Vision: To instil in children a life-long love of learning
Mission: To provide each child with the opportunity to develop their full potential for intellectual, social and personal growth

RESPECT
FAIRNESS
COMPASSION
UNDERSTANDING
HONESTY

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

PUPIL FREE DAY NEXT FRIDAY
A reminder that next Friday, May 20, will be a Pupil Free Day and there will be no classes for children on this day. Teachers will be using this day to commence work on assessment and reporting processes to ensure that our student reports and mid-year interviews are as accurate and beneficial to parents as possible.

OSHClub will be offering out of school hours care on this day. If you would like to book your child in for this please contact the program on 0417 522 578 or book via the OSHClub website.

As it is a Pupil Free Day there will be no ‘Bimbadeen Blaze’ next week. The next newsletter will come out on Friday May 27.

BIMBADEEN SHOWCASE & OPEN NIGHT – THURSDAY MAY 19
Next Thursday from 5:00 to 6:00pm, preceding our School Open night, we will be holding a special Bimbadeen Showcase Performance in the BER building. This is a program where we invite prospective parents to come along and see the best of Bimbadeen with presentations from some of our student leaders and performances by some of Bimbadeen’s most talented. Please tell any of your friends who are considering a school for next year about this special event.

They can then stay after the Showcase performance and visit the classrooms as part of our Open Night (6:00pm to 7:30pm) or have a tour of the school with the principal or assistant principals. All classrooms will be open with the invitation for all parents to come and visit and look at the displays of children’s work and see where they spend six hours a day! The library and other specialist rooms will be open for parents to visit. There will also be a Book Fair in the library where you can buy a book to take home and fabulous coffee for sale near the office! Please put the date on your calendar and we look forward to seeing you here next Thursday evening.
I am really pleased with the way that our Year 3 & 5 students managed the NAPLAN tests this week. At Bimbadeen we take a balanced approach to the NAPLAN and strive not to overemphasise the importance of these ‘snapshot’ assessments. Teachers do a great job of ensuring that children do not become stressed or overly anxious and encourage them to simply do their best and demonstrate what they know.

We look forward to receiving the NAPLAN reports back later in the year as they give us another perspective on children’s learning achievements in literacy and numeracy measured against every other Year 3 & 5 child in Australia. This enables us to reflect on the needs of these specific groups of students. The results also give us another view of the success of our literacy and numeracy teaching and learning programs, not only in Year 3 & 5 but also in the years leading up to them.

Last year I came across a lovely letter on social media that was purportedly written by some teachers to their Year 3 students. I can’t vouch for its authenticity however I completely support the truths that it includes. I thought it worthwhile to share again this year.

Dear Students,
This week you will sit your NAPLAN test. Before you take this test there is something very important for you to know:
This test does not assess all of what makes each of you special. The people who score these tests don’t know that some of you love to sing, are good at drawing or can teach others how to use a computer program. They have not seen the way that some of you can dance with grace or speak confidently to a large group. They do not know that your friends count on you to be there for them when they are sad. They do not know that you participate in sports, help your Mum and Dad or that you play with your little brother, sister or cousins. They do not know that you are caring, thoughtful and that every day you do your best. These attributes cannot be tested. The scores you get from this test will tell you how you did on that day, but they will not tell you everything. They can’t tell you that you have improved on something that you once found difficult. They can’t tell you that you brighten up your teacher’s day. They can’t tell you how amazingly special you are. So come to school ready to do your best for NAPLAN test and remember there is no one way to ‘test’ all of the wonderful things that make you, YOU!

Kind regards,
Your teacher.

On the next two Tuesday’s the assistant principals and myself are extending an open invitation to all parents to come and meet with us for 30 – 45 minutes in forums with other parents from your year level. These meetings are an opportunity to talk about our school and programs. We will go over the school master-plan and talk about the future building project and how we will manage this as well as answer any questions you may have.

The dates for these meetings are as follows:
- Year 1 & 2 parents – Tuesday May 17th 9:00am
- Year 3 & 4 parents – Tuesday May 17th 3:00pm
- Foundation parents – Tuesday May 24th 9:00am
- Year 5 & 6 parents – Tuesday May 24th 3:00pm
- An evening session for anyone who can’t make the daytime sessions – Wednesday June 8th 6:00pm

These meetings will be held in the Parent room, Room 19 near the Foundation Playground. I hope that many take advantage of these opportunities to meet with us. This is just one more way that we strive to ensure that there is good communication within our school community and that all parents have the opportunity to speak with us.

China Homestay Hosts Needed
During our recent visit to our sister school six of our Year 6 students experienced the family lifestyle and culture by staying in the homes of Year 5 or 6 students from our sister school. This is one of the most powerful and authentic learning experiences that children can have to better understand life in another country. Our sister-school will be sending ten students and two teachers out to visit us next term, in late July or early August. We want their children to experience our lifestyle and culture through a home stay program just as our children did when we were in China. We are therefore seeking volunteers who would be willing to provide home stay for the Chinese students. If you are interested in being a home stay host for one or two children could you please contact the office and I will send home additional information and a form that you can complete and return to me.

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‘The language of friendship is not words but meanings.’
(Henry David Thoreau)
**SCHOOL NURSE VISIT**

Jody Daff, a visiting primary school nurse from the Department of Education and Training, will be attending the school to conduct the Foundation grade health assessments in the week starting Monday 8th August and to see other children as requested by parents or teachers (with parents’ consent). All Foundation students should have already brought home a Health Questionnaire Envelope and we asked parents to return these to their child’s teacher by Thursday 19th May.

