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Beaconsfield Primary School Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL PATCH

Congratulations to Ben B.

Ben, a member of the 1st Beaconsfield Cub Pack has earned the Grey Wolf award, the pinnacle of a Cub Scouts journey. To earn this award, Ben has undertaken leadership training and led a group of his peers on lots of adventures including camping and hiking. Congratulations for being such a great role model as a Cub Scout and as a role model within our school!



Flexibuzz - Our direct communication with you

Dear Parents, You have two jobs to do this week, if you haven't already done them. Firstly, install FlexiBuzz to your phone. Flexibuzz is available for your phone at your App store or online for your computer at <https://web.flexibuzz.com> It gives you links, photos, newsletters and reminders to keep you in the loop with what is happening at school. You'll never miss an excursion or notice again.

 **Have you registered? - Parent Portal Sign up Instructions**
Tuesday, 10:40am • Prep, Grade 1, Grade 2, Grade 3 and 3 other boxes

Don't miss out on getting your child's report. We have had many people sign up to the Parent Portal but see that a few are yet to do so.

Sign up to the Parent Portal using the instructions and links below. If you are having any trouble please do not hesitate to come in so we can help you here at school. (Don't forget you will need your unique access key).

When you first register for access to the Parent Portal click here: <https://sentral.beaconsfield.vic.edu.au/portal/register>

You must use a valid email address to create your username.

Once registered you will be prompted to enter your username (email address) and the password you created. The bright pink form sent home with your child has your unique access key that will allow you to link to your enrolled children. Please note the access key is case sensitive and will need to be typed into the box provided on screen, exactly as it appears in your letter.

After you have registered you can access the portal by using this link: <https://sentral.beaconsfield.vic.edu.au/portal>

You will need your username (email address) and your password (you created in registration) to use the portal.

The FlexiBuzz message above was sent yesterday and details how to access the parent portal. FlexiBuzz will even message you when your children's report is available to read.

Registering for the Parent Portal is your second job! If you need any assistance with this, please drop into Linda, who is eager to assist. Don't forget the Helper's Afternoon Tea next Monday at 2.30pm.

Cheers, Gary

**Office Hours 8:30am - 4:30pm Monday to Thursday
8:30am - 4:00pm on Friday.**

Mrs INGLIS

This is the last time I will be writing in the newsletter for 2017. I would like to thank our community for all their help and support throughout the year. The last few weeks of the school year sees us supporting families to deal with transition and change. I have a memory of a parent coming up to me at the end of year, in one of my first years of teaching. I was teaching her first-born child in kindergarten. She had reflected on the start of the year and how nervous she was about leaving her child and how grateful she was that I made the separation such a simple process and had the expectation for her to say her goodbyes and leave.

As a new teacher, I remember thinking that there was no issue in leaving the child with me as I knew that he was going to have such an awesome time at kinder. I had just spent the last month preparing for this first day, thinking about the group and all the wonderful personalities that I was going to meet, planning a variety of engaging activities and getting ready for a great year.

Ten years later, when it was my turn to be the parent and hand my little girl over to the kinder teacher, I had to remember the same expectations I have had for my students' parents – put on a brave face, remind her what an awesome time she will have, set her up at an activity (hopefully with a potential friend) and say my goodbyes. Though I had a two-year-old to keep me occupied – those 3 hours were the longest in my life but when I came back and peered in the window I saw her sitting happily on the mat. That was her first day of her education journey done!

We acknowledge that some families find transition and change a very challenging time. Please support your child and their teacher on their first few days of something new by remembering that you have chosen a great school that will support you and your child through this process. On their first day of primary and secondary school, have a go at “put on a brave face, remind them it will be alright and say your goodbyes”. If the first day isn't the best, start again the next day. Some of us just need to do it a bit longer before it becomes the 'norm'. If you feel you and your family need extra support, please let us know as we have lots of strategies that we can use.

Helpers Afternoon Tea

Please join us on **Monday 4th December at 2:30pm** in the gallery to thank all our helpers throughout the year. We are blessed to have such wonderful people at our school who give up their time to support our teachers and make this such a great school for our students. We have parents that help out in the classroom, attend excursions and camps, coach sporting teams, are part of committees such as school council and Parents and Friends, sort out lost property, run PMP, tidy our library, build carts for HPV, look after our gardens and the list goes on.

We are looking for new members for our Parents and Friends committee for 2018 as some of our members are stepping down. This is a great opportunity to meet other parents at our school and to help your child's school fundraise and organise fun events. If you are interested in joining the committee or want some more information, please let our office staff know and they will pass on your details to the committee.

Parent Portal/Reports

Last week you should have received a pink notice about registering to Sentral – Parent Portal. The notice outlined instructions on how to register and activate your account. If you did not receive a notice please contact the office, as they are unique for each parent. If you are having problems registering, please come in and we are more than happy to help you.

