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MRS AMOS



Language Experience and Writing

Ever heard your child say, "I don't know what to write about!" Well they are certainly not saying that in our classrooms at the moment. Our teachers have been focusing on writing and teaching our children to think as writers. Focusing on content first before working through the more technical aspects of writing leads to more interesting and engaging writing pieces being formed by our children. The teachers have been thinking about working on "seeding" ideas for writing, and our Grade 6 team have been providing some creative language experiences to form as inspiration for the writing experiences of their students. Upon reading the June reports, which will be distributed to parents soon on the parent portal, I can see that some excellent work is being achieved by our students in this area. It is great also to see that in the student comments on the reports, they are seeing themselves as successful writers. A great effort!



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

MRS AMOS cont.**Attendance**

Last week I wrote about the importance of regular and sustained attendance and that we should be aiming for 95% or more to give our children a very real chance of achieving learning growth of one year over that same period of time. I

have noticed a concerted effort to ensure children are not arriving late to school, as the reports on late arrivals for the last two weeks have demonstrated a small reduction. Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time. Our yard is supervised from 8:30am onwards and classroom doors are generally open at 8:50am unless the teacher is involved in yard duty or a meeting.

**Our Communication Strategy**

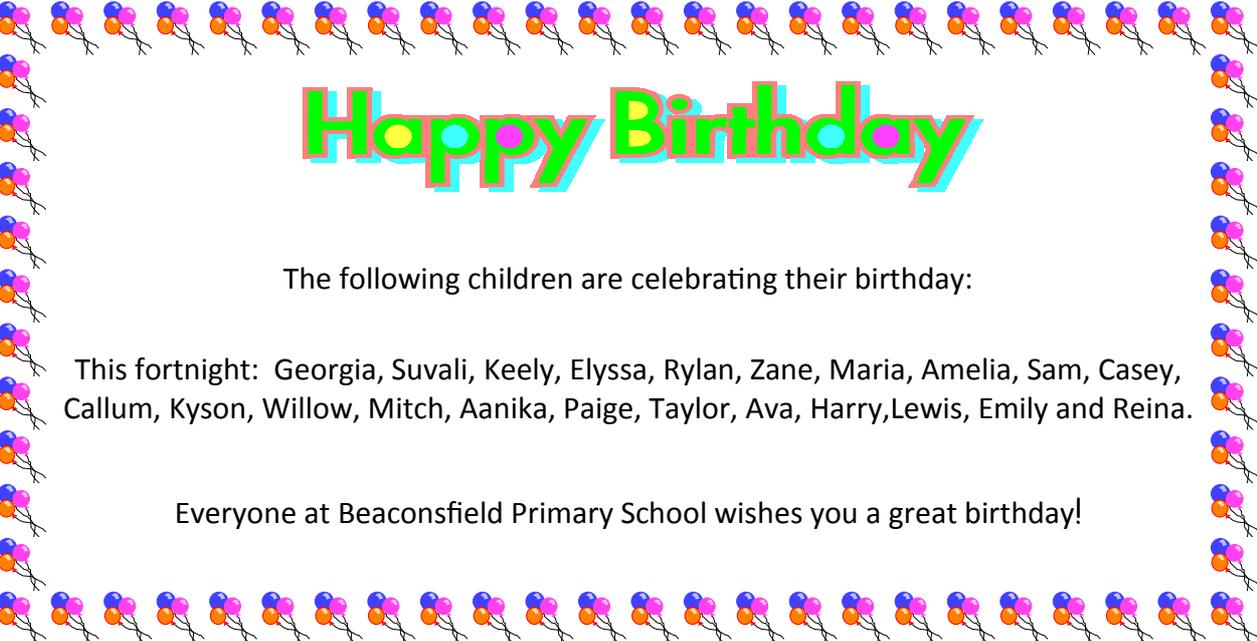
We often reflect on our communication strategy and whether we are hitting the mark in getting our information out to our families. Currently we use Flexibuzz for official school notifications. Email is used for interactions directly with families, and the classroom blogs are more informal methods of letting parents know what is going on in the classrooms.

Our newsletter is distributed to families fortnightly at the moment and we would like to know exactly how many people are actually reading the newsletter. If you are reading this, we would like you to click on the link below to indicate to us that you have read this newsletter. There are two quick multiple choice questions, which I promise will take under a minute to complete.

Please click this link now:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CL5VGM8>

We appreciate your feedback.



Happy Birthday

The following children are celebrating their birthday:

This fortnight: Georgia, Suvali, Keely, Elyssa, Rylan, Zane, Maria, Amelia, Sam, Casey, Callum, Kyson, Willow, Mitch, Aanika, Paige, Taylor, Ava, Harry, Lewis, Emily and Reina.

