engage their readers.
In Writing, students are putting their persuasive skills to the test by creating a piece of writing arguing for a change to a school rule. They are developing their ability to present a clear opinion, support their ideas with convincing reasons and persuade their audience. Be sure to ask your child which school rule they have chosen to change – you might be surprised by some of their suggestions!
In Maths, we are continuing our work in Statistics and Algebra. Students have been posing questions, collecting and organising data, choosing appropriate ways to display their findings, and interpreting and analysing a range of graphs. In Algebra, we have been solving balanced equations with unknown values and exploring number patterns involving the factors and multiples of numbers.
There has certainly been plenty happening in Grade 5/6, both inside and outside the classroom. We look forward to sharing more of our learning and achievements over the coming weeks!

Student Of The Week Friday 6th November 2026

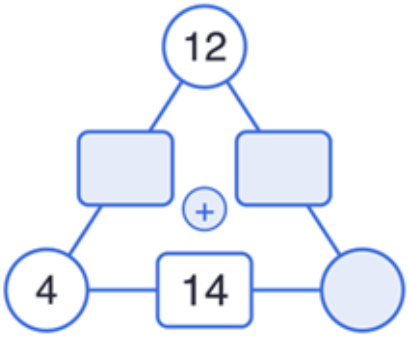
Grade	Student	Grade	Student
0B	**Isla A** Well done on the effort you are putting into your reading. Keep up the fabulous effort!	12A	**Zoe S** For bringing a positive attitude to our classroom each day. You help others feel welcome, spread happiness through your friendly nature, and contribute to making our classroom a fun and enjoyable place to learn.
12A	**Taya S** For your dedication and effort during maths sessions. You have been working hard to use newly learnt strategies to solve problems and showing great flexibility in your thinking. It has been wonderful to see your confidence grow as you apply your learning to new challenges. You should be very proud of your achievements!	12G	**Dara O** What a fantastic mathematician you are! You enthusiastically share your thinking during Number Talks, embrace challenges and confidently apply your skills in addition, subtraction, money and time to solve problems.
12G	**Milla B** Thank you, Milla, for always showing kindness to those around you. You are always eager to help out and work cooperatively with all of your peers. We are so lucky to have you in our class. 🥳	12J	**Roy F** Well done, Roy, on always showing kindness towards others. This was very evident last Friday when you shared your whiteboard with a Prep student and used the broken whiteboard instead. A true gentleman act.

Student Of The Week Friday 6th November 2026 Cont'd

Grade	Student	Grade	Student
34H	**Johnny D** For the excellent work you have been doing within the classroom. You continue to push yourself further in every session and show great dedication to your learning. Keep it up!	34L	**Domenic D** For the effort you have shown in your writing to use adjectives, adverbs and adverb phrases to add further details and description to your ideas. Well Done.
34M	**Hudson W** Hudson, you showed great interest and asked some thoughtful questions during our mapping sessions about Australia's oceans and seas.	34S	**Harriet W** Congratulations, Harriet, on consistently demonstrating respect, and a fantastic work ethic! Your ability to come prepared for the day, work hard, and model our class expectations is wonderful to see. You are a positive role model for your classmates, and you should be very proud of the example you set!
34S	**Henry J** Congratulations, Henry, on showing such excellent effort and perseverance in maths! Your willingness to consistently challenge yourself, seek feedback, and remain resilient when faced with challenging tasks is fantastic to see. Keep up the amazing work!	56W	**Esher R** Congratulations Esher, on coordinating a successful school wide event for BUPS in 'Garbage Guts Day'. In planning, organising, promoting in the lead up and running things on the day you showed real enthusiasm and commitment.
INDO	**Ted T** For your fantastic work labelling Badan Saya (My Body) and Muka Saya (My Face) using Indonesian vocabulary! You have shown wonderful care, attention to detail and enthusiasm when identifying and writing new Indonesian words. Your excellent effort and pride in presenting your work make you a shining Indonesian superstar! Bagus sekali, Ted! Keep up the amazing work! 🌟	INDO	**Harry S** For your outstanding effort in learning and labelling Badan Saya (My Body) and Muka Saya (My Face) in Indonesian! You have demonstrated wonderful concentration, carefully writing and identifying new vocabulary with accuracy and pride. Your dedication to producing such beautifully presented work is something to celebrate! Hebat sekali, Harry! What a superstar!

Problem of the Week: Arithmogon

The numbers in the circles add up to the numbers in the rectangles between them.
Can you complete this Arithmogon?



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 13th November 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.

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.

PARENTS

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.

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PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

GET READY FOR...

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FRIDAY 13TH NOV. 2026

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