It is important that you register as we will be uploading our school reports to the portal this year – they will not be sent home in paper form. We will send home the Celebration Book with your child in the last week. If you are away in the last week of school we will hold onto your Celebration Book and have it for you in 2018. We do not post out them as they are a result of lots of hard work and you would be disappointed if they went missing or were ruined.

Information Night

On **Monday 12th February 2018**, we will be holding our Information Night. The evening begins at 5:30pm. I am getting in early so you can add it to your calendar. This is a night when our school is able to communicate with what is happening in the classrooms and during the year. Previous feedback I received from parents is that they feel much more relaxed and informed about what is happening at school.

Beacy Calendar

Date	Event	Cost	Due date
30 Oct	Year 6 Uniform 2018	\$42.95 Jacket \$33.95 Polo	9 Dec
31 Oct	2018 Booklist Late fee if returned after 1 Dec and must go direct to Berwick Newsagency	As per list \$12 late fee	Closed
31 Nov	Grade 4S, 3F, 3L, 3S & 3T Incursion-Mad about Science	\$8	Closed
4 Dec	Last Student Banking for 2017	-	4 Dec
4 Dec	Helpers afternoon tea 2:30-3:30pm—Gallery	-	4 Dec
14 Dec	Grade 6 Graduation Rehearsal 11:40-1:30pm	-	12 Dec
15 Dec	Year Book	\$13	Closed
18 Dec	Sing & Celebrate Concert Juniors 2-3pm Seniors 6:30-7:30pm	-	18 Dec
19 Dec	Grade 5/6 Christmas Stall	\$1-\$5	19 Dec
21 Dec	Grade 6 Graduation-Scrapbook viewing begins 6pm. Ceremony starts 6:30pm	-	21 Dec
22 Dec	Last day of the year 1:30 Finish		22 Dec
25 Jan	Book list collection 9-4pm The Berwick Senior Citizens Hall	As per list	25 Jan
29 Jan	Booklist collection 9am-2:30pm Berwick Newsagency	As per list	29 Jan
29 Jan	Curriculum Day—no students to attend	-	29 Jan
30 Jan	Grades 1-6 start Preps—staggered start on 31st Jan	-	30 Jan

MEDICATION AUTHORITY FORMS

As per the Distribution of Medication Policy all medication administered at school should have a [Medication Authority Form](#) completed (found on our website and in the parent portal). Please note: wherever possible, medication should be scheduled outside school hours, e.g. medication required 3 times a day generally is not required during a school day: it can be taken before and after school and before bed.

For those children with Asthma, an [Asthma Foundations School Asthma Action Plan](#) should be completed instead. For those students with anaphylaxis, an [ASCIA Action Plan](#) for Anaphylaxis should be completed instead. These forms are also available from our website or directly from the office.

This policy follows DET guidelines.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS**TERM 4**

Steakybeaks lunch bags – You should have received your orders this week.

Christmas Raffle – notices have gone home .

We will be asking each family to make a donation to our raffle , last year this was a huge success with over 20 prizes being raffled for lucky families to win

Raffle will be held on Monday 11th Dec in class and handed out at assembly the same day

Treat Day – Icy pole and chips – last week of term

IMPORTANT FOR COMMITTEE TO CONTINUE WE NEED NEW MEMBERS FOR 2018

We hope to see you at our next meeting, as many hands make light work

Next Meeting – AGM Wed 22nd November , 2017 9.15am in Staff Room

CHILDREN ARE VERY WELCOME.

Lauren Clements



Happy Birthday

This fortnight: Olivia, Baden, Owen, Taylor, Lincoln, Lucas, Madeleine, Kyle, Liv, Holly, Eliot, Callum, Pierce, Makenzie, Tyler, Isla, Noah, Kai, Tahlia, Heath, Mikhail, Emily, Dylan, Milla, Jemma, Joshua, Morgan, Tayla, Dylan, Kobe and Joshua.

Everyone at Beaconsfield Primary School wishes you a great birthday!

CANTEEN

Due to a manufacturing problem the pizza sold in the canteen is no longer available.

Bellbrook Catering would like to wish all Staff, Students and Families a safe and happy Xmas break. Your last canteen day for 2017 is Friday 15th December and your first canteen day for 2018 is Wednesday 31st January. Treat day is in the last week of the term. More information to come.

We look forward to catching up with you in the next few weeks to present our new menu and information pack.

HO HO HO Merry Xmas

MUSIC TUITION

There will be a limited number of vacancies for individual piano and guitar lessons in 2018. Students will learn how to read music, create their own compositions and have the opportunity to perform at a recital at the end of Term 2&4. Piano students will have the option to sit for piano exams through the Australian Music Examination Board (A.M.E.B.). Enrolment forms are at the office.

LIBRARY

What a wonderful year of borrowing we have had but unfortunately the library has now closed for student borrowing. A stocktake of our resources will take place in December. Could I please ask parents to help their children locate their library books and return them immediately. You may receive an overdue notice. If you find you cannot locate the missing item, please do not hesitate to contact me so we can sort out a solution. Thank you for your assistance.