Everyone at Beaconsfield Primary School wishes you a great birthday!

MRS INGLIS

Winter is certainly here! As I write this article it is 7 degrees. The cold weather does affect our daily lives and I see this evident in some families having difficulties getting their washing dry. Please remember that we have a school jumper at Noone Imagewear but we also accept a **plain, black** top. Jumpers are to have no other designs on them or motifs. You may wish to take some time in the holidays to ensure you have a supply of school uniform.

Transition

It is hard to believe that I am writing about transition in June but it is the reality. At the moment we are taking enrolments for our Preps for 2019 and we have also begun to meet them at our local kindergartens and child care centres. Miss Batchelor and myself have already attended the early childhood centres twice this year and we will continue to 'pop in' and meet our future Preps. We do value our Prep transition program and building the relationships with the child and students, and while they start school in February we have already known them for six months.

Our transition has also begun at the other end of the school. Our grade 6 students went to Berwick College and spent some time meeting some teachers and participating in some of the subjects. We have also had past students that are attending Berwick College come and speak at our 5/6 assembly. We also have had a teacher and students from Officer Secondary College come and meet our grade 6 students and talk about the school.

Reports

Next week you will receive your child's report for semester one. The report will be upload to Sentral – Parent Portal. We will send a notification through Flexibuzz when they are available. Take this week to make sure that you are able to log into the portal so you will be able to access their report. I also suggest that you download the report off the portal so you have a copy, as you will not have access to the portal once your child leaves Beaconsfield Primary School.

We will also send home your child's Celebration Book. Please look through the book with your child and encourage them to talk about their learning and to celebrate it. Please return the book by the end of the week, as your child will continue to place work in it.

Free Dress Day

Thank you to all the students and families for support our Free Dress Day to raise money for Autism, going towards amaze – shaping the future for Autism. The day raised \$935.



**Take your parents
for a ride!** Streets
Ahead



SENSORY GARDEN

The second stage of the Sensory Garden is well underway with the new garden beds installed and planted by the students. Work will continue with new seating and landscaping. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Parents & Friends committee for funding this project.

Sensory Gardens are a lovely space for all students to enjoy if they are looking for a quiet space where they can touch, smell and look at plants that are selected for this in mind.

Mrs White



Beacy Calendar

Date	Event	Cost	Due date
22 June	Girls Aussie Rules Football—selected students	\$11	15 June
28 June	Drama Toolbox Incursion —Prep K	\$12	Closed
29 June	Prep 2019 Sibling Enrolments due	-	29 June
29 June	End of Term 2 early dismissal at 2:30pm	-	29 June
23 July	District Grade 3/4 Hooptime Basketball —selected students	\$15	28 June
18 Aug	HPV Bendigo -selected students	\$50	27 June
27 Aug	Curriculum Day—No students at school		27 Aug



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STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Grade	Name	Grade	Name
OK	Mia	34T	Tatum & Mia
OH	Miheli	34S	Caitlin
OJ	Allegra	34F	Tahlia & Aanika
OB	Seren	34L	Indiana & Julia
OM	Noah	34O	Taylor
1D	Dominic	34N	Grace
1KG	Aidan	34C	Rebecca
1N	Blayze	34D	William
1W	Autumn	5HB	Rory
1J	Joshua	5HB	Taya
2A	Owen	5OC	Kayla
2K	Lily & Seth	5OC	Sophie
2F	Holly & Zac & Kody	6C	Jordan
2B	Tahlia & Lachlan	6B	Ryan
Indonesian	Ella	6J	Mia
Music	Trinity	Art	Kiana
Science	Caitlin	PE	Archer

SPECIAL THANK YOU

Thank you to a wonderful Grandad - Robert Hee who made the fantastic new birdhouse. Robert saw the old dilapidated bird house and thought he could replace it with something a bit better, we certainly think he has! Thanks again Robert your birdhouse will be enjoyed and admired for many years to come.

Robert's grandson Ryder (on the right) with his friends Austin & Madalyn from Prep M.

When we asked Ryder what he thought about the birdhouse this is what he said:

"Its good, very special"



PARENTS AND FRIENDS

Since joining the P&F last year, I've been approached by a few parents in the yard and asked "what are you actually fundraising for? Why should we support the P&F activities? Where is our money going?"



The last few years P&F money has gone towards the following items

Music stands, digital keyboards, electric guitar & amplifier

Seating and decking near the Prep class rooms

Couches for library

Student welfare toys and activities

Playground slide and soft fall retention mats

Sensory Garden Beds and bench seats

Whole School Bully Proof Incursion

Seating areas for the oval

This year the P&F committee has decided that we would like the funds we raise to go towards improvements to the bike shed – roofing to keep bikes and scooters dry and some bike stands.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our families for their ongoing support of our fundraising activities and remind you that if you have a suggestion for an activity we could organise in future then would love to hear from you!

Treat Day

P&F had a busy day on Tuesday, holding Pizza treat day for the whole school over both lunch times! Thank you so much to our parent helpers Leah, Stefanie, Mel, Jo, Kristy, Karlie, Alison, Donna, Penny, Tammie, Linda and Michelle. Without your help I'm sure the day would not have run so smoothly.

***Billy G's Cookie Dough***

We are expecting our delivery to be on Monday 25th June. We sold over 440 tubs!!! Well done everyone! Fantastic effort.

Next meeting to be held Tuesday 24th July at 915am in staff room. This meeting will be predominantly organizing fathers day activities.

We will again be looking towards local businesses for donations for our raffle. If any parents own or work in a local business and would like to make a donation by ways of goods or vouchers they would be greatly appreciated!

Katrina Kapsis
P&F President

Thank you from the library

Our P&F team have been able to supply our library with two large ottomans. Our students are very excited to have some extra seating. Thank you to our wonderful committee and our wonderful school community supporting our fundraising events.



ENVIRO GIRLS

Let's go plastic free!

Friday 8 June was Ocean Day. Did you know that 1500kg of waste enter our oceans every hour!

This school holiday, please decide as a family about how you can reduce the amount of plastic you use. You can also sign up to do the Plastic Free July challenge by registering on Register <http://www.plasticfreejuly.org/register.html>

Plastic Ocean - My motivation

Knowing what will continue to happen to these animals, if we don't do something, is what keeps me motivated to work in the Envirogirls group. I want people to not litter and I want people to make our earth cleaner.



A PLASTIC OCEAN

- A WHALE UNABLE TO EAT BECAUSE ITS TUMMY IS FULL OF PLASTIC.
- A FISH SWIMMING IN OUR RUBBISH
- 200 PIECES OF PLASTIC FOUND IN A BIRD'S TUMMY
- A SEAHORSE GRABBED HOLD OF A COTTON BUD INSTEAD OF SEAWEED



We are very excited to announce that our blog is now live. Please check it out and you are welcome to subscribe to it.

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Zahra

On behalf of the Envirogirls



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Winter 2018 school holiday dates:

- Week 1: Mon 2nd Tue 3rd Thu 5th Fri 6th July
- Week 2: Mon 9th Tue 10th Thu 12th Fri 13th July
- 10am-4pm

Cost: \$80.00 per day, or \$220 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days).
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*Booking forms required for all activities. Transport details can be found on the Run timetable and things you need to know forms.

Tuesday 3 July Cake baking My Place Youth Facility Enjoy an afternoon of deliciousness as we bake some tasty treats. Cost: \$5 Time: 1.30-3.30pm	Wednesday 4 July Cake decorating My Place Youth Facility Decorate your baked goodies and enjoy an afternoon of fun. Cost: Free Time: 1.30-3.30pm	Thursday 5 July T-Shirt Printing My Place Youth Facility Customise your t-shirts with your own unique design. 15 shirts provided. Cost: \$5 Time: 1-3.30pm	Friday 6 July AFL HCG, Riddwood Refreshed! A tribute to the HCG. Come along to support your favourite team. Cost: \$10 Time: See bus timetable
Archerly attack Bawlyp Football Oval Tap in the biggest! Archerly attack, where team spirit meets doggyball. Cost: \$10 Time: See bus timetable	Silent disco Long Ling Community Hall Groove to your own mix and dance the afternoon away in our exciting silent disco. Cost: Free Time: See bus timetable	Lino printing Bream's Library Want to try something new? Check out your design and create an awesome piece. Cost: Free Time: See bus timetable	No Activity
Resin art My Place Youth Facility Create mesmerising swirls of colour and turn them into a beautiful piece of artwork. Cost: Free Time: 1.30-3.30pm	Snow Day Lake Ploverside Rig up and get ready to come up the slopes on a zodiac on Lake Ploverside. Cost: \$50 Time: See bus timetable	Ten Pin Bowling Nave Warren Knock down those pins and score a strike in a fun 10th game of bowling. Cost: \$18 Time: See bus timetable	Library Lock-in Pakenham Library Chill at the library with a cup of tea, fun activities and more! Cost: Free Time: 6-8pm
Art class Bawlyp Hall Learn a range of techniques for art and create a masterpiece. Cost: Free Time: See bus timetable	Hip Hop Dancing Long Ling Community Hall Get your groove on the team! Hip hop with a professional dance teacher. Cost: Free Time: See bus timetable	Virtual reality Greenall Community House Escape the real world and step into a virtual reality of fun and excitement. Cost: Free Time: See bus timetable	No Activity

Booking forms available at:
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