The purpose of the visit is to provide all Victorian children with the opportunity to have a health assessment; to link children, families and school communities to services available in the community; and to provide information and advice that promotes health and wellbeing.

Parents of students (other than Prep students) that wish their child to be seen by the school nurse need to complete a referral form available from the school office.

Parents are invited to contact the visiting primary school nurse if there are any issues they wish to discuss. The contact number for the visiting primary school nurse is 0412 081 846. If you have any questions about the visiting school nurse please speak to your child’s teacher or Mr Fowler.

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

**LIBRARY AWARDS**

At this week’s Monday assembly the following children, and their respective book choices selections, were ‘lucky dipped’ from the Library Awards box.

- Charlie W (1LN) – ‘Aussie Jingle Bells’
- Tia C (0MR) – ‘Strawberry Shortcake’ – Jumbo Colouring book
- Corey E (6MR) – ‘101 School Jokes’
- Millie A (3/4E) – Classic Adventures book
- Kayden R (6HR) – ‘Stinking Space Jokes’
- Grace D (2TJ) – ‘Lauren the Puppy Fairy’
- Mataya S (1CB) – ‘Ella & Olivia – Cupcake Catastrophe’
- Shaylee W (0BD) – ‘Scooby-Doo’ Colouring book

**BOOK FAIR**

Our ‘Book Fair’ opened today! During next week our students will be browsing through the books held in the Book Fair during their library lessons. Should students wish to make a purchase the library will be open both before and after school for the full week Monday 16th - Monday 23rd May and also on ‘Showcase Night’ for this purpose. We are still in need of some helpers to help with sales at these times. Please feel free to drop by if you can spare some time.

Many thanks,
Karin Sansom
Library

**Bayswater Bucks**

Total 2016 = $30

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**UNIFORM**

We always strive to keep our uniform costs as low as possible for parents, however please be advised that due to price increases from our supplier some items have now increased in cost. This price increase has come into effect as of 10th May 2016. A new uniform price list is available at the office or on our website.

**SICKBAY**

We are in desperate need of spare uniform in the sickbay for our younger students. If you have any size 4 - 8 uniform that you are able to donate it would be much appreciated for the little mishaps that happen and a child needs a change of clothes.
Bimbadeen Heights Primary School invites prospective students and their parents to our **SHOWCASE EVENING**

Thursday 19th May

5:00—6:00pm

Followed by our whole school Open Night from 6:00-7:30pm and the Book Fair in the Library

Come along to meet our Principal, Teachers, School Leaders and Students to hear and see what Bimbadeen Heights Primary School can offer your child.

Hayrick Lane, Mooroolbark

Phone: 9726 9989

Website: [www.bimbadeenheightsps.vic.edu.au](http://www.bimbadeenheightsps.vic.edu.au)

Email: bimbadeen.heights.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
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CANTEEN

CANTEEN ROSTER
TERM 2

Week - ending 20th May 2016

Monday 16/05 CLOSED
Tuesday 17/05 Amanda Dorning
Jodi Jordan
Nicole Bendall
Wednesday 18/05 Anne Evans
Jenny Hall
Gemma Bishop
Thursday 19/05 Sally Jackson
Karen Witchell
Kellie Vasiliou
Raewyn Toomer
Anita Scott
Friday 20/05 CLOSED
CURRICULUM DAY

If you are unable to attend your rostered shifts, could you please make arrangements for a replacement or ring Vicki Taylor on 9726-8170.

Kitchens by YVCM

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OSHClub
Before & After School Care

16 May - 20 May 2016

Dear Parents/Guardians,
Welcome back to OSH Club for another week! We have been receiving lots of wonderful feedback from parents which is greatly appreciated as it helps us create a better service for the children. We are working extremely hard to make sure each and every child is well supported and happy when they’re with us!

Operating Hours
BSC: 7:00am - 6:45am
ASC: 3:30pm - 6:00pm
Late Pick-ups will incur extra costs

What’s on next week @ Before & After School Care......

MONDAY

Playground activities!

TUESDAY

TACO TUESDAY!

WEDNESDAY

Clay Making

THURSDAY

Building Contest!

FRIDAY

Soccer!

We are continuing our push for healthier lifestyles and it is fantastic to see so many children joining in group games or playing their own games outside. The Department of Health recommends children participate in at least 60 minutes of Vigorous exercise each day and we are reaching this goal which is fantastic!

Student of the Week Winners are:
Zali Flowers & Charlie Barton.
Congratulations!

REMINDEERS:

PLEASE CONTACT US BY TEXT MESSAGE - 0417 824 578
- Remember to have a healthy and safe lunch! If the children have been to another other School
- VICKI'S PHONE NUMBER IS 0417 824 578
- Visit www.oshclub.com.au for more information
- Visit our Facebook page
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“Reaching for the Heights”
### Canteen Open Night Menu

**Thursday 19 May • 5:30pm - 7pm**

Come along and support your school canteen. Grab a bite to eat whilst touring the school.

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Chirnside Park Pre-School
2016 OPEN DAY

Saturday 21st May - 10am to 12pm
1 Meadowgate Drive Chirnside Park
9726 7536

*Enrol for our 3 & 4 Year Old Programs
*Enquire about our play based curriculum

BIMBADEEN
PRE SCHOOL
OPEN DAY

May 21st
11am - 2pm
25 Bimbadeen Drive
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Tour Of Kinder
Meet The Teachers
Enrolment Enquiries
Colouring Competition
Sausage Sizzle
Fun Activities
Bake Sale

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