Trish Mulvaney.

**STAY IN TOUCH WITH FLEXIBUZZ**

All important information including our newsletter can be accessed by using the FlexiBuzz app. Download the app from your app store. Search for our school and select. Click 'Add' icon. Then click 'Home' icon to view our recent posts.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Grade	Name	Grade	Name
0B	Liv, Tristan	3F	Marisa, Whole Class
0H	Maddie, Eva	3L	Keeley, Max
0M	Indie, Whole Class	3S	Matilda, Whole Class
0S	Mily & Callum	3T	Jay, Zachary
0W	Mayra, Hazel	4D	Blake & Harry, Whole Class
1A	Blake, Liam	4N	Tayla & Emily, Jack
1KF	Audrey, Mabel	4O	Kayla & Lucas, Beau
1J	Oscar, Liam	4S	Ivy & Daemon, Whole Class
1K	Sadie, Lachlan	5B	Emily, Shenel
1N	Noah, Ruby	5C	Indianna, Melia
2A	Keely, Mitchell	5H	Jennifer, Ann
2B	Cruz, Jackson	5O	Kaiden, Ella
2F	Callum & Ella, Oliver & Cooper	6B	Will, Kyrollos, Jamie
2O	Ashley, Henry	6C	Kobe, Xander
2R	Adrian	6J	Byron, Arthur, Tanis
Art	Lacey		
Computers	Fynn, Hunter	PE	Edward, Kade & Jaide,
Music	Maggie	INDO	Mitchell

2017 Sing & Celebrate Concerts!



THIS YEAR THERE WILL BE
2 SEPARATE CONCERTS

Juniors

Date: 18th December 2017

Time: 2-3pm approx..

Venue: Outside Shed
(basketball court)

Seniors

Date: 18th December 2017

Time: 6.30-7.30 approx.

Venue: Outside Shed
(basketball court)



What do you bring?

*Bring a rug or chairs for the whole family.

LIMITED seating will be available for the elderly or those with special needs only.

Students will be sitting with their grades or performance groups.

If you require special access to the event, please contact the office 24 hours prior to the event.



What do students wear?

On Monday 18th December, all students may wear Celebration or Christmas colours and/or accessories to school, and to the concert. Please ensure they are comfortable and practical to wear and perform in. Teachers will inform you of any specific costume requirements if needed for your children.

We hope you can join us!

If you unfortunately can't attend these special events, videos of all performances will be uploaded to the Specialist blog after the event.

<http://specialist.global2.vic.edu.au/>

Both concerts are family friendly events; alcohol, smoking or pets are not permitted on the school grounds.

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Summer 2018 school holiday dates:

- Week 1: Mon 8th Tues 9th Thurs 11th Fri 12th January
- Week 2: Mon 15th Tues 16th Thurs 18th Fri 19th January
- Week 3: Mon 22nd Tues 23rd Wed 24th Thurs 25th January
- 10am - 4pm

Cost: \$75.00 per day, or \$210 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days).
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This is an early notice for our upcoming May camp, but already we have children booked into it! Open to Primary kids in grades 4-6 in 2017 (and 8 year olds in grade 3). Those entering Year 7 in 2018 or Year 4 in 2018 are also eligible. This is for those who've never been to a Kids of Gold camp before, but includes a few who have been before to help everyone feel at home and fit in.

Activities are fun: from low ropes, initiative activities, wall climbing, games, drama and challenging interactive sessions.

Starting in Feb 2003, this camp has continued for one reason—because it works! It builds kids to be much more confident and increases their self esteem.

Google kids of gold to see who we are, what we do and to apply online or download a form for the May 18 camp. The form and website have more on how the camp started and where it is situated in the beautiful Yarra Valley. We have a camp in Feb 18 for Level 3 kids- this May camp is for what we call our Level 1s.

Fri 18th – Sun 20th May 2018
\$65 Full Fee *
www.kidsofgold.org.au

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MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER
2:30PM TO 3:30PM
GALLERY - LEVEL 2

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How do I enable notifications on my phone so I can receive Qkr notifications from my child's school?

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Step 1
Select settings in your iOS or Android device

Step 2
Select Notifications.

Step 3
Look for the Qkr app and ensure the toggle is switched on to allow notifications.

Step 4
Open the Qkr app on your phone, open settings and ensure the 'Push Notifications Enabled' toggle is switched to green.

Please note that while we control the content of the notification, the delivery and receipt of the notification is entirely controlled by your phone operating system.

Book Club

The **Gift Function** enables you to tag **Book Club** orders on **LOOP** that are intended as a surprise gift. This feature can be used throughout the year, providing your **Book Club Organiser** has enabled the gift function for your school. **LOOP** orders tagged as a gift will be delivered to school and marked accordingly, for the **Book Club Organiser** to set aside at the school office for you to collect.

How to use the **Gift Function** on **Book Club LOOP**
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- 3** Select your **ISSUE